### LET'S CELEBRATE!

### March Birthdavs

1 Jeana Heldt	10 Brian Rabinowitz	14 Marianna Perez	24 Landon Vetter
3 Trisha Carbone	Sean Mitchell	15 Jemma Hesleitner	Hayden Vetter
5 Laura Lucas	11 Bill Quinn	18 Barbara Garofolo	25 Richard Petracca
Andrea Perez	12 Kimberly Livingston	20 Richard Cowan	28 Philip Riekert
Katie Padavan	Sam Aarseth	Kimberly Waletitsch	29 Harley Erhardt
Frank Padavan, Jr.	13 Paige Donohue	24 Annette Hesleitner	30 Michelle Rabinowitz

#### March Anniversaries

Nancy and Steve Mattson – 3/5/1983, 42 years Richard and Barbara Petracca – 3/11/1972, 53 years Georgina & John Binder – 3/26/1966, 59 years

Your Generosity at Work

in the Community & the World 2/23 Worship Attendance: Adults: 73 Kids: 18 Offering's Received 2/17-2/23: \$1,508

Walk to Emmaus Men's Walk #52 April 3, 2025 - 7:00 PM to April 6, 2025 - 5:00 PM St. Joseph's Villa, Hampton Bays, NY For more information, see Virginia Lorenzi or Matthew Clark and visit www.nyacwalktoemmaus.org. Space is limited.

### Altar Guild Leader Needed

Our sweet Pat Hansen has retired from her position as Leader of CUMC's Altar Guild. Pat was responsible for decorating the altar by changing the flowers and other decorative elements with the changing of the seasons. We appreciate her dedication and hard work for so many years. Now we need someone to pick up the torch. If you are interested, please see Barbara Dillon or Holly Aarseth for more information or call the Church Office.

Thank you!

#### IN CASE OF A PASTORAL EMERGENCY

Call Pastor Sue at: church office - 516 541-7008; cell phone - 617 999-7081 Pastor Sue Hyosuk Yun E-Mail – pastorsue.yun@gmail.com 1. Pastor Sue is available on a flexible appointment basis for individual pastoral counseling for Zoom and telephone spiritual care of individual members. Pastor Sue can also refer persons to other professionals as needed. 2. The congregation care network is available for Zoom and telephone spiritual care of individual members

### **TODAY March 2, 2025**

\*\*Recorded Worship available at 12 p.m. When joining us for the Recorded Online Worship, please use one of the following: CUMC Website Address: www.cumcmassapequa.org Facebook: https://bit.ly/FACEBOOKcumc YouTube: https://bit.ly/cumcmassapequa



THANKS to Tony Gittens for acting as Liturgist, Frank Waletitsch & Steve Mattson for Ushering, Annette Hesleitner for doing Coffee Hour, and Barbara Dillon for being Communion Steward

### THIS WEEK

The "Service Box/We Care Visitors" Dispatcher is Kim Gill (516) 795-9689

Mon. Mar. 3	7:30 p.m. – Meeting for Good Friday dramatic presentation @ Bellmore UMC
Tues. Mar. 4	10:00 a.m. – Adult Bible Study
	5:30-7:00 p.m. – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner
	7:30 p.m. – Coop. Parish Council Meeting
Wed. Mar. 5	12:30 p.m. – Ash Wednesday Service @ CUMC
	7:30 p.m. –Ash Wednesday Service @ East Meadow UMC (TBC)
	*Prayer Team Meeting is Cancelled
	7:45 p.m. – Adult Choir Practice
Sun. Mar. 9	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School
	*Daylight Savings Time

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Wed. Mar. 12	7:00 p.m. – Coop. Parish Lenten Service Hosted by Grace UMC at CU *Light dinner being served at 6:00 p.m. in Howard Hall			
	7:00 p.m. – Prayer Meeting			
	7:45 p.m. – Adult Choir Practice			
Sun. Mar. 16	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School			
	*Healing Service *Church Council Meets after Worship	)		
Tues. Mar. 18	Evening - Community Nursery School Open House			
Wed. Mar. 19	7:00 p.m. – Coop. Parish Lenten Service at Simpson UMC, Amityville *Light dinner being served at 6:00 p.m.			
Sun. Mar. 23	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School	CAN YOU HEL		

#### **NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Liturgist – Pat Hansen Coffee Hour – Dottie Bausch Usher – David & Jeana Heldt 2/17-3/9 Kim Gill (516) 795-9689

LP? Volunteers are needed for Liturgist and Coffee Hour. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

## PANCAKES FOR DINNER! YAY!

Our Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner will be held in Howard Hall on Tuesday, March 4th. The pancakes will start flowing at 5:30pm and will be served continually until 7:00pm. You can show up at any time within that window and stay and eat as long as you like.

\$6/pp with immediate family max of \$24.



## Ash Wednesday Services March 5<sup>th</sup> 12:30 p.m. @ CUMC 7:30 p.m. @ East Meadow UMC (East Meadow Service To Be Confirmed)

The Sanctuary for Lent 2025 is our recommended devotional book for this Lenten season. Copies are available in the Narthex



THE LUPO FAMILY – young family & the father has been battling cancer for some time (Amy Branch) TOMMY LYONS (Olga Hernandez' son) SUSAN & PATRICK MARTIN – speedy recovery and good spirits (Lori Benzoni) **ROSALIND MCKELVEY – Virginia Lorenzi** SALVATORE MONACO (Dominique Monaco-Vetter) DOMINIQUE MONACO-VETTER – struggling with life stressors RONNIE MURPHY – cancer (Linda Garbutt) SAMANTHA MURRAY – 4 yrs. old; diagnosed with Celiac Disease (Russ & Linda Garbutt) SUZANNE that her family members find employment (Annette Hesleitner) JON ODERDONK – released from hospital; pray for recovery GREG ORLANDO – fighting childhood disease without cure (The Garbutt Family) MATT PARRINELLO – cancer (Garbutt) PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES & THEIR CAREGIVERS, DOCTORS, & RESEARCHERS **CAROL & ROY PETER** JAZMIN PETRACCA – diagnosed with rare genetic neuro disorder with no cure (The Petracca Family) ARAGON PEREZ – doing well after tongue surgery; born w/ health issues (Olga's Grandson) MARIANNA PEREZ – had been hospitalized for 17 days and is now recovering in rehab THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA who had to flee their homes due to the wild fires CHERIE RIDLEY'S FATHER – chronic kidney disease, please pray for healing, his family & healthcare team CHERIE & VIVIAN RIDLEY – pray for strength and protection after the loss of Jeff EILEEN RYNER – nearing the end of her life; pray for a peaceful passing; Anthony Gitten's Mother-in-law SALVATORE SCIEMCA – suffering with bursitis (Dominique Monaco-Vetter) JOHN SHARP –cancer treatment; scoutmaster of eagle scout doing project at CUMC (Kim Gill) JEFF SMITH- ongoing health concerns; underwent spinal fusion surgery to relieve pain; in rehab THE SMITH FAMILY for the passing of Kelley Smith, Jean Smith's daughter JEAN SMITH for strength and help in dealing with her medical concerns after her daughter's passing DOUGLAS SMITH for his struggles with alcoholism especially after the loss of his sister SOUTH KOREA for the political unrest there YZETTE TARSITANO – lung cancer (Annette Hesleitner) TAMARA TIVADAR (Cynthia Bohenek)

THE VESSA & HERNANDEZ FAMILIES for the passing of Anthony Vessa (Anita Hernandez)

MARGARET VOLENCE GARY VOLENCE JR. – blood clots (Garbutt) GARY VOLENCE SR. (Linda Garbutt) CAROL WHYTE – recovering from a stroke REV. JULIA YIM for the loss of her mother

Have a Prayer Gram sent to someone who could use the comfort and smile that comes from learning they are thought of. Fill out a Prayer Gram card that can be found in the pews or Narthex and leave it in the offering plate or call/email the Church Office.

### New Names added this week:

JOANNE DENINNO –recovering from cardiac event; Pray for physical strength & lifted spirits (Kim Gill) \*Please alert the church office when a person can be removed from the list

If you have asked for prayers for someone who is now on our prayer list, please give us an update and let us know how that person is doing. We pray our prayers are working or have worked, and would love to hear about it. Thank you!

### We Offer to God our Prayers and Concerns for:

DANIEL ALONZO - recovering from liver transplant and addiction (Tony Gittens) ALEX – Parkinson's (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz) LEONA ASMUNDO - fighting cancer (Lisa Kunz) ROBERT BREIDENBACH - having major health issues (Marianna Perez's cousin) BEN - had an accident; recovering from ear & eye surgery (Annette Hesleitner) THE BAPTISTE FAMILY (Dominique Monaco-Vetter) JOHN BINDER – (Gina's grandson) JOHN BINDER, Sr. - moved to rehab; doing better (Gina Binder's husband) TRACY BINDER – experiencing circulation issues causing lack of oxygen (Annette Hesleitner) ETHAN BURKE – 13yrs. old; diagnosed with lung cancer; had surgery (Russ & Linda Garbutt) AUGUSTO CABOTAGE (Andrea Perez' friend's father) CATHY – Cancer and other medical issues (Annette Hesleitner) SANDY CAPASSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt) TRICIA CARBONE- restarted Chemotherapy that will be six months' long CARLOS – Cancer; began hospice care; pray for his family & for his continued acceptance to his fate (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz) CHRISTINE CASTELLANO-neck & shoulder pain (Virginia Lorenzi) LOUIS COLONDONA – continued health concerns; pray for strength & healing (Kim Gill's Dad) AIDAN CONWAY – cancerous tumors (Jake Garbutt) CHERYL COWAN – strength in spirit & body CUMC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS (Virginia Lorenzi) MELISSA DI IORIO NORIS – bone cancer (Mattson) EILEEN & JOE – Lung Cancer & Leukemia (Debbie Holland) JEFF, NICOLE, JAKE & LUKE (Garbutt) ERICA FALCO - struggling with illness and the cost of medical care (Alexa Rabinowitz) JANET FAZIO – uterine cancer (Linda Garbutt) HELENE GASKA (Perez) DIMITRA GIATZIKIS – Having health issues (heart, hips and knees) (Virginia Lorenzi) MICHELLE GOTTLIEB has a rare cancer and currently receiving chemo (Kim Gill's friend) ISADORE GRASSANO – doing new treatment after his kidney transplant (Son of Gina Grassano) RICHARD HEATH – brain injury (Ora Heath's son) MANUEL HERNANDEZ (Olga's brother) ANNETTE HESLEITNER – struggling with illness; trying to recover her strength FRIEND OF ANNETTE HESLEITNER diagnosed with cancer JOHN, JAIMEE & JEMMA HESLEITNER moved to Arizona JANE JOHNSON – breast cancer/chemo (Sue Vulin's niece) THE KASIN FAMILY & FRIENDS for the sudden tragic loss of Connor Kasin LISA KUNZ & FAMILY for strength, guidance & peace after the loss of their beloved Tim JOAN LANGTON from Seaford UMC; fell while helping another; broken meniscus & torn ligaments PAT LARSON for strength and peace as she grieves her husband, Ron (Linda & Russ Garbutt) LESLIE LENZ GARY LENZ – fighting leukemia; having a bone marrow transplant CAROLYN LORENZI – having health issues LINDA – breast cancer; had a double mastectomy and started chemo (The Petracca Family)





A gofundme has been created to support Cherie & Vivian during this incredibly difficult time. You can donate using the QR code above.

A Meal Train has also been organized. Use this link to sign up. https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/73q01n

\*A memorial service for Jeff will be scheduled in the near future.

## **Food Collection**

CUMC collects food for the needy on an ongoing basis. There is a basket in the narthex for non-perishable food collection. When the basked is full, volunteers deliver your donations to a local food pantry. While doing your food shopping, please keep our neighbors in need in mind and then add an item to the basket on Sundays.



Thank you for your continued support of this important CUMC ministry.



## This Lent, Let's Pray For Each Other Introducing Secret Prayer Partners

- 1. Fill out form and put in box (or mail to church office).
- 2. All forms must be received on or before March 9.
- 3. When instructed to, pick a name from the box on March 9<sup>th</sup> and SHHH...don't tell the person you picked them!
- 4. Secretly pray for them from March 9<sup>th</sup> through Palm Sunday.
- 5. Send your prayer partner an occasional short note/card by traditional mail letting them know you are praying for them. May include a verse, quote, song, but **do not put your name it**!
- 6. Attend Palm Sunday coffee hour.
- 7. NO gifts.
- 8. Must be 18 or older to participate.
- 9. Anyone not directly participating is asked to join in by praying for all church members.

\*\*Prayer Reveal Party\*\*
On Palm Sunday at Coffee Hour, meet
the person behind the prayers!!!



## LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE

### Cooperative Parish Joint Lenten Fellowship & Services

Coop. Parish Joint Lenten worship services will be held every Wednesday after Ash Wednesday. Each service will start with a light dinner at 6pm, followed by worship service at 7pm. The schedule is as follows:

March 12<sup>th</sup> – CUMC (Hosted by Grace UMC) March 19<sup>th</sup> - Simpson UMC, Amityville March 26<sup>th</sup> - CUMC April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bellmore UMC April 9<sup>th</sup> – Seaford UMC

### Volunteers are Needed

to help with the Light Dinner at 6 pm before the Coop. Parish Lenten Worship Service at CUMC at 7 pm on Wed., March 26<sup>th</sup>

### We will need:

- Volunteers to coordinate the dinner
- Single-serving desserts (cookies, brownies, cupcakes)
- Set up before and/or clean up after the meal

Let's warmly welcome our Cooperative Parish Brothers and Sisters to the CUMC of Massapequa!

### **Holy Week Services**

April 13<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday 10:00 a.m. @ CUMC

April 17<sup>th</sup> — Maundy Thursday 7:30 p.m. @ CUMC

April 18<sup>th</sup> - Good Friday Joint service with a dramatic presentation 7:30 p.m. @ Bellmore UMC

April 20th – Easter Sunday 10:00 a.m. @ CUMC \*Easter Egg Hunt to follow

## Calling all Drama Kings & Queens!

On Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, the Cooperative Parish Good Friday service will be held at Bellmore United Methodist Church. The worship service will include a dramatic presentation. If you are interested in participating in the dramatic presentation, please attend a meeting on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at Bellmore UMC.

The CUMC Children's Choir will perform on April 13th, Palm Sunday

This Lenten season, the Monday Anti-Racist Book Club & the Tuesday Bible Study Group will both be reading

### The Final Days: A Lenten Journey Through the Gospels

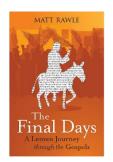
## by Matt Rawle

You can join them at any time. Both groups meet over Zoom. For Monday's speak to Virginia Lorenzi for more information and for Tuesday's speak to Peggy Racine or Gina Binder.

The Monday's group schedule is as follows:

March 10: Chapter Intro and Chapter 1
March 24: Chapter 2 & 3
March 7: Chapter 4 & 5
March 14: Chapter 5 & 6

The Tuesday group meets every other Tuesday at 10am. The next meeting will be March 4<sup>th</sup>.



## **SECRET PRAYER PARTNERS FORM**

If you would like to participate in our Lenten Secret Prayer Partner activity and are 18 years or older, please fill out this form, fold it in half so your name and information cannot be seen, and bring to church next Sunday March 9<sup>th</sup> and place in the Secret Prayer Partner box. Participants will pick their partner on that Sunday. This form will help your secret prayer partner know how to pray for you.

Name:	
Address:	
City:	
Zip Code:	

About Me:

What brings me joy:

I would appreciate prayers for:

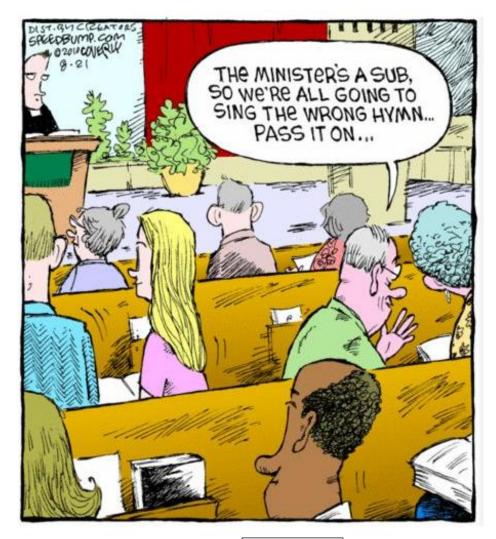
## **CUMC** Kids

### Solve these Easter Riddles (Answer Key below Chuckle)

- 1. How do you send Easter greetings?
- 2. Why did the duck get fired from his Easter job?
- 3. When do the kids go to bed on Easter?



# The Sunday Chuckle



Riddle Answer Key

3 Answer: When they're eggs-osted.

2 Answer: He kept quacking the eggs.

h Answer: By hare mail.