

 **LECTIONARY READINGS**

February 7th Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Exodus 34:29-35, Psalm 99, 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2, Luke 9:28-36

February 14th First Sunday in Lent Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

February 21st Second Sunday in Lent Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18, Psalm 27, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-35

February 28th Third Sunday in Lent Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

Ushers

February 7th: Dorli Retinger-9:30

Karen Gierie Newman-11:30

February 14th: Joyce Campanella, Carolyn Holzbaaur
Dot & Bob Paine-9:30, Karen Gierie Newman-11:30

Communion Stewards

February 7th: Nisha Misra, Myrna Loudon,
Usha Singh, Tom Sattler

February 21st: Usha Singh, Myrna Loudon,
Rob Schozer, Bob Carle

Greeters

February 7th: The Wurth Family

February 14th: Joan Ganz

∞ **CONFIRMATION CORNER** ∞

Feb. 7th 11:00-12:30 Confirmation Class

Feb. 28th 11:00-12:30 Confirmation Class

∞ **YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE** ∞

February 13th 4:00-10:30 Chrysalis Rally @ Hicksville UMC

February 26th 6:30-9:00 Youth Group combined with Hicksville Youth

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES: February 10th 12:00 noon at FUMC & Cluster Service **7:30pm** at *Simpson UMC*, 30 Locust Avenue, Amityville.

✠ **LENTEN STUDY PROGRAM 2016** ✠

We will be studying “*The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus*” by Adam Hamilton. Evenings begin at **5:00pm** with a potluck dinner, followed by DVD & group discussions. 40 Day Devotional books “*The Way: 40 Days of Reflection*” are available for purchase in the So. Transept for \$7.00. Following are the topics for each Sunday:

February 14th – Baptism and Temptation

February 21st – The Healing Ministry

February 28th – Proclaiming the Kingdom

March 6th – Calming the Storm

March 13th – Sinners, Outcasts, and the Poor

March 20th – The Final Week

PRAYER for the LENTEN SEASON

Gracious God, You take delight in those who trust in You and choose to work in response to the prayers of Your people. We praise You for the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have life, joy and peace.

Lord, we pray for our Lenten Journey that You will bless & use this opportunity to strengthen our walk with Christ and discover new dimensions of faith, hope and love that we may live to do Your will. Grant that we may experience afresh renewal and growth in our faith and in our church. We pray in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

PLEDGE CARDS: If you have not had a chance to express your financial support for the church by submitting your 2016 pledge card, you can still do so. Let’s partner together to serve God’s purpose. You may drop it in the offering plate or mail it to the Church Office. Pledge cards are available at the Office and the South Transept.

NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES: The 2016 envelopes are available in the back of the *Sanctuary*. If you do not currently have a number assigned, but wish to receive an envelope set, please call the *Church Office*. If you are unable to make it to Church, Pastor Shim would be more than happy to deliver them. Just call the Church Office.

LONG ISLAND EAST DISTRICT DISCIPLE TO DISCIPLE TRAINING EVENT: (Formerly Leader to Leader Workshops) takes place **Sat. February 6th** at *Westbury UMC* from 8:30am-2:30pm. The following workshops are offered •Role of Servant and Lay Leaders •Missions •Worship Development •Church Finances •Trustees •Evangelism (Being a Contagious Christian) •Church and Technology (Response in a Disaster). Please call the *Church Office* if you are interested in attending.

LAY SERVANT CLASSES: applications for Basic and Advanced courses are available in the *So. Transept*. The courses are designed to help persons develop their skills in leadership, communication and care-giving. The classes are offered on five Saturdays (2/20, 2/27, 3/5, 3/12 & 3/19) from **8:30am-12:00pm** at *Westbury UMC, First Baldwin UMC*.

LAY SERVANT YOUTH BASIC COURSE: will be held on three Saturdays 2/20, 3/5 & 3/19 from **8:30-1:00pm** at *Westbury UMC*. Registration forms are in the So. Transept.

2015 ANNUAL REPORTS: All committees and ministries are asked to submit an annual report as soon as possible. If you have already done so for the *Charge Conference*, please submit your most updated report. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE: Lancaster, PA bus trip to see **Samson** on **Sat. Nov. 12, 2016**. \$135.00. Contact *Joan Ganz* jganz65@verizon.net 516-249-2119.

IN NEED OF PRAYERS: Emily Brown, Bill Landahl, Usha Singh, Bill Jones, Rose Marie Tiedemann, Barbara Middendorff, Muriel Knoell, Marge Brem, Cynthia Hansen, Ruth Burkhardt, Laura Ohler, Joseph Varghese, Ruth Mace and ALL our troops seeking to restore peace. *If you know of someone in the hospital, or someone who wishes a pastoral visit, please call the Church Office.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7th

Sun.	9:30am	Family Friendly Worship
	11:30am	Praise Service
	1:00pm	Soup Group - F. Hall
Mon.	7:00pm	Paisley Circle
Tues.	6:00pm	UMW "Shrove Tuesday"
		Pancake Supper – F. Hall
	7:15pm	A.A. - Bike Room
Wed.	12:00pm	Ash Wednesday Svc. @FUMC
	1:30pm	Bible Study
	7:30pm	Ash Wednesday Svc.
		@Amityville Simpson UMC
Thurs.	8:00pm	Chancel Choir
Fri.	5:30pm	A.A. - F. Hall
	7:30pm	Covenant Group
Sat.	8:00am	Men's Group
	8:30am	Tai Chi
	11:00am	L.I. Yoga
	4:00pm	Chrysalis Rally @Hicksville UMC

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14th

Sun.	9:30am	Family Friendly Worship
	11:30am	Praise Service
	1:00pm	Soup Group - F. Hall
	5:00pm	Lenten Program
Mon.	OFFICE CLOSED – <i>Presidents' Day</i>	
Tues.	12:00pm	Gold Circle
	7:15pm	Martha/Mary Circle
	7:15pm	A.A. - Bike Room
	7:30pm	UMM
Wed.	1:30pm	Bible Study
Thurs.	8:00pm	Chancel Choir
Fri.	5:30pm	A.A. - F. Hall
	6:30pm	Moms of Faith Group
Sat.	8:00am	Men's Group
	8:30am	Tai Chi

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