

 **LECTIONARY READINGS**

January 24th Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a, Luke 4:14-21

January 31st Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Luke 4:21-30

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

Ushers

January 24th: Dorli Retinger-9:30

Karen Gierie Newman-11:30

January 31st: Joyce Campanella, Carolyn Holzbaur
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

January 24th: Joan Ganz

January 31st: Betty & Danny Gastelua

∞ **CONFIRMATION CORNER** ∞

Jan. 24th 11:00-12:30 Confirmation Class

Jan. 31st 1:00-2:30 Confirmands meeting with Pastor Shim

∞ **YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE** ∞

January 31st 9:30am - youth will lead the worship service.

January 31st 5:30pm - MYF meeting

INSTALLATION OF LAITY in MINISTRY for 2016

Sunday, January 31st at 9:30am service. All ministry leaders & officers of committees are urged to join in worship as they are dedicated to God's purpose for the New Year.

✠**LENTEN STUDY:** begins **February 14th** and continues for six Sundays starting at 5:00pm with a potluck dinner. We will be studying "The Way" by Adam Hamilton.

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.

NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: for September 2016 classes is **Wed. Feb. 3rd, 9:15am** in the Nursery School Office for church members and presently enrolled students. Open registration is **Thurs. Feb. 4th, 9:15am**. We have programs for children 18 months-4years old. Please call the Nursery School Office at 516-293-9078 for further information.

HUMAN RELATIONS DAY please use the envelopes in the So. Transept for your offering which strengthens United Methodist outreach to communities in the U.S. and Puerto Rico, encouraging social justice and work with at-risk youth.

UMW is preparing personal care boxes for the Children's Home in Binghamton. If you'd like to help, there is a list of items needed and a collection box in the So. Transept. Thank you!

Due to the generosity of our congregation we were able to donate 34 cheer bears to the Farmingdale Fire Department for use with persons involved in fires and other emergencies. Thank you!

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.

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. Deadline for registration is 2/8.

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.

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 JANUARY 24th

Sun.	9:30am	Family Friendly Worship
	11:00am	Confirmation Class
	11:30am	Praise Service
	1:00pm	Soup Group - F. Hall
Mon.	6:00pm	Lay Leaders' Mtg.
	7:00pm	Church Council - F. Hall
Tues.	7:15pm	A.A. - Bike Room
	7:30pm	Finance - Library
Wed.	1:30pm	Bible Study
	7:45pm	Accessibility Task Force Mtg.
Thurs.	8:00pm	Chancel Choir
Fri.	5:30pm	A.A. - F. Hall
Sat.	8:00am	Men's Group
	8:30am	Tai Chi

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 31st

Sun.	9:30am	Family Friendly Worship
		Youth Sunday/Leaders' Installation
	10:45am	Anniversary Comm. Mtg.
	11:30am	Praise Service
	1:00pm	Soup Group - F. Hall
	1:00pm	Confirmation Mtg. w/ Pastor
	5:30pm	MYF
Tues.	7:15pm	A.A. - Bike Room
	7:30pm	Trustees - Library
Wed.	1:30pm	Bible Study
Thurs.	8:00pm	Chancel Choir
Fri.	5:30pm	A.A. - F. Hall
Sat.	8:00am	Men's Group
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