

- THE CIRCUIT RIDER -
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF ISLIP
MAY 2019

Pastor: Douglas Madlon
Worship Service Sunday 10:00AM
Office Hours: Tues. & Thurs. 9-2, Wed. 9 – 1, Fri. 9-11
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United Methodist Church Mission Statement

The United Methodist Church of Islip provides religious and emotional support to the members of our church and community. We strive to do this by being an open, caring congregation that welcomes people of all races, ages and nations. With God's help we seek to be Christ-centered in our hearts, minds and actions. We extend to all people the hand of friendship in Christian love.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR DOUG

A while ago a survey indicated the reasons people gave for attending and becoming members of a church:

Five percent said they just walked in. Five percent joined because of the particular clergyman or woman. Five percent came because of an advertised program. Four percent came because of a personal crisis or need. Eighty-one percent began to come because of the invitation from a friend or relative.

I would like May to be “invite a neighbor, friend or relative to church” month. Just think, if everyone invited someone to church and they fell in love with our church family and became active members, our sanctuary would be filled to capacity every Sunday!

We also need to invite our neighbors, family and friends to bring their children to Sunday School. The Islip United Methodist Church offers an outstanding Sunday School program for our children. Remember, children need to be nurtured in the faith. A Church school education is as important as reading, writing and arithmetic.

And the most exciting thing is that it is our job to do the inviting. There isn't a single person in our church who hasn't invited someone to something. We all have invited people to our house for dinner. We have invited people to birthday parties, graduation parties, bar-b-ques, family gatherings. We all do inviting all the time. Except we do not do very well in inviting people to the place where they will hear the message “Follow Me.”

In the Gospel, Jesus said to the people over and over and over again, “Follow Me.” Jesus said it to people who were not all that different from us 21st Century Christians. If you read the Gospel passage from Luke 9:51-62, you will find that a number of the people who Jesus invited to follow him had a lot of pressures and responsibilities in their lives just like you and I. They were busy with family, and with work, and with all the chaos, all the pressure and all the demands that are placed upon us.

Yes, we have a church full of wonderful, God-loving people. Share the joy of being a member of our Church family by inviting someone to join our fellowship. Enjoy the spring of 2019. I hope you are getting plenty of spring fun, rest and relaxation!

May God bless you and your family.

Yours in the Love of Christ,

Pastor Douglas Madlon

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Jerry Anglim, Ellen Bergami, Janet Cassford, Virginia Ciccarelli, Harold Clock, Jan Corwin, Ann Delaney, Michael Dulin, Bob Einhart, Chris Galvin, Owen Hanrahan, Terri Knabbe, Gabby LaBarbera, Keith Lombardo, Doris Miller, Ruth Milligan, Alice Reilly, Hannah Rollins, David Sacino, Charlotte and Lee Sharkowitz, Sugar Teuten, Jean Wilson, Rumi Zaffer. Those serving in the Armed Forces.

Please check the Prayer List and let the church office know if a name can be removed.

Prayer cards may be purchased in the church office to send to the families of deceased. Memorial gifts may be mailed to the church at PO Box 507, Islip, NY 11751

ALTAR FLOWERS \$30.00 BULLETINS \$5.00

If you would care to order either item, please make your check payable to Islip United Methodist Church and forward to the church office. You may either mail the request or place on the secretary's desk. Payment must be made one week prior to the date wanted. If anyone currently owes for bulletins or flowers, please forward as soon as possible.

Just an idea: How about taking a month's worth of bulletins for \$20. Our bulletins are so beautiful but they do cost.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR APRIL WERE GIVEN:

By the Mehling Family in Loving Memory of "Grandpa" Laurin.

By Sue and Sonny Feinman for all the Feinman Birthdays!

In Honor of Robert Einhart's 93rd Birthday from his family.

By Ginny and Gary Penoro in Loving Memory of Gary's dad, Sal Penoro.

By Sharon Martelack in Honor of Bernadette.

Thank you for these beautiful gifts for the altar.

BULLETINS FOR APRIL WERE GIVEN:

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By Ginny and Gary Penoro in Memory of Adora Fortunato.

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Please sign up for upcoming months. This helps offset the cost of our beautiful bulletins. Thank you. See fellowship Hall bulletin board or call the church office.

Have you news for the monthly Circuit Rider newsletter? We would love to hear from you! Have you gotten engaged, married, received a promotion, a new arrival to the family, graduated high school, college? Have you a God Moment you would like to share? Please submit to the church office by the 15th of the month. We would love to hear from our young Methodists as well. What did you do during your vacation, school break, what classes do you find exciting in school? Any Church Committee news to share.

CHURCH NEWS

Congratulations to Victoria and Matthew Lick on the birth of their daughter, Margot Elizabeth, born on April 2, 2019. The proud grandmother is Nancy Vazquez.

A Memorial service for Merry Arnott will be held on Sunday, May 19th at Overton's Funeral Home in Islip from 1pm to 4pm. Many of our Islip Methodist children and parents I remember Merry as the Sunday school superintendent for many, many years.

ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES

Join us on Sunday, June 16th, Father's Day, to be recognized for all your hard work and dedication. Please let the church office know if you will be attending church that day and let us know of where you graduated from, your plans for the future, etc!!!
It is all about YOU!!!

Congratulations to our young Methodist students!!! Sofia Rubinson, Maddie Germano, Jean Johnson, Joyce Johnson!! These students qualified for many awards on the Science Olympiad Teams! Islip High School team took sixth place at the Eastern Long Island regional competition in January, which qualified them for the New York State Science Olympiad championships in March. Great work to these very hard working, intelligent students. We are so proud of you all.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MAY

May 5, 2019

Acts 9:1-20
Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

May 12, 2019

Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

May 19, 2019

Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35

May 26, 2019

Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67
Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5
John 14: 23-29

May 30, 2019

Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47
Ephesians 1:15-23
John 20:1-18 or
Luke 24:44-53

**THANK YOU TO OUR MARCH
LITURGISTS**

Ron Schimmenti, Michael
Gunther, Gary Penoro, and Mark
Savino.

If you would like to read the
scriptures at Sunday morning
worship, please call Fred Dymek
or the Church office.

*Read the Vision at www.nyac.com
Click on "The Vision" under quick links
for United Methodist News*

USHER / PROJECTIONIST

Please sign up in Fellowship Hall as an
usher or a projectionist. When we don't
have a volunteer for these purposes, it is
missed.

Please see Lay Assistant Pastor Fred
Dymek if interested.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Meets every Wednesday morning at 7:30am with
breakfast for a half hour. Then we adjourn to the parlor
for our Bible study.

No Bible experience is necessary and joining in the
discussion is purely voluntary. The breakfast is
prepared by different members each week and the
discussion is led by a different member each week also.
Participation in these tasks is voluntary. The cost of the
breakfast is \$5.00. The session ends about 8:30am.
Please join us.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Wednesdays every other week at 2:30pm in the parlor. See Sharon Martelack,
Georgia Kalivas or Pat Dymek for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

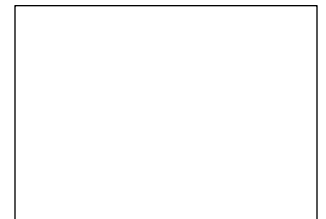
- May 5th – Bake Sale for Food Pantry’s Garden of Eat’n /
Native American Ministries Sunday offering**
- May 7th – Annual Council of Churches Blood Drive at Islip Presbyterian Church
3:00 – 8:30**
- May 9th – Soup Kitchen at Bay Shore UMC 4:00 – 5:30**
- May 11th – Mother’s Day Tea Party 12 noon to 3:00 (Habitat for Humanity fundraiser)**
- May 12th – Mother’s Day**
- May 18th – Saturday, Mission Walk at Heckscher State Park, Great River 9:30am – 3pm**
- May 19th – Promotion Sunday / Memorial service for Merry Arnott at Overton Funeral Home**
- May 23rd – Soup Kitchen at Bay Shore UMC 4:00 – 5:30**
- May 27th – Monday, Memorial Day observed**
- June 2nd – Confirmation Sunday - Communion**
- June 6th through 9th – Annual Conference at Hofstra University**
- June 12th – Wednesday, Planning Committee meeting 7:00pm**

CHRISTY EDWARDS PRINTS

Have you seen the Christy Edwards prints of the Islip UMC? There is one hanging on the back wall of the sanctuary. They are a limited edition with only 100 prints made available. They go for \$60 each. Treat yourself or someone who has cherished memories of Islip UMC. We all have many special memories of Islip United Methodist Church.

TREE OF LIFE

Leaves are available for inscription to remember a loved one or to celebrate a special date such as a birth, anniversary, etc. or to celebrate God’s love. They are \$75.00 each. Please see Doreen Burke or call 581-3297.



Mother’s Day

*Happy Mother’s Day to all!
Today we honor all the mothers that are here
And all those that have passed on.
Without the mothers
We would not be here.
These mothers have taken care of us
As babies and through adulthood.
Many are grandmothers and great grandmothers.
They have shown us the way over the years.
May God bless all the mothers here.
And wherever they are.*

Robert A. Einhart

FOOD PANTRY

Volunteers are needed occasionally to unload food delivery trucks. If you are available between 9am – 2pm, please email Susan at Scelzifamily@verizon.net

Summer will soon be here and children will not be getting breakfast and lunches in school. We expect to see an increase of clients in the coming month.

Sue Scelzi, Lynne Knippler, Janet Gesseck, Fred Knabbe

The staff of the Food Pantry is going to be holding a **BAKE SALE** to benefit the “Garden of Eat’n” Sunday - May 5th after church.

The garden provides fresh vegetables to the families that frequent the Food Pantry helping them provide nutritious food to their families.

Anyone wishing to donate any home baked item can drop it off before church on the 5th. Many different and delicious items will be available. Please visit our sale!

SOUP KITCHEN

Upcoming dates are May 9th and 23rd. Sign-up sheets are in Fellowship Hall. We ask for dishes to feed approximately 15 – 20 people. We require two main dishes, side dishes such as vegetables, potatoes and fruit and dessert. We are blessed to have our volunteers for this community service. You make a difference in the lives of those who come for a hot meal and a warm gathering, plus we have a great time in the kitchen! Thanks in advance for volunteering.

Angela Gunther

THRIFT SHOP

Help is always needed in the Thrift Shop. We are **short-handed**, especially on Fridays and Saturdays. There is much to sort through, to hang up, to help customers, etc. Please stop by and speak with Jan Corwin or Sue Feinman or any volunteer. The Thrift Shop is open 10 – 2 Mondays through Saturday. Sunday morning help for heavy items is also greatly appreciated. Needed are bags especially large bags for our customer’s great purchases. Can you lend a hand?

**The Islip Community Nursery School
has a Face Book page.
Check it out!!!**

This is a wonderful, fun- filled program held right here at Islip UMC. In operation for 50 years of excellence! They offer early Learners program which is for 2 year olds and they do not have to be potty-trained. Call Directors Ginny 631-581-8925



Please remember to keep your pledges current. It is with your pledge that we can fulfill and ensure the continuation of our mission projects, ministries, activities, outreach programs, as well as prolong the longevity of the Islip United Methodist Church.

Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

MANAGE YOUR GIVING ONLINE: Giving online is easy and allows you to set up automatic recurring contributions. You may view your complete giving history online at any time. Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the church website at www.islipumc.org
- 2) Scroll down past the picture of the church and Click on the green Donate Today! button on the left
- 3) Click on the Donations button or the Create Profile button
- 4) Follow the onscreen instructions to create an online profile and to schedule your recurring contributions

MAY BIRTHDAYS

3 Skip Seaman Jr
6 Allison Hanson
8 Bryan Winkler
8 Peighton McKenna
8 Todd Herrle
8 Matthew Henriksen
14 David Nappi
15 Perla Reyes
16 Thomas Moeller
17 Jill Herrle
17 Connor Langebek
18 Joseph Jungerkes
19 Virginia Dymek-Hernandez
23 Tyler Green
24 Matthew Einhart
25 Jordyn Grant
26 Karen Fleming
26 Douglas Handy
29 Ted Hanson
29 Daniel Klages
30 Kelly Stewart
30 Lois Overton
31 Robert Charuk

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

1 Steven & Lorette Einhart
8 Wendy & Dave LaRose
9 Betty & Steven Winkler
10 Michael & Penny Mehling
10 Lisa & Joseph Langebek
15 Stefanie & Michael Baranek

Many seniors are finding that the new tax laws cause them to take a standard deduction, rather than itemizing deductions on their federal tax filing. The new laws have increased the standard deduction while capping deductions for state and local taxes. If you take a standard deduction, then your direct charitable giving is not deductible.

If, however:

1. You are 70 ½ years of age (or more) this year, and
2. You are legally required to withdraw funds from a thrift plan. E.g. Receive required minimum distributions (RMD's) from a 401k, 403b, or some IRA's, and
3. You direct part of your RMD's to be paid to a charity.

Then you may deduct the value of your charitable contribution from your income. Note that the donations must be made directly from your thrift account to your designated charity. Those funds must not pass to you.

Talk with your financial representative and/tax preparer to see if this will benefit you.

QUINIPET Volunteer Weekend

“Spring Into Action” - Join us May 24th through 26th to get the camp ready for summer.

Projects may include painting, raking, grounds cleanup, etc. You will get to meet new people, worship together and have fun. Register on the camping website.

www.Quinipet.org

Housing and meals are free in appreciation of your help.

FAMILY BEACH WEEK – Start a new family tradition by experiencing summer camp as a family at Camp Quinipet on Shelter Island. Sail, swim, ride bikes, shuttle to nearby attractions, worship together, meet guest ministers and more. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Open week, register a-la-carte and come for any combination of days. Hostel-style and private rooms available.

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