



His Faithful Followers

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A Note from Pastor Kyle

Did you know that February has to some been considered the “Month of Love”. Sure you did; of course you did. And I am confident you know why. Perhaps, because we honor Saint Valentine... a saint of the 3rd century whose crime against humanity was to wed love filled couples against the “interests” of the state. According to legend and tradition (and according to the History Channel); on February 14, around the year A.D. 270, Valentine—a holy priest in Rome in the days of Emperor Claudius II - is said to have been executed. Under

the rule of Claudius the Cruel, Rome was involved in many unpopular and bloody campaigns. The emperor had to maintain a strong army, but was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military leagues. Claudius believed that Roman men were unwilling to join the army because of their strong attachment to their wives and families. To get rid of the problem, Claudius banned all marriages and engagements in Rome. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret.

But wait, there’s more. Legend has it that while in jail he (or another Valentine of the same era) fell for the jailer’s daughter... some go as far as saying they were in love. And in his cell (or the cell of the other Christian by the name Valentine... jailed and killed in the same era) they found a note after his death addressed to her. He signed it: “From Your Valentine”.

Hold on, there is a twist. Long before the first of no fewer than three “St Valentines,” there existed a Roman pagan festival called “Lubercalia”. No one knows the exact origin of Lupercalia, but it has been traced back as far as the 6th century B.C. This Roman festival day was held in hopes of warding off evil spirits and infertility.

In the late 5th century A.D., Pope Gelasius I renounced/eliminated the pagan celebration of Lupercalia and declared February 14 a day to celebrate the martyrdom of Saint Valentine instead. The Feast day of St. Valentine began - the birth of a new holiday. And how wonderful; they were able to link the Christian faith to the similar “spirit” of the pagan festival.

Ironically, the Roman Catholic Church removed St. Valentine’s Feast Day from it’s calendar in 1969. Feasts of the saints, according to the Church, should commemorate the very mysteries of salvation, the **“universal Church (should) commemorate saints who are truly of universal importance.”**



For God so loved the world.
JOHN 3:16



I confess I find intellectual amusement that “the Church” would create a feast to eliminate something that was happening in society... and then cancel it when they feel it is not of “universal importance!” to society. But wait, I have more thoughts on that. Even if that were to make senses – how is the expression/practice/experience of a day of love not warrant the category of universal importance?

John 3:16 For God so [WHAT] oh yeah... loved the world...

And lest you hear me attacking the Roman Catholic Church, let me add and be clear: I have heard time and again people in communities I have served complaining that Valentine’s Day is only for the “Card Companies!” I hear time and again people who don’t like the commercialism of a “not real” holiday.

I see such great opportunity for the church. What a chance for reclaimed evangelism – a chance to expand our evangelism. Perhaps the Roman Catholic Church no longer needs a feast day to remember and spread the power of love... but the Gospel mandate given by Christ in the 28th Chapter of Matthew tells me to

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations... teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.” And what was that command...? “To Love!”

Pastor Kyle



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Ladies' Lunch Bunch

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch is a time of fellowship for women who are single, widowed, divorced, or separated. They meet the first Monday of each month, at 12:30pm, in the church Fellowship Hall. **This month's luncheon is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 3.** We will enjoy a soup, salad, and bread meal – then engage in some “brain tweaking fun” with the help of Jan Funkhauser. It will be a great way to spend a cold winter afternoon.

If you would like to join Pastor Kyle for lunch this month, please let Barb Kingsley, or Cindy Gray know. If you would like to know more about this opportunity, please call Cindy Gray at 585-362-6206 or contact her at cgtgray1039@gmail.com.



Board of Trustees Updates

The members of the Board of Trustees are busy working on a large variety of projects that encompass the whole of the church building. From leaky faucets to electronic signs, we are researching, planning, and fixing things. The new boiler is working hard, and new HVAC units were installed last fall. The reupholstered sanctuary chairs look great. With the leadership of our newest trustee, Kelly Barrett, we will be working on cleaning and organizing the kitchen cabinets and closets. Watch for notices on work crew dates!

The trustees meet monthly, on the first Monday, at 7:00pm at the church. If you are interested in learning more about what we are doing, please contact Cindy Gray at cgtgray1039@gmail.com. Our February meeting is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 3.



“Souperbowl” Collection for RHAFT

Youth Group will be sponsoring a collection of non-perishable food items for RHAFT. Please bring in your items on or before February 9th. On that Sunday, there will be soup pots by the sanctuary to place your donations. If you drop them off before that date, you can place them in the trunk or entryway.

Thank you,

Alethea Coulter
Youth Ministry Director
Alethea.coulter@rushumc.org



Chili Cook-Off

Our annual Chili-Cook off will be on February 9th. Please bring in a pot of chili to share and participate in some friendly judging to see who will be crowned this year's chili champion! We are keeping the categories that we had last year: Classic (traditional meat and bean), Non-traditional (chicken, vegetarian, or other), and Spicy. Flyers and Rules will be posted around the church for additional information. Please invite your family and friends to join us. There will also be macaroni and cheese available. All donations go to support Youth Ministry.

Thank you,

Alethea Coulter
Youth Ministry Director
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Winter Wednesday Community Family Supper

Mark your calendars, and plan to join us in the church Fellowship Hall for a Fiesta Supper on Wednesday, February 26, from 5:30 – 7:00pm. We're serving “Make your own Tacos” and Cheese Quesadillas, with a side of fruits and veggies. Beverages and tableware are provided – just bring your appetites. This is a great way to connect with PromiseLand families and members of the church. Bring your family and your friends; come for a laid-back evening of fellowship and fun. Board games and activities will be available!



Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

The choir is looking to grow. If you enjoy singing in a group setting, come join us for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 8:00. See what we're all about and join in the community of singers. Not interested in singing every Sunday? The Lenten Cantata will be held on Sunday, April 13 during our normal service. If you are interested in joining us for the Cantata, rehearsals will start on February 2/26 at 6:30pm. We also rehearse on Sunday mornings at 8:30am. For more information, reach out to Kellianne Williams at klkw1212@gmail.com.

Make Music a
Part of Your Life



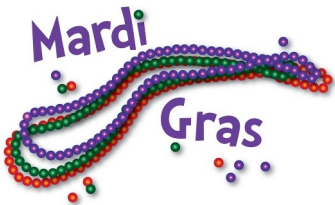
Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars Now!

The Nurture Ministry team meets monthly to find ways to strengthen and encourage the Rush Church congregation as well as our surrounding communities. We all recognize the fact that food, fellowship, and fun are great ways to bring people together.



"2nd Sunday Brunch / Mardi Gras Celebration:"

The March brunch this year will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month, in order to appropriately enjoy some great Mardi Gras foods! **So please note: this month's brunch will be**



held on Sunday, March 2!

St. Patrick's Day Putt Putt Event: On Saturday, March 15, from 2:00 – 4:00pm, Rush Church will host our 2nd Annual putt-putt golf event. Participants are encouraged to wear green, the crazier and more fun the better, with prizes given for several different categories. *We are in need of several more putt-putt holes. If you are a creative builder, and would like to participate, please contact Cindy Gray at cgtgray1039@gmail.com.* More information will be provided in the March newsletter, but for now make sure you plan to be here, and start planning your best leprechaun-type costumes!



What "We" Believe and "How" We Have Come to Believe It

Are you interested in learning a bit about what "we" believe and "how" we have come to believe it? Over the next few months, Pastor Kyle will be leading a confirmation class for our youth. A conversation has developed suggesting that many of our congregation would also love the opportunity to think about and discuss these same issues. If you are interested in learning about the Christian faith in general and some specifics about the who, what, when, where and why of the United Methodist Church; here's your chance. You can, in an all-adult class, take the same course the youth are experiencing. Just let us know and we can add you to the registration. Classes start the first Wednesday in Lent; March 12, 2025.



UNY Early Response Training at Rush UMC

On March 29, 2025, Rush UMC will host an Early Response Team (ERT) Basic Training. UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) journeys with affected communities throughout a disaster's cycle, including disaster preparedness, relief, response, recovery and mitigation. UMCOR's Early Response Team (ERT) training program supports conference preparedness and immediate response efforts. Key activities for conference ERT and other response teams are supplying survivors with food, water, shelter and help with mucking out and cleaning up. This training allows us to be an integral part of the process. I hope you will consider joining us for the training and taking another step in helping to build a better community and Kingdom for the future.

Registration for the ERT Class on March 29th at Rush UMC is now open. Here is the link: <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/vimtraining/event/ertspring25/>. If you have anyone that would like to take the class, but the cost is prohibitive, please have them contact Kristina Clark at the Conference Center, for a partial or full scholarship.



Ash Wednesday

All are welcome to attend and participate in Ash Wednesday services on Wednesday, March 5, signifying the beginning of Lent. During this season we are invited to reflect and repent as we spiritually prepare ourselves for the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We will begin at 6:30PM at the pavilion to burn last year's dried palm branches, reducing them to ashes for use during service.

Our service will begin at 7:00PM in the church sanctuary. Ashes will be imposed on the forehead or hand of the willing. Communion will be served.



Promiseland Update

Save the date. The PromiseLand Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, July 20, 2025. This is a major fundraiser for PromiseLand helping to fund program upgrades. Keep your eye out for more information about this event or reach out to Kellianne Williams at promiselandchildcare1996@gmail.com.



Super Sale

The sale room is ready and waiting for your donations! We especially like housewares, electronics, home decor, small appliances and cookware. We love receiving your "like new" items as they are the top sellers! Leave all donations in the hallway near the sale room. Deposit all clothing, shoes, and linens in tied bags to the shed drop box. We sort the shed clothes daily. Reminder: We cannot accept baby equipment due to safety restrictions.



Super Sale

Thank you,

Cindy Raymond

Family Picture Wall

Our church directory is in need of updating (if you are interested in helping make this happen, please contact Barb Kingsley). In the meantime, we are looking for ways to help people get to know each other better, and we're doing that by providing a "Family Picture Wall" on the bulletin board in the church Fellowship Hall. Some of our families have already provided pictures – but there's lots of empty space!

We are encouraging EVERY family, whether your family is 10 people or 1, to submit a picture of your family group and bring it in to the church office, or give it to Cindy Gray or Cindy Raymond. Our goal is to help both new and old church members learn each other's names and to see those people we may not see often (or haven't seen in a while). The pictures do not have to be formal, or professional. We welcome selfies and fun family pictures – as long as the people in them are identifiable! If you would like someone to take a snapshot of your family, contact Cindy Gray (585-334-0110, or cgtgray1039@gmail.com) and we can make that happen. If possible, we'd like to have the pictures up by the end of February. We look forward to seeing you on our church wall.



Our Church Family

Meal Phone Tree

When someone in your life is going through a difficult time, it can be hard to know how to best support them. Whether they just had a baby, lost a family member, or had a major surgery, making sure they have their basic needs met **is crucial**. That is where this Meal Phone Tree comes in.

For anyone interested, **please forward your name, phone number and email address**, so that we can get started on a list. We already have about 15 volunteers, who wish to be part of this ministry including myself. If you know when you are not available due to vacations or perhaps you are a snowbird for the winter, please advise.

I will call the person in need of a meal and get necessary information like delivery dates and any dietary restrictions. I will forward that information to the first group of volunteers. I will keep a record of the volunteers contacted, so there is a fair rotation. Some ideas for meals are lasagna, soups/bread, casseroles, quiche, chili (not spicy), meatloaf, mashed potatoes, salads, fruit, baked goods, etc.

We hope we get several responses to help in this time of need among our church family. The more names we have the better.

Joyce Smith

joysm0314@gmail.com

585/356-5310



High School Senior College Scholarship

Each year, Rush United Methodist Church awards a scholarship for graduating high school seniors who are pursuing further education at an accredited college or university. This scholarship is a way for Rush United Methodist Church to bless graduates on their journey of higher education. The recipient of the scholarship for 2025 will be acknowledged during worship on Graduate Sunday, June 29.

The scholarship of \$1,000 is given to a graduating High School senior who is an active member at Rush United Methodist Church.

The selection of scholarship recipient is based entirely on the candidate's written application. The Scholarship application is available on the church website, www.rushumc.com under "Links". The deadline to submit a completed application via email is Tuesday, June 10, 2025.



Rush United Methodist Church

Analysis of Revenues & Expenses: General Budget

Year End 2024

Accounts	MTD Actual (This Year)	YTD Actual (This Year)	Budget TD (This Year)
Revenues			
Other Income/ Parsonage	\$7,573.43	\$42,123.82	\$26,550.00
Offerings	\$25,787.21	\$206,633.21	\$195,650.00
P/L & HCS Reimbursement	\$1,511.66	\$18,365.98	\$17,750.00
Carry Over from 2023	\$5,797.50	\$69,570.00	\$69,570.00
Total Revenues	\$40,669.80	\$336,693.01	\$346,944.89
Expenses			
Board of Trustees	\$2,001.35	\$48,062.67	\$49,500.00
Education	\$277.64	\$1,010.74	\$1,350.00
Insurance	\$2,553.50	\$14,003.48	\$10,500.00
(1) Mission	\$8,592.00	\$8,592.00	\$8,592.00
Office Expenses	\$860.19	\$12,074.53	\$12,000.00
Clergy Salaries	\$3,964.18	\$58,413.02	\$58,158.23
Lay Salaries	\$6,438.03	\$85,624.67	\$84,427.00
Clergy Benefits	\$4,783.12	\$54,963.79	\$55,692.00
Ministry Team	\$393.11	\$3,627.72	\$4,950.00
Other Program Expenses	\$35.37	\$2,413.62	\$6,150.00
Utilities	\$2,788.89	\$28,160.53	\$24,660.00
PromiseLand	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$32,687.38	\$316,946.77	\$317,973.23
Net Total	\$7,982.52	\$19,746.24	\$28,971.57

1. Shared Ministries: \$8,592.00 paid to end of December

Capital Reserve Fund

Balance as of January 31, 2025:
\$52,292.89

Building Contingency Fund

Balance as of January 31, 2025:
\$5,082.46



**FINANCE
REPORT**

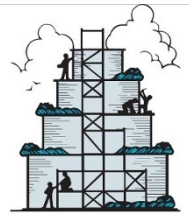
Roof Replacement Loan Repayment

	Date Paid	Amount Paid	Balance
Opening Balance			\$29,333.59
Interest at 3.25%			\$953.34
Loan plus Interest			\$30,286.93
Payment #49	01/20/2025	\$250.00	\$30,036.93
Payment #50	02/15/2025	\$250.00	\$29,786.93
Payment #51			
Payment #52			
Payment #53			
Payment #54			
Payment #55			
Payment #56			
Payment #57			
Payment #58			
Payment #59			
Payment #60			
Year End Payment from additional donations			
	Total Paid	\$500.00	



Capital Stewardship Campaign Update

As of Monday, January 27, 2025, we have received \$269,200.00 or 53.84% in pledges towards our \$500,000.00 goal. Of the amount pledged, we have received \$181,092.11 of which \$112,466.23 has been spent on fabric to reupholster the sanctuary chairs, for the materials and installation of the carpet and baseboard in the lobby, sitting area and halls, for repairs to gutters and payment for drainage work in the parking lot and west side of the building and patching, sealing and striping the driveway and parking lot. Eleven thousand two hundred seventy dollars (\$11,270.00), not pledged, of this total has been designated for an electronic sign. Pledges continue to be accepted. Even if you haven't made a pledge, donations to the Capital Stewardship Campaign are gratefully accepted.



**Capital
Campaign**



**Remember
Your Pledge**

Prayer Concerns

Health Concerns: Alison, Bob and Linda Faugh, Mark Kellogg; Ray Smith, Mark Statskey, Patty Weaver Michele Cuatt, knee surgery
 Hannah and Nate McFarlin, friend's 9-month-old baby, Juliet, having seizures
 Nancy Miller's sister, Alice, pray for decisions on treatment of colon cancer
 Richard Nereau, recovering from surgery
 Bill Stambaugh, recent hip replacement surgery
 Debbie Wildow, continued prayers for health and healing from cancer treatment
 Musa weNkosi, children spending holidays with extended family, may they be safe; staff caring for children who did not leave during school break, for rain; it is hot and dry in Zululand
 Those who are affected by fires, storms and mud slides
 Those in our congregation who are suffering with loss, illness, or deteriorating health
 PromiseLand Childcare staff, children and families
 Heritage Christian Services Rush Day Hab
 Musa weNkosi Orphanage, safety of the children and staff
 Unity and peace to come to our troubled land
 Government Leaders
 Aggressive diplomacy that will lead to peace and justice for Palestinians and Israelis
 Israel, Ukraine and other conflicts around the world
 The Jewish people
 Difficult marriages
 School Districts, Parents and Students
 Families and friends of those affected by continued gun violence and mass shootings
 Friends and members to return to in person worship at Rush UMC
 Those struggling with addiction and alcoholism
 For justice and health care to be deployed equally and evenly among all people
 End to racism, inequality and injustice
 Zululand Hospice in South Africa
 Our Bishop, Clergy and Lay leaders
 Hospice Houses near and far
 RHAFT and FISH
 A Meal & More Soup Kitchen and homeless served by them
 Staff and Young Men at State School at Industry
 Small Businesses
 Hospital and Nursing Home Staff – stay healthy and strong to tend to the needs of patients and residents
 Help us all to remember that in these times as always Jesus is with us, we're not alone
 Prayers for our youth to find themselves and God in the process
 Families affected by Alzheimer's, cancer and other terminal illnesses
 Parents of New Drivers
 Those looking for employment
 Employers looking for people to hire
 Elderly parents, youth, teens, young adults, those suffering from chronic pain, mental health problems depression and addiction
 Our children, youth and church family
 For all marriages and families
 Violence in places of Worship
 Campus Ministries
 All Volunteers who go on Missions

UMCOR
 Refugee resettlement project and resettlement families
 City of Rochester
 International Students
 Those who are incarcerated
 People with disabilities, anxiety disorders, and depression
 Colleges around the country

Those among our family who are homebound or in senior living facilities:

Ruth Baldoni	Jean Banker
Mary Anne Brice	Mary Callerame
Ernie Harrington	Lynne Jacobs
Kevin Kinnally	Gisela Rice
Betty Stover	

Members of our armed forces and reserves, especially those associated with our church family:

Phillip Banker	Jason Bello
Ben Frederick	
Jason McKnight	
Isaiah Montana	
Sgt. Joseph Sarmiento	
Bryan Simpson	
Matthew Simpson	
Marcus Sydow	

Please help the church staff keep the prayer list current by informing us of any changes.



PRAYER LIST

Bereavement

Family and friends of Walt Banker who passed away on Friday, December 27
 Family and friends of Raymer Ottman, who passed away on Wednesday, January 8



Praises

Ryker James Chamot, born on January 14, 2025, at 4:23PM, 10lbs 10z; Mom, Dad and Baby doing great; Praise God!
 Thankful for the gift of Raymer Ottman the "watchman" for his love of Jesus, it showed
 Bill Stambaugh, is doing well after he recent hip replacement surgery
 February Birthdays and Anniversaries



Praises

PRAYER and Praise

Water for South Sudan

Nine years ago, I was going through a bit of a crisis and was asking the Lord for guidance. I wanted to contribute some skills I had picked up over the years to do some type of “good.” After some failed attempts on my part, Diana Balch, longtime member now in California with Glenn, let me know that Water For South Sudan (WFSS) was looking for an Operations Coordinator. This turned out to be a really good fit for me and for WFSS. It is truly an answered prayer.

WFSS started as Water For Sudan, before South Sudan became the world’s youngest country. It was started by former “lost boy” Salva Dut with the help of Glenn and others. Salva is a natural leader and at the tender age of 11 fled the conflict to a refugee camp in Ethiopia. From the WFSS website: “With little adult supervision, the boys developed their own systems of organization. That was to prove vital when in 1991 they were driven from the camp by a new conflict. Salva was 17 by this point, and he’d become a leader amongst the boys. In total there were 17,000 of them. They set off in groups, first back towards Sudan, then south, towards Kenya. When they emerged from the wilderness after many months, aid workers were astonished to find them still alive. They shared their story with the world. The United Nations recommended almost 4,000 of the Lost Boys for resettlement in the US, and Salva’s name was among them.” Salva settled in Rochester, one of those immigrants with no skills to offer America. In his words, “I didn’t know anything.” Salva was taken in by a family, supported by St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, and went to MCC to learn things.

Several years later he learned that his father was alive but very sick from a water-borne disease. Salva went back home to see his father. His father survived and Salva was motivated to drill a well for his village. South Sudan is blessed with an aquifer of clean water under much of the country. In 2004 Water For Sudan was formed and today over 650 wells have been drilled bringing clean water to nearly a half-million people.

Aside from having clean water, 100s of thousands of girls are now free of the daily task of fetching water from miles away. This task is not only dangerous due to predatory animals and people, but it prevented them from attending school. They were destined to a life of being pregnant to supply babies to their husband; children are the only form of social security available in a subsistence economy.

WFSS is involved in all aspects of Water, Hygiene and Sanitation, or WASH. WFSS has trained many people and trainers about Hygiene including the germ theory of disease and has supplied Sanitation in the form of latrines to people that have never had access to a toilet.

I work with WFSS almost daily and have visited South Sudan four times now. I mainly offer organizational tools, ideas and technologies to our talented people there. It is arrogant to think that we can supply western solutions to them if they would only listen. We can offer ideas and then work with them to implement the one’s they think will work in their circumstance. That is what I have been doing with them and it has truly been an answered prayer.

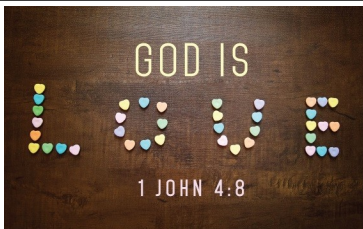


Angel Tree Ministry Update

Thank you to all who donated gifts to the Angel Tree Program. On December 6, I met Angel Tree Organizer Maureen Hill with the gifts for 15 children at the Salvation Army in Rochester. Inside this location was a large room staged with the gifts for distribution to the designated families. Maureen was enthusiastic and grateful for our church’s involvement.

I very much enjoyed participating in this experience and hope to do it again!

Danielle Raymond



The GBHEM Scholarship Portal is now open

The General Board of Higher Education and Ministry (GBHEM) scholarship application portal is now open for United Methodist students pursuing undergraduate or graduate studies at U.S. colleges, universities, and seminaries. With awards averaging \$500 to \$1,200, GBHEM provides access to more than 70 scholarship programs through a single application, helping students of diverse backgrounds achieve their educational goals. In 2024, GBHEM awarded over 2,100 scholarships worth nearly \$3.7 million to students at 509 schools. Applications, which will be screened for eligibility across general, HBCU, and Ministry as a career scholarship, are due by **Monday, March 31**. For details, email umscholar@gbhem.org.



January Second Sunday Brunch



Thank You

I wish to thank everyone that sent delicious food, cards, phone calls of encouragement and prayers during my recent hospital stay. Knowing there is so much support from members and friends of Rush Church really makes a difference in the recuperating process.

I was fortunate in the positive results of the surgery and your support is an important part of the healing process.



May God bless,
Richard Nereau

Thank You

On behalf of the staff and residents of the State School at Industry, we wish to thank you for your generous donations for Christmas gifts for the residents. We were able to create 108 gifts for the resident which is the highest total in years. Each gift must be of identical nature so there is no argument among the boys.

The items must be of specific design and are collected and bagged by staff and members of the Advisory Board. They are then presented to the boys on Christmas day. For some of the boys this is the first Christmas away from family, which makes these gifts something special.

Thank you again for your continued generosity in supporting the many programs at the school.



Blessings,

Buzz Grimm and Richard Nereau
Industry Advisory Board

What to Do In Bad Weather?

The weekday winter weather closing policy of Rush United Methodist Church has changed. We will no longer close if Rush Henrietta Schools have closed for the day or close during the day because of inclement weather. We will only close if Monroe County declares a state of emergency with travel restrictions.

Sunday services will be held unless Monroe County declares a state of emergency. On line services will also be held.

If in doubt and travel seems risky – stay home!



Bible Quiz

Fill in the blanks for three qualities Paul, in 1 Corinthians 13, attributes to love: "Love is _____; love is _____. ... it keeps no record of _____."

- A. challenging, important, the past
- B. childlike, innocent, injustice
- C. self-sacrificing, generous, finances
- D. patient, kind, wrongs



Answer: D (See 1 Corinthians 13:4-5, 13:7)

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The mission of the Rush United Methodist Church is "to live and share the love of Jesus."

Our vision is "to be more like Jesus." **OUR MISSION, VISION and**

Our missional priorities are "excellence in worship; ministries for children, youth, adults and families; and mission and outreach"



PRIORITY STATEMENTS

RUSH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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 RUSH NY 14543-0049



Sunday Worship Schedule

- 8:30AM— Bible/Book Study with Michelle Prok
- 8:30AM—Choir Rehearsal
- 9:30AM—Worship Service - In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; Communion: 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month
- 9:45AM—One Room Sunday School Class for Children
- 10:45AM—Rush UMC Coffee Hour
- 11:00AM—Lectionary Study with Pastor Kyle
- 11:00AM—Second Sunday Brunch on the Second Sunday of each Month



Sunday Schedule

Youth Group



Youth in grades 6—12 meet two evenings a month at 6:00PM. February meeting dates are Tuesday, the 11th and Wednesday the 26th. All youth are welcome to come and invite a friend.

Leadership Ministry Team

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome by email to any Leadership Ministry Team Members, contact information on page 9.

How to Reach Us

- Church Telephone: 585-533-2170
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- Pastor Kyle Telephone: 585-533-2170
- PromiseLand Telephone: 585-533-2475
- Web Site: www.rushumc.org
- Email Address: runc@rushumc.org
- Rush Tidings Address: runcnews@rushumc.org



- Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation
- Pastor:..... Rev. Kyle Roehrig
- Administrative Assistant: Barbara Kingsley
- Office Hours: 9AM - 4PM Monday- Friday
- Remote work Tuesdays and occasionally on Friday
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