

## Weekly Announcements

November 24, 2024

This week

### **Sunday, November 24 – Celebration Sunday; Musa weNkosi Orphanage Support Sunday**

8:30AM – “Enough” Small Group Study with Michelle Prok; Choir Rehearsal

9:30AM – Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; Communion

9:45AM – One Room Sunday School Class for Children

10:45AM – Rush UMC Coffee Hour

10:45AM – Adult Class: “Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth”

10:45AM – Hand Chimes Rehearsal

### **Monday, November 25**

7:00PM – Leadership Ministry Team Meeting via Zoom

### **Wednesday, November 27**

9:00AM – Super Sale Preparation

9:00AM – Distribution of December Newsletter

### **Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29**

– Church Office and PromiseLand Childcare are closed

### **Saturday, November 30**

9:00AM – Begin decorating the church for Advent and Christmas

Looking Ahead

### **Sunday, December 1 – First Sunday of Advent**

8:30AM – Adult Bible/Book Study with Michelle Prok; Choir Rehearsal

9:30AM – Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; Masseth Baptism

9:45AM – One Room Sunday School Class for Children

10:45AM – Rush UMC Coffee Hour

10:45AM – Adult Class: “Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth”

10:45AM – Hand Chimes Choir Rehearsal

### **Monday, December 2**

12:30PM – Ladies’ Lunch Bunch

### **Tuesday, December 3**

5:30PM – PromiseLand Family Christmas Activity Night

### **Wednesday, December 4**

9:00AM – Super Sale Preparation

6:30PM – Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, December 5**

8:30AM – Clergy Group Gathering

1:00PM – Lunch and Learn with Pastor Kyle

7:00PM – Finance Ministry Team Meeting

### **Friday, December 6**

6:15PM – Optional Prologue to “A Christmas Carol”

7:00PM – “A Christmas Carol” a dramatic one-man performance that brings to life over 30 characters during the show

### **Saturday, December 7**

9:00AM – Holiday Super Sale

9:00AM – Choir Cantata Rehearsal

## Announcements

**The Mission of Rush UMC:** “to live and share the love of Jesus”; **Our Vision:** “to be more like Jesus.” **Our missional priorities:** “excellence in worship; ministries for children, youth, adults and families and mission and outreach”

### **Giving to Rush UMC**

Donations can be put on the offering plates in the church lobby on Sundays, dropped off at the church office during weekday business hours or mailed to the church. Giving envelopes are available on Eagle Island. Checks and cash are welcome. Secure online gifts may be made at <https://www.rushumc.com>.

### **Hearing Loop**

The Hearing Loop is working! Set your hearing aids to “hearing loop mode.” If you have questions, please speak to Gary Prok.

### **Yellow Prayer Cards**

Yellow Prayer Cards are in the pew holders and on Eagle Island. These are available for you to write prayers concerns or praises on. They can be given to the usher to be included in the Pastoral Prayer or placed in the offering plate on Eagle Island.

### **Sunday Assistants:**

#### **November 24**

Greeter: Mackenzie Haynes

Usher: Leola Porter

Cookies: Nancy Miller, Wendy Kuhn

Cleanup: Don Kingsley

#### **December 1**

Greeter: Mackenzie Haynes

Usher: Leola Porter

Cookies: Kellianne Williams, Joyce Smith

Cleanup: Don Kingsley

### **Newsletter/Upper Room/Announcements**

Additional Announcements, the Weekly Calendar and the current newsletter are on the website and through Rush Tidings. Copies of the current Newsletter and Upper Room are on the shelf in the vestibule. To receive Rush Tidings sign up at: [rumcnews@rushumc.org](mailto:rumcnews@rushumc.org).

### **Sunday Worship Schedule**

8:30AM: Adult Bible Study led by Michelle Prok; Choir Rehearsal

9:30AM: Worship Service in person and on Facebook and YouTube

9:30AM: Communion is served on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month.

9:45AM: One Room Sunday School Class for Children

10:45AM: “Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth”, in the large Conference Room

10:45AM: Rush UMC Coffee Hour, in the Fellowship Hall

### **Adult Study Opportunities**

Bible/Book Study led by Michelle Prok, in the large Conference Room at 8:30AM.

“Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth” led by Rob Gruschow in the large conference room at 10:45AM.

Lunch and Learn with Pastor Kyle, Thursdays at 1PM, starting December 5, he will be using Rob Bell’s NOOMA DVD Series.

### ***Wednesday Super Sale Preparation***

A dedicated group of people volunteer each Wednesday morning from 9 – 11AM to prepare donated items for our Super Sales. They are always looking for new people to join them. If you have some time available on Wednesday mornings, just come and a task or two will be found for you. There is also the advantage of having the first look at donations. You might find just what you've been looking for! Tasks include sorting, sizing, pricing, and putting away donations. Join them this Wednesday.

### ***Stewardship General Fund Campaign***

Today is Celebration Sunday. If you have not submitted your Pledge card, there are some on Eagle Island. They can be mailed to the church or call the church office to give your pledge.

### ***Musa weNkosi Orphanage***

Today, November 24, we are supporting Musa weNkosi Orphanage in South Africa with a special offering. Donations can be put in the offering plate on the kiosk, dropped off at or mailed to the church or sent securely electronically through the church website.

### ***Closed***

The Church Office and PromiseLand Childcare are closed Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29 for Thanksgiving.

### ***Upcoming Activities & Meetings***

**Sunday, December 8: Second Sunday of Advent; 8:30AM:** Adult Bible Study with Michelle Prok; **8:30AM:** Choir Rehearsal; **9:30AM:** Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; Choir Advent Cantata; Communion; **9:45AM:** One Room Sunday School Class for Children; **10:45AM:** Rush UMC Coffee Hour; Adult Class: “Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth”; **10:45AM:** Hand Chimes Choir Rehearsal; **11AM:** Second Sunday Brunch

**Tuesday, December 10: 7PM:** PromiseLand Board Meeting

**Wednesday, December 11: 9AM:** Super Sale Preparation

**Thursday, December 12: 8:30AM:** Clergy Group Gathering; **1PM:** Lunch and Learn with Pastor Kyle

**Friday, December 13: 7:30PM:** Grace Choir presentation of “O Holy Night” at Methodist Church in Webster

**Saturday, December 14: 9AM:** Genesee Valley Handspinner’s Guild Meeting; **10AM:** Holiday Hospitality Bags put together and delivered

**Sunday, December 15: Third Sunday of Advent; 8:30AM:** Adult Bible/Book Study with Michelle Prok; Hand Chimes Rehearsal; **9:30AM:** Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; **9:45AM:** One Room Sunday School Class for Children; **10:45AM:** Rush UMC Coffee Hour; Adult Class: “Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth”; **4PM:** Grace Choir presentation of “O Holy Night” at Crossroads Church in Lima

**Tuesday, December 17: 7PM:** Leadership Ministry Team Meeting

**Wednesday, December 18: 9AM:** Super Sale Preparation; **9:15AM:** A Meal & More Soup Kitchen; **6PM:** Derby Workshop; **6PM:** Rush Democratic Committee Meeting

**Thursday, December 19: 8:30AM:** Clergy Group Gathering; **1PM:** Lunch and Learn with Pastor Kyle; **5PM:** January Newsletter Article Deadline; **6PM:** Daisy and Brownie Girl Scout Troop Meetings

**Friday, December 20: 6PM:** Cub Scouts – Candy Dispensers

**Sunday, December 21: Fourth Sunday of Advent; 8:30AM:** Adult Bible/Book Study with Michelle Prok; **9:30AM:** Worship Service – In-Person and on YouTube and Facebook; Children’s Program; Communion; **10:45AM:** Rush UMC Coffee Hour; Adult Class: “Resist Chaos by Anchoring Yourself in God’s Truth”

**Tuesday, December 24: 7PM:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Family Gathering with Communion; **11PM:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Gathering with Communion

### ***Ladies' Lunch Bunch***

The Ladies' Lunch Bunch, on December 2 at 12:30PM, is a time of food and fellowship for women in our church community who are single, separated, widowed, divorced, *or who just want an opportunity for conversation and a good meal!* Although not required, if you would like to join others for lunch, please tell Cindy Gray.

### ***PromiseLand Family Christmas Activity Night***

Join PromiseLand on December 3 from 5:30pm – 7:00pm for the PromiseLand Family Christmas Activity night. We will have dinner, activities, a chance to meet Santa and of course cookies! If you would like to join us for this event, please let Kellianne know by calling the daycare office (585) 533-2475 or sending an email to [promiselandchildcare1996@gmail.com](mailto:promiselandchildcare1996@gmail.com). This is a great chance for the church community to meet daycare families and see a little more of what PromiseLand is about. We hope you can join us.

### ***Lunch and Learn with Pastor Kyle***

Come spend some time talking about God, sharing a bite to eat and learning a bit more about one another. We don't agree on all things... and we don't have to. Let's learn who likes spaghetti! Thursdays at 1PM beginning December 5. All are welcome and no reservations are needed. However, if you know you are coming let us know so we can ensure we have enough food.

### ***Finance Ministry Team***

A Finance Ministry Team meeting will be held on Thursday, December 5 at 7PM. All members of the team are encouraged to attend. We will be reviewing the preliminary 2025 budget and pledges and adjusting it, or not.

### ***Scrooge is coming to Rush Church!!!***

Yes, Charles Dickens one and only on December 6, 7PM. We are teaming up with the Rush Henrietta Rotary Club to present this one of a kind presentation. Tickets are \$25, seniors \$20 and may be purchased thru members of our Nurture Ministry Team. They are also available in the church office. Our share of the profit will be used to expand and enhance mission projects for our youth and adults. Checks, cash and credit cards will be honored.

### ***December Super Sale***

The next Super Sale is scheduled for Saturday, December 7, 9am-3pm with half-price sale from 1-3pm. The deadline for accepting donations was November 20. All clothing, shoes and linens can continue to be put in the St. Pauly Textile shed located in the parking lot as we sort the shed daily. The volunteer sign-up sheets for the sale are on Eagle Island in the lobby. As we are clearing out the room after this sale, all help is needed. If you need any assistance with donations or have questions, please contact Cindy Raymond 727-8774.

### ***Church Fellowship Second Sunday Brunch***

Sunday, December 8, enjoy a cup of coffee, a cookie and conversation then stay for our Second Sunday Brunch. Serving begins around 11. Enjoy a meal without having to fix it yourself, meet families you haven't met before and get to know others better. A per adult donation of \$1 or \$2 is appreciated but not necessary. Offered are child-friendly options.

### ***Grace Choir Concert – "O Holy Night!"***

Come and enjoy a Christmas Concert presented by GRACE Choir, a multi-denominational choir made up of people from 18 different churches around the Rochester area. We sing under Director, Lon Beery. The next concerts are Friday, December 13, 2024, at 7:30PM at Webster Methodist Church, 169 E. Main St. Webster and Sunday, December 15 at 4PM at Crossroads Church, 1574 Rochester St., Lima. The concerts are free and open to the public, although a free will offering may be taken.

### ***Holiday Hospitality Bags***

On Saturday, December 14, from 10-noon, no more than 5 volunteers are needed to fill about 30 baskets in the large conference room. We NEED several volunteers to provide 2-4 dozen cookies or muffins without nuts, (individually wrapped), 30 bananas, 30 mandarins, 30 apples, 30 snack bags (pretzels, chips, etc), a few large bags assorted individually wrapped candies, and 25-30 small trinkets of your choice. We always add a fresh red carnation to the bags, so donations are gladly accepted for those (\$1.50 each ordered from Chases Greenhouse). Most of all we need people to DELIVER bags to our homebound to make this annual event a success. Signup sheets are in the church lobby. Questions? Contact Joyce Smith at 356-5310.

### ***PromiseLand is hiring!***

We are excited that PromiseLand is growing again! However, now we need a new full-time teacher. If you know of someone with a degree in early childhood education who is looking for a position working primarily with 3 year olds, please pass along my contact information Kellianne Williams at [PromiseLandchildcare1996@gmail.com](mailto:PromiseLandchildcare1996@gmail.com). Thank you in advance!

### ***New Cookie Lists***

Cookie bakers are needed for Sundays to provide 2-3 dozen homemade or store-bought cookies after the service each week. If you are not on the list and would like to provide cookies, please contact Tanya Hunt or call the church office. An updated list for January-June will be available soon.

### ***Bread and Baked Goods from Wegmans***

PromiseLand and Rush UMC receive bread and baked goods from Wegmans every Thursday, and the first and second Saturdays of each month. The items are close dated but are still good. They are made available to us to help PromiseLand feed the children in their care and to help others in the community that are in need. It is available in the dining room on tables near the kitchen on Sundays and during the week. All are welcome to help yourself. Tell your friends and neighbors about it also. What and how much we receive varies week by week/month by month.

### ***Sunday school Assistance Needed***

We have a one room class that meets every Sunday. To make that happen, we need to have 2 people in the classroom each week per our Safe Sanctuary policy. With such a wide range in ages, it is helpful to have someone available to assist with the class activities and help the younger kids to fully participate. If you are available and interested, please let me know, Alethea Coulter, Children's Ministry Director, [alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:alethea.coulter@rushumc.org).

### ***Youth Group Assistance Needed***

We have a small but active youth group that meets twice a month on Wednesday evenings. To stay in compliance with our Safe Sanctuary policy, two adults are required to be present. If you are available and interested, please let me know, Alethea Coulter, Interim Youth Ministry Director, [alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:alethea.coulter@rushumc.org).

### ***First Time Here?***

Welcome! Are you new or a visitor? Great! We're building back post-pandemic stronger than ever. ***You'll fit right in!*** Kindly forward us your name and contact information to our Administrative Assistant, [barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org](mailto:barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org) or our Pastor, [kyle.roehrig@rushumc.org](mailto:kyle.roehrig@rushumc.org).

### ***Jump into Missions and Outreach***

We have opportunities for everyone to serve! Speak with Erma Perkins at 585-750-0136. If you would like to assist with our Super Sale, contact Cindy Raymond (585-727-8774). ***Find your niche!***

### ***Baptism? Membership?***

If God is calling you to explore baptism or membership, **welcome aboard!** To join the conversation, speak with Pastor Kyle after worship.

### ***Children!***

Children and parents are encouraged to come forward and enjoy the special message and take part in Holy Communion. A quiet room for children is available for your use. Questions about all children's ministry opportunities? Ask our Director of Children's Ministry, Alethea Coulter, at 585-533-9246.

***We love children!***

### ***Youth!***

We have a small but enthusiastic and active youth group. They meet every other Wednesday from 6 - 8. Watch the bulletin or Youth page on the website for dates and information. Any youth Grade 6 and older are welcome to come. Contact Alethea Coulter ([alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:alethea.coulter@rushumc.org)), Interim Youth Director with any questions.

### ***Need Prayer?***

We encourage prayers for individuals, events, thanksgiving, and witness (where you experienced the presence and power of God). Fill out a yellow prayer card on the kiosk in the lobby and hand it to an usher to be included in the Pastoral Prayer or forward them to Barb Kingsley at [office@rushumc.org](mailto:office@rushumc.org).

### ***New Email Addresses***

Rush UMC is in the process of changing email addresses. Please remove any "rochester.rr.com" addresses from your address book and use these in their place.

The new main church email is: [rumc@rushumc.org](mailto:rumc@rushumc.org)

The new Rush Tidings email is: [rumcnews@rushumc.org](mailto:rumcnews@rushumc.org)

A new email for the church office is: [office@rushumc.org](mailto:office@rushumc.org)

To reach Pastor Kyle Roehrig, the email address is: [kyle.roehrig@rushumc.org](mailto:kyle.roehrig@rushumc.org)

To reach Barb Kingsley, the email address is: [barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org](mailto:barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org).

To reach Alethea Coulter, the email address is: [alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:alethea.coulter@rushumc.org)

### ***Worship Leaders Needed!***

**Read the Gospel?** Speak with Alethea Coulter (585.533.9246 or [alethea.coulter@rushumc.org](mailto:alethea.coulter@rushumc.org)).

**Sing in the choir!** See Kellianne Williams (585.507.1996 or [klkw1212@gmail.com](mailto:klkw1212@gmail.com))

**Greeters and Ushers?** Sign up with Barb Kingsley at 533.2170 or [barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org](mailto:barbara.kingsley@rushumc.org)

**Assist with Holy Communion?** Contact Judy Blachowicz at [jcrb@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jcrb@rochester.rr.com).

**Join the Tech Team.** Speak with Steve Williams at 585.807.3965 or [williasc@gmail.com](mailto:williasc@gmail.com).

**Communion for homebound:** speak with Erma or Leon Perkins at 585.750.0136 or 585.749.2735 if you are willing to take communion to our homebound members once a month.

### ***Weekly Financial Report***

Be rooted and built up in him, be established in faith, and overflow with thanksgiving just as you were taught. Colossians 2:7

**Needed weekly from all sources of income to meet expenses: \$5,966.73.**

**Needed weekly from pledged/non pledged income to meet expenses: \$3,762.00.**

**Pledged/Non pledged received 11/17-11/23: \$6,490.00.**

**Other income received 11/17-11/23: \$9.06.**

**Total Pledged for Capital Stewardship Fund: \$269,200.00.**

**Total Received for Capital Stewardship Fund: \$169,062.11.** (Includes \$11,220.00, non-pledge, designated for an electric sign)

**Total Spent as of November 20: \$112,466.23.**



### ***Prayer Requests***

Health Concerns: Alison, Bob and Linda Faugh, Mark Kellogg; Ray Smith, Mark Statskey  
Linda Chamot's sister, Debbie Wildow, in hospital for stem cell transplant  
Terri Eisenhauer, Cheryl Engh's mom, recovering from a stroke  
Raymer Ottman – cancer treatment

Patty Weaver – energy

Those in our congregation who are suffering with loss, illness, or deteriorating health

Those who continue to be affected by hurricanes, fires and storms

People of North Carolina and Southern Tennessee as they recover from Hurricane Helene; many are facing a winter of no electric or heat

PromiseLand Childcare, Children and Staff

Heritage Christian Services Rush Day Hab

Musa weNkosi Orphanage and Zululand Hospice in South Africa

Family members and friends who are homebound or in senior living facilities.

Those serving in the Military: home, or abroad.

### ***Praises***

November Birthdays and Anniversaries

### ***Homebound and Ill***

Ruth Baldoni, Jean and Walt Banker, Mary Anne Brice, Mary Callerame, Ernie Harrington, Lynne Jacobs, Kevin Kinnally, Gisela Rice, Dave Smith, Betty Stover

### ***Our Military***

Phillip Banker, Jason Bello, Ben Frederick, Jason McKnight, Isaiah Montana, Bryan Simpson, Matthew Simpson, Marcus Sydow

### ***Pastoral Staff***

Pastor Kyle Roehrig

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### ***2024 Leadership Ministry Team at Rush United Methodist Church***

Please seek out Leadership Ministry Team members with any questions or concerns. Their names and email addresses are listed below.

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