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Valentine's Breakfast*

February 9, 2020

8 am

All women are invited to an outstanding, full-course, breakfast served by the men of our church. Come, be waited on, and serenaded by an exceptionally talented group of men.

*Hosted by the men of our church.

Share Your Spark! Lenten Discussion Group - Share Your Faith Journey!

March 4th, 11th, 18, & April 1st at 7 pm

Share your life experiences that helped shape who you are today.

Who has influenced my faith journey? When was my faith tested?

How would I like to be remembered? How can I share my faith with others?

If I could meet one person from the Bible, who would it be?

Rides to the discussion are available; call ahead to schedule it 860-875-6562.

Dear Rockville family,

How are things going? Just wondering... Have you made any New Year's resolution this year? Did you already experience something new in your life? Did you maintain a new healthy habit? What did you do for your spiritual growth? Just checking for you in my daily prayer!



In this season of Epiphany, or early in this New Year, I have dreamed with you how we can fill our New Year with new peace, new happiness, and an abundance of all good things. If you remember, I started the **first Sunday of this year with the sermon "Arise and Shine."** I followed with a new sermon series on **"A New Year's Blessing" from the Scriptures of Moses (Numbers 6:22-27), Jabez (I Chronicles 4:9-10), Abraham (Genesis 12:1-4a), and Malachi (Malachi 3:8-10).** With those monumental scriptures, I hope we can all renew our own life and our community life. With the scriptures for inspiration, we can make a difference, grow our church, and bear much fruit of God's salvation ministry. I will always pray for our success as one body in God's love and God's blessings on our journey together this year.

By the time you read this newsletter, I might be flying over the Pacific Ocean. Yes, I am traveling to Korea for my vacation. I am taking my mom to her home in Korea. She has **been here with me for over a year, and it's time for her to go back to her home in Korea.** Although my mom is excited to see Korea again, she is afraid of her long flight alone. Therefore, I decided to go with her so I can help her settle in her home, clean her house, check that the boiler is still working, and probably bring her to her doctor. Of course, I am now excited about my plans to meet with my family and friends, travel to several places I'd like to see, and enjoy Korean food. **And then two weeks later, I will be back to my home, my little poor cat "Mimi," my family, and my church here in Rockville, which would be more fun to me!**

I just want to let you know I deeply thank you for your warm hospitality to my mom. **Although she doesn't know English at all, she really senses you love and care for her.** She loves our worship; she loves your hugs; she loves your smiles. Just like you wish to speak Korean to my mom, she often says she wishes to speak English so that she can be your good friend! I humbly ask you to keep us in your prayers that we will have a safe trip. It is about 17 hours in the air.

When I get back here, we will start our Lenten season. I will see you again on Sunday, **Feb. 23, "Transfiguration Sunday," and invite you to our "Ash Wednesday" service at 7 pm, Wednesday, Feb 26th.** From there we will start our 40-day Lenten journey together.

Wherever I go, I will keep you in my prayer and heart, for you are my family in God's love. I hope I can be in your prayer and heart as well.

In prayer
Pastor Cheol



Pastor's Vacation

Pastor Cheol will be on vacation from February 4th to February 19th; Pete Schilling will be available if **you need to speak to a pastor**. Pastor Pete's phone number is 860-655-6892.



Cyber Security Tips for 2020

You may have seen headlines recently about how you shouldn't shorten the year 2020 when signing things. Scammers can easily change the abbreviated date, for example from "1/30/20" to "1/30/2015". Yikes! Make sure to write out the full year so that there is no mistake on when you signed the document. As you move into 2020, these additional tips below can help keep you cyber safe, so you can worry less and have more to look forward to this year.

New device for the holidays? Safely dispose of your old one.

Keep your personal information private and help protect the environment. To wipe your old device clean, first back up your documents, pictures and other important data. Then, follow the manufacturer's instructions to wipe the device clean of any of your personal information. Consider recycling **your device if it won't be used anymore**.

While traveling or on the go, bring your own charging cable

Avoid borrowing someone's charging cable or using public USB charging stations. Cybercriminals have figured out how to implant malware into charging cables and how to hack into USB charging stations in shopping malls and airports. Be sure to bring your own charging cable and power adapter.

Use a Virtual Private Network (VPN) if you connect to public Wi-Fi

Public Wi-Fi networks may be convenient to use, but hackers may be able to view your online activity while you're browsing on these unsecured networks. This information can be used to hijack your personal accounts or steal sensitive information. A VPN creates a secure tunnel for your data when connected to public Wi-Fi.

Do not provide your Social Security number on doctors' forms

Having Social Security numbers (SSN) at a doctor's office or a hospital is a data breach risk. With the exception of the VA, medical service providers do not normally need your SSN. They ask for it in case they need to send your account to a collection agency or the IRS. Ask the receptionist why **this information is needed**. If the doctor's office needs a way to get a hold of you for billing inquiries, offer to provide your cell phone number.

Do not fall prey to phone scammers.

The IRS, the FTC, and the Social Security offices will never call you asking for personal information. Companies like NortonLifeLock or Microsoft will not call telling you that they detected a virus on your computer. If a bank, credit card company or loan officer calls unexpectedly, do not give **them your information right away**. **Look up the institution's customer service number and speak to an official agent directly and ask for clarification.**

-From the Norton 360 January Email.

Quote of the Month

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.”

~ Martin Luther King Jr.

A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches

The Church Bulletin is now on the website.

<https://www.rockumchurch.com/worship/>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Trustees

February 2, 2020

11 am

Worship Committee

February 5, 2020

7 pm

Valentine's Breakfast

February 9, 2020

8 am

After Service Tea

February 23, 2020

11 am

Youth Group

February 21, 2020

7 - 9 pm

Ash Wednesday

February 26, 2020

7 pm

Youth Sunday & Pasta Lunch

March 22, 2020



Join the Choir...

**You'll Be Glad
You Did!**



Have you made your will?
Have you remembered
your church?

February Fellowship

Bon Voyage Fellowship: Wish Pastor Cheol and Mrs. Shin a safe trip after the February 2, 2020 service.

Valentine's Breakfast: The Men of RUMC will cook and serve breakfast to the women on Sunday February 9, 2020 at 8 am.

After Service Tea: Sunday February 23, 2020. Bring a book to recommend others to read this winter. Everyone is welcome to participate.



Give a Day of Fuel

Honor or remember someone special and help the church meet its fuel budget at the same time. A Day of Fuel sponsorship is only \$25.00. Fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate, or send it to the office with your check.

In Honor or Memory of: _____

Given by: _____



Open Spirit Task Force

March 25, 2020

7-9 pm

Trinity United Methodist Church

361 Sumner Ave

Springfield, MA 01108

The New England Annual Conference mandate to the Open Spirit Task Force is **“to examine whether and how United Methodists of New England might align with, create, or form a new church body in the Methodist tradition (independently or in collaboration with others).”**

This meeting is open to all who would like to learn more about the Methodist Church and our possible direction in the future. For more information visit ostfne.org.

Ash Wednesday Service

February 26, 2020
7 pm



Bring new or gently used winter coats and clothing to the church for the Cornerstone Foundation Clothing Bank. The donation box is by the church's front door.

Can and Bottle Collection

Stan Culy is collecting redeemable cans and bottles for the Marri Family; Mohamed brings them to the store to be redeemed. We have a container in the front entry of our church.

Thank you for helping the Marri Family

Volunteer Opportunities

Through the Church:

Valentine Breakfast: February 9, 2020: Men are needed to cook, serve, and perform at a breakfast for the ladies of RUMC.

Worship Attendants: There are many opportunities to serve the church on Sundays: greeters, ushers, liturgists, hosting fellowship, or bringing the food donations to the pantry. The sign-up sheet is in Fellowship Hall.

Church Maintenance: **The GOM's need your help! Since our Grumpy Old Men are getting even older there are many things they did without fanfare on Wednesday mornings that they can no longer do.** We will start posting in the bulletin, on Facebook, and on the website activities where we need help; these are activities octogenarians should no longer be doing. Please keep an eye out for these opportunities, and help where you can.

Refugee Program: Please talk to Steve Yoder if you would like to help the Marri family.

Prayer Chain: If anyone is interested in joining the prayer chain, please contact the church office.

Food Collection: Volunteers are needed to bring the nonperishable food items in our donation box to one of the food pantries in town. The sign up sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board.

In the Community:

Cornerstone Soup Kitchen: Cornerstone Soup Kitchen is looking for volunteers who ServSafe Certified; they are the only volunteers who can cook the Soup Kitchen meals. Non-certified volunteers can serve the food or clean-up, but not prepare the food. Contact Sharon Redfern or Bryan Flint to volunteer. Sharon.Redfern@cornerstone-cares.org or Bryan.Flint@Cornerstone-cares.org

Volunteers
Making an Impact

IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Special Needs

Nick - medical
 Madison Kanneman - emotional support & medical recovery
 Kate and family and all displaced by natural disasters
 Colin Thorn - medical
 Vetta - family tragedy
 Rob Cook—medical
 Domanik—healing
 Anonymous—sobriety
 Betty Ann Oppelt—medical & spiritual
 Tami Rizner—medical
 Staci Rizner - medical
 Jade - medical
 Paige - medical
 Lois Wood - medical
 Lourdes - unable to contact her mother in Puerto Rico since the earthquake.

Our Church Family

Marie Pierce—medical
 Lucy Maupin – medical
 Norine Veal—medical
 Finn Halladay—medical
 Linda Thouin—medical
 Ginny Hickton—medical
 Judy Wilkie—medical
 Ray Clark—medical
 John Ward - medical
 Judie Culy - medical
 Ann Chisenhall - medical

Those in Christian Service

Dr. Belinda Forbes
 Accion Medica Christiana,
 Managua, Nicaragua
 Pastor Kristin White,
 Green Street UMC,
 Augusta, ME

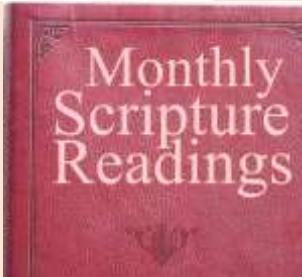
Those in nursing homes, Assisted Living and with limited mobility

Esther Harris-home
 Eleanor Schreiber-Crestfield Manor
 Shirley Edwards-Brookdale SW
 Vita Aiello-Fox Hill
 Pat Brandt—Pennsylvania
 Kay Lyke - Crestfield Manor
 Irene Surette—home
 Harry Thomas - Woodlake
 Janet McKercher—White Oaks
 Norine Veal—Woodlake
 Phyllis King—Vernon Manor
 Ray Clark - home
 Jane Thomas-home
 John Ward - home
 June Latkofsky - home
 Judie Culy - home



Gabrielle Spicer	February 2	Caitlin Cowperthwaite	February 17
Paul O'Neil	February 2	Charlotte Gerow	February 17
Emerson Robbins	February 3	Austin Tyler	February 18
Eleanor Schreiber	February 5	Lee McPeck	February 19
Kathy Sunderland	February 9	Skylar Chessey	February 21
Cameron Robbins	February 13	Robert Joy	February 22
Geoffrey Gerow	February 15	Wayne Cheveriea	February 23
Dalton Sunderland	February 15	Aidon Cortes	February 25
Samuel Velasquez	February 16	Stephen Chisenhall	February 27

February 2
 Micah 6: 1-8
 Psalm 15
 1 Corinthians 1: 18-31
 Matthew 5: 1-12
 February 9
 Isaiah 58: 1-9, 9-12
 Psalm 112: 1-10
 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12, 13-16
 Matthew 5: 13-20



February 16
 Deuteronomy 30: 15-20
 Psalm 119: 1-8
 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9
 Matthew 5: 21-37
 February 23
 Exodus 24: 12-18
 Psalm 99
 2 Peter 1: 16-21
 Matthew 17: 1-9

Return Service
Requested

Rockville United Methodist Church



Adult Study — 9:00 am
Sunday School 10:00 am
Worship Service 10:00 am
Coffee & Fellowship follow the worship service
Nursery Care is available for children 4 and under.



Office Hours 10am-2pm Tuesday-Friday

To update address information or to be removed from the mailing list, please call or e-mail the church office.

Our Mission Statement

Rockville United Methodist Church is a people seeking to be faithful to God; by reaching out to all, inviting each to a relationship with God, nurturing each in the love of Jesus Christ and sending everyone back into the world to minister in God's name.



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Dr. Belinda Forbes, Missionary to Nicaragua