



NEWSLETTER

Community Chronicle

Newsletter of the Community United Methodist Church

June, 2014

Mission Statement

We at COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH as disciples of Jesus Christ, are called by God

-to deepen our faith through inspiring worship and challenging small group study

-to build our fellowship through hospitality and acceptance and

-to transform the world through active service and faithful witness.



Rev. Delois Davis

Letter From the Pastor

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! This has been a fruitful time in **our ministry and we're looking forward to even more that The Lord has in store for us.**

As Summer approaches, we look to take a break so we can come back refreshed in September to the work God has assigned to our hand. As you take your break and refresh yourselves, have fun but pray and think about ways we can serve our community upon our return. As the Bible says in **Luke 10:2, "The harvest is plenty, but the laborers are few.**

Ignite 2014

Dear Young Leaders:

I am writing to express my appreciation for the great experience of worship and fellowship at the recent Ignite 2014 event held at Camp Quinipet. I still smile when I think about the great worship, fun games, and **my introduction to "selfies."** I am also writing to offer a challenge.

As you may know, the New York Annual Conference is **participating in the denomination's** Imagine No Malaria campaign. We are raising money to purchase bed nets that will prevent

We've done a lot thus far and have made progress in our ministries. We've continued



with The Feeding Ministry and have taken on another mission—Far Rockaway Mission, in

which a team of servants go out to prepare and distribute food to our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate. We thank God for adding to this local Body.

We expect continuous growth spiritually, numerically and **financially. As you break, don't forget to keep God in all your plans, look to Him for all things and remember to rest in His arms.**

Blessings Always,

Pastor Davis

people from contracting malaria. I invite the youth of the Annual Conference to participate in the following way:

- ❖ Organize projects to raise funds for Imagine No Malaria. Every church youth group that raises \$100 or more will be listed in our online newspaper, **"The Vision."**

- ❖ The church group that raises the largest amount between now and July 31, 2014 will receive a personal visit from me at one of your worship services (with the support of your pastor) where I will present a

personal rap about what God is doing in our lives.

I hope you will take on the challenge I have outlined. If you have any questions about Imagine No Malaria, please contact Lynda Gomi at lgomi@nyac.com.

Let the journey begin!

All my prayers,

Bishop Martin D. McLee



Church Administrator, Linda Abbas

Should anyone need to e-mail the church office, please use the address host@onechurchnyc.com.

My extension is 101 at the church telephone number (718) 446-0690.

Please be advised that my hours in the office are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10-4. This is subject to some variation depending on the day of the week that the payroll is due and the Tuesday each month of the Trustee meeting.

Do not hesitate to call or e-mail if I can assist you in any way.

In Christ,
Linda

UMC Women's Ministry

UMC Women's Ministry is moving quite excitedly. At our monthly meeting there are food, games, conversation and we are about to start reading and discussing *Women In The Bible* starting the last of this month. We will start a book reading

as well "**Jesus And Those Bodacious Women**". Come and join us on the last Sunday in the month, Marcia Dixon Chair and Valerie Katz Co-chair.

United Methodist Women are realigning themselves

to be in Mission as mandated by our Conference. We are expecting our Conference President to visit us real soon to jump-start us once again. Mission is in our DNA. Therefore, inactivity should not be an option nor should it be an excuse.



Congratulations to Marcia Dixon and Valerie Katz for completion of Lay Servant Classes.

Blessings to All Who Completed New Members Class:

Vivianne Barretto
Maurice R. Clayton
Marcia Dixon
Sandra Gonzalez
Mr. Charles Joseph
Denise Z. Marshall
Shadira Mercado-Fenico
Victoria Perez
Dylis Smith

Thanks to Eddie Vega and the Evangelism Team for their new mission work at Far Rockaway Mission.

To God Be The Glory!

" Six pictures
on this and the
facing page
from our
Mother's Day
Jazz Brunch in
May "

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Administrative Assistant /Receptionist/Rental Coordinator— Maurice R. Clayton

All of our custodians are new, save for Luis Molano, who has stuck with us through thick and thin and took the time to train the new guys, too. He made it possible to have the strong and reliable team of custodians we have working for us now. I am happy to be their team leader and supervisor. They are dedicated trustworthy and punctual.

Unfortunately, sometimes people look down on them and **treat them as "less than" because of the line of work they are in**, although God tells us to be careful about judging others.

Not everyone realizes that custodial work is a ministry people are called to—just like any other ministry or vocation. God can truly do wonderful things once we get out of the way and let Him work, although we have to work with Him, too. He will be our co-pilot, if we let Him.

As Pastor Davis' Administrative Assistant, I work in the office on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M. When Pastor Davis is traveling, however, I am required to be in the office every day from 10:00 A.M.—4:00 P.M. While in

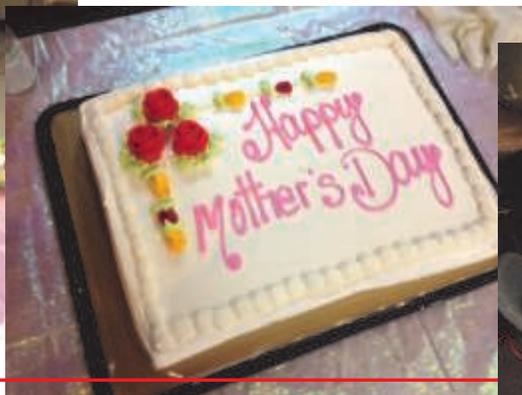
that role, I can be reached at 718.446.0690 Extension 104.

As Receptionist/Rental Coordinator, I can be reached at 718.446.0690 Extension 0, from 4:00 P.M.—8:00 P.M.

Please do not hesitate to call me at either one of those extensions and times, if there is anything I can assist you in any way.

Thank you and may our God's blessings continuously be upon you and yours..

Maurice R. Clayton



“Looking Ahead”

6/4 - 6/7/2014
NY Annual Conference

6/15/2014
Father's Day
Preaching: Terry Calhoun
10AM

6/22/2014
Sunday School Closing
(Summer Break)
New Members Closing &
Giving Certificate
10AM

Council Meeting
12PM

6/28/2014
Feeding Program

7/6/2014
Blue Jean Sunday
Joint Worship
10AM
Picnic in Garden to follow

7/12/2014
Far Rockaway Mission
8:30AM—3:30PM

7/20/2014
Flushing House:
Pastor asks choir members
to join her
3pm

7/26/2014
Feeding Program

8/16/2014
Far Rockaway Mission
8:30AM—3:30PM

9/2014
NYAC Mission trip to Ghana
is asking churches to help
supply medical supplies for
the people. Each person on
the trip is asked to bring a
suitcase of supply. Please
see list of needed supplies
**and let's help out. It's very
important that we help our
brothers and sisters in need.**



Trustees News Corner

This spring the Trustees have and are still in the process of fixing Sanctuary building leaks. Here are some of the fixed items that have been accomplished.

Bell Tower: fixed leaking roof.

Roof valley-left side of Church on rear:
Built up low part of valley to better slope valley and remove ponding.

South West corner of Church:
Secure leader and leader head and rebuild roof corner.

North West corner of Church:
New scupper box with leader and elbow and rebuild corner section of roof.

Right side of Tower:

Rebuild 100sq. ft of flat roof with flashing and membrane around perimeter.

Back side of Tower:
Seal existing flashing and install 4 inch round leader to existing leader for extension purposes.

Library:
Seal a 6 foot long crack above window.

All of this came at a cost of \$7500.00 but was much **needed for our Lord's** house.

We also had the Church office re-**carpeted, it's ceiling** repaired, new shelving unit built, walls and ceiling painted after having damage done from our old leaking roof that we replaced in 2013. We also had new carpeting put in the upper east room and a few mem-

bers of our Church volunteered to re-paint the **room's walls and ceiling.**

We will have many more projects coming which include fixing the area around library window as well as painting the room, painting damaged ceiling outside of upper east/tower room. Re-plaster the wall and paint in the Bell Tower room.

We will also have to fix the back wall of the sanctuary since it has water damage and will have to be fixed and sealed. We will also look into other areas which have been subject to water damage over the years.

Due to our increasing spring rains and harsh weather patterns we have to do all **that we can to keep God's** building protected.

District Superintendent of the Long Island West District

Dear New York Annual Conference Family:

I write to publicly thank Reverend Kenny Yi for his service as District Superintendent of the Long Island West District. Kenny has served admirably by sharing in spiritual and relational leadership while supporting the congregations and clergy in the Long Island West District. We will miss his deep spirituality, his great capacity at language fluency, his love of music, and his commitment to making disciples of Jesus

Christ for the transformation of the world.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of the Reverend Sungchan Kim, pas-



tor of Marn-Baeksung United Methodist Church as the next District Superintendent of the Long Island West District. This new appointment will begin July 1, 2014. Reverend Kim is a

man of deep spirituality, great commitment to the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to the connectional system. He is widely known for his skills at resolving conflict and for his reliance on the Holy Spirit. Please keep Reverend Kim and his family in prayer as well as the Long Island West District as this new transformation begins.

All my prayers,

Bishop Martin D. McLee