



# NEWSLETTER

Community Chronicle

Newsletter of the Community United Methodist Church

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## 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

Grace and Peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. This is again a day of new beginnings, time to remember and move on, time to believe what Love is bringing; laying to rest the things that are gone. I concur with the great hymnist and as the Prophet Jeremiah 8:20 says:

**"The Harvest is past, the summer has ended and we haven't been delivered.."**

People of God, there is still much to do. God is counting on us. He is calling us to a closer **walk with Him and that's ob-**



tained through prayer, Bible study, worship, witnessing and fellowship.

There are new ministries on the horizon for our church. We

have been asked by Drew Theological Seminary to mentor a ministry student, Minister Barbara Whitlow, who will be doing her supervised ministry here for the next year. It is an honor and a privilege to have her and her **husband in our midst. Let's** welcome them with open arms as I know you will!

To God be the Glory!

Pastor Davis



FGsItwthghoS16 Media—Malcolm McTaggart

**How do you have a "strong" password that is easy to remember? I'm sure you struggle with this task too?**

While it may seem tough to do, there are a few simple tips that can make it easy. Use a mix of alphabetical and numeric characters. Use a mixture of upper- and lowercase. Use symbols if the system allows. Use a combination of letters and numbers, or a phrase using only the consonants or first letters of the words in the

phrase.

I've always been impressed with fellow brother's and sister's in Christ who can recite Bible verses and numbers so I'm creating secure passwords now as a way to incorporate this discipline. The title above is from John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son" It's more than 8 characters, it's got capitals and lower case, it's got numbers(if you didn't want to include the

16 you could change the "only" "o" to a zero). Changing the capital S to a \$ sign would get you a symbol in this password too.

Try it, it's a great way to memorize scripture and since they say you should make a different password for every instance of one you have, you'll be on your way to memorizing more of God's word.

**Guess I'll have to change mine, since you know it now!**



A missionary visited us from Guyana and shared pictures with us that show specifically how missionary giving is used as United Methodists, we are a global organization.



Above:  
The Urban Cohort of Bishops, consisting of Bishop Middleton, Bishop John Schol, Bishop Greg Palmer, Bishop Sally Dyck and Bishop Michael McKee, our District Superintendent Sungchan Kim, and The **United Methodist City Society's Bill** Shillady, Pastor Delois Davis and Pastor Jose Mora-Gil. Pastor Ilsoo John Chung was unable to attend.



Items on the agenda included:

- ◆ How vital Jackson Heights is to our ministry.
- ◆ A description of ministries in our church.
- ◆ The navigation of shared space.
- ◆ 82nd Street Academics.

To the right:  
Dr. Ronald Tompkins spoke about how 82nd Street Academics has been flourishing and continues to branch out.



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Building UP Reaching Out!

August was an exciting month. First Vacation Bible School went off with a bang. All three congregations worked happily together, and the closing ceremony was awesome! The children displayed what they learned with clarity and excitement.

We're on the Web

[www.1churchnyc.com](http://www.1churchnyc.com)



Pastor Davis and Claudia Valdes, our Youth Ministry Chair agree that Preet Korani, a young man who is on fire for The Lord, preached an awesome message on Youth Sunday, August 9th, 2015.



My time at C.U.M.C. has been something special from my start four years ago, along with the responsibility of my duties as Custodian. I feel that I have become a person who builds with the building of The Lord that is maintained for all.

So it is that a grain of sand on the beach of life, plus the hope and faith of those dreams that next to Jesus Christ will be made.

**In recent years, I have seen God's hand around me and in my heart felt the strength to have my family with me. The time dedicated to my church will soon be rewarded; my wife will come soon. I know I owe to the faith what has emerged and is emerging from and at this place where I work.—Luis Molano**



The members of our Youth Ministry introduced themselves. (From left to right they are: Boris Drew, Vianca Vega, George Worotikan, Anoop Yadiki, Bishop Bolden, Deepika Korani, Sophia Tomasello and Hermano. Not pictured: Amika Purushotham and Donieke Webster.)

They serve as ushers, media assistants, reading of the Word and come out to fellowship one with the other.



## “Looking Ahead”

10/03/15—**United Methodist Men’s BBQ**

10/10/15-English Flea Market

10/17/15—Spanish Flea Market

10/24/15-Evangelism Workshop with  
Dr. Derrick Noble

10/25/15-Flushing House

10/31/15—Feeding Ministry

11/01/15-Harvest Celebration

11/08/15—Charge Conference

11/21/15—Feeding Ministry

12/13/15-Flushing House

12/24/25- Candlelight Service

12/31/15-Watch night Service—8:00 P.M.

Excerpts from a letter from UMCOR:

Dear Friends in Mission:

Thank you for your gift received on 7/16/15 of \$958.00 to the Imagine No Malaria campaign through The Advance, the designated mission giving channel of The United Methodist Church. We are pleased to share that **100 percent** of your contribution will go towards eliminating of **the world’s most deadly diseases**. Giving through The Advance enables United Methodists to support one another in mission and ministry around the world. Thank you for partnering with **us in God’s mission**.

Through gifts like yours, Imagine No Malaria has already distributed 1.2 million insecticide-treated bed nets throughout Africa. We have also trained more than 5, 400 community health workers to personally deliver mosquito nets and measure usage rates. Today, because of the dedicated and generous support of people like you, **malaria’s impact has been cut in half!**

Your gift supports the work of the United Methodist Church and our many partners including The Global Fund to Fight AIDS; Tuberculosis and Malaria; The United Nations Foundation; the International Federation of the Red Crescent and Red Cross Societies, Nets for Life ©, and United Methodist central conferences across Africa. Please visit [www.imaginenomalaria.org](http://www.imaginenomalaria.org) to learn more about how your support is making an impact with a full range of interventions to combat malaria. If you have questions about your gift, please feel free to contact the Gift Processing Unit at 212.870.3611.

May God grant you a sense of hope and joy as you continue your support for mission and as we advance towards a day with no malaria.

Grace and Peace,

Ronald Fernandes and Emily Miller  
General Board of Global Ministries



After worship fellowshiping with a favorite lady from our Spanish Congregation, with **Vivianne Barretto** (center), as Worship Leader.



The door of the church is open.

### Praise The Lord

We bring sacrifices to the Lord.

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We bring sacrifices of praise to the Lord.

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Praise the Lord.  
Praise the Lord.

If you praise the Lord  
You need to clap your hands

And sing to the Lord  
We can praise the Lord  
Anywhere and every-  
where.

**PRAISE THE LORD.**  
Amen.

Raveena Gadapaka  
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### Poetry Corner

#### Thank You Jesus

Thank You, Thank You Jesus  
for pulling me through,  
back there I’ll never go, that is something I won’t  
do.

Your blood it cleansed me it made me new.  
Thank You, Thank You Jesus  
It’s all thanks to You.

Thank You for what You did for us on the cross  
You gave us victory not a loss  
You rose again and gave us hope.  
You broke our chains, our freedom we gained.

Thank You, Thank You Jesus  
Our Savior, Redeemer and Friend.

Vivianne Barretto