



### The United Methodist Church of Port Washington

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As it does once a year, summer is past! The kids are in school and our lives are returning back to normal after ten weeks of blessed summer break. When summer began, our message in the last newsletter was to rest up, because once fall gets here, things are going to be exciting here at The United Methodist Church of Port Washington. We are blessed to kick off this fall with a fishing trip for our Sunday school and others in the congregation. Pumpkin Fest plans are well under way. We've even talked about Advent and Christmas already! Yet in all the excitement, we can fall into a rut – or routine as some of us call it. However, that routine should not end our joy with another year together.

So in looking after ourselves and our time, we would like to share this with you. We understand time is valuable and that things always end up piling up on our to-do lists. However, we all have to remember that the Lord has given us a remedy for the business in our lives. Genesis reminds us of this. After the first six days of creation, God looked and saw that all was very good. Then on the seventh day, God rested. If we cannot take away anything else from the creation

story, it is that we have to pause, stop, take a break and take time for ourselves. This is central not only to our physical well-being, but also our emotion, (and most importantly) our spiritual wellness.

And as a people of God, this seventh day should be devoted to the Lord our God who knows us each by name. So our prayer for each of you is this:

May the grace of our Everlasting Lord bless you. May the joy that passes all understanding be placed upon your hearts. May the compassion that Jesus has shown each of us be central in our lives so much so that we cannot turn away, but instead show it to the

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world through our actions, through our worship and praise, and through every fiber of our being. Amen.

Blessings, Pastors Romi and David

#### **Birthdays**

#### September

1-Jeff Kovner
3-Chris Hirschberg
5-Sandy Cardiello
17-Rick Grove
20-Marian Brower
25-Thea Kitley
25-David Collins
30-Violet Ortenzi

#### October

4-Jillian Ortenzi12-Hannah Blumberg13-Mike Weiss18-Melissa Insinga

As many of you may already know, our website is up and running at our original web address, <a href="https://UMCPW.org">https://UMCPW.org</a>. When you have some time, please take a look. We have already added some new features:

- <u>Sermon Podcasts</u>, where you can listen to a sermon you may have missed on your Computer, phone or tablet.
- <u>"From our Pastors Blog"</u> An opportunity to share insights with our new pastors.
- Join our Facebook group: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1408259235935038/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1408259235935038/</a>
- Leave us your review on Yelp: <a href="https://www.yelp.com/biz/united-methodist-church-of-port-washington">https://www.yelp.com/biz/united-methodist-church-of-port-washington</a>

We sincerely hope you will like what you see, and, if you do, please share this with a friend. Please let me know if there is something you would like us to add or change. *Regards, Doug Weston* 

**Thank you to everyone** who helped out while we were on vacation visiting family in Europe. A special thanks to Nancy Sutherland, Lee Fertitta, and Pat Rush for leading worship and

preaching in our absences.

#### **Raised Bed Update**

The garden beds continue to yield produce daily. So far:

Around 220 cucumbers, 45 green or yellow squash, countless radish (four grocery bags), 12 eggplant, three pounds of green beans, 70 tomatoes (they are just ripening now), and lots of parsley and basil. Fall squash are planted as are two beds with cucumbers for a fall harvest.

Thank you everyone for all your help in this mission project!



#### Sundae Sunday is coming up!

After worship on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>!

**Our Lady of Fatima** will hold its Annual Yard Sale on Sat. Sept. 15, 8-4. The yard sale will include a wide selection of "Attic Treasures", bric/brac, toys, small appliances, baby items and much more! Donations of toys, attic treasures, electronics and small appliances glassware, dishes, clothes, shoes, handbags, all linens (towels comforters, blankets, sheets, curtains and stuffed animals and pillows) must be cleaned and put in a large plastic bag and brought to the Parish Center on Sept. 4-7 and Sept 10-14 between 630-830 pm. Please call the Rectory at 516 767-0781 if you have any questions.

**Opening day of Sunday School is September 16!** We will celebrate with a festive **Ice Cream Sundae Sunday Hospitality Hour** after worship. Join us for the fun and bring a friend.

**Social Justice Worship Begins Sunday, September 16** Making a difference in our community and the world is an important ministry. As part our commitment, each month the third worship service will focus on a different social issue expressed through prayer and song. Be part of the solution!

Join us for the Blessing of Our Children and Their Backpacks (Bring Your Own Backpack) during the worship service on September 23rd.

#### The Pumpkins Are Coming! The Pumpkins are Coming!

Yes, it's Fall Festival time. Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup> is our annual hoedown with the community of Port Washington and planning has already begun. This is a huge undertaking so we need your help! Volunteer by signing up in the Narthex. We need you!!!

**Furniture and Attic Treasures** If you have gently used items you can donate, please contact Pat in the office. We are also in need of paper/plastic bags and old newspapers for packing.

At The Library, This Wednesday, September 12, 7:30 p.m. – Dr. P.K. Newby, who grew up in our Church is launching her book tour promoting her newest book Food and Nutrition, What Everyone Needs To Know. This is Kirsten's third Nutrition-oriented book and is written in a Q and A easy-to-read format. It's info, not recipes. Her presentation style is positive and informative. Last week, Boston, this week, New York, then L.A, Chicago, etc. London, in November.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Tuesday, Sept 11- Pumpkin Festival Meeting 10am

Tuesday Sept 25 - Church Council 7:30pm in the Parlor



Save the date
September 23<sup>rd</sup>
Outdoor movie night

Featuring: The Wizard of Oz

Popcorn and lemonade provided

Bring your own lawn blankets or chairs

#### Office hours for the church office are:

MONDAY: 9:30 AM through 2:30 PM

TUESDAY: 9:30 AM through 2:30 PM

WEDNESDAY: 9:30 AM through 2:30 PM

THURSDAY: 9:30 AM through 2:30 PM

FRIDAY: Office closed

#### Pastor David's office hours:

MONDAY: 9:00 AM through 2:00 PM

TUESDAY: 9:00 AM through 2:00 PM

WEDNESDAY: 4:00 PM through 9:00 PM

THURSDAY: 9:00 AM through 2:00 PM

FRIDAY: Day off

## Ed Jackle Memorial Back to Sunday School Fishing Trip



Private Charter Fishing Trip - Adults: \$15, Kids: FREE
Contact Nancy Sutherland for availability
Saturday, September 15

Inspiration Wharf - 405 Main Street
Be at the dock at **12:30pm** - Boat returns at 4pm

# SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER NEWSLETTER NEED TO BE TO PASTOR DAVID BY OCTOBER 29!

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