



The United Methodist Church of Port Washington

November & December 2018 – Newsletter

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Beloveds,

Grace and peace to all of you! It is clear that fall is upon us and the seasons have and are changing, but what a great beginning of fall it has been so far. We had a full boat for the Back to Sunday School Fishing Trip back in September, and I do believe this may become a yearly event as our Sunday school and family ministries continue to grow stronger. Though the Pumpkin Festival in October almost got rained out, we still had a great time gathering together and working as one to make it as successful of an event as possible. At the beginning of November we celebrated a new family who joined the church and baptized their little one, as well as another baptism that same day! We remembered those who are our beloveds who have entered into heaven in the last year or so. And one of the biggest changes this season I hope everyone has noticed is the baby/toddler crawl space and rocking chair for nursing or sleeping babies in the back of the sanctuary.

Personally, I know how hard it is to deal with change when something has had a particular look to it the last 50 years. I've had the same haircut for 33 years and I always struggle once clothes become "well worn" as to keep them because I can still get another season out of them or retire them to a life of cleaning rags.

However, what a bold statement taking two pews out of the sanctuary and putting up a play fence with a mat for babies to lay and crawl around on. For someone entering our worship space for the first time that makes a profound statement to see that, and I couldn't be more proud of the support and positive feedback over this little project.

God is truly at work among us!

Blessings, Pastors David & Romi

Check out our website!

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The church email is:

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**Podcasts of Sermon, blogs,
and upcoming events.**



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Birthdays

November

2-Barbara Romano
6-Jonathan Weber
8-Terry Mady-Grove
10-Hella Harkness
13-Allison Lucky
Weber
18-Annette Weber
21-Dottie Bheddah
21-Charlotte Grove
23-Rita Aronsohn
27-Arlene Harris

December

1-Lois Weston
2-Lee Fertitta
2-Dominique
Marchenoir
8-Karen Bloom
13-Diandra Burton
19-Melanie
Hirschberg
20-Doug Weston
25-Paula Johnson
25-Kim Rosenbaum

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

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

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

Raised Bed Update

The beds are down for winter. After a late start to the produce season thanks to a cooler and rainier spring, the garden produced for about 11 weeks with multiple bags of produce going to Our Lady of Fatima food pantry. The produce we grew was much appreciated by the pantry clients and Sister Kathy. Her thank you note is on the bulletin board outside the pastors' office.

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

Pumpkin Fest 2018



Next Social Justice Worship, November 18 - 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!

Changes in the Sanctuary



Solidarity Service with The Reconstructionist Synagogue of the North Shore

After the violent attack on the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA, we were invited to be a part of a solidarity service to stand with our Jewish brothers and sisters in the face of anti-Semitism.



Baptisms of Charlotte & Kristine



Upcoming Events & Meetings

Sunday, November 11 @ 10:00 am: Worship Service w/ Stewardship Moment by Lee

Monday, November 12: A service of remembrance of those in Pittsburgh (Amsterdam)

Tuesday, November 13 @ 9:30 am: Bible Study "Most Effective Prayers of the Bible"

Thursday, November 15 @ 5:30 – 8:30 pm: Laundry Love

Thursday, November 15 @ 8:00 pm: Interfaith Bible Study (UMCPW) -- Book of Ezra

Friday, November 16 @ 2:00 pm: Finance Committee Meeting

Sunday, November 18 @ 10:00 am: Social Justice Worship Service (Feed the Hungry)

Sunday, November 18 @ noon: Sunday School visiting Our Lady of Fatima Food Pantry and helping with the Thanksgiving Baskets. All are welcome to join in.

Sunday, November 18 @ 4:30 pm: Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service (Lutheran Church of Our Savior)

Tuesday, November 20 @ 9:30 am: Bible Study "Most Effective Prayers of the Bible"

Tuesday, November 20 @ 7:30 pm: Church Council Meeting

Thursday, November 22: Church office closed. Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, November 23: Church office closed

Sunday, November 25 @ 10:00 am: Christ the King Sunday

Tuesday, November 27 @ 9:30 am: Bible Study "Most Effective Prayers of the Bible"

Saturday, December 1 @ 9:00 am: Hanging of the Greens

Saturday, December 1 @ 9:00 am: CWNS Holiday Breakfast

Sunday, December 2 @ 10:00 am: First Sunday of Advent w/ Pledge Dedication

Sunday, December 2 @ 4:30 pm: Port Washington Community Tree Lighting w/ Live Nativity (Blumenfeld Park)

Tuesday, December 4 @ 9:30 am: Bible Study "Most Effective Prayers of the Bible"

Tuesday, December 4 @ 7:30 pm: Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 5: Caroling at the PW Train Station

Saturday, December 8 @ 4-6 pm: UMCPW Second Annual Christmas Event w/ Tree Lighting and Santa's visit

Sunday, December 9 @ 10:00 am: Second Sunday of Advent w/ Children's Choir (All are welcome to dress in their Ugly Christmas Sweater or in holiday colors)

Sunday, December 9 @ 10:00 am: Pajama Sunday for Sunday School and Nursery

Sunday, December 9 @ noon: Church luncheon w/ a movie (Miracle on the 34th Street). All are welcome.

Tuesday, December 11 @ 9:30 am: Bible Study "Most Effective Prayers of the Bible"

Saturday, December 15: Poinsettias delivery

Sunday, December 16 @ 10:00 am: Third Sunday of Advent. Social Justice Worship Service (Prison Ministry).

Flood buckets and white socks for women in prison, white gifts for Far Rockaway and wrapped gifts for Families in Need

Sunday, December 16: Caroling to our Friends at Home and in Nursing Homes

Tuesday, December 18 @ 10:00 am: Bible Study "Most Effective Prayers of the Bible"

Thursday, December 20 @ 5:30– 8:30 pm: Laundry Love

Sunday, December 23 @ 10:00 am: Fourth Sunday of Advent w/ Christmas Pageant

Monday, December 24 @ 5:00 pm: Christmas Eve Worship Service w/ Children's Choir

Monday, December 24 @ 10:00 pm: Christmas Eve Worship Service w/ Chancel Choir

Tuesday, December 25: Church office closed

Wednesday, December 26: Church office closed

Sunday, December 30 @ 10:00 am: Worship Service

Tuesday, January 1: Church office closed

Friday, January 4 through Sunday, January 6: Pastors will be on vacation

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

One of the traditions at UMCPW is to decorate the sanctuary at Christmas with dozens of “Flowers of the Holy Night” which are donated by church members and friends.

If you wish to donate a plant in honor or in memory of someone, complete this form and return it with your check made payable to UMCPW with “Christmas Plants” in the memo line. Plants are \$14 each.

Orders must be received NO LATER than Sunday, December 2nd

Please specify how you would like your dedication(s) to read. Use a separate sheet if more space is needed for multiple plants.

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

To the Glory of God: _____

Donated by: _____

Please pick up plant(s) after Christmas Eve 10 PM Service

Number of plants X \$14 = _____



Place order form and check into the offering plate during worship, otherwise mail or deliver to the church office by Sunday, December 2.

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

***SUBMISSIONS FOR THE JANUARY/FEBRUARY
NEWSLETTER NEED TO BE TO PASTOR DAVID BY
DECEMBER 17!***

SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVENT

**Saturday, December 8 - 4:00 pm till 6:00 pm
Tree Lighting - 5:30 pm**



- ❄️ Cookie Decorating Station ❄️
- ❄️ Ornament Making Station ❄️
- ❄️ Marshmallow Roasting Station ❄️
- ❄️ Tractor Rides with Santa Claus ❄️
- ❄️ Christmas Concert in the Sanctuary ❄️
- ❄️ Hot Cocoa and Hot Cider ❄️
- ❄️ Tree Lighting at 5:30 pm ❄️
- ❄️ Santa Claus available for pictures with your camera ❄️

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