

## PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN MEMBERS

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### **SCRIPTURE READINGS for December 4<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent, Year C)**

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-7, 18-19

Romans 15:4-13

Matthew 3:1-12

### SPIRITUAL FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Bible Study	Sun. 9:50am
Choir Rehearsal	Sun. 9:30AM & after worship
Sunday School	Sun. 9:30am
Youth Explosion Teen Meeting	Sun. after worship
Bible Study	Tue. 10:30am
Senior Computer Classes	Tue. 6:30pm
United Methodist Men	December 6, 2016 @ 7:00pm
Wednesday's Word	Wed. 3:00pm
Evening Bible Study	Wed. 6:30pm & 7:45pm
United Methodist Women	*TBA- December, 2016
Prayer Ministry	Sat. 9:00 am

### ONGOING EVENTS

**Daughters of Esther**

**Sparkle Project**

**Youth Explosion - Friday Fun Night!**

(\*1<sup>st</sup> & Last Friday of the Month)

\* AAH- African American Hymnal

\*UMH- United Methodist Hymnal

\*W&S- Worship & Song

\*ZSS- Zion Still Sings

†Please stand if able (latecomers may be seated).

We WELCOME our guests and pray that this service is a blessing to you. If our Pastor can be of service to you, call (914) 632-2166 or e-mail: [umcnewrochelle@gmail.com](mailto:umcnewrochelle@gmail.com).



United Methodist Student Day  
**First Sunday of Advent**  
November 27, 2016 – 10:30AM

*Reverend Michelle E. Lewis*  
Pastor

*New Rochelle United Methodist Church is a Diverse Community  
uplifting each other with love, prayer, faith, and service  
to transform lives through Jesus Christ.*

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## United People Living In Faith to Transform

You are invited to prepare for worship by praying at the altar or in your seat  
- Please silence cell phones -

### ENTER TO WORSHIP

GATHERING	Drumming	
+PROCESSIONAL HYMN	"My Hope Is Built"	UMH 368
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES		
WELCOME/GREETINGS		
PRAISE AND WORSHIP		
(See Page 4)	"Welcome"	W&S 3152
	"Great is Thy Faithfulness"	UMH 140

### +CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Now is the time of watching and waiting.

PEOPLE: **Now is the time of pregnant expectation of new life.**

ONE: The candle of hope has been lit.

ALL: **Let us worship in the light of God's grace.**

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

READER 1: We light this candle as a symbol of the hope we have in the promise of the Lord's coming.

READER 2: For the Lord will fulfill his promise to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. A righteous Branch will spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

ALL: **Come, Lord Jesus, come!**

help us to meet our monthly apportionment and insurance obligations while meeting all other expenses of the church. Thank you.

*-Finance Team*

### BIBLE STUDY: Streaming Every Wednesday Evening!

There are two options for Bible Study. Both take place on Wednesday night. One is at 6:30 and the other begins at 7:45. The 7:45 study will also be live streamed. Live streaming is via the app/web platform *Periscope*. We are NRUMC Bible Study.

### FRIDAY FUN NIGHT: First & Last Friday! 7pm - 9pm

Join the Youth Explosion Youth Group for a night of Christian Fun, including: food, games, bible study and more! For info call (917) 202-2763

### COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: Paying it Forward

The Youth Explosion group will now collect items to assemble 2 care packages for our college students; one for each to enjoy and another to bless someone else with the love that Christ has for us all.

### DISASTER RELIEF: NRUMC IS A Drop-Off Location

We are a drop off location for cleaning supplies for those affected by natural disasters. Please see posted donation lists to see how you can help.

### HOSPITALITY:

Volunteers are needed to make the food and fellowship after worship a successful event. To help with after church refreshments please see Eunice Gooding or Janine Dodd; we are asking for your support. Sign-up sheets are posted in the parlor and near the entrance to the church office. Please sign up to bring healthy food in support of this time of sharing.

### SUBMISSIONS:

Please remember to submit all announcements to the church office in writing by Tuesday at 11am to be approved for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.

### YOUTH OUTREACH:



Every second Sunday, the Youth Explosion youth group will be making soup and sandwiches to be served to the less fortunate. See Carla Moseley Director for donation suggestions or ways to participate.

### MISSION OF HEALING: Health Kits Available (\$12 each)

NRUMC's Mission Committee is collecting the essential health kit materials to provide aid to the many tragically impacted by natural disasters and other critical events. Please see posted lists of the items needed.

### YOUTH EXPLOSION COAT DRIVE: November 2016



The Youth Outreach Ministry will be conducting a *GENTLY-USED/NEW* coat drive through the month of November. See Carla Moseley after service for donation drop-off details and additional questions.

### 2016-2017 CHURCH/CHARGE CONFERENCE:

The NRUMC Conference date has been scheduled for **Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 12:00pm** in the **Social Hall**. Committee Leaders please note: reporting documents are available upon request in the church office or online at [www.nyac.com](http://www.nyac.com).

### ATTENTION LAY SERVANTS:

The 2016 Initial or Renewal registration form is *now available*. Completion of this form is mandatory preparation for the upcoming Church Conference on December 10, 2016. If you have not already obtained this form, please see Brother Alvin Long.

### BIBLE STUDY GIFT DRIVE: Now through December 10, 2016

The Adult bible study class is collecting gifts for children for Christmas.

Please submit all gifts in by the 10th, and NO gift should cost more than \$10.00.



### "JOYOUS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION":

Concert & Recording Artist Kay V. Boyd with Acts of Faith Productions will present the 16 Annual "*Joyous Christmas Celebration*" right here at NRUMC on **Saturday, December 10, 2016 @ 6:30pm** in the Sanctuary.

Featuring guest artists Tshombe Selby (Tenor) and Alexander Long (Saxophonist), the **advanced ticket sales** are going on **NOW through December 3rd @ \$40.00 each**.

Tickets will be available at the door (\$45.00 - Adults | \$25.00 - Students | Free Admission for Children 12yrs & under).

### APPORTIONMENTS:

Please be prayerful about giving at least \$50 each month above your tithes. This will

### PRAYER (Centering Silence)

**O Lord God, as we begin to prepare our hearts to receive the One whom you are sending, forgive us for all the times we have missed seeing you in our midst, for all the times we have doubted your presence, and for all the times we have failed to help others find their way. Forgive us, in the name of Jesus, the One who is coming. We thank you for the assurance of your grace and forgiveness, for hearing our prayers and challenging us to seek righteousness, and for your gift of love and acceptance. Amen.**

### THE PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

(In response to the words "Lord in your mercy..." all should respond, "Hear our prayer.")

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### PRAYER REPONSE

"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"

ZSS 154

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### FOR THE YOUNG & YOUNG AT HEART

### †PASSING THE PEACE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### PSALM 122

I was glad when they said to me,

**"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"**

Our feet our standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.

**Jerusalem built as a city that is bound firmly together.**

To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

**For there the thrones for judgment were set up, the thrones of the house of David.**

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.

**Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers."**

For the sake of my relatives and friends I will say, "Peace be within you."

**For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.**



# "FRIENDS OF KAREN" HOLIDAY WISH LIST

Friends Of Karen's mission is to provide emotional, financial and advocacy support to children with a life-threatening illness and their families.

Friends of Karen, is a registered 501© (3) Charity.

Please help me make the holidays a lot brighter for families of those sick children. Please do not wrap the gifts, no stuffed animals and they can only accept brand new items so as to not compromise their immune system.

Attached is a list of gift ideas.  
Gifts will be collected through  
Sunday, December 11, 2016

Sponsored by a Community Service  
of  
Adrian Harewood



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Welcome



1. Let's walk to- geth - er for a while and  
2. Let's talk to- geth - er of a time when  
3. Let's dream to- geth - er of the day when



ask where we be - gin, — to build a world where  
we will share a feast, — where pride and pow - er  
earth and heaven are one, — a ci - ty built of



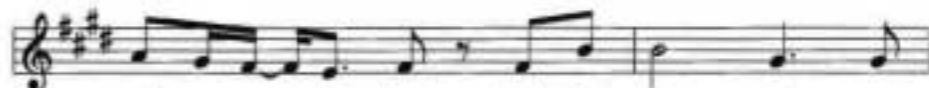
love can grow and hope can en - ter in, — — to  
kneel to serve the lone - ly and the least, — — and  
love and light, the new Je - ru - sa - lem, — where our



be the hands of heal - ing and to  
joy will set the ta - ble as we  
mourn - ing turns to danc - ing, ev - ery



plant the seed of peace, — sing - ing wel - come,  
join our hands to pray, — sing - ing wel - come,  
crea - ture lifts its voice, — cry - ing wel - come,



wel - come to this place. You're in - vit - ed to



come and know God's grace. All are wel - come the

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WELCOME  
1st. with Refrain

love of God to share \_\_\_\_\_ 'cause all of us are wel-come here; -  
 - all are wel-come in this place. \_\_\_\_\_



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### TRAINING SESSIONS BEGIN IN DECEMBER: Attention Liturgists & Lay Speakers

Pastor's Training for liturgists and lay speakers will be held on the following dates:

12/8; 12/13; 1/31, and 2/21/17.

\*Beginning January 2017, only those who have participated will be liturgists in worship.



### UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY: Today - November 27, 2016

Today is United Methodist Student Day, which calls the church to support students as they prepare for life in uniting faith with knowledge. A special offering will be observed, which provides scholarships for qualified United Methodist applicants.

### SPECIAL THANKS:

Thanks to "Mr. Moseley" for all of your hard work in helping to set up the altar decorations for Harvest Sunday. It was truly beautiful.

*- Alma Jordan*

Thanks to the Board of Trustees for blessing the Church Office with a beautiful new desk.

*- Michelle Thompson*

### HOLIDAY BLESSINGS:

The United Methodist Women are still accepting donations of canned/non-perishable goods on behalf of our local families this season of giving. Please search your hearts and cabinets as you are able, and help the UMW bless the sick and shut-in, as well as others in need this holiday season. See Alma Jordan or Andrea Harewood for information: donations will be received in the Narthex just outside the doors to the Sanctuary.

7 *Refrain*

time is draw - ing nigh. Sis - ters, don't grow  
 time is draw - ing nigh.  
 time is draw - ing nigh.  
 time is draw - ing nigh.

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wea - ry; broth - ers, don't grow wea - ry; chil - dren,

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don't grow wea - ry, for the time is draw - ing nigh.

# 154 Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

*For I, the LORD your God, hold your right hand;  
 it is I who say to you, "Do not fear, I will help you." (Isaiah 41:13)*

1. Time is filled with swift tran - si - tion.  
 2. Trust in him who will not leave you.  
 3. Cov - et not this world's vain rich - es  
 4. When your jour - ney is com - plet - ed,

Naught of earth un - moved can stand.  
 What - so - ev - er years may bring,  
 that so ra - pid - ly de - cay.  
 if to God you have been true.

Build your hopes on things e - ter - nal. —  
 If by earth - ly friends for - sak - en, —  
 Seek to gain the heav - en - ly trea - sures. —  
 fair and bright the home in glo - ry —

Hold to God's un - chang - ing hand. —  
 still more close - ly to him cling. —  
 They will nev - er pass a - way. —  
 your en - rap - tured soul will view. —

Hold to his hand, ... God's un-chang-ing hand. ...

Hold to his hand, ... God's un-chang-ing hand. ...

Build your hopes on things e - ter - nal. ...

Hold to God's un-chang-ing hand. ...

1 Keep your lamps trimmed and burn - ing; keep your  
2 It's our faith makes us hap - py; it's our  
3 We are climb - ing Ja - cob's lad - der; we are  
4 Ev - ery round goes high - er, high - er; ev - ery

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