



**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
**March 26, 2017 – 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 -

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### ENTER TO WORSHIP

GATHERING

Drumming

\*PROCESSIONAL                      *"He Leadeth Me O Blessed Thought"*                      UMH 128

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME/GREETINGS

SONG                      *"Welcome"*                      W&S 3152  
(See Insert)

SONG                      *"The Summons"*                      TFWS 2130  
(See p.5)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 23

ONE: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**ALL: He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;**

ONE: he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

**ALL: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are  
with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me.**

ONE: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my  
head with oil; my cup overflows.

**ALL: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and  
I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.**

OPENING PRAYER

**God of our weary years**

**God of our silent tears,**

though who has brought us  
thus far on the way,  
thank you for your light that shines  
through us as a light into the darkness of the world.  
We pray that your light will forever shine,  
bringing hope to the hopeless.  
In those moment when the light  
inside us begins to flicker and die,  
we ask that you gently blow on it.  
Rekindle in us today, the desire  
to know you more intimately.  
Draw us closer to you that we might  
draw further away from  
the sin present in our lives.  
We pray all these things in the name of  
your Son, Jesus Christ, Amen.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

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

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

*"God Will Take Care of You"*

UMH 130

FOR THE YOUNG & YOUNG AT HEART



**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**      *"Let the Church Say Amen"*

**Let the church say amen**

**Let the church say amen**

**God has spoken, let the church say amen.**

**Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen, amen**

**God has spoken.**

**Let the church say amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

**DEPART TO SERVE**



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

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

— all are wel-come in this place. \_\_\_\_\_

The image shows a musical score for a song. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 2/4 time signature. The melody is written on a five-line staff. Below the staff, the lyrics "love of God to share \_\_\_\_\_ 'cause all of us are wel-come here; \_" are written. The second staff continues the melody, also in the same key and time signature. Below this staff, the lyrics "— all are wel-come in this place. \_\_\_\_\_" are written. The music ends with a double bar line.

# The Summons

2130



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? \_\_\_\_ Will you go where you don't know and  
 your name? \_\_\_\_ Will you care for cruel and kind and  
 your name? \_\_\_\_ Will you set the pris - oners free and  
 your name? \_\_\_\_ Will you quell the fear in - side and  
 my name. \_\_\_\_ Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_ Will you let my love be  
 nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_ Will you risk the hos - tile  
 nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_ Will you kiss the lep - er  
 nev - er be the same? \_\_\_\_ Will you use the faith you've  
 nev - er be the same. \_\_\_\_ In your com - pa - ny I'll



shown, \_\_\_\_ will you let my name be known, \_\_\_\_ will you  
 stare \_\_\_\_ should your life at - tract or scare? \_\_\_\_ Will you  
 clean, \_\_\_\_ and do such as this un - seen, \_\_\_\_ and ad -  
 found \_\_\_\_ to re - shape the world a - round, \_\_\_\_ through my  
 go \_\_\_\_ where your love and foot - steps show. \_\_\_\_ Thus I'll



let my life be grown in you and you in me? \_\_\_\_  
 let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me? \_\_\_\_  
 mit to what I mean in you and you in me? \_\_\_\_  
 sight and touch and sound in you and you in me? \_\_\_\_  
 move and live and grow in you and you in me. \_\_\_\_

WORDS: John Bell

MUSIC: Traditional Scottish

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### 2017 MET LAY SERVANT SCHOOL:

Reminder: the Metropolitan District will offer two-week (Saturday) basic and advanced courses for Lay Servants on April 6<sup>th</sup> and April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Registration forms are posted around the building, and are available upon request. **Registration is closed for the basic course; registration ends for the advanced course on April 6, 2017.** Please see brother Alvin Long for info.



SHOP SMART DO  
GOOD for BCHN!

DATE:  
Friday, March 31, 2017

LOCATION:  
Lord & Taylor  
750 White Plains Road  
Scarsdale, NY 10583

SHOP SMART *do good!*  
A FUNDRAISING SHOPPING EVENT



#### EACH TICKET INCLUDES:

- (2) 25% OFF single-item coupons to be used on regular-priced and sale items
- (1) 15% OFF storewide savings pass (including cosmetics and fragrances)
- Tickets are redeemed on SSDG Event Days at participating locations

For more information, contact Sharon Bandyopadhyay at  
(718) 405-7721 or [sedwards@bchnhealth.org](mailto:sedwards@bchnhealth.org)

### SHOP SMART DO GOOD: A FUNDRAISING SHOPPING EVENT FOR BCHN

- A special all-day shopping event hosted by Lord & Taylor in support of local non-profit organizations
- Leading up to SSDG Event Day on March 31, BCHN will sell \$5 tickets with proceeds going back to our organization
- SSDG Event Days feature special discounts, local entertainment, gifts with purchase and department-tailored activations
- Top ticket selling non-profit organizations will be rewarded additional bonus prizes

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN:

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

## JAZZ APPRECIATION MONTH:

In celebration of Jazz Appreciation Month, the Antigua House will present song stylist, Kay Boyd in an April Love Jazz Brunch on Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12 W. 122<sup>nd</sup>, NYC, 12pm to 4pm. 1st Seating: 12pm - 2pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> Seating: 2pm - 4pm. Tel. (800) 486-9502 or see Ms. Boyd.

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## Coalition for Mutual Respect

### Interfaith Seder

Learn About Passover: The Festival of Freedom

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 • 6pm

at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
10 Mill Road, New Rochelle

\$25 per person...*sponsor a youth to attend!*

\$15 for Coalition Choir Members

Mail reservation forms by Thursday, March 30, 2017  
or reserve & pay online: [www.tinr.org/events](http://www.tinr.org/events)



The Coalition for Mutual Respect  
c/o Temple Israel of New Rochelle  
1000 Pinebrook Blvd. | New Rochelle, NY 10804

For reservation forms and details, see posted flyers. Please see Coalition representatives Dr. Carol McLean-Long or Sister Andrea Harewood with any questions.

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## APPORTIONMENTS:

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

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY:**



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.

#### **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

#### **SENIOR COMPUTER CLASSES:**

Sessions will take place on Tuesdays, from 6:00-7:30pm.

#### **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.

# JOIN US IN ALBANY ON MAY 2nd TO END TORTURE IN NY!



The Board of Church and Society is partnering with the NY Campaign for Alternatives to Isolated Confinement (CAIC) and National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT) to pass the HALT Solitary Confinement Act in NY.

We will spend the day in Albany on **Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, for a rally and visits to legislators in support of the Humane Alternatives to Long-Term (HALT) Solitary Confinement Act. We need to show massive momentum so that this bill passes this year!! Since this legislation is considered a model for the entire country, even people from outside the state are welcome to help with this effort! All are welcome!

The Board of Church and Society is sponsoring a bus from **White Plains, NY** (Memorial UMC) which will make one other pickup at NY5 Thruway Exit 18 "park and ride" in **New Paltz, NY**. Bus leaves White Plains at 6:45 AM sharp, pickup in New Paltz at 8:15 AM. Return bus will leave Albany at 4:00 PM. The cost is \$30/person, but please request a subsidy if you need one. (or maybe you can make a donation to support someone else?)

**Register now to reserve your place on the bus!! Space is limited!**

[www.nyac.com/cbcs](http://www.nyac.com/cbcs) to register and for more information

If you live in New York City, you are welcome to sign up for the busses sponsored by CAIC by emailing: [caicadvocacyday@gmail.com](mailto:caicadvocacyday@gmail.com) with your name, address and phone number.

To prepare for this Lobbying Day, come to our **Advocacy Training:**

**Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1-3 PM**

at the Conference Center, 20 Soundview Ave., White Plains, NY

More than 15 days spent in Solitary Confinement has been defined as torture by the UN. Research shows that solitary confinement inflicts devastating trauma and hurts the progress of those re-entering society after incarceration, leading to higher recidivism rates. Studies have shown that staff assaults, inmate assaults, use-of force incidents and suicide attempts have all decreased when Solitary is reduced.

# SAVE THE DATE

*The Rev. Henri M. Deas Scholarship Fund  
Sunday Brunch*

*"Uniting our Youth, Church and Community"*

*Sunday, May 14, 2017*

*1 pm - 4 pm*



*Happy Mother's Day*

*Location*

*New Rochelle United Methodist Church*

*Fellowship Hall*

*1200 North Avenue New Rochelle, NY 10804*

*Information contact: Andrea Harewood and Kevin Smith- Co chairs at (914) 632-2166*

*Email: [nrumc1200@verizon.net](mailto:nrumc1200@verizon.net)*

*Featuring the talent of our own NRUMC Youth*

*And outstanding community performances*

*Tickets \$25*

*Sponsors: Angels \$50 / Heavenly Hosts \$100 or more*

*(All proceeds go towards our youths college scholarships)*

*Reverend Michelle E. Lewis, Lead Pastor*



## PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Mrs. Clarice Cameron	3368 Fenton Ave	Bronx, NY 10469
Mrs. Jean Campbell		New Rochelle, NY 10801
Ms. Carlotta Eller	90 Ringgold Street #S302	Peekskill, NY 10566
Ms. Delores Luckett	125 South 13 <sup>th</sup> Ave #1B	Mt. Vernon, NY 10550
Ms. Violet Wilburn	87 High Street #6K	Yonkers, NY 10703

### SCRIPTURE READINGS for April 2<sup>nd</sup> (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent, Year A)

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 130

Romans 8:6-11

John 11:1-45

## SPIRITUAL FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Adult Bible Study	Sun. 9:15am
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. 6:00pm
United Methodist Men	To Be Announced
Wednesday's Word	Wed. 3:00pm
Evening Bible Study	Wed. 6:30pm & 7:45pm
United Methodist Women	April 14, 2017 @ 7:30pm
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)

*TFWS- The Faith We Sing*  
*UMH- United Methodist Hymnal*  
*W&S- Worship & Song*

*\*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).

## Bible Study Notes & Questions:

1. Begin with Prayer
2. Read John 9:1-41. What do you think about this passage of Scripture?
3. Have there been times in your life when you have been blind to the things going on around you? What effect did this have not just on you, but on the people you are closest to?
4. Do you think it was physical sight that was restored? Why, or Why not?
5. Read Psalm 23.
6. Does any part of this Psalm provide comfort for you?
7. Look at Psalm 22. What are the major differences you can see between the two Psalms.