Greece United Methodist Church

THE ENLIGHTENER



November 2013

Message from our Pastor:

November is the month in which we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. There is much discussion these days about the details of the "first" Thanksgiving day, and what that meal consisted of, and the folks who did or did not gather to share it. Whatever else is said about the event, it involved a group of people whom we remember as "the Pilgrims."

Pilgrims are folks on a journey, often for a religious purpose – from somewhere to somewhere else. At any given point on their journey, they are "here" trying to get to "there." Often, "there" is only broadly defined. Another word we often use in American history for people on the move is "pioneer." The American pioneers of the 19th century were often just "going west," without knowing where they were going to end up. Sometimes they would take "here" with them, at least in name (consider Batavia New York – Batavia, Ohio – Batavia Illinois; or Geneseo, NY - Geneseo, Illinois - Genesee, Michigan - Genesee, Idaho) (Oddly enough, I could not find another "Greece" across the entire country, but my new daughter-in-law is from Parma [Ohio]) as pioneers from these communities decided that there was still a "there" out there that they wanted to get to.

Like these pioneers, we are on a journey in our lives, even if we never leave the town in which we were born. We have goals that we want to attain out "there" somewhere (for our education, job, family size, money, faith). And when we reach those goals, we often set new goals to be reached. These past couple of years, we have set some difficult goals for our church. Largely, we are meeting those goals, with God's help, people's energy, generosity, and willingness to sacrifice, and some pain along the way. But we are thankful for where we are and what we have accomplished.

Thanksgiving, whether we are talking about the day, November 28th, or about an attitude of the heart, is about being grateful (or *graceful* – from the same word) for where we <u>have been</u>, and where we <u>are</u> in our lives, even though we are not yet where we intend to be. Thanksgiving is recognition that God has been with us, providing us with the good times, and helping us through the hard times up to this point in our lives. It recognizes that God has been with us "here" and that God will be with us "there," wherever that is. Thanksgiving keeps us from focusing, at least for a moment, on the goals we have missed or have not yet accomplished. It lets us see our successes beside our failures, our blessings beside the hardships of life.

The original Pilgrims, from Plymouth, England, from whom we draw our tradition of a Thanksgiving holiday, gave thanks for a harvest, and for life – God's gifts. They set aside for a brief moment the tremendous struggle, and suffering, and death of the past year. They lowered their eyes from the winter to come. They thanked God for "here," for Plymouth, Massachusetts. The pioneers among them would, in their turn, give thanks for Plymouth, Connecticut – Plymouth, Pennsylvania – Plymouth, Ohio – Indiana – Wisconsin – Iowa – Minnesota. But they gave thanks for "here" and "now."

As we approach the Thanksgiving holiday, let us put aside the hurts of the past. Let us put aside unrealized goals and objectives. Let us thank God for where we are, for God's hand in getting us here, and for the gift of the journey itself – life.

In Christ's love,
Pastor Matt Stengel



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Worship Schedule for November: Worship Service - 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.



What follows are the Lectionary Readings for each Sunday. Each week, the theme of the service will usually emerge from one of the prescribed readings (often the Gospel).

We invite you to read through the lessons prior to Sunday morning. It can be a healthy discipline and enhance the experience of worship.

11/3:	Habakkuk 1:1-4;2:1-4 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4	Psalm 119:137-144 Luke 19:1-10
11/10:	Habakkuk 1:15b-2:9 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5,13-17	Psalm 145:1-5,13-17 Luke 20:27-38
11/17:	Isaiah 65:17-25 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Psalm 118 Luke 21:5-19
11/24:	Jeremiah 23:1-6 Colossians 1:11-20	Luke 1:68-79 Luke 23:33-43

A PRAYER CHAIN REMINDER: We have an active prayer chain, both



through e-mails and phone. You're invited to be part of that; just call Bill and Gail Mason. Also, if you have a prayer concern of any kind that you want to share,

contact Bill and Gail at the number above or by e-mail at wmason@rochester.rr.com. We only send out prayer concerns when we receive direct requests.

<u>Altar Flowers</u>: If you like a formal arrangement placed in honor/memory of a loved one, call Betty LaMonica. Arrangements are \$25.





Anniversary Ministry: Please contact me of your special day at dham1@rochester.rr.com Thank you,

Dick Hamblin

Birthday Ministry: We would love to recognize your special day. Please e-mail Mandy in the office to let us know if your birthday is not on our calendar. areeceumc@frontiernet.net





Deadline for all newsletter articles is the 15th of each month. Please e-mail to Deb Babbage at dbabbage@rochester.rr.com. Thank you.

Thoughts from Dee:

Harvest Thoughts from Deacon Dee

- * This month, come and see a Harvest display in the King Commons area. This will help us to remember where we came from in our Old Testament roots. This month, we will gather our harvests of canned goods to contribute to the Feast of Ingathering from Old Testament Days or as we call it...donating turkey and food items to share in giving to prepare the thanksgiving baskets.
- Harvest gatherers dwelt in booths (Succoth) or trellis-roofed cabins as they worked in the fields to rest from the heat and hard work. This past summer and especially this month has been a time of celebrating the harvest of crops and fruits and the close of another agricultural year.
- * Special prayers were said and the booths became a reminder that the ancestors of Israel dwelt in temporary shelters as they wandered through the wilderness from Egypt to the Promised Land. The Youth will build the booth while others pray for what the frame will hold as we gather our food donations in God's name for others in need.
- Leviticus 23:39-43 describes the experience of living in booths. Deuteronomy 16:13-15 tells of the celebration of the Feast of Tabernacles during the 40-year sojourn in the wilderness. By the time of Jesus, families would build temporary shelters with leafy branches for the roofs and hang fruits and vegetables from it. Men and boys lived in the booths for seven days until women and children ate meals there and attended worship. Today, some families still build booths in their yards. Today, most Jewish Synagogues have them in their commons area in the Fall to remember.

The children and youth build a Succoth (booth) on Sunday, November 3^{rd} in Kings Commons. We have much to be thankful for. Join others and bring food for the Food Collection of the month and place it in the booth. Or bring on Sunday, November 24^{th} and celebrate in worship. Thanksgiving baskets are prepared following Worship to go to people who can enjoy a good meal with what we have collected together.

Blessings to you, Shalom, Dee



STEWARDSHIP





I've been reading a book entitled "Whose Offering Plate Is It?" and it certainly is giving me some insights as to the challenges and opportunities of funding the church's mission. Today's society presents more and more competition for our time, talents and treasures. Hardly a day goes by that we don't have a request for a donation to some organization, albeit the United Way, your local Fire company, Cancer research, World Vision...you name it. All of these are certainly worthwhile and, in their own way do a lot of good for their specific goal. Frequently, they ask for more than just our financial support.

Our younger families are challenged with demands on their time and talent for school and out of school activities on the weekends, i.e. Sunday morning soccer leagues. They have to choose between being there for their kids or being at church. A lot of families depend on two incomes and one member or more may be working on Sunday mornings. It's just not the church many of us grew up with. So, the question is how do we compete with all that and give our members a reason to steer their time, talent and dollars to the church.

By the time you read this, you should have received our annual appeal for your 2014 financial commitment. Your response will go a long way to helping us plan for next year and beyond. The challenges ahead of us are more than financial. The logos above are meant to emphasis the point that we need a vision for the future and need to dream what we could be as a church. How do we fill our pews on Sunday mornings? What do we do to draw in new families? What do we do to give people a reason to want to be at church and to be excited about our worship and programs? You might have a vision or dream of your own; we need you to share those ideas and, most of all, share your time, skills and financial support to make them all happen.

Thanks for all you do already – here's to a brighter future.

Blessings to you!

Bill Mason

PRAYER CHAIN

Do you have a prayer concern or joy to share? Several people participate in our e-mail prayer chain and would like to support you with their prayers. You can have them participate by e-mailing Bill and Gail Mason at wmason@rochester.rr.com or by phone at 453-9038. Feel free to share whatever you wish, but please let us know how much you actually want shared. We respect your privacy by only sharing what you'd like to have sent out and by only sending

direct requests. In general, we usually forward your e-mail to our list of participants and will block out any distribution list on your e-mail. If you want to be part of that group and are willing to pray for others, let us know and we'll add you to the distribution list. Any questions? Please contact us.

UMW RUTH CIRCLE, Nov. 12, 12:30pm, Fellowship Hall:

Invites you to join them for an End of Life presentation:

- * **Journey Home Director Tracey Jagla** will explain Hospice care at Journey Home, a 2 bed private home for end of life care, located at the corner of Long Pond Road and Vintage Lane.
- * **Journey Home Per Diem RN Shirley Hardy** will explain the importance of Advanced Directives (health proxy, living wills, DNR and MOLST)
- * Light refreshments will be served.

Greece United Methodist Church, 1924 Maiden Lane, 14626

Questions call: Shirley Hardy



National Bible Week November 17th—24th

A dedicated week of reading scripture and focusing on God's word and what it means in your life.

Widows and Widowers Group:

Next Meeting:

Sunday, November 17th 2:00pm in Fellowship Hall



If you have questions, feel free to call Linda or Gale.

Children's Church:

Children's Church meets in the room next to the nursery. Each week we will explore the Bible story of the morning. Children K through 4th grade are invited to join together for activities following the Children's time in worship service.



Nursery Schedule:



11/3: Melissa Dunn/Kali lachetti

11/10: Gale Huber/Chelsea

Whittemore

11/17: Janice & Eric Ruppert

11/24: Diane & Zoe Spoor

Youth Events for November!

Sunday, Nov.3rd: - Build Succoth Booth

Nov. 22-23: Conference Youth Gathering

Called to Catch Fire: An Adventure with God Aldersgate United Methodist Church Friday 6pm-Saturday 3pm

Sign up deadline: Nov. 8th

Sunday Morning (9:30AM) Gatherings

for November

Children's Sunday School Class:

Children are exploring the theme this fall of:
Give Me Jesus!

Discovering the wonderful stories of Samuel, Saul, David, and Solomon.

They will see God's love and faithfulness to people even when they neglected to honor God.

Youth Sunday Gathering:

Discussing the book of 1 John and living our lives positively and with faith in God.

Adult Forum Class:

Exploring Adam Hamilton's video/book series on Forgiveness. All are welcome to join in the discussion and learning in Kerrison Rm.

The Grand Sweep: 365 Days from **Genesis Through Revelation**

By J. Ellsworth Kalas

This is a wonderful opportunity to join others as you read

the Bible in 365 days. We will gather once a month to discuss and reflect what we have read daily. Please sign up if you are I interested in taking this wonderful journey through God's Word. Manuals and response books are available through Dee.

We will meet the fourth Thursday of every month, from 6:30—8:00pm in Kerrison Room.

Next meeting: November 21st.

Dinner and Devotion with Dee and Debbie

Let's come together to break bread and reflect on God's presence in our lives. Dee and Debbie will provide a soup and salad dinner, along with some treats.

Participants can, if they want, bring a dish to share. Next Meeting:

November 13th, 5:30—6:30pm Fellowship Hall



Page Turners Monthly Book Club:

November Selection: Classic Month





A 1925 landmark of modernist fiction that follows an the wife of an MP around London as she prepares for her party that afternoon. Direct and vivid in its telling of details, the novel shifts from the consciousness of Clarissa Dalloway to that of others, including a shell-shocked veteran of World War I whose destiny briefly intersects with hers.

Everyone is invited to discuss this wonderful novel on Thursday, November 21th at 10:00 in the Kerrison Room.

December's selection: (Book to Movie) **The Hours** by Michael Cunningham

Tuesday Book Group:

When All Else Fails... **Read the Instructions**

By James W. Moore

Jim Moore takes a close look at three sections of the Bible which dramatically underscore key "instructions" for living: 1.Instructions for Meaningful Living -

The Beatitudes

- 2. Instructions for Moral Living The Ten Commandments
- 3. The Bottom

Line Instruction - The New Commandment of Jesus, "Love One Another"

All are welcome to this group which meets on Tuesday mornings at 10:00am in Room 9 Books now available at Barnes & Noble. parking lot entrance

> Questions, contact: Linda Hoffman, facilitator Imhoffman@rochester.rr.com

Bagel and Book Study:

The Girl's Still Got It: Take a Walk with Ruth and the **God Who Rocked Her World**

By Liz Curtis Higgs

You know Ruth's story. Now meet her in person. And prepare to be changed.

Walk with Ruth as she travels from Moab to Bethlehem, certain of her calling, vet uncertain of her future. Hold Naomi's hand and watch love put the pieces of her broken life back together. And hang out with Boaz, their kinsman-redeemer, who blesses both women and honors God, big time.

Group meets Wednesday @ 9:30 Soho's Bagel Café, **Stone Ridge Plaza**



Holiday Pies for HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOUSES





Thanksgiving is just around the corner; a time for families, special meals and a time for thanks for all we have. Each year, our Greece Coalition of Churches hold a pie sale, featuring pies from Kelly's Apple Farm. The proceeds from the sale help in the sponsorship of another home (our 6th is coming up next year). You can help by ordering a pie or pies for that special day. A representative from the Outreach Committee will be at a table in the King Commons Area to take your orders on Nov. 3rd, 10th & 17th. You can also order directly by calling Bill Mason at 453-9038 or at wmason@rochester.rr.com. All orders must be in by the 20th. Ordering early helps us (and Kelly's) plan, so place your order asap. See the form below or watch for them in Sunday bulletins as well as at the order table.

Thanks for your support!



HOLIDAY PIES FOR HABITAT HOUSES



SUPPORT THE GREECE CHURCHES HABITAT PROJECT BY ORDERING YOUR THANKSGIVING PIES NOW!

Homemade pies from Kelly's Farm Market in Hilton, NY, made from scratch without preservatives with fruit grown on their own farm.

Pies are deep 10 inch homemade fruit pies, weighing about 4.5 lbs.

Pies freeze nicely, buy now and can serve at Christmas

All profits stay within our own Coalition

ORDER YOUR PIES BY SUNDAY, NOV. 17th, pick up on Tuesday, Nov 26th.

Name:	Phone #

PIE VARIETY	QTY	PRICE EA.	TOTAL PAID
Apple Crumb		\$15	
Apple Raspberry		\$15	
Christmas Crumb (Apple, Cranberry, Pineapple)		\$15	
Pumpkin		\$15	
Apple Crisp		\$11	
Totals			
In lieu of, or in addition to pies, I(we) would like to make a donation to the project of:			
Grand total			

Greece United Methodist Women:

Executive Meeting – October 28th, 2013 @7:00pm in Room 9 Chris Collins, president



CIRCLE MEETINGS:

Deborah – November 10th at 2:00 pm at church

Carolyn Arnold will speak about her trip to Peru

Miriam – November 11th at 7:00 pm in Room # 9

Program will be from the UMW book

Ruth – November 12th at 12:30 pm in Room # 9

Tracy Jagla, Director of Journey Home, will speak about what is available at

Journey Home. This meeting is open to the Congregation. (An Advantage Director

Book will be available. This includes living will etc.)

FALL BAZAAR is NOVEMBER 2nd from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm in King Commons & Fellowship Hall.

Come & enjoy the fellowship & fun at the Fall Bazaar

There are many unique craft items for sale made by people in our congregation

The Christmas Booth is filled with items for gifts & stocking stuffers

Books - many gently used books for fall & winter reading

Costume jewelry – accessorize your outfits with a "new look"

Attics Treasures has something for the house, gifts or a treasure for you

Stay for lunch with the homemade chicken & biscuits, sloppy joes, hot dogs & homemade desserts

This is a "Must Stop" for all shoppers

CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST is DECEMBER 8th at 8:00 am

This is UMW's annual Christmas breakfast prepared and served by the men in our congregation. Plan to attend this festive occasion. New members are recognized and the Special Member Award is given. This award is given in recognition of service to the Church and UMW.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED: WORLD COMMUNITY DAY 2013

Date: Friday, November 1st from 9:30 am – 1:00 pm Theme: "Walking Through the Doors of Opportunity"

Speaker: Dr. Michael Ford

Location: Greece Baptist Church at 1230 Long Pond Rd., Rochester, 14626

Registration: \$ 3.00 Bring a brown bag lunch & dessert and beverage are provided.

Finance Report:

I fear that the negative numbers you have been getting each month has created a misleading idea of where the Church stands financially. The \$22,000 is a result of comparing the income part of the budget. The \$22,000 is the difference between the estimated income and the actual.

If you take the spending plan and divide it by 12, you come up with \$28,772 per month that we should be spending. After 9 months into 2013, we should have spent \$251,325. We have actually spent \$234,711.45 according to the treasurer's report. There is \$5,900 that hasn't been paid as yet so the total comes to around 240,000 that we should have spent. Usable funds on the books equal close to \$240,000.

Bottom line is our outgo and income are pretty much equal. This is not to say we are stable, however it does say we are close thanks to careful handling of the monies and careful spending by the various committee's. We will show this new way of figuring each month and discontinue the old way.

Outreach Report:

Oodles of undies! Thanks to your continuing generosity, six schools (West Ridge, Holmes Road, Autumn Lane, Longridge, English Village, Brookside) were swamped with a total of 25 packages of undies (163 pairs!) December is the next Undie Sunday; let's fill up our basket again!

During the first three Sundays in November, you will find Outreach members at the tables in the King Commons, taking pie orders to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Enjoy dessert without having to measure or mix; just roll out some "dough" from your wallet and let the baking begin.

GoBBle! GoBBle! It's time to talk turkey again! On Sunday, November 24, we will collect our traditional offerings of canned goods and frozen turkeys to share with families in the community. Five "baskets" have been pledged to the Food Shelf, and we will sort, assemble, and pack food for as many other boxes as we have requests.

Included in the Food Shelf's newsletter are these suggestions for Thanksgiving planning: an inexpensive foil roasting pan, canned vegetables and fruit, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, gravy, bread or rolls, coffee, tea, dessert mixes, pumpkin, evaporated milk, mashed potato mix. Other items such as cereal, soup, juice, or pasta are also welcome.

In addition, this year, we hope to provide assistance to families in need of food at Christmas. Though this would be undertaken on a smaller scale than our Thanksgiving collection, it would allow us to help people who call the church with a request. We can choose to participate in two ways: <u>OPTION #1</u>: fill a pre-labeled brown "Christmas bag" (stapled with a list of items) --OR-- <u>OPTION #2</u>: simply bring in whatever canned goods you would like to donate to the Food Shelf. (The Food Shelf's current "regular" needs include: soup, cereal, canned vegetables, pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, boxed macaroni and cheese, baked beans, rice, tuna, toilet paper, dish soap, and bar soap.) Bring all donations or "Christmas bags" to church by Sunday, December 22.

Questions about any of these projects? Ask an Outreach member.

So much food for thought! Let's haul in our Thanksgiving comestibles and join the "bucket brigade" on November 24, then be thinking about opportunities for sharing during December.

"God bless us, every one!."

Gail Mason & Karen Pearson

Elementary School Supply Collection

Notes of Appreciation from our local schools.

WEST RIDGE: "Thank you so much for the wonderful supplies you donated to our school at the start of the year. We really appreciate it, and we are making good use of them all! (from Chris Whiting, school secretary)

ENGLISH VILLAGE: "Thank you so much for the supply of "undies"! The health office really needed some so THANK YOU!! Your generosity is truly appreciated. (signed "Warmly, Kristin Ragone, RN")

BROOKSIDE: "It was a pleasure to speak with you earlier this year and accept the generous donation of school supplies. Your assistance will help to support children to have a successful start to their school year by providing them with necessary supplies. In addition, Mrs. Pelletier, School Nurse, appreciates the donations of clothing items for the Health Office. Thank you for your continuing support over the years." (signed "Sincerely, Elizabeth Bentley, Ed.D, Principal")

November Birthdays:

Not Available for web edition



November Anniversaries:



Not available for web edition.

Congregational Updates:

Passings:



Lawrence Higbee Ruth Kintz

9/8/13 9/28/13

Let's Talk Turkey! Thanksgiving Baskets Extravaganza!

Mark your calendars for November to round up turkeys and other gobbler goodies for Thanksgiving baskets. Watch for upcoming information from Outreach. We hope to have another successful year providing baskets for our community.





"Whoever gathers money little by little makes it grow"

Proverbs 13:11

Support our church for FREE while shopping online! Just sign up to the church's new fundraising program www. UMCmarket.org which has been approved by the UMC Global Ministries. A percentage of your shopping will be donated to our church. Go to UMCmarket and become a memberl

- You can become a member and shop directly from www.UMCmarket.org
- Browse through all the categories and choose to shop from hundreds of stores.
- When you shop using the web site OR the browser app the stores will donate a portion of your purchase back to GREECE UMC!

UMCmarket is developed in cooperation with GCFA of The United Methodist Church.

SIGN UP and GET STARTED: www.UMCmarket.org

Staff-Parish Relations Committee Highlights.

The responsibilities of the Staff-Parish Relations Committee include:

- Reminding both the staff and the congregation to focus on working together toward the mission of the church.
- Leading conversations between the congregation and the staff about ministry direction, and the staff positions needed to carry out the work of the church.
- Assessing job performance of the staff and pastor at least annually.
- Identifying and supporting individuals from the congregation whom God seems to be calling for ordained ministry.

The committee meets monthly on the second Tuesday.

- Recently our discussions have included monitoring the implementation of the Power Church computer application by the office staff.
- We also discuss the Visioning and the Hand-to-Plow initiatives that are attempting to address the future
 of our church.
- A revised Deacon/Nurturing Ministries job description has been completed.
- Evaluations of Financial Secretary, Bill Brado and Treasurer, Linda Parker were completed over the summer.
- Our annual evaluations of Pastor Stengel and Organist Haeyeun Jeun are underway at this time.
- Each year in the fall, we address a range of personnel compensation issues as part of our church's planning for the next year. By the time you read this, the Church Conference will have adopted the packages for 2014.

Current Liaisons

Rev. Stengel – Tom Hinterman Deacon Finch – Nancy LaClair

Amanda Lowell – Tom Hinterman Sharon Neary – Arlene Martin

Hae-Yeun Jeun – Glen Pearson Bill Brado & Linda Parker – Jackie Sagona

--- Tom Hinterman, SPRC Chair

There Is a Hole in My Sidewalk

By Portia Nelson

I

I walk down the street.

There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.

I fall in.

I am lost ... I am helpless. It isn't my fault.

It takes me forever to find a way out.

<u>II</u>

I walk down the same street.

There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.

I pretend I don't see it.

I fall in again.

I can't believe I am in the same place.

But it isn't my fault.

It still takes a long time to get out.

III

I walk down the same street. There is a deep hole in the sidewalk. I see it is there.

I still fall in ... it's a habit. My eyes are open. I know where I am.

It is my fault.

I get out immediately.

IV

I walk down the same street.

There is a deep hole in the sidewalk.

I walk around it.

V

I walk down another street.

There was a time in my life when I read this poem every day, without fail. It was a reminder that I am on a path, a journey called life.

 \underline{I} — No idea that I stepped in that hole, let alone falling in deep... No idea that I was getting into a bad place... Took so long to realize I was there and longer to realize I could/should climb out.

 \underline{II} – Surely that didn't happen to me – it must have been a dream. It didn't take as long to realize I was there, but it definitely was not my fault, so it took me nearly as long to get out. I repeated several times.

III – Still falling in, but learning - lots. Choose not to step into that hole. Learn everything I can about how to avoid that deep hole. When I still fell in, I whacked myself on the forehead and immediately started to climb out. Climbing out still took effort. And, yes, I repeated this a lot, too.

 $\underline{\it{IV}}$ – Avoid the hole... I spent a while doing this as well. I think I may have returned to Chapter three a couple times, too. But, I was still making progress.

 \underline{V} – Completely different place. Sometimes I still stop at that street and gaze down it as a reminder of where I used to go, to help me remember where I don't ever want to be again.

I have also realized many of the streets of my life had holes I have learned to avoid. Some deeper than others. Some easier than others.

Thought starters...

Have you ever "fallen in a hole" in life and not realized it? How long until realization set in?

How long to climb out?

Do you know someone in a hole? ...who keeps falling in the same deep hole?

Who among us is not struggling with something?

Can you think of any way this poem would apply to how we are **rethinking church**?



Saturday, November 2nd, 2013 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. 1924 Maiden Lane, Greece NY Fellowship Hall and King Commons.

Crafts and Christmas Decorations
Baked Goods, Books
and New-to-you Bargains galore!
Home-made Food to delight!



The Kitchen crew has been working on their popular lunch menu.

Come with your appetite and you won't leave hungry!





<u>Complimentary (FREE!)</u> Financial Workshop Series



Hosted By: Greece United Methodist Church 1924 Maiden Lane, Rochester, NY 14626

Thursday, November 21 @ 6:30PM How Money Works And...

Finding Extra \$\$: The 90 Minute Challenge

- What if you could free up some extra money from your current expenses?
- Learn about Four Key Areas of Overspending and how to potentially reduce your spending, free up some more funds

RSVP: Lisa Kostyshak - 739-8368 Deacon Dee - 330-2710

Did you know?

The more you know about personal finance, the more likely you are to save. Money, March 2013

In New York, term life insurance products are underwritten by National Benefit Life Insurance Company, Home Office: Long Island City, NY. Executive Offices: Duluth, GA. a. Registered securities licensed representatives sell securities through PFS Investments Inc. in the U.S.



Save the Dates for December!

Dec. 7th—Hanging of the Greens: Come and decorate the church, craft projects, caroling, and dinner.

Dec. 24th— Youth Christmas Eve Service:

Looking for kids/youth/young adults to participate in telling the Christmas story in music and a play.

Don't Forget to change your clocks!!

Set your clock back 1 hour on Saturday night, November 2nd.



Don't want to be early for service!



Heart to Heart is a new ministry at GUMC to care and take a pulse of aging people in our congregation.

Would you be interested in serving others in the name of Greece United Methodist Church?

We have a list of people who are homebound, shut-in, in the hospital, in nursing or residential. You may choose someone you know and already help or visit on a regular basis. But will do so officially now in the name of the church. Please designate who you would like.

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-	he circle to show where you could share God's love and yours to others:
	O Pray for others
	O Make a phone call or two on a regular basis (weekly or monthly ok)
	O Give someone a ride to an appointment
	O Provide transportation for someone who would like to attend worship (it might involve a
	wheelchair or not)
	O Adopt a homebound church member
	O Visit someone in their home
	O Visit someone in the hospital
	O Visit someone in residential areas
	O Visit someone in nursing home
	O Visit someone and serve communion
	O Visit someone and do some errands needed
	O Visit/contact more than one person

This is a wonderful way you can represent the church and care for someone else.

Please sign up today and put this paper in Deacon Dee's mailbox.

Name		
Email	Phone	

ENJOY A MEAL WITH US AND WE'LL GIVE BACK.

Ruby Tuesday COMMUNITY Give Back PROGRAM

100% OF THE GIVEBACK AMOUNT IS DONATED DIRECTLY TO THE ORGANIZATION.

Ruby Tuesday is extremely proud to be part of your hometown and believes in giving back. As a fellow member of the community, we invite you to participate in...

Ruby Tuesday's Community GiveBack Program.

Grab your family and friends and join us at the 2525 WEST RIDGE ROAD location on the dates listed below. Please present this flyer to your server, and we

(We apologize but we cannot accommodate coupon usage or other discounts in conjunction with our GiveBack Program.)

will give back 20% of your purchase to the organization.



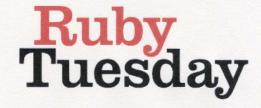
To make a reservation, call us at 585-225-4750 or visit us online at rubytuesday.com

Organization's Name: GREECE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Event Name: GREECE UMC EAT FOR KIDS

Date(s) of Visit: 11/18/2013 12/16/2013

For directions to the restaurant or a peek at the menu, visit rubytuesday.com



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 Daylight Savings Time ends Worship Services 8:15 & 10:45 Sunday School 9:30 AM	Applebee's Fundraiser 11 AM - 11 PM AA 12 PM Book of Acts of the Apostles Study 7pm Silv Sqs 12:30PM Guitar 2:30 PM to 7 PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM Education Team 7 PM Book of Acts of the Apostles	5 Election Day Book Study 10 AM Guitar 2:30 PM to 7 PM	6 Bagel and Book/ Bible 9:30 AM		Bazaar set-up 12:00 PM AA 12 PM Creative Hands 1:15 PM to 4:15 PM AA 7:30 PM B AA 12 PM Creative Hands 1:15 PM to 4:15 PM	Bazaar 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM 9 9 Emmaus Gathering 8:00 AM
10	Study 7pm 11	12	13	14	15	16
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November 2013

17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Habitat Pie	Ruby Tuesday Church Fundraiser 11:00 AM to 11:00 PM	Staff Mtg 9:30 AM Book Study 10 AM		Page Turners Book Group 10:00 AM	AA 12:00 PM Creative Hands	Youth Gathering to 4:00 PM
Worship Services 8:15 & 10:45	AA 12 PM	Guitar 2:30 PM to 7 PM	AA 12 PM	10:30 AM to 11:00 AM	1:15 PM to 4:15 PM Youth Gathering	
	Silv Sqs 12:30PM	Weight Watchers 5:30 PM	Bell Choir 6:15 PM	Women's AA 11 AM		
9:30 AM	Guitar 2:30 PM to 7 PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM	Finance Committee 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM		Financial Workshop 6:30 PM	AA 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM	
Widow/Widower Group 2:00 PM		Treble Clefs 7:00 PM		Grand Sweep 6:30 PM		
				Girl Scouts #872 6:30 PM		
24	25	26		Outreach 7:00 PM 28	29	30
United Methodist Student Day		Habitat Pie Pick-up Today			AA 12 PM	50
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& 10:45	Guitar 2:30 PM to 7 PM	Book Study 10 AM			AA	
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	UMW Executive Meeting 7:00 PM	Weight Watchers 5:30 PM				
		Treble Clefs 7 PM				
		Church Council meeting 7:15 PM				