

Weekly Announcements

October 25, 2020

This week

Sunday, October 25 – Musa weNkosi Orphanage Support Sunday

10:00AM – In-Person Worship Service; YouTube Live, Facebook Live

11:15AM – Zoom: One Room Sunday School Class

1:00PM – Zoom: Rush UMC Coffee Hour

5:00PM – Youth Group Gathering in the Pavilion

Tuesday, October 27

10:00AM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

7:00PM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Wednesday, October 28

9:00AM – Super Sale Preparation

1:00PM – Zoom: Individual Staff Meeting

Thursday, October 29

– Distribution and Mailing of November Newsletter

7:00PM – Zoom: Cub Scouts “God and Me”

Looking Ahead

Sunday, November 1

10:00AM – In-Person Worship Service; YouTube Live, Facebook Live

11:15AM – Zoom: One Room Sunday School Class

1:00PM – Zoom: Rush UMC Coffee Hour

2:00PM - Halloween Harvest Day

5:00PM – Youth Group Gathering in the Pavilion

Monday, November 2

7:00PM – Zoom: Staff Sexual Harassment Training

Tuesday, November 3

6:00AM - General Election in the dining room and Bake Sale in the Lobby

10:00AM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

7:00PM – Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Wednesday, November 4

9:00AM – Super Sale Preparation

Thursday, November 5

7:00PM – Zoom: Cub Scouts “God and Me”

Links for all Zoom Meetings and Activities are list on the Rush UMC website, www.rushumc.com.

Announcements

Cancelled or Postponed Due to the Coronavirus

All in-person group meetings, events and activities at Rush UMC have been cancelled or postponed until further notice. The church website, www.rushumc.com, has information on meetings and events being held on Zoom and links to services on YouTube Live and Facebook Live.

Musa weNkosi Orphanage Offering

Today, October 25, we are supporting Musa weNkosi Orphanage in South Africa with a special offering.

Sunday Schedule - Modified

10:00AM: In-Person Worship Service; YouTube Live and Facebook Live
11:15AM: Zoom: One Room Sunday School Class for students through grade 5
1:00PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections Coffee Hour
5:00PM: Youth Group in the Pavilion

Attending In-Person Worship

If you would like to attend in person worship, reservations are required. Please call or email Joyce Smith at 585-356-5310 or jpsmith@rochester.rr.com. They need to be made by Friday at 5PM. Visit the church website, www.rushumc.com, for more information. Requirements to continue in-person worship include: signing in with a phone number; use hand sanitizer; wear a mask at all times; keep social distancing of 6 feet; refrain from hugging or hand shaking; consumption of food and drink is not allowed; sing to yourself; follow the directions of the greeter, ushers and site safety monitor; send prayer requests to the church office.

Sunday School Classes via Zoom

Children through grade 5 are invited to join Ms. Alethea for a one room online Sunday school class Sundays at 11:15AM. We will be learning about Abraham and his journeys. The link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88168132024?pwd=OTA4VVdNUFUyMXFlnNNGZlI5MUxEQT09>. Meeting ID: 881 6813 2024; Passcode: 107172.

Sunday Assistants

October 25 at 10:00AM

Greeter: Bill Stambaugh
Ushers: Lynda Wanzenried
Site Safety Monitor: Tanya Hunt

November 1 at 10:00AM

Greeter: Bill Stambaugh
Ushers: Erin Bills
Site Safety Monitor: Erin Bills

RHAFT Food Collection

Reminder: October is one of our months to collect food for the Rush Henrietta Area Food Terminal (RHAFT). Especially needed are: Hamburger Helper, canned meats or soups containing meat, tomato sauce (they always have an abundance of pasta). Food and nonperishables can continue to be brought and put in the boxes between the outside and inside doors. The items will be taken to RHAFT. The need is great right now.

United Methodist Special Sundays

The United Methodist Church takes six special offerings each year. Since we stopped meeting in person in March, the decision was initially made to take these offerings on World Communion Sunday. As we are still not fully open, we are offering the opportunity for everyone to make their donations during the month of October. An explanation of each Sunday Offering is in the October newsletter available in the church vestibule or on the website.

Sunday School Online!

Sunday school lessons continue to be available each week through our church website on the Children's Ministry page. Included with both preschool and school age lessons are video Bible stories, games and crafts that the kids can do at home.

Upcoming Activities & Meetings

Sunday, November 8: 10AM: In-Person Worship Service; YouTube Live and Facebook Live;
11:15AM: Zoom: Sunday School Class; **1PM:** Zoom: Rush UMC Coffee Hour; **5PM:** Youth Group in the Pavilion

Tuesday, November 10: 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections; **8PM:** PromiseLand Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 11: 9AM: Super Sale Preparation; **1PM:** Zoom: Staff Meeting

Thursday, November 12: 7PM: Zoom: Cub Scouts "God and Me"

Saturday, November 14: 8:30AM: Zoom: Leadership Ministry Team Meeting

Sunday, November 15: 10AM: In-Person Worship Service; YouTube Live and Facebook Live;
11:15AM: Zoom: Sunday School Class; **1PM:** Zoom: Rush UMC Coffee Hour; **5PM:** Youth Group in the Pavilion

Tuesday, November 17: 10AM and 7PM: Zoom: Rush UMC Connections

Wednesday, November 18: 9AM: Super Sale Preparation; **9:15AM:** A Meal & More Soup Kitchen Grab-n-Go Lunches

Thursday, November 19: 5PM: Deadline for December Newsletter Articles

Saturday, November 21: 10AM: Zoom Church Conference

Halloween Event

A Halloween Event, including a drive thru Trunk-n-Treat and a scavenger hunt, for children/families will take place on Sunday, November 1 from 2-4PM. Also, pumpkin painting and possibly a wagon ride are planned. If you would like to provide and man a trunk, please contact Alethea Coulter or Peter Lagueras or call the church office. All safety precautions will be taken including wearing masks (not costume) and social distancing. Costumes for children are fun, but not mandatory.

Election Day Bake Sale

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3 and Rush UMC is the polling place for the Town of Rush. Erma Perkins is organizing a bake food sale to benefit Musa weNkosi Orphanage in South Africa. Contributions can be brought to church from 6 - 7PM on Monday, November 2 or anytime throughout Election Day. We will have masks and greeting cards available also.

Red Bird Mission Shoeboxes

This year we will be collecting monetary donations to be sent to Red Bird Mission instead of shoeboxes. This will allow the mission to purchase items that are needed the most. Watch for the date your donation needs to be made by. Your check can be made payable to Rush UMC and then one check will be written to the conference.

Our Mission: "to live and share the love of Jesus."

Our vision is "to be more like Jesus."

Our missional priorities are "excellence in worship; ministries for children, youth, adults, and families; and mission and outreach."

PromiseLand is Hiring Substitute Teachers

PromiseLand is looking for a few people who love kids and have open availability during the day to act as substitute teachers in the event that we have additional staffing needs due to illness. Requirements are: a love of children, flexible availability, and ability to work with children ages 6 weeks - 5th grade. A minimum of a high school diploma. A background check with fingerprinting, a TB test and work physical are also required. If you are interested in more information, please feel free to contact Kellianne Williams at promiselandchildcare1996@gmail.com or (585) 533-2475. Thank you, Kellianne Williams

Contact Pastor Todd to take your meeting or gathering online!

Volunteers Needed for In-Person Worship

Our Opening In-Person Worship Ministry team has worked hard to bring us into compliance to open for in-person worship. Have you been anxiously waiting for Rush UMC to reopen to in-person worship? We need you to sign up to volunteer to serve as an usher, greeter or cleaner/sanitizer. If we do not have volunteers to greet and usher, a service will be cancelled. Even if you would prefer to wait, you can pray for our success. Everyone can do something! Call the church office, 585-533-2170, to volunteer. Please leave a message if no one answers.

Rush Tidings and “His Faithful Followers”

Rush Tidings is an e-mail list for communicating joys, prayer concerns, church related events, announcements and closings to the members and friends of Rush Church. It is the primary weekday source for information. To sign up, send an email to rushumcnews@rochester.rr.com with your email address or visit the church website, click on Newsletter and then on Rush Tidings sign up. We would like to have all who have access to email be included. An email can also be sent to rushumcnews@rochester.rr.com to request to receive the monthly newsletter, “His Faithful Followers” electronically through MailChimp. If you have questions or would like to receive the newsletter by mail, please contact Barb Kingsley at 533-2170.

Rush UMC Connections

As this pandemic continues, let us strengthen our church, serve and love our neighbors, and return thanks to God! Rush UMC Connections, every Tuesday morning and evening, video chat with family, friends, and members of the Rush UMC.

10 am Tuesdays visit the church website, <https://www.rushumc.com>, to get the link to login or click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87177410871?pwd=NWF3K3NhUHQvTk9nektrRmR5VnMyZz09>

7 pm Tuesdays visit the church website, <https://www.rushumc.com>, to get the link to login or click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87808954706?pwd=MEV1YStBdlUvTm5tbk5TSEQxUlRodz09>

1 pm Sunday visit the church website, <https://www.rushumc.com>, to get the link to login or click on: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82543922618?pwd=UHHROXhrclZ1d3U3aTgyVkFSc25uUT09>, bring your own coffee and cookies!

Zoom Video: Easy to use on laptops, desktops, phones, and tablets

Draw close, find strength, love neighbors, and love God. Pastor Todd will host each open session.

Invite others to join us; no passwords necessary. We will check in with each other, engage in prayer, and identify needs in our community that we can meet. All are welcome!

Jerusalem Fund

“Our church family helping our church and community families.” The Jerusalem Fund was set up to assist any of our own church families who encounter an unexpected crisis. Assistance is given in the form of a loan with no follow up for repayment. If you are in a position to make a donation, please mail or drop off your check or cash in an envelope stating it is for the Jerusalem Fund. You can also donate through VANCO, a link is on the church website. If you encounter a family crisis where some help will assist in relieving the stress, please contact or send a formal request to Pastor Todd or leave it in the church office. Your donations are gratefully appreciated.

Ways to Give Without Being Physically Present at Worship

1. Mail your check to the church
2. Sign up through VANCO on the church website, www.rushumc.com, to send an electronic donation, either through your checking account (ACH) or a credit card (additional fees apply)
3. Send an electronic payment through your bank

Even though we are now holding limited in person worship services, our day to day expenses, including payroll, continue and need to be met. We are monitoring our extraneous spending to keep it minimal. We appreciate your help keeping our income steady.

Puzzle and Book Exchange

Have you exhausted your puzzle or book supply while staying home? We've got you covered! We have a puzzle exchange and a book exchange available now in the café.

We have puzzles and books that have been "quarantined" for over 48 hours on tables in the café. If you bring in a puzzle or book, please use a post-it note (they are provided) to write the date when the puzzle or book is dropped off. Puzzles and books must remain on the table for 48 hours before they can go to a new home to ensure that we are not passing the virus from one home to another.

As we need to limit the flow of traffic in the building, the drop off/pick up time will be 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Monday - Friday.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

Britta Stambaugh: bnbstam@frontiernet.net

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or call the church office 585-533-2170

Additional Announcements/Calendar/Newsletter and the Upper Room

Additional Announcements, the Weekly calendar and the September Newsletter are available on the web site and through Rush Tidings. Copies of the September Newsletter and the current Upper Room are on the shelf in the vestibule.

Mission Opportunities

Rush Church provides extensive outreach activities and missions. Contact the church office to learn more and find your niche.

Weekly Financial Report

Be rooted and built up in him, be established in faith, and overflow with thanksgiving just as you were taught. Colossians 2:7

Needed weekly to meet all expenses: \$6,057.72

Received 10/18 - 10/24: \$1,897.00

Prayer Requests

Family and friends of June Anderson, a longtime friend of Joyce Smith

Martha Ann Beebe's nephew, Jason Herry and his family

Bob Faugh

John Funkhauser

Paul Kingsley, cataract surgery on Wednesday

Norm Miller

Family and friends of Delores Sheppard who passed away on October 17

Bill Wood

School Districts, Parents and Students

Super Sale

Peace to come to our troubled land

End to racism, justice and health care to be deployed equally and evenly among all people

Continued prayers for those who struggle with Mental Health and their families

PromiseLand's search for substitute teachers

Musa weNkosi Orphanage and Zululand Hospice

Our Bishop and Clergy and Lay leaders

Church finances

Those serving in the Military, home or abroad

Family members and friends who are homebound or in senior living facilities

Praises

Joan O'Mara's great granddaughter, Madi is doing well
Success of the Turkey Dinner and PromiseLand Bake Sale
October Birthdays and Anniversaries

Homebound and Ill

Ruth Baldoni, Jean and Walt Banker, Kathy Belik, Robert Bock, Betty Brandes, Mary Anne Brice, Marilyn Chase, Trudy Corio, Craig Crowell, Charis Davis, Alberta Greer, Jim Hughes, Meg Kinnally, Robert Rider, Marge Weather, Bill Wood

Our Military

Phillip Banker, Jason Bello, Ryan Blood, Jon Cannioto, Ben Frederick, Christian Koch, Michael Kurvach, Steven Kurvach, Jason McKnight, Isaiah Montana, James Rice, Sgt. Joseph Sarmiento, Bryan Simpson, Matthew Simpson, Marcus Sydow

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2020 Leadership Ministry Team at Rush United Methodist Church

Please seek out Leadership Ministry Team members with any questions or concerns. Their names and email addresses are listed below.

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