



The Messenger

September 2015

**Mamaroneck
United
Methodist
Church**

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Burger**
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From The Pastor

Dear Friends at Mamaroneck U.M.C.:

As we enter into the Fall season, I look forward to experiencing the traditions of this church and continuing to get to know all of you. We start this month with a Soul Shine band Sunday, move to the start of Sunday School with a Carnival and an all-church B.B.Q. after church, and begin planning for our October Tag Sale and annual Church Conference.

It is really important that we tell our friends and neighbors about the events and ministries of our church and invite them. All are welcome to come and experience the fellowship and ministries of Mamaroneck U.M.C. Whom can you invite to church?

Why do we exist? Because we believe that living from the values of Jesus Christ and proclaiming God's love for all in Christ makes a real difference in the lives of people in our community and

around the world. We believe that God has a role for each person in this church to play in sharing their spiritual gifts and talents with others through Mamaroneck U.M.C.



If you would like for me to visit you at home, or meet in the community for a visit, I am available to do so. If you have a pastoral care need, or are in the hospital, or have a loved one in the hospital, be sure to call and leave a message with Amanda or if you are calling after office hours, and don't reach me at the church office, you may leave a message on the parsonage phone at (914) 698-6048.

My prayers are with all of you, and with this church as we move forward in ministry into the future,

In Christ's Service,

The Rev. Karen A. Burger, Pastor

September Birthdays

- 1 Vicky Gill
- 1 Phillip Paregian
- 3 Jeremy Court
- 4 John Barney
- 4 Lori Weir
- 4 David Johnson
- 6 Eric Derecktor
- 6 Norm Peck
- 7 Emily DiLillo
- 9 Aryana Fernandez
- 11Carolynn Goetze
- 13 George Coffin
- 14 Alexander Jones
- 17 Marjorie Brooks
- 18 Kevin Stephani
- 19 Bryan Smith
- 19 Sarah Gill
- 20 Chrissy Napolitano
- 20 Christina Germani
- 20 Olivia Meyers
- 22 Pepper Peck
- 26 Cindy Buehler
- 27 Daniel Dieter
- 28 Robert Barney
- 29 Robert Barney
- 30 Celeste Jennings

September Wedding Anniversaries

- 6 Bill and Brenda La-Rosa
- 11 Richard and Kari Vol-lenweider

Looking Ahead

- September 6. Communion Service with the SoulShine Band.
- September 8– Trustees Meeting
- September 10– Lay Leadership Meeting
- September 13– Back to school Carnival and Churchwide BBQ
- September 20–Bring A Friend To Church Day
- September 20– Communications Committee Meeting
- September 27– Church Council Meeting
- October 3– United Methodist Women
- October 4– New Website Demonstration
- October 11– Blessing of the Animals
- October 17– Tag Sale
- October 25– Pumpkin Painting/ Apple Cider Social
- October 31– Charge Conference (annual church meeting), 10 a.m.

SoulShine

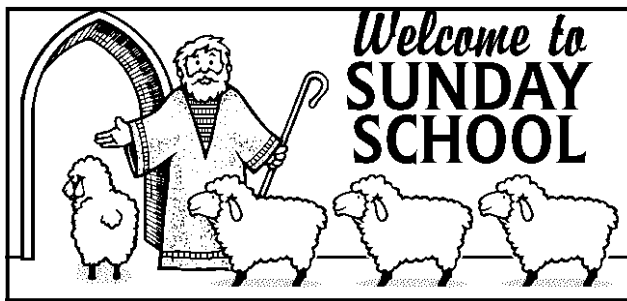
The Soul Shine band will play in church on Sunday, September 6. Let's enjoy the Labor Day weekend here at church



and praise God together with joyful song !

Sunday School 2015-2016

Our 2015-16 Church School Season begins on September 13. Please register your child(-ren) using the form at the end of this newsletter and return it to the Sunday School staff.



We need just one form per household, but include all participants.

In addition, our FOURTH ANNUAL Church School Kick-Off Carnival will be held in the Azalea Gar-

den (between Lower Church Parlor and Education Building) on Sunday,

September 13 (weather permitting). This is for all the children of the church -

and any friends who wish to attend with them! There will be food, games (and prizes!!), and other activities. A Church-wide barbeque will follow for everyone.

Bring A Friend to Church Day

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! SEPTEMBER 20 IS BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH DAY!!! YES, LET'S ASK OUR NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS AND

Friends

THOSE WE MEET ON THE STREET TO COME TO OUR 10AM SERVICE FOR WONDERFUL WORDS FROM PASTOR KAREN AND GREAT MUSIC!

It's time for our Sunday School Carnival!

Sunday, September 13th

Sunday School Hour (10:15-11:15am) In The Azalea Garden

TABLE GAMES

KID-FRIENDLY SNACKS

POTATO SACK RACES

FACE PAINTING

ARTS & CRAFTS



BRING A FRIEND! CHURCH BBQ AFTERWARDS!!!

MUMC TAG SALE

TAG SALE – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015 from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Save-the-Date and begin cleaning your closets/house.

MUMC will be holding a Fall Tag Sale to raise money for our church's current expenses. We need donations of clean, gently-used clothing, household

items, light-weight furniture,



sporting goods, bric-a-brac, etc., drop-off date to be an-

nounced. Please contact Marjorie or Cathy if you can help with organizing, planning, donating, etc. We always have a lot of fun and fellowship at the sale, so come join us.
Marjorie Brooks (914) 356-9833
Cathy Sullivan (914) 584-5921

Trustees

As the summer winds down, the Trustees have completed several major projects. We have replaced rotten wood on the exterior of the Education Building and painted the entire outside of the building. We have also installed new LED lighting on the exterior of the church which will provide increased visibility and security. Our sexton, Anner, has painted the interior of the breezeway.

In June prior to the arrival of Pastor Karen, we put new carpeting in the family room, hall and stairs of the parsonage. We also cleaned the hardwood floors in the living room.

The Trustees try to spend the funds available to us from the Endowment Fund in a wise and prudent manner. As always there is more to do than we have funds for. But without the generosity of many through the years who have given gifts to the Endowment, we would not be able to do what we do at all.

United Methodist Women

Metropolitan District of the New York Annual Conference



**United Methodist Women –
Annual Meeting**

**Saturday, October 3, 2015
9:00am to 3:00 pm**

**Fordham United Methodist Church
Bronx, NY**

September 2015

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

8:00 A.M. Communion 10:00 A.M. Traditional Worship		1	2	3	4	5	
6 8:00 A.M. Communion 10:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship Featuring SOUL SHINE BAND , PREACHING AND COMMUNION	7 Office Closed for Labor Day	8 Pastor at District Meeting Trustees meeting, 7:30 p.m.	9	10 Primary Elec- tions Lay Leadership Committee Meeting 7:30p.m.	11	12	
13 8:00 A.M. Communion 10:00 A.M. Worship Kick Off Carnival during Sunday School and BBQ after worship, Outreach Committee	14	15 <i>Pastor at Bishop's Retreat through Wednesday, September 16 Bell Choir 7:30p.m.</i>	16 Pastor at Bish- op's Retreat 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir	17	18	19 Brahma Kumaris One Day Retreat Lower Church Parlor	
20 8:00 A.M. Communion 10:00 A.M. "BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH" SUNDAY WORSHIP Communications Committee	21	22 <i>Bell Choir 7:30p.m.</i>	23 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir	24	25	26	
27 8:00 A.M. Communion 10:00 A.M. Traditional Worship Church Council	28	29 <i>Bell Choir 7:30p.m.</i>	30 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir	Blessing of the Animals Sunday, October 11 10:00 a.m.			

2016 Mission Trip to Nicaragua set for January 2-9

Good news! From January 2 through 9, 2016, a group of people from our church, along with Pastor Karen Burger, will be going to Nicaragua. We are looking forward to going on this trip again this year. We are hoping to build another house and to provide medical services to the people of Nicaragua. If you are interested,

please see Carole Smyth or Amy Brelia to find out more about the trip. If you are new to the church and wish to learn more, please contact the church office.



You can help a family move from a home like the one pictured above to a new home like the one pictured below. That's the difference that YOU can make.



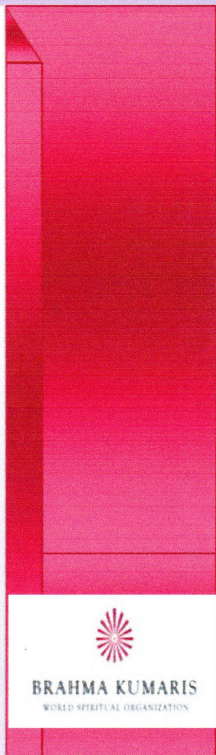
LEADERSHIP AND UNDERSTANDING

Join Us For a One Day Retreat To Explore....

- ⇒ *The Difference between Affective and effective leadership*
- ⇒ *How understanding and perception affect our decisions*
- ⇒ *How acceptance and forgiveness affect our judgment.*
- ⇒ *Reflections and lunch*

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**DATE :September 19th 2015**  
**TIME:10am thru 3pm**  
**LOCATION: Mamaroneck United Methodist Church**  
**546 East Boston Post Road**  
**Mamaroneck, NY 10543**  
**Lower Church Parlor**



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## Website Update

There will be an unveiling of our new website.

Thanks to the efforts of Marjorie Brooks and Amanda Bruno and the Communications

Committee, our new website is ready to be launched.

Please come and see a demonstration of the website on October 4 directly following worship in the Lower Church Parlor.



## Joan Peck Honored

On July 11th Joan Peck, Norm's wife, was honored by the Cortland College Alumni Association as the 2015 Alumni Volunteer of the Year during the annual alumni weekend at SUNY Cortland. Congratulations Joan on behalf of all of us at Mamaroneck UMC!!

Joan has chaired her classes' 50th, 55th reunions and is currently working on her 60th. She also served on two other alumni projects over the past several years. Joan '56 and Norm '57 are graduates of Cortland. Norm, has also chaired his classes' 50th and 55th reunions and looks forward to 2017 to head up his 60th.

# MUMC

Mamaroneck United  
Methodist Church

*Loving God and Neighbor...*

## SUNDAY SCHOOL/YOUTH REGISTRATION

Please return to: MUMC 546 East Boston Post Road, Mamaroneck, New York 10543  
Attn: Sunday School Program

**Important note:** Parents are asked to assist teachers with the Christian Formation of their children. Depending on total participation, each family should expect to help 10-12 times during the nine months of Christian Formation classes. Details below...Thanks!

### Family Information:

|              |                                                        |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| Parent Name: | Home Phone:                                            |
| Parent Name: | *Cell Phone:                                           |
| Address:     | *Email: (we'll send a lot of relevant info via email!) |

### Student Information (if you have more than four children, please continue on the back of this form):

|                |                                     |
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| Child's Name:  | Grade in September:                 |
| Date of Birth: | Gender: Male<br>(circle one) Female |
|                | Age, as of September 1:             |

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| Child's Name:  |                         | Grade in September: |                         |
| Date of Birth: | Gender:<br>(circle one) | Male<br>Female      | Age, as of September 1: |

What do you hope your child/children will gain from Sunday School or Youth Group?

Is there anything we should know about to help us to ensure the best possible educational experience for your child/children? This information will be kept confidential. (Please include any learning disabilities, physical limitations, allergies, or relevant custody arrangements.)

Person who will drop off and pick up the student(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Where will this person be located during the Education Hour? \_\_\_\_\_

If not already, would you like information about joining Mamaroneck United Methodist Church?  
 Yes                       No                      Best time to call? \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents are needed to work with Christian Formation teachers during the year to assist in their children's classes. Prayerfully consider how God has gifted you to serve, and let us know the Sundays you CANNOT serve. Each family should expect to spend 10-12 Sundays per year assisting.**

**Occasionally we photograph our children and use the photos, without identifying children by name, in MUMC publications, on bulletin boards, or on our website. Please indicate below:**

**Yes. You may use photographs of my child/children**     **No. Please do not use photographs of my child/children.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Our mission: To love God with all our heart, and mind, and soul, and strength,  
and to love our neighbors as ourselves*

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***Church Office Hours:  
Monday through Friday  
9:00 am to 1:00P.M.***