

LET’S CELEBRATE!

March Birthdays

1 Jeana Heldt	10 Brian Rabinowitz	14 Marianna Perez	24 Landon Vetter
3 Trisha Carbone	Sean Mitchell	15 Jemma Hesleitner	Hayden Vetter
5 Laura Lucas	11 Bill Quinn	18 Barbara Garofolo	25 Richard Petracca
Andrea Perez	12 Kimberly Livingston	20 Richard Cowan	28 Philip Riekert
Katie Padavan	Sam Aarseth	Kimberly Waletitsch	29 Harley Erhardt
Frank Padavan, Jr.	13 Paige Donohue	24 Annette Hesleitner	30 Michelle Rabinowitz

March Anniversaries

Nancy and Steve Mattson – 3/5/1983, 42 years  
Richard and Barbara Petracca – 3/11/1972, 53 years  
Georgina & John Binder – 3/26/1966, 59 years

Your Generosity at Work  
in the Community & the World

3/16 Worship Attendance:  
Adults: 35 Kids: 12  
Offering’s Received  
3/3-3/9: \$1,628



For the month of March, for every Stop & Shop’s Bloomin’ 4 Good Bouquet sold at their Seaford location, CUMC will get \$1. Brighten someone’s day and help your church with one easy purchase. Only available at the Seaford Stop & Shop at 4055 Merrick Rd.



On-Going Food Collection

CUMC collects food for the needy on an ongoing basis. There is a basket in the narthex for non-perishable food collection. When the basket is full, volunteers deliver your donations to a local food pantry. While doing your food shopping, please keep our neighbors in need in mind and then add an item to the basket on Sundays. Thank you for your continued support of this important CUMC ministry.

IN CASE OF A PASTORAL EMERGENCY

Call Pastor Sue at: church office – 516 541-7008; cell phone – 617 999-7081

Pastor Sue Hyosuk Yun E-Mail – [pastorsue.yun@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsue.yun@gmail.com)

1. Pastor Sue is available on a flexible appointment basis for individual pastoral counseling for Zoom and telephone spiritual care of individual members.  
Pastor Sue can also refer persons to other professionals as needed.
2. The congregation care network is available for Zoom and telephone spiritual care of individual members

TODAY March 23, 2025

\*\*Recorded Worship available at 12 p.m.

When joining us for the Recorded Online Worship, please use one of the following:

CUMC Website Address: [www.cumcmassapequa.org](http://www.cumcmassapequa.org)

Facebook: <https://bit.ly/FACEBOOKcumc>

YouTube: <https://bit.ly/cumcmassapequa>



THANKS to Annie Silva for acting as Liturgist, our Youth for Ushering, and Mark Esposito for doing Coffee Hour.

THIS WEEK

The “Service Box/We Care Visitors” Dispatcher is Barbara Garofolo (631) 842-1372

Tues. Mar. 25	10:00 a.m. – Bible Study
Wed. Mar. 26	7:00 p.m. – Coop. Parish Lenten Service at CUMC *Light dinner being served at 6:00 p.m. in Howard Hall
Thurs. Mar. 27	10:00 a.m. – In-person Bible Study
Sun. Mar. 30	10:00 a.m.– Family Worship Service & Sunday School *UMCOR Sunday *Easter Plant Orders Due

LOOKING AHEAD

Tues. Apr. 1	10:00 a.m. – Bible Study
Wed. Apr. 2	7:00 p.m. – Coop. Parish Lenten Service at Bellmore UMC *Light dinner being served at 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Apr. 3	9:30 a.m. – District Leaders Meeting
Sun. Apr. 6	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School *Communion Sunday *Profession of Faith
Mon. Apr. 7	8:00 p.m. - Anti-Racist Lenten Bible Study
Tues. Apr. 8	10:00 a.m. – Bible Study
Wed. Apr. 9	7:00 p.m. – Coop. Parish Lenten Service (Church TBD) *Light dinner being served at 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Apr. 10	10:00 a.m. – In-person Bible Study
Sun. Apr. 13	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship Service & Sunday School *Palm Sunday *Children’s Choir Performs
Tues. Apr. 15	10:00 a.m. – Bible Study
Thurs. Apr. 17	9:30 a.m. – District Leaders Meeting 7:30 p.m. – Maundy Thursday Service @ CUMC
Fri. Apr. 18	7:30 p.m. – Good Friday Service @ Bellmore UMC
Sun. Apr. 20	10:00 a.m. – Easter Sunday Family Worship Service & Sunday School *Easter Egg Hunt after Worship

NEXT WEEK’S SERVICE SCHEDULE

Liturgist –VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Coffee Hour – VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Usher – Frank Waletitsch & Steve Mattson  
3/10-3/30 Barbara Garofolo (631) 842-1372

CAN YOU HELP?

Volunteers are needed for Liturgist and Coffee Hour.

The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.



**The CUMC Children’s Choir will perform on April 13<sup>th</sup>,  
Palm Sunday.**

***The Sanctuary for Lent 2025*  
is our recommended devotional  
book for this Lenten season.  
Copies are available in**



THE LUPO FAMILY – young family & the father has been battling cancer for some time (Amy Branch)  
TOMMY LYONS (Olga Hernandez’ son)  
SUSAN & PATRICK MARTIN – speedy recovery and good spirits (Lori Benzoni)  
ROSALIND MCKELVEY – Virginia Lorenzi  
SALVATORE MONACO (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
DOMINIQUE MONACO-VETTER – struggling with life stressors  
RONNIE MURPHY – cancer (Linda Garbutt)  
SAMANTHA MURRAY – 4 yrs. old; diagnosed with Celiac Disease (Russ & Linda Garbutt)  
SUZANNE that her family members find employment (Annette Hesleitner)  
JON ODERDONK – released from hospital; pray for recovery  
GREG ORLANDO – fighting childhood disease without cure (The Garbutt Family)  
MATT PARRINELLO – cancer (Garbutt)  
PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES & THEIR CAREGIVERS, DOCTORS, & RESEARCHERS  
CAROL & ROY PETER - Roy is in the hospital; heart issues  
JAZMIN PETRACCA – diagnosed with rare genetic neuro disorder with no cure (The Petracca Family)  
ARAGON PEREZ – doing well after tongue surgery; born w/ health issues (Olga’s Grandson)  
MARIANNA PEREZ – had been hospitalized for 17 days and is now recovering in rehab  
THE RESIDENTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA who had to flee their homes due to the wild fires  
CHERIE RIDLEY’S FATHER – chronic kidney disease, please pray for healing, his family & healthcare team  
CHERIE & VIVIAN RIDLEY – pray for strength and protection after the loss of Jeff  
ROSALIND – recovering from heart attack (Annette Hesleitner)  
EILEEN RYNER – nearing the end of her life; pray for a peaceful passing; Anthony Gitten’s Mother-in-law  
SALVATORE SCIEMCA – suffering with bursitis (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
JOHN SHARP –cancer treatment; scoutmaster of eagle scout doing project at CUMC (Kim Gill)  
JEFF SMITH- ongoing health concerns; underwent spinal fusion surgery to relieve pain; in rehab  
JEAN SMITH for strength and help in dealing with her medical concerns after her daughter’s passing  
DOUGLAS SMITH for his struggles with alcoholism especially after the loss of his sister  
SOUTH KOREA for the political unrest there  
TAMARA TIVADAR (Cynthia Bohenek)  
MARGARET VOLENCE  
GARY VOLENCE JR. – blood clots (Garbutt)  
GARY VOLENCE SR. (Linda Garbutt)  
CAROL WHYTE – recovering from a stroke  
REV. JULIA YIM for the loss of her mother  
**New Names added this week:**

***Have a Prayer Gram sent to someone who could use the comfort and smile that comes from learning they are thought of. Fill out a Prayer Gram card that can be found in the pews or Narthex and leave it in the offering plate or call/email the Church Office.***

**\*Please alert the church office when a person can be removed from the list**

**If you have asked for prayers for someone who is now on our prayer list, please give us an update and let us know how that person is doing. We pray our prayers are working or have worked, and would love to hear about it. Thank you!**

**We Offer to God our Prayers and Concerns for:**

ABRAHAM – hospitalized with cancer (Annette Hesleitner)  
DANIEL ALONZO - recovering from liver transplant and addiction (Tony Gittens)  
ALEX – Parkinson’s (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz)  
LEONA ASMUNDO – fighting cancer (Lisa Kunz)  
BERTHA – heart issues (Annette Hesleitner)  
ROBERT BREIDENBACH – having major health issues (Marianna Perez’s cousin)  
THE BAPTISTE FAMILY (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
JOHN BINDER – (Gina’s grandson)  
JOHN BINDER, Sr. – moved to rehab; doing better (Gina Binder’s husband)  
ETHAN BURKE – 13yrs. old; diagnosed with lung cancer; had surgery (Russ & Linda Garbutt)  
AUGUSTO CABOTAGE (Andrea Perez’ friend’s father)  
CATHY – Cancer and other medical issues (Annette Hesleitner)  
SANDY CAPASSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt)  
TRICIA CARBONE- restarted Chemotherapy that will be six months’ long  
CARLOS – Cancer; began hospice care; pray for his family & for his continued acceptance to his fate (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz)  
CHRISTINE CASTELLANO–neck & shoulder pain (Virginia Lorenzi)  
LOUIS COLONDONA – continued health concerns; pray for strength & healing (Kim Gill’s Dad)  
AIDAN CONWAY – cancerous tumors (Jake Garbutt)  
CHERYL COWAN – strength in spirit & body  
CUMC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS (Virginia Lorenzi)  
JOANNE DENINNO –recovering from cardiac event; Pray for physical strength & lifted spirits (Kim Gill)  
MELISSA DI IORIO NORIS – bone cancer (Mattson)  
EILEEN & JOE – Lung Cancer & Leukemia (Debbie Holland)  
JEFF, NICOLE, JAKE & LUKE (Garbutt)  
ERICA FALCO – struggling with illness and the cost of medical care (Alexa Rabinowitz)  
JANET FAZIO – uterine cancer (Linda Garbutt)  
FEDERAL WORKERS LOSING THEIR JOBS  
KATIE GARBUTT - diagnosed with epilepsy  
HELENE GASKA (Perez)  
DIMITRA GIATZIKIS – Having health issues (heart, hips and knees) (Virginia Lorenzi)  
MICHELLE GOTTLIEB has a rare cancer and currently receiving chemo (Kim Gill’s friend)  
ISADORE GRASSANO – doing new treatment after his kidney transplant (Son of Gina Grassano)  
RICHARD HEATH – brain injury (Ora Heath’s son)  
MANUEL HERNANDEZ (Olga’s brother)  
IMMIGRANTS LIVING IN FEAR  
JEAN - diagnosed with cancer (Annette Hesleitner’s sister)  
JANE JOHNSON – breast cancer/chemo (Sue Vulin’s niece)  
LISA KUNZ & FAMILY for strength, guidance & peace after the loss of their beloved Tim  
JOAN LANGTON from Seaford UMC; fell while helping another; broken meniscus & torn ligaments  
PAT LARSON for strength and peace as she grieves her husband, Ron (Linda & Russ Garbutt)  
LESLIE LENZ  
GARY LENZ – fighting leukemia; having a bone marrow transplant  
CAROLYN LORENZI – having health issues  
LINDA – breast cancer; had a double mastectomy and started chemo (The Petracca Family)

**A Meal Train has been organized to support  
Cherie & Vivian Ridley during this incredibly difficult time.  
Use this link to sign up.**

**<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/73q01n>**

**\*A memorial service for Jeff will be scheduled in the near future.**



**Summer Will Be Here  
Before We Know It!**

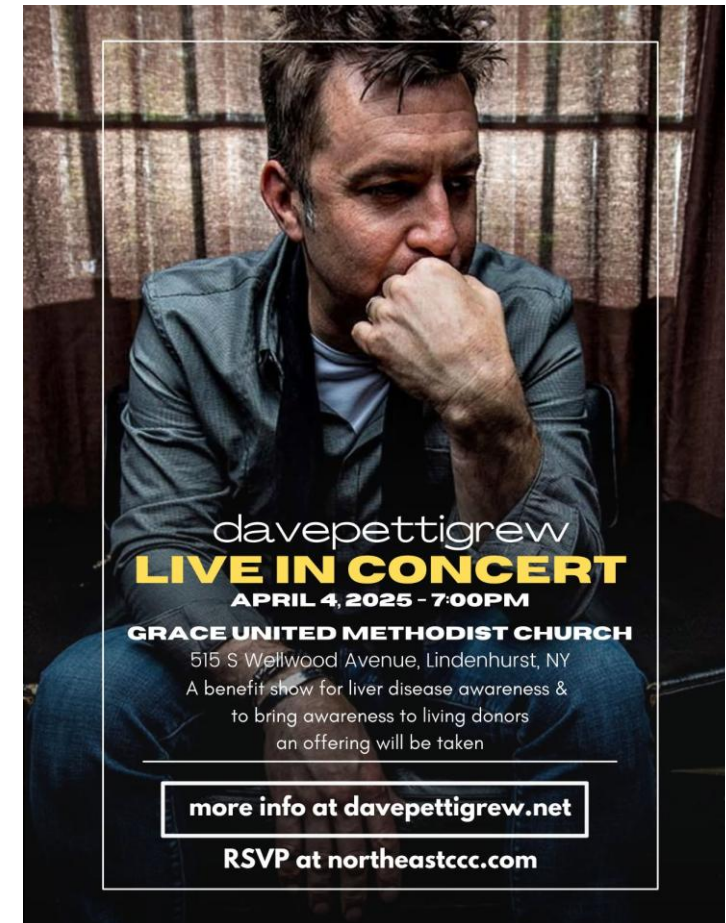
**It’s Time to Plan VBS!!**

**CUMC’s Vacation Bible  
School will be held  
August 11<sup>th</sup> –  
August 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Volunteers Will Be  
Needed**



**See Virginia Lorenzi  
for more information**



davepettigrew  
**LIVE IN CONCERT**  
APRIL 4, 2025 - 7:00PM  
**GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
515 S Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst, NY  
A benefit show for liver disease awareness &  
to bring awareness to living donors  
an offering will be taken

**more info at [davepettigrew.net](http://davepettigrew.net)**

**RSVP at [northeastccc.com](http://northeastccc.com)**



# The Parable of the Fig Tree

" 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.' "

Luke 13:8-9 (NIV)  
The puzzle is based on Luke 13:6-9 (NIV).



U S B F E R T I L I Z E T T A  
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YEARS	THREE	LOOK	LEAVE	FRUIT
DOWN	FIND	VINEYARD	MAN	TOLD
PLANTED	USE	SOIL	ALONE	FIG
FERTILIZE	DIG	PARABLE	TREE	CUT

# The Sunday Chuckle

