

## LET'S CELEBRATE!

### December Birthdays

3 Joel Perry	11 Sophia Quinn	31 Jim Tresner – 100 <sup>th</sup> !!!
5 Chad Saggio	17 Annie Silva	
10 Victoria Heldt	19 Delia Tubang	
Ian Choi	28 James Schroll	
	30 Diane DiLeo	

### December Anniversaries

If you have a December Wedding Anniversary, let us know. We would love to celebrate you. 😊

### **Your Generosity at Work in the Community & the World**

11/30 Worship Attendance: Adults: 45 Kids: 15  
Offerings Received 11/24-11/30: \$2,067



## **Calling all Shepherds, Angels, Wise Men, & Kings!!**

**Our Annual Christmas Pageant will take place on Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup> during Worship. Any adults and kids interested in participating, please let Kim Gill know asap. A rehearsal is scheduled for Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.**

## **ADOPT -A-JOB**

There's a new Adopt-A-Job List! Please take a look and see if there is anything your talents or resources can take care of.  
You can find the list on the Narthex bulletin board.

## TODAY

**December 7, 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 being our Liturgist, Steve Mattson & Gina Grassano for Ushering, Virginia Lorenzi, Christine Castellano and Ian Choi for lighting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent Candle, Barbara Dillon for being Communion Steward, Anita Hernandez for managing Coffee Hour and Michelle & Alexa Rabinowitz and Kerry Mitchell for organizing today's Craft Workshop & Potluck Lunch

### THIS WEEK

The "Service Box/We Care Visitors" Dispatcher is Jeana Heldt (516) 520-8935

<b>Mon. Dec. 8</b>	10:00 a.m. – In-Person Advent Bible Study
<b>Wed. Dec. 10</b>	7:30 p.m. - Weekly Prayer Meeting
<b>Thurs. Dec. 11</b>	7:45 p.m. – Adult Choir Practice
<b>Sun. Dec. 14</b>	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship & Sunday School *3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent 3:30 p.m. – Christmas Caroling @ Parkview Nursing Home

### LOOKING AHEAD

<b>Mon. Dec. 15</b>	10:00 a.m. – In-Person Advent Bible Study
<b>Tues. Dec. 16</b>	10:00 a.m. – Advent Bible Study (Virtual)
<b>Wed. Dec. 17</b>	7:30 p.m. - Weekly Prayer Meeting
<b>Thurs. Dec. 18</b>	7:45 p.m. – Adult Choir Practice
<b>Fri. Dec. 19</b>	5:00 p.m. – Pageant Rehearsal
<b>Sat. Dec. 20</b>	3:00 p.m. – Joint Blue Christmas Service
<b>Sun. Dec. 21</b>	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship & Sunday School *4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent *Christmas Pageant
<b>Mon. Dec. 22</b>	10:00 a.m. – In-Person Advent Bible Study
<b>Wed. Dec. 24</b>	5:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
<b>Sun. Dec. 28</b>	10:00 a.m. – Family Worship & Sunday School *Christmas Hymn Singing Sunday
<b>Sun. Jan. 4</b>	Church Council Meeting

### NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE SCHEDULE

LITURGIST: Lisa Kunz  
COFFEE HOUR: Anita Hernandez  
USHERS: Russ & Linda Garbutt  
Service Box 12/7 – 12/28  
Jeana Heldt (516) 520-8935

### CAN YOU HELP?

**Coffee Hour  
Volunteers are  
Needed!!!**

**The sign-up sheet  
is on the bulletin  
board in the  
Narthex.  
Thank you!!**

### 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



## Christmas Caroling at Park View Nursing Home

Join us for a joyful afternoon of Christmas caroling on  
Sunday, December 14th at 3:30 p.m.

Let's share the spirit of the season with music, fellowship, and  
cheer for the residents. All are welcome.

Bring your voices, your smiles, and your Christmas spirit!

Community United Methodist Church  
Invites you to a Cooperative Parish Joint

# Blue Christmas

## Worship Service

The holidays can be a challenging time for those carrying grief or loss. This special service offers sacred space for quiet reflection, prayer and hope. Together we will light candles, share moments of remembrance, and find comfort in the healing presence of Christ. If you are struggling this season and could use spiritual support, please join us for this very special worship service.

December 20th @ 3pm  
100 Park Blvd.  
Massapequa

(516) 541-7008    www.cumcmassapequa.org    massapcumc@aol.com

Community United Methodist Church  
& Southwest Cooperative Parish

# Christmas TOY DRIVE

Bring joy to a child this holiday season!



In Support of the children of New Hour Prison Ministry  
New unwrapped gifts for children ages 0-12.  
Please no books, craft kits, or war toys.

CUMC  
100 Park Blvd. Massapequa  
(516) 541-7008  
massapcumc@aol.com  
massapequacumc.org

new hour newhourli.org

Suggested gift items: Teething rings, stacking toys, pull toys, interactive toys, single Barbie dolls, single-box Lego building sets, card games (Uno, matching pictures), basketballs, footballs, Boggle, Pop-Up Trouble

JOANNE – diabetic amputee; needs strength (Esther Ecklund)  
KAREN KELLER – Spinal fusion surgery (Barbara Dillon)  
LISA KUNZ – undergoing heart tests; awaiting results  
PAT LARSON for strength and peace as she grieves her husband, Ron (Linda & Russ Garbutt)  
JACK LASSARD – cancer (Lisa Kunz)  
LEAH – had Lyme disease and it triggered Rheumatoid Arthritis (Esther Ecklund's daughter)  
LESLIE & GARY LENZ – Gary is fighting leukemia  
LINDA – suffered a stroke and falls (E. Ecklund)  
THE LUPO FAMILY – young family & the father has been battling cancer for some time (Amy Branch)  
LYNETTE – broke her tibia and looking for a job (Esther Ecklund's daughter)  
TOMMY LYONS (Olga Hernandez' son)  
SUSAN & PATRICK MARTIN – speedy recovery and good spirits (Lori Benzoni)  
GEORGE MASONE – had surgery to remove brain tumors; possibly cancerous (Bryan Carbone's cousin)  
ROSALIND MCKELVEY – Virginia Lorenzi  
SALVATORE MONACO (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
DOMINIQUE MONACO-VETTER – Health concerns; awaiting test results  
RONNIE MURPHY – cancer (Linda Garbutt)  
SAMANTHA MURRAY – 4 yrs. old; diagnosed with Celiac Disease (Russ & Linda Garbutt)  
GREG ORLANDO – fighting childhood disease without cure (The Garbutt Family)  
MATT PARRINELLO – cancer (Garbutt)  
**ROY PETER – in a nursing home; recently had his leg amputated; in terrible pain**  
**CAROL PETER - struggling with her own health and making decisions about Roy's**  
JAZMIN PETRACCA – diagnosed with rare genetic neuro disorder with no cure (The Petracca Family)  
ARAGON PEREZ – born w/ health issues; doing well (Olga's Grandson)  
CHERIE & VIVIAN RIDLEY – pray for strength and protection after the loss of Jeff & Cherie's father  
FRANK RUDY – triple bypass surgery (Tony Gittens)  
SALVATORE SCIEMCA – suffering with bursitis (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
JANET SCHMITT – colon cancer; having surgery 11/18 (Adrienne Mahoney)  
SEAFORD UMC'S CONGREGATION – loss of church  
JOHN SHARP – cancer treatment; scoutmaster of eagle scout doing project at CUMC (Kim Gill)  
JEFF SMITH- ongoing health concerns; now in Park View Nursing Home; pray for the strength to endure  
EMMA TAYLOR – Chiari Malformation; a brain disorder (Nancy Mattson)  
TAMARA TIVADAR (Cynthia Bohenek)  
THE FAMILY OF PAT GUSTAFFSEN from Simpson UMC who passed away suddenly  
THE PEOPLE OF JAMAICA & CUBA AFTER HURRICANE MELISSA  
THE THUGE FAMILY FOR THE LOSS OF KARL THUGE  
MARGARET VOLENCE, GARY VOLENCE SR & GARY VOLENCE JR. – health concerns (Garbutt)  
TYLER WALLACE - 14 year old Massapequa boy hurt badly in bike/car accident on sunrise highway  
CAROL WHYTE – stroke victim; living in a nursing home; pray for lifted spirits  
**\*Please alert the church office when a person can be removed from the list**  
**New Names added this week:**

***Have a Prayer Gram sent to someone who could use the comfort that comes from being thought of. Fill out a Prayer Gram card found in the pews or Narthex and leave it in the offering plate***

**If you have asked for prayers for someone, please let us know how they are 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)  
ANTONIA ALBERT – suffering from tumor-forming illness; now in a nursing home; fighting pneumonia  
BRITTANY ALBERT – suffering from tumor-forming illness; needs iron infusions  
KEVIN ALBERT – caretaker for his daughter and wife who battle illness  
DANIEL ALONZO - recovering from liver transplant and addiction (Tony Gittens)  
ALEX – Parkinson’s (Friends of Lisa & Tim Kunz)  
ANYA – has Rett Syndrome; a promising gene therapy was discontinued (E. Ecklund’s granddaughter)  
LEONA ASMUNDO – fighting cancer; recently had another biopsy from her lung (Lisa Kunz)  
DAPHNEY BAPTISTE – suffered mini strokes (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
BABY MADELINE - diagnosed with a terrible disease that has no cure and is life shortening (Carol Shortell)  
VICTORIA & BOBBY BALLADINO – pray for success in dealing with infertility (Tony Gittens)  
BARBARA – fell & has to have surgery (Cynthia Bohenek’s Grandmother)  
ROBERT BREIDENBACH – having major health issues (Marianna Perez’s cousin)  
THE BAPTISTE FAMILY (Dominique Monaco-Vetter)  
JOHN BINDER – (Gina’s grandson)  
ETHAN BURKE – 13yrs. old; diagnosed with lung cancer; had surgery (Russ & Linda Garbutt)  
DAN CAPASSO – suffered multiple strokes (Linda & Russ Garbutt)  
SANDY CAPASSON (Linda & Russ Garbutt)  
CAROLYN LORENZI & HER DOG – the dog is unwell  
CHRISTINE CASTELLANO–ongoing health concerns; was hospitalized; undergoing tests  
DENNIS CLARK –on a donor list for a kidney (brother of Matthew Clark)  
LOUIS COLONDONA – health concerns; shortness of breath  
AIDAN CONWAY – cancerous tumors (Jake Garbutt)  
REGINA COSTA – metastatic breast cancer; just had gallbladder surgery (Gloria Musilli)  
CHERYL COWAN – strength in spirit & body  
DIANE DILEO – pray for strength  
MELISSA DI IORIO NORIS – bone cancer (Mattson)  
EILEEN & JOE – Lung Cancer & Leukemia (Debbie Holland)  
JEFF, NICOLE, JAKE & LUKE (Garbutt)  
JANET FACCENDA – brain cancer; just had 2<sup>nd</sup> surgery & isn’t doing well (Chelsea Frederick)  
ERICA FALCO – struggling with illness & the cost of medical care (Alexa Rabinowitz)  
JANET FAZIO – uterine cancer (Linda Garbutt)  
DOROTHY FREDERICK – complication during medical procedure; healing at home  
MATEO GAMBINO – metastatic cancer (Tony Gittens)  
KATIE GARBUTT - struggling with vertigo & epilepsy; having gall bladder surgery  
HELENE GASKA (Perez)  
DIMITRA GIATZIKIS – Having health issues (heart, hips and knees) (Virginia Lorenzi)  
JOHN GORDON & FAMILY – John is hospitalized; pray for healing and strength (Cynthia Bohenek)  
MICHELLE GOTTLIEB has a rare cancer and is receiving chemo (Kim Gill’s friend)  
ISADORE GRASSANO – on the list for a 2<sup>nd</sup> kidney transplant; continue to pray (Son of Gina Grassano)  
RICHARD HEATH – brain injury (Ora Heath’s son)  
MANUEL HERNANDEZ (Olga’s brother)  
ISAIAH – diagnosed with Autism (Esther Ecklund)  
JEAN – cancer has spread; in pain; doing radiation; continues to fight (Annette’s Hesleitner’s sister)



**Each Christmas, CUMC supports a family in need with Christmas gifts. We’ve been given a list of their Christmas wishes and we hope that all of us together can make those wishes come true.**

Please choose a tag from our “Giving Tree” in the Narthex. You can use the blank tag as the name tag for your gift. Please bring your wrapped and tagged gifts to church on December 21<sup>st</sup> so they can be delivered to the family in time for Christmas. We need a volunteer(s) to deliver the gifts. Please let Barbara Garofolo know if you’re interested. (631)842-1372.



**This year our Sanctuary Christmas Tree Decoration Collection will be for Socks for the residents of Park View Nursing Home.**

We aim to donate warm age-appropriate socks. When you bring them into church, please dress the tree. After Christmas, they will be collected and dropped off at Park View. Thank you!!

## **Bloomin’ 4 Good at Seaford Stop & Shop!!!**

**For the month of December, CUMC will benefit from the sales of the \$11.99 Bloomin’4 Good Bouquet. Surprise someone special or treat yourself.**



**Stop & Shop  
4055 Merrick Road  
Seaford**



A Voice in the Wilderness

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the Desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."  
Matthew 3:1-2 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Matthew 3:1-12 (NIV).



L L H S N R E P E N T K O L B  
Z N O Y U R J Z Z M C S Z G D  
O K N C I W B X N B E A G B C  
Z U I A U Y E O N H O N M K Y  
G B H N A S L X T E I A E E S  
O W D S G Q T O Z H X E S H L  
C F I J A D L S C J R T T T E  
J I C L I C O A Z A E A H E A  
R O T Z D I E M P H P G X T T  
D H V L O R K E P N I S S F H  
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E L N R O P R T Y P H J Y H T  
R D E F D E S O A O X O B E E  
T O Y Z E K N B J H E A V E N

PREPARE	STRAIGHT	CLOTHES	LOCUSTS	REPENT
PATHS	BELT	LORD	KINGDOM	PROPHET
JOHN	DESERT	BAPTIST	HONEY	LEATHER
CAMEL	HEAVEN	PREACHING	HAIR	WILD

I don't have an advent calendar

So, I'm just opening cupboards and eating whatever is in there

According to my chocolate advent calendar...

There's only 3 days until Christmas.

This year, Starbucks is issuing a new cup size for Christmas.

It's called the Adventi.

