



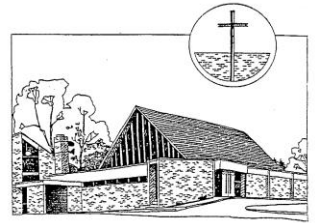
## The United Methodist Church of Sea Cliff

Carpenter and Downing Avenues

P.O. Box 190

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Rev. Kirtland M. Watkins, Pastor



Greetings in the name of our Risen Savior,

I was speaking with another Pastor this summer and he asked me, "well, how is your new church now that the honeymoon is over?" My response was that I didn't know because I was still on the honeymoon. Congregation – be aware – I like long honeymoons, and this is a congregation where I feel I can enjoy one.

Look around when you go to church on Sunday; the same, familiar faces to be sure, but faces that belong to real people, people that we love, people that are family – this is one of the greatest strengths that we have... we DO love one another, and we love with an agape love, a love that realizes that the other is important – even more important than we ourselves. This is the love that Christ came to show us, this is what was meant when He commanded us to love one another as ourselves. This is why we belong to THIS church; and this is one of the reasons that people have been joining our family in such great numbers. In the past year, fifteen souls have joined this congregation – fourteen of them by profession of faith – this is unprecedented in my experience, and is a tribute to the atmosphere that is created by you all – the church's ministers.

Now the summer is over, the summer doldrums are behind us, and the adventure of a "new year" awaits. I encourage you to become even more involved... men there is bible study every Saturday at the parsonage at 8:00 AM. Praise and worship continues on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM, and Spirit Builders continues. If there is something more that needs to be started, come and see me; and we will see what can be done! This is also the time when members of the nomination committee will be coming around to us all to see which committees we wish to serve on this year – please, do not "put them off" – yes, it does involve some more work; but it is work done with those we love, and work given to our Lord – what a sweet way to give back to Him who has given us all.

In His Name,  
In His service,

Pastor Kirt

# Bulletin Board

## ..... UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 4<sup>th</sup> – St. Christopher Otilie 5 K Run - Church Parking Lot in Use
- September 11<sup>th</sup> – Men's Bible Study will resume; 8:00 a.m. @ the parsonage
- September 12<sup>th</sup> – Kick-Off Sunday Picnic & Sunday School Begins
- September 14<sup>th</sup> - UMW Pool Party @ the Ajamians' Home, 5:30 p.m.
- September 15<sup>th</sup> – Thrift Shop Resumes, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- September 19<sup>th</sup> - Pumpkin Patch Planning Meeting, after the service
- September 26<sup>th</sup> – Nurture Committee Meeting, after the service
- September 30<sup>th</sup> – Pumpkin Truck arrives, 4:00 p.m. –unloading the truck
- October 1<sup>st</sup> – Pumpkin Patch Opens
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sea Cliff Mini Mart, 11a.m. – 5 p.m.

## ..... FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF 8/22/2010

Current Expense Needed to Date: .....\$124,644.00

Current Expense Received to Date: .....\$97,544.28

Deficit: .....\$27,099.72

**Please keep current with your pledges. Thank You!**

## ..... A BIG THANK YOU

**To All Superheroes, Moms, Dads, and Helpers:**

**Whether you wore a cape or not,**

**THANK YOU**

**for making Vacation Bible School a success.**

**We couldn't have done it without you!**

**In God's Love,**

**Stacy and Beth**

## ..... FIRST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

## & CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC

Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

Picnic after the service.

Hot Dogs & Hamburgers will be provided.

Bring a salad or dessert.



## ..... AN INVITATION

*The Congregation of Our Savior's Lutheran Church  
16 Glenwood Road, Glen Head, New York  
invites you to attend the Service of Installation  
for their new Pastor – The Rev. Dr. Kimberly A. Wilson  
Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.*

*All are cordially invited to a Dinner Reception  
immediately following the worship service.  
Please R.S.V.P. to 676-4540 before 9/1/10*

## ..... UNITED METHODIST WOMEN - POOL PARTY & COVERED DISH SUPPER

**Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 @ 5:30 p.m.**  
at the home of Joan and Hap Ajamian

Please bring your bathing suit and either a salad, main dish, or dessert to serve 8.  
Please call Joan @ 671-7155 to let her know your plans.

### - Prayer List -

#### Healing, Comfort, and Strength of Mind and Spirit

Arlene Brown Joan Clarke	Connie Fisher Melissa Maynard	Mark Suzi & Tori	Victor Johnston
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#### For those Homebound and in Health Care Facilities

Clayton Allen Stewart Gaynor	Bob Josephson	Jane Lockwood Dot Sprague	Laura Valente
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# Happy Anniversary!

Bill & Mari James      September 28, 2003  
Beth & David Johns      September 29, 1990

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Nancy Nicholson	1	Carl Pozzi	16	Jack O'Donnell	26
Judith Hinde	4	Elizabeth Lucas	20	Christina Watkins	2
Susanna Laruccia	7	Diane Laruccia	22		
Regla McKnight	8	John Hinde Jr.	22		
Cassie Sullivan	9	Jeanne Marie O'Donnell	24		

# OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup> - SEA CLIFF MINI MART

- The Sea Cliff Mini Mart will be on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11am to 5pm. This event is a major fundraiser for our church, and we need many volunteers to help cover the booth as we sell our food products. Last year we raised over \$4000 from sales and donations.
- This year we hope to make \$ 5000 by ordering more food and selling until 5 PM.
- To ease the pressure from the maddening crowds at the booth, we divide up responsibilities over 2 hour shifts, and split the responsibilities into specific areas:

11 AM to 1 PM		1 PM to 3 PM		3 PM to 5 PM	
Grill cooks	2	Grill Cooks	2	Grill Cooks	2
Cook helper	1	Cook helper	1	Cook helper	1
Cashiers	2	Cashiers	2	Cashiers	2
Order takers	3	Order takers	3	Order takers	3
Expeditors	2	Expeditors	2	Expeditors	2
Soda server	1	Soda Server	1	Soda server	1

**JOB DESCRIPTIONS:**

**Soda Server:** can be a child... just to retrieve sodas from the bins to give to the order takers

**Cashiers:** the only SEATED position... handles all monies and transactions... nice shady spot

**Order Takers:** deals with the public, takes food orders and relays to expeditors

**Expeditors:** relays requests to cooks... handles buns, kraut, etc. assembles and gives to order takers

**Cooks:** the bosses... they control all stages... one handles only burgers and kraut, the other the brats and the hotdogs... on the firing line, no time to even replenish the grills

**Cook Helper:** can be a child... job is to give cooks whatever burgers/dogs/etc. they need to keep the food hot and ready...

There will also be a signup list for SETUP and BREAKDOWN, and somehow the usual suspects participate in those time slots.....

For those who cannot help/attend that day, we ask you to consider donating monies so we can buy supplies for the event. Any donation amount helps offset some of the costs associated with this fundraiser.

Please support the Mini Mart with a donation.....

.....to offset some of the cost associated with this fundraiser. Any amount helps and goes straight to the bottom line. Please check off your donation with your name, and return it to the church office or drop it in the offering plate on any Sunday during September. In the past, some have picked up the tab for specific items. For those interested, the estimated costs are listed below. You may check off the item you wish, and put this sheet in the offering or make a general donation.

**Name:**

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Item	\$ Amount	<input type="checkbox"/>	Item	\$ Amount
	Bratwurst	300.		Bratwurst Rolls	75.
	Hot Dogs	120.		Hot Dog Buns	50.
	Hamburgers	240.		Hamburger Buns	50.
	Ice	50.		Paper Goods	35.

Condiments	30.	Sauerkraut	20.
Coke	100.	Diet Coke	100.
Sprite	80.	Diet Sprite	40.
Spring Water	30.	General Donation	\$ _____ —
Apple Juice Boxes	20.		

## IT'S TIME FOR PUMPKIN PATCH! TWO DATES TO REMEMBER!

### 1. Pumpkin Patch Planning Meeting

Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Immediately after church

All volunteers, whether you are helping to set up the grounds, decorate the grounds, unload the truck, man the counter, etc. should come to this meeting. All of us need to be using the same procedures to make this really work!

### 2. Unloading the Truck

Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010

4:00 p.m.

As of now, the delivery date for the pumpkin truck to arrive is September 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. We are getting the same number of pumpkins as last year. Please sign up if you can help out. On the day of delivery, remember to call the church office before coming to the church for an up-to-date recording of what time the truck is to arrive. A free dinner is your reward!

Please sign up for the following:

1. **PUMPKIN PATCH SALES:** This year we will be having the pumpkins for four weeks! *Please sign up for a time slot during each of the weeks to manage the counter.* If you have young children and can't stay for the full three hours of each time slot, put down what you can manage and we will look for another person to finish the time.
2. **SECURITY:** Security worked very well the last couple of years so we want to continue our success story. *We are asking that the men of the congregation take one evening or more to drive by the church a couple of times a night to check on the pumpkins.* No one is being asked to confront intruders: a call to the local precinct will be in order.
3. **BAKERS NEEDED:** *The baked goods are always very successful, especially the pumpkin bread, pumpkin soup, and pumpkin cookies.* Remember baked goods are 100% profit for us.

**LAST YEAR WAS THE BEST YEAR YET!  
LET'S TRY TO MAKE THIS ONE  
EVEN BETTER!!**

# THE LIGHT SIDE

**A pastor's wife was preparing pancakes for her young sons.** The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait." The oldest boy turned to his younger brother and said, "You be Jesus."

**Father O'Malley answers the phone.** "Hello, is this Father O'Malley?"  
"It is."  
"This is the IRS. Can you help us?"  
"I can."  
"Do you know a Ted Houlihan?"  
"I do."  
"Is he a member of your congregation?"  
"He is."  
"Did he donate \$10,000 to the church?"  
"He will."

**For our pastor's 50th birthday,** the congregation decided to give him a new suit. He was so touched by the gift that the following Sunday he stood before everyone and, with tears in his eyes, announced, "Today I am preaching to you in my birthday suit."

**At the pearly gates,** St. Peter greeted a minister and congressman and gave them their room assignments. "Pastor, here are the keys to one of our nicest efficiency units. And for you Mr. Congressman, the keys to our finest penthouse suite."  
"This is unfair!" cried the minister.  
"Listen," St. Peter said, "ministers are a dime a dozen up here, but this is the first congressman we've ever seen."

**At the pearly gates again,** a taxi driver and minister are waiting in line. St. Peter consults his list and says to the taxi driver, "Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven."  
St. Peter next greets the minister saying, "Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom of Heaven."

"Just a minute," says the minister. "That man was a taxi driver, and he gets a silken robe and golden staff while I get a cotton robe and wooden staff. How can this be?"  
"Up here, we work by results," says St. Peter. "While you preached, people slept; while he drove, people prayed."

**A teacher was testing the children** in her Sunday school class to see if they understood the concept of getting to heaven.  
She asked them, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into Heaven?"  
"NO!" the children answered.  
"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?"  
Again, the answer was, "NO!"  
Now she was smiling. Hey, they're getting it, she thought! "Well, then, if I was kind to animals and gave candy to all the children, and loved my husband, would that get me into Heaven?" she asked.  
Again, they all answered, "NO!"

She was just bursting with pride for them. "Well," she continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?"

A five-year-old boy shouted out, "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD."

**Two beggars** are sitting on a park bench in Ireland. One is holding a cross and the other a Star of David. Both are holding hats to collect contributions. People walk by, lift their noses at the man with the Star of David and drop money into the hat of the man with the cross. Soon, the hat of the man with the cross is filled and the hat of the man with the Star of David is empty.

A priest watches for a while and then approaches the men. He says to the man with the Star of David, "Don't you realize that this is a Catholic country? You'll never get any contributions holding a Star of David."

The man turns to the one with the cross and says, "Moishe, can you imagine, this goy is trying to tell us how to run our business?"