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That "Love Thy Neighbor" thing ...I meant it. – God

# THE WORD

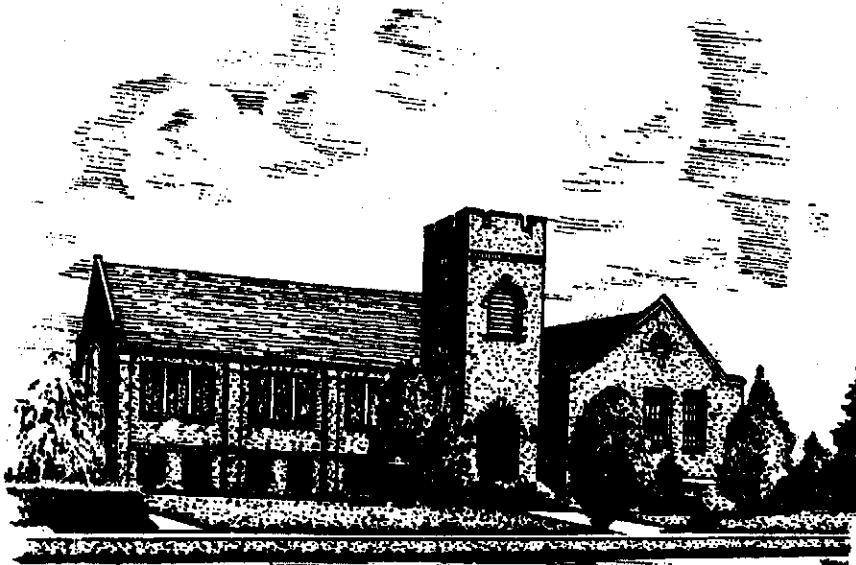
## MARCH 2010



Open Hearts

Open Minds

Open Doors



**Rev. Lee D. Gangaware, Pastor  
Marie Doucet, Secretary**

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Church Fax: 631-957-2511  
Church Website: [www.graceumclindy.com](http://www.graceumclindy.com)  
Nursery School Telephone: 631-957-3917**

**THE RETREAT AT CAMP QUINIPET**

**TO OUR YOUTH:** 10 of our 24 spaces have been taken by Confirmands, sponsors, parents and cooks. We have 14 spaces available; however, two of these will be reserved for a male and a female chaperone. That leaves 12 spaces. The criteria for attending is that two chaperones must be found for non-confirmation youth, and that the youth attending will be in worship services through the end of April and participating in the 30 Hour Famine and other activities which Pastor Lee is arranging, including work for WINGO on March 26<sup>th</sup>. 5 of our teens have already asked Pastor Lee to attend. That leaves 9 spaces in total.

**GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, CONFIRMATION  
RETREAT April 23, 24, 25, at Camp Quinipet, Shelter Island**

**PERMISSION SLIP:**

At this point the cost per camper will be: \$50 per person.

TO: Pastor Lee D. Gangaware                      Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby give my permission for my child: \_\_\_\_\_, to Participate in The Confirmation Youth Retreat at Camp Quinipet, on April 23, 24, 25, 2010. Please note any special medical needs or dietary needs. I authorize emergency medical care if needed at any time during this retreat.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Information Group and ID # \_\_\_\_\_

Around Grace Place:

Last evening a group of 31 Christians began a serious consideration of God and His loving gift, Jesus. Our Ash Wednesday Service centered on "Being Caught in Sin and Released by Jesus", along with stations for change in which Ashes were offered, anointing oil administered, and prayer requests, and promises were posted to the cross. May God be with all of you as you practice self-denial and discipline during Lent.

Thank you to Erica Mundy and Lori Janson for heading up "Our Second Gong Show" on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all the talented people and acts who entertained us. Thanks also to all who participated in The 30-Hour Famine to raise money for Haiti through World Vision.

Congratulations to Bruce & Lisa Reiersen on their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Vow Renewal on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

The trustees have had our Liberty Street doors repaired and our doors and lights facing the parsonage repaired. They have also had the parsonage garage rewired, and new motion-detector lights installed. Work is underway on the downstairs bathrooms and lobby area. Trustee Work Day, March 20<sup>th</sup>!

The parsonage committee is having painting done in the dining room, and the upstairs bedrooms. They are also having a kitchen window installed. A new towel rack was installed in the upstairs bathroom.

Palm Splitting will be March 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 A.M. Thanks Bruce for your leadership.

Confirmation Retreat is April 23-25, and will be done in conjunction with Bayville U.M.C. and Port Jefferson U.M.C. Confirmation Groups. See information for youth and attendees elsewhere in "The Word".

Line-Dancing has been terrific! Doug Chivis & Barbara Chivis had patiently taught us to count and step. Come, join us on Thursdays at 6:30 P.M.

Thank you for your generous giving and support of our many ministries. A group of nine has been intently studying the Book of John on Fridays.

--God Bless all of the activities Around Grace Place.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

TO THE

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

FOR

**ERNEST L. SWIGGETT**

AS HE LEAVES THE POSITION

OF

CONFERENCE TREASURER

NEW YORK CONFERENCE

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Saturday, June 19, 2010

1:00 p.m.

CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

WHITE PLAINS

66 Hale Avenue

White Plains, New York

TICKETS \$85.00

(Deadline, June 7<sup>th</sup>)

(Please see your Pastor or Lay Leader for  
Ticket information)

Reservation Deadline: JUNE 7, 2010

## SUPERMARKET WINGO

March 26, 2010

7:00pm until 11:00pm

at

Grace United Methodist Church

515 South Wellwood Avenue, Lindenhurst

For Directions and Information, call (631) 226-8690

Admission is \$5.00

This includes one free wingo sheet

and

one free ticket for a door prize

Free coffee and cake at intermission

## NO EARLY ARRIVALS, PLEASE!

# Adam G. Singleton

**ORGANIST**

IN RECITAL AT

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 14, 2010**

**AT 4:45 P.M.**

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Forms may be left in Secretary's mailbox on Church Office Door

March, 2010

## ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to order flowers for the month of March, please fill out the following. The cost is \$15.00. Please make checks payable to **GUMC Altar Guild**.

Circle one: Sunday, March 7 14 21 28

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Occasion \_\_\_\_\_

To the Glory of God .....

From: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



I will pickup after service

I wish to make a donation to the flower fund  Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you, flowers are a wonderful way to honor or remember those we hold close in our hearts.

**Please make sure to include your check or cash with flower order. Thank you.**

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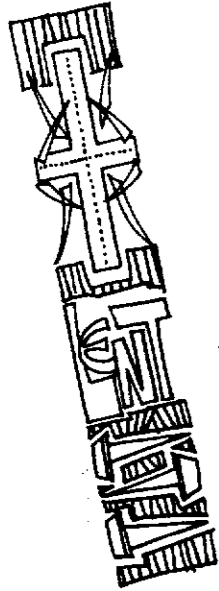
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GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH...

# March 2010



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2 7:30pm Trustees 7:30pm Band Pract.	3 10-1 Thrift Shop 10:00am Bible Study 11:00am Knitters 6:30pm Prayer Group 7:00pm Conf. Class	4 6:30-8pm Line Dancing 7-8pm Food Pantry 7:30pm Choir	5 10-12:30 Thrift Shop 7:00pm Bible Study	6 Lay Speaker (Westbury) 8:30-2:30 Youth Lay Sp. 5:30pm Grace Band Pract. 6:00pm Contemp. Worship
7 8:00am Worship/Comm. 9:00am Healing Svc. 10:00am Worship/Comm Sunday School 1:00pm Quilters 6:00pm Singles	8 Pastor's Day Off 10-11:30 Food Pantry 10-1 Thrift Shop 6:00pm Cub Scouts	9 7:00pm Worship 7:30pm Band Pract.	10 10-1 Thrift Shop 10:00am Bible Study 11:00am Knitters 6:30pm Prayer Group 7:00pm Conf. Class	11 6:30-8pm Line Dancing 7-8pm Food Pantry 7:30pm Choir	12 10-12:30 Thrift Shop 7:00pm Bible Study	13 Lay Speaker (Westbury) 8:00am Men's Group 8:30-12:30 Youth Lay Sp. 11:00am Outreach/Evang. 5:30pm Grace Band Pract. 6:00pm Contemp. Worship
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**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**  
March 22<sup>nd</sup>

Please remember Ads in back of this calendar

## CALLING ALL BUSINESSES

It's not too late to advertise your business in our monthly Newsletter. Just \$50 for the year!

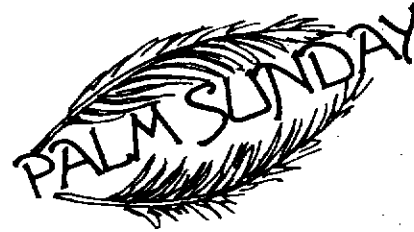
If interested, please call church office (226-8690) or just send us your business card and a check for \$50, for the subscription fee.

Thank you,  
Marie Doucet  
Newsletter Editor



**Daylight Savings Time**  
**Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Please remember to change your clocks  
- ahead 1 hour before going to bed  
Saturday night

# HOLY WEEK



## Palm Sunday

March 28, 2010

## Maundy Thursday

April 1, 2010

6:30pm

Seder Service



## Good Friday

April 2, 2010

7pm Service

## Holy Saturday

April 3, 2010

6:00pm

Contemporary Worship Service

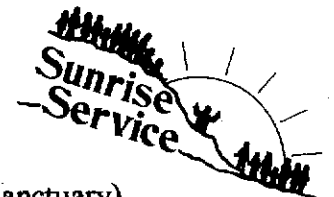
## Easter Sunday

April 4, 2010

Dawn Service, 6:00am, Tanner Park

(in case of inclement weather, service will be in sanctuary)

8:00am & 10:00am in Sanctuary  
(service with Holy Communion)



*He is Risen*



**TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF GRACE**

With the Easter season approaching, please take a moment to think about ordering an Easter Plant.

You may do this by filling out the following:

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to order \_\_\_\_\_ Easter Plant(s)  @ \$11.00 each Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will bring a plant on **FRIDAY, APRIL 2<sup>TH</sup>** between 11:00am – 12:00 noon

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick up after the 10:00am service

Please drop your forms and payment in the offering basket or leave it in the secretary's mailbox on church office door.

**The deadline for orders is FRIDAY, March 19<sup>th</sup>.  
No orders will be accepted after the above date.**



**GRACE OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

Grace Church's Outreach Committee has been very busy this year already! Blanket Sunday we raised enough money to send 99 blankets to those in need. To date, we have \$110 on the sales of our water bottles for "Children's Safe Drinking Water" and on March 14<sup>th</sup> the empty bottles we sent out will come back full of change! We have sent livestock and equipment to underdeveloped countries through Samaritans Purse. We are putting together Health Kits for Haiti. Our members are also making a basket of goodies and personal items to be brought to the East Neck Nursing Home, (we do similar gift boxes for the Veterans every Christmas). Lori Janson has initiated a project for Outreach to send supplies to our troops overseas. If anyone has a friend or family member overseas, please let us know where they are stationed so we can add them to our list. In 2010 so far our Food Pantry has fed 79 families and is well stocked.

**Grace United Methodist Church reaches out to our Community, our Country, and our World.**

Thank You  
Sue Roy

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**NEW YORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE SEEKS  
TREASURER/DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

February 16, 2010

The New York Annual Conference, with offices in White Plains, NY, is seeking a Treasurer/Director of Administrative Services. The successful applicant's tenure will begin at the 2010 Annual Conference (June 9-12, 2010).

Interested applicants should request an application packet from Rev. Ann Pearson, Director of Connectional Ministries, at [apearson@nyac.com](mailto:apearson@nyac.com) or 914-997-1570, Extn. 230.

## FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

### BUDGET (as of 2/14)

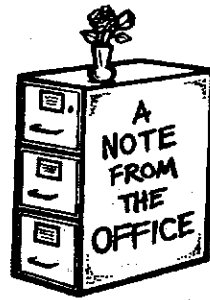
Needs to Date \$28,000.00

Received to Date \$19,232.00

Budget Shortfall \$ 8,768.00



- 3/2 Trustees, 7:30pm
- 3/6 Lay Speaker Course, Westbury  
Youth Lay Speaker, 8:30-2:30
- 3/9 Worship, 7pm
- 3/13 Men's Group, 8am  
Lay Speaker Course, Westbury  
Youth Lay Speaker, 8:30-12:30  
Outreach/Evangelism, 11am
- 3/14 Scout Sunday  
Ad Council, 11:15am
- 3/16 Stewardship, 6:30pm
- 3/19 Deadline for Easter Plant Order
- 3/20 Lay Speaker Course, Westbury  
Women's Group, 8:30am  
SPR, 10am  
Trustee Workday
- 3/22 Newsletter Deadline
- 3/23 Nursery School Board, 7:30pm
- 3/26 WINGO, 7-11pm
- 3/27 Splitting of Palms, 9:30am
- 3/30 Parsonage, 7:30pm
- 4/1 Maundy Thursday Seder - 6:30pm
- 4/2 Good Friday Service - 7pm
- 4/5 Church Office Closed
- 4/6 Trustees, 7:30pm
- 4/10 Outreach, 11am
- 4/17 Men's Group, 8am  
Women's Group, 8:30am
- 4/18 Ad Council, 11:15am



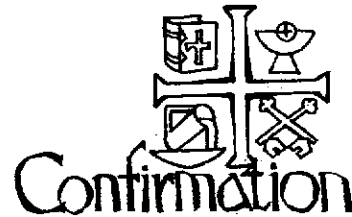
### Pastor will be away:

- 3/9 Meeting w/Bishop, 7pm
- 3/18 DCOM, Hauppauge, 6:30pm

### CHURCH SECRETARY

will be out

Thursday, 3/25 & Friday, 3/26



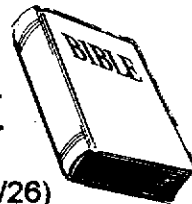
**Confirmation Class Schedule**  
Wednesdays, 7pm



On March 14<sup>th</sup> we will be honoring the  
Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts of Grace  
Church at the 10am service.

### BIBLE STUDY

Fridays at 7pm  
(not meeting 3/19 & 3/26)



## Church World Service School Kits

We will be assembling school kits for the Church World Service Organization again this year. This is a non-denominational organization which aids disaster victims in countries around the world. Each kit must contain the following items:

- 1 pair blunt scissors
- 3 spiral bound notebooks
- 1 30 centimeter ruler
- 1 hand held pencil sharpener
- 6 unsharpened pencils with erasers
- 1 large 2 1/2 in eraser
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 12" X 14" cloth bag with handles and closure
- \$2 for shipping

If you can donate any of these items, please deposit them in the box outside the Sunday School office. Any questions contact Karen Carboni 321-7526. Thank You.



## Campbell's Labels

The Grace Nursery School is collecting labels from Campbell's products to get supplies for the school. Labels can be found on all Campbell's, Franco American, Pepperidge Farm, Swanson, V8, Prego and Pace products. Deposit labels in the bin outside the Nursery School office. You may also drop off Box Tops for Education which are donated to a local elementary school.

Please Note: We need the UPC with the Labels for Education symbol from most products and the Lid from V8. So, please submit the UPC (or entire label with UPC) or the lid.

## "Some Words from God"

A friend of mine sent an email message with the following quotes, attributed to God, as printed on billboards by The Church of Singapore.

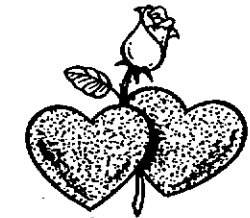
1. "Earth people; do not treat me like a Martian." –God There are many ways to make God less foreign to us. Among them are reading His Words, having daily Prayer talks, and worshiping with His supporters in church.
2. "What do I have to do to get your attention?...put an ad in the paper?" –God. God also puts His ads in the daily sky, and provision areas of our lives with air and food and heart beats.
3. "Could you imagine what air would cost if someone else provided it?" –God. No scientist or group of scientists has ever created a way to provide the entire planet with air. We know Someone who does.
4. "How can you be a self-made person? I remember perfectly making you." –God. He tells us in Psalm 139: "Before you were knit together in your mother's womb, I knew you."
5. "This 'Love thy neighbor'...I meant it." –God. Got anybody you still hate?
6. "The road you choose...will You take Me with you?" –God. Take this advice every day of your life.
7. "Follow Me." –God. God never told you to lead.
8. "Have you read My best-seller, The Bible?" –God. Don't just make it one time and keep up on your reading.
9. "We need to talk." –God. To get closer call HOME!
10. "What part of you shall not...don't you understand?" –God. He has never reversed His commandments. Don't dare trying to do so.
11. "If you think The Mona Lisa is amazing, you should see my masterpiece in the mirror." –God. God thinks you are pretty amazing. He had His Son die for you.
12. "I love you, and you, and you, and you, and you." –God. He has no favorites since all of us are His favorite.
13. "You are not alone. You have Me with you." "Trust in Me." "Put yourself in My hands and watch." –God. These are all promises from our God to us.

God certainly has been speaking. Make it your Lenten Intention to listen and obey. Let us do so together.

--Pastor Lee.



Alyssa Ianno	3/5
Paul Berndt	3/7
Carol Ryder	3/10
Pastor Lee Gangaware	3/11
Pat Zeller	3/11
Kelly Sawyer	3/12
Lisa Bender	3/15
Stephanie Goodman	3/16
Gloria Markowitz	3/16
Walter Hilsenbeck, Sr.	3/17
Sam Simone	3/17
Joan Bertini	3/19
Michael Roldan	3/20
Samantha Salvo	3/20
Annmarie Collins	3/23
Dawn San Filippo	3/27
Elizabeth Trebing	3/28
Linda Schneider	3/28
Anna Berndt	3/29
Vincent Sottile	3/29
Savannah Krapf	3/30
Carson Brennan	3/31
Amanda LoGelfo	3/31



## Anniversaries

Deanna & Victor Morreale	3/1
Pat & Philip Benardello	3/26
Vincent & Wendy Salvo	3/26



Feb.21 - In memory of Ralph Morgan on the anniversary of his entering life eternal by Judy, Karan, Lois & families.

## LITURGISTS WANTED

If you are interested in being a liturgist or substitute liturgist for the 10am Sunday service, please call Marie on 226-8690.