



Farmingdale United Methodist Church

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Pastor Claire Wu

THE MESSENGER

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Greetings in the name of our risen Savior!

Spring is a time of warm air, blooming flowers, and singing birds. It's a time of resurrection and new life. It is a time when nature and faith come close together as we celebrate inside the walls of the church what we see symbolized in the natural world outside those walls. Christ has died, Christ has risen, and Christ will come again!

Spring is also the time when we live that out in so many aspects of our lives – spring

cleaning when the winter dirt gets washed off the windows, new clothes to brighten up the wardrobe, a new diet or exercise program to get us ready for summer and the beach.

At church, spring is a time when new life is shown in special services. We'll recognize Mother's Day and be grateful for the life those people bring to us. We'll show our appreciation to the choirs for the spiritual life they add to our worship.



We'll worship God together in the power of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday and welcome our newest confirmands into the living body of

Christ. A new phase of their life will begin as they claim for themselves what their parents promised for them at their baptism: the name Christian.

For those of us who claimed this new life long ago, spring is a time to look back and remember what faith meant to us

then. A time to look around us today and see if we are still living the life and the faith we claimed. And a time to look forward to the lives we can have here and beyond.

Please join us in these spring celebrations of new life.

Blessings,
Pastor Claire Wu





Sunday Church Service 9:30AM

Church will be open for in-person worship at 9:30am.

We will continue to hold our worship service on ZOOM as well.

ZOOM <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5166943424?pwd=TWtTVElWUHNXbjVNcnNMaG9wTVJrZz09>

(Meeting ID: 516 694 3424, Password 11735)



Alternate Giving may be done through [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly).

There are three methods of giving - pick what works best for you.



1 - Farmingdale UMC website: From the home page, go to the Donate tab, then Online & General Giving, then click on the "Donate" button. This will direct you to the giving page for our church.

2 - Or use the direct URL link to the giving page for our church. <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1697513>

3 - You can also download the App onto your mobile phone. Download the "[Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) Finance" app with green logo. It will next prompt you to look for our church - enter Farmingdale United Methodist Church. You will be directed to the giving page for our church.

FARMINGDALE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mission Statement

Our mission is sharing God's unconditional love by serving our neighbors, connecting with all God's children in Christian fellowship and providing safe spaces for everyone to grow in faith and love.

FUMC Code of Conduct Statement

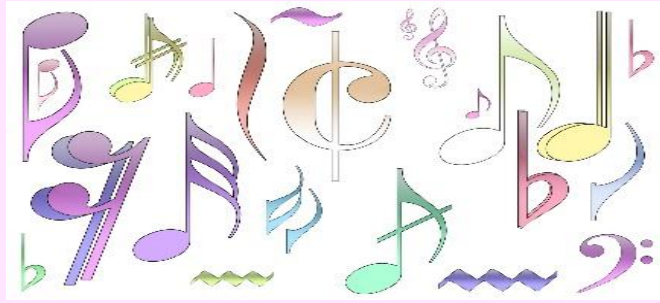
In alignment with our Mission Statement to provide safe spaces to grow in faith and love, Farmingdale United Methodist Church expects appropriate and respectful behavior at all church meetings and functions. Behavior that is hurtful, divisive and destructive will not be condoned.



Availability of Space and Rooms



Our Fellowship Hall is now available for ongoing programs, meetings, parties, etc., and we have several other rooms that can be used for smaller groups or private worship. If you know anyone who may be interested in utilizing space, please have them call the office at 516 694-3424.



*Come One, Come All, to a Concert
by
the Twin County Chorus chapter of Sweet Adelines
International
on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 2:00PM
(doors open 1:30PM)*



*Farmingdale United Methodist Church
407 Main Street
and also enjoy a Silent Auction with something for everyone!
Complimentary coffee & cake
Tickets \$20
Seniors & Students \$15*

*We really need your support - This is a church Fundraiser!
Please bring your friends & family to the concert!*

*Please contact Jackie Suwalski jackiesuwal@gmail.com
or call 516 249-3424 to reserve your tickets!*

Sponsored by FUWF



Notes From the Loft



1 SAMUEL 3:9 reads, “Speak, LORD, for Your servant is listening.”

I hope that everyone reading this article had the blessed privilege of hearing Pastor Claire Wu’s Resurrection Sunday message, which centered around Christ’s appearance to Mary Magdalene outside His tomb after His resurrection. Mary did not immediately recognize her Lord. She thought that He was the gardener who tended to the trees and other plant life around the tombs and graves. She called to Him, begging Him to tell her where they had taken her Lord – that she would go and take care of her Lord’s body.

And the Scripture says that the Lord Jesus Christ said her name: “Mary.” Immediately she recognized His voice and fell at His feet.

Pastor Wu asked us that blessed Sunday morning in Farmingdale, New York, if each of us heard our Lord speak OUR name that morning. What a precious, precious thought! That Jesus would come into our Farmingdale sanctuary and speak to each and every

individual heart that blessed morning. What a thought!

Well, ... I have to bear witness to you that I hear Him speaking me – and *trying* to get my full heart’s attention on that Sunday and every Sunday I find myself in that Farmingdale sanctuary. I hear Him in Pastor Wu’s preaching. I hear Him in the Scripture texts that are read. I hear Him in the prayer requests and the prayers that are offered. And I hear Him in the hymns we sing. I am also thankful to say that I hear Christ’s voice singing with the choir. It’s a miracle every Sunday. And I’m so glad to be there to hear Christ’s voice speaking to ME ... and to everyone else and anyone else who has ears open and a heart open to hear Him.

If I live to be a million years old, I will remember Pastor Wu’s message and the question she asked us: “Do you hear Jesus saying your name?”

We worship an unspeakably wonderful and loving Savior-God.



Please see Garry Wurth for the sign-up schedule
garrywurth@gmail.com/516-524-2530.

Volunteers Needed - It's L.I. Ducks time!

We will again be working concessions for a percentage of gross sales plus tips (last year we made over \$11,000!). We’ve moved up the ranks and this year our days/nights are Saturdays and Sundays.



EXCITING OPPORTUNITY!

Our church bell is working again and we
need bell ringers!!!

Please See Danny Gastelua.



*HAPPY 94TH BIRTHDAY,
DEAR DORLI RETINGER!*



Thank you, Trustees!



ANNUAL DISTRICT MISSION WALK - Sunday, May 11th - Belmont Lake State Park

Whatever funds we raise will be used for The Bowery Mission.
Sponsor sheets are available in the South Transept.

Please support this fun event.

See Danny Gastelua to register or any walker to sponsor.

Please support this fun event!



Upcoming Events

Zoom Meetings:

Saturdays weekly Men's Bible Study, 8 AM

Wednesday weekly Bible Class 10:30AM

Fridays weekly Ladies Small Group 7:30PM

Sunday 5/19 Twin County Chorus concert fundraiser, 2PM

Village Events

Tuesday 5/21 Open Mic Night, Village Hall, 7:00PM

Monday 5/27 Memorial Day Parade, 10:00AM

Saturday 6/1 Fire Department Spring Fair & Medieval Day, 10:00AM-4:00PM

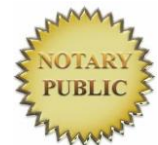
Sundays 6/2-11/24 Farmer's Market on Village Green, 10:00AM-2:00PM

MAY SCRIPTURE QUOTE! CAN YOU SOLVE IT?

*One letter simply stands for another. This month's quote comes from
Psalm 127*

Hint: G = E

**RGTVHA, WTEHAOGL NOG N TGOECNYG POVD CTG HVOA,
CTG POMECE VP CTG QVDR N OGQNOA.**



In need of a
Notary
Public?
Contact
Joan Ganz
or Karen
Gierie
Newman.

HELP WANTED

*A member is looking for help for his power washing business, perfect for
students/retirees for spring and summer.*

Call Dillon at 516 305-0096.



FUMC's Calendar of the Month

MAY 2024

*Worship Service is available via Zoom.
Click the link below:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5166943424?pwd=TWtVElWUHNXbjVncnNmMGMaG9wTVJrZz09>
Meeting ID: 366 885 6897 password 981708 OR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>Farmingdale United Methodist Church (516) 694-3424 Email: office@farmingdaleumc.org Website: www.farmingdaleumc.org</div>			1 10:30 am Bible Study	2	3 5:30 A.A. 7:30 Ladies' Covenant Grp.	4 8:00 Men's Bible Study
5 9:30 Worship Service <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Choir Recognition</i>	6	7 7:30 pm Trustees Meeting	8 10:30 am Bible Study	9	10 5:30 A.A. 7:30 Ladies' Covenant Grp.	11 8:00 Men's Bible Study
12 9:30 Worship Service <i>Ascension Sunday</i> <i>Confirmation</i> <i>Mother's Day</i>	13 7:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting	14	15 10:30 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Cooking Ministry	16	17 5:30 A.A. 7:30 Ladies' Covenant Grp.	18 8:00 Men's Bible Study
19 9:30 Worship Service <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> <i>Sweet Adeline's Church</i> <i>Fundraiser</i>	20	21	22 10:30 am Bible Study	23	24 5:30 A.A. 7:30 Ladies' Covenant Grp.	25 8:00 Men's Bible Study
26 9:30 Worship Service <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	27 Memorial Day 7:00 pm Church Council	28	29 10:30 am Bible Study	30	31 5:30 A.A. 7:30 Ladies' Covenant Grp.	



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