

# THE GLORY SOUND

LeRoy United Methodist Church, Inc.

FEBRUARY 2017



## Lent

It seems that a few days ago, we were celebrating Advent, Christmas and New Year.

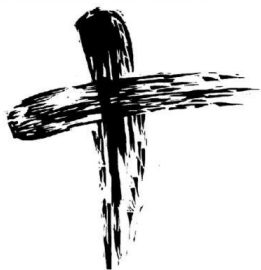
I pray and hope your Christmas and New Year were inspiring. Now, we set ourselves towards the next stage of our journey—Lent. Lent starts with Ash Wednesday on February 14, 2018.

Ash Wednesday was developed as a day of penitence to mark the beginning of the forty-day period of preparation for Easter. It is a particular time for new beginnings in the faith, a time for returning to the Lord.

Ash Wednesday is an invitation to look within--to honestly examine our hearts, our relationships with God and with one another. Joel beckons US to return to God with urgency. The psalmist models humble and heart-felt repentance. Jesus sends us inward, not outward, to pray in our rooms and draw closer to God.

On this day we recall our mortality and wait upon the renewing Spirit of the Lord. It is a time to put aside the sins and failures of the past and to grow, by the grace of God, more into the likeness of Christ.

REMEMBER THAT THOU ART DUST...



...AND UNTO DUST SHALT THOU RETURN

The use of ashes has a significant history in Jewish and Christian Worship. From early Old Testament times, ashes have been used as a sign of sorrow, mourning, and penitence. The imposition of ashes is a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation.

This year, we will be joining the 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church of LeRoy for Ash Wednesday Worship service at 7:00 PM.

In Christ love,  
Pastor Hector D. Rivera

# Grace's Closet

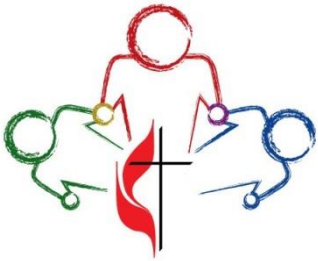
Despite the terrible cold temperatures, we have had quite a bit of business. The shelves are quite full, as we've been blessed with many donations.

Thanks to the volunteers for their time and efforts.

Janice, Chairperson

## Church Council Meeting

Our next Church Council meeting is scheduled for Sunday, **February 11, 2018** **@ 9:00 AM.** There will be a continental-style breakfast available (assorted pastry, toast, & jams, etc., along with coffee & juice) for those who wish to eat. The meeting will be very brief so as to give the choir time to practice & Pastor Rivera time to prepare for worship at 10:30 am.



### February Liturgists

Feb 4	Mary Lou Jones
Feb 11	Don Keys
Feb 18	Janice Cooper
Feb 25	Betsy Darby

### February Birthdays

Feb 1	Sandi Howard
Feb 10	Julie Long
Feb 24	Susan Callahan

## Worship



We will be experimenting with our worship services for the next couple of months. It is obvious to us that what had been working in the past is no longer working in the present. Our style of worship is not bringing new people into our church.

We have decided to try to bring a more upbeat worship style to our lovely church and see how it goes. Starting on February 11<sup>th</sup>, we will twice a month be switching out our traditional-style service to a contemporary-style service. The contemporary services will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. We hope that everyone will be willing to give this little change a try and will join us for this time of worship.

## Grace's Closet

We just want to thank everyone for supporting this mission.

Beth, Dawn & Janice

## *Friendship Dinner @ Aldersgate UMC*

Aldersgate UMC (4115 Dewey Avenue, Rochester) is hosting a Friendship Dinner on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8:30 pm to support their Outreach ministries. Tickets are \$10 each and are available from Pastor Rivera or his wife, Maria. If you would like to carpool, please give Susan a call in the office (768-8980) and we will set up carpooling plans.

# LeRoy United Methodist Church

## 2018 Committee on Lay Leadership

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and experiencing the light of God.*

### **Church Council (year to year term)**

Chairperson  
Recording Secretary  
Lay Leader (2020)  
Staff/Parish Relations Committee (Chair)  
Treasurer  
Financial Secretary  
Committee on Finance (Chair)  
Lay Leadership  
Lay Servants *(by November vote)*  
Lay Speaker  
Lay Member to AC (2020)  
Pastor Emeritus  
Trustees Representative *(to be chosen by Trustees)*  
N.O.W.

### **Currently Serving**

John Johnson  
Betsy Darby  
Wayne Papke  
Betsy Darby  
Rev. David U. Jones  
Elaine Keys  
Phil Tooze  
Rev. Hector D. Rivera  
Wayne Papke  
Janice Cooper  
Wayne Papke  
Rev. Dr. David U. Jones  
Jeff Nicoll  
  
Rev. Hector D. Rivera/Susan Miller  
Maria Rivera  
Janice Cooper  
(open)

### **MINISTRY AND MISSION**

**Nurture** (education, worship, Christian formation, membership care, small groups and stewardship, needs of families-all ages included)

**Chairpersons:** Rev. Hector D. Rivera/ Susan Miller

**Members:**

**Worship:** Susan Miller, Valorie Stotz, Janice Cooper, Mary Lou Jones, Doc Kavanagh.

**Membership & Visitation**

**Hospitality/Membership Care:** Lois Dimick, Elaine Keys, Janice Cooper

**Greeters/Ushers:** Rex Miller

**Membership Secretary:** Susan Miller

**Christian Ed:** Julie Long

**Lay Liturgists:** John Compton, Don Keys, Janice Cooper, Betsy Darby, Mary Lou Jones. Catie Long. — substitute

**Small Groups:** Mary Lou Jones, Rev. David U. Jones

**Outreach** (local/larger community ministries of compassion, justice and advocacy. Religion/race, church and society, global ministries, higher education, campus ministry, health and welfare, Christian Unity, Status and Role of Women.)

**Grace's Closet:** Janice Cooper (Chair), Beth Nicoll, Jeff Nicoll, Dawn Folts

**Card Ministry:** Beth Nicoll

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Breakfast/Study Group:** Rev. David Jones & Pastor Rivera

**Salvation Army Coordinator/Operation Christmas Child:** Janice Cooper

**Mitten & Hat Tree Coordinators:** Elaine & Don Keys

**Nursing Home Worship:** Janice Cooper, Bev Hess

**Food Pantry Coordinator:** Rex Miller

**Ides of March Coordinator:** Janice Cooper

**Witness** (develop and strengthen evangelistic effort of sharing of personal/and congregational stories of Christian experience, faith and service, communities/lay speaking ministries and other expressions of witness for Jesus Christ.)

## **ADMINISTRATIVE & SUPPORTIVE**

### **Board of Trustees (3-year terms)**

Class of 2018  
Class of 2019  
Class of 2019  
Class of 2019 (Chairman)  
Class of 2020  
Class of 2020  
Class of 2020  
Class of 2020 (Pastor Emeritus with **vote**)  
Endowment & Investment Advisor (**non-voting**)

### **Currently Serving**

David Powers, Jr.  
Wayne Papke  
Karen Gabbey  
Jeff Nicoll  
Janice Cooper  
John E. Johnson  
Susan Miller  
David U Jones  
Phil Tooze

### **Committee on Lay Leadership/Nominations (3-year terms)**

Lay Leader  
Chairperson  
Lay Member  
Class of 2019  
Class of 2019

Wayne Papke  
Rev. Hector Rivera  
Don Keys  
Karen Gabbey  
Susan Miller

### **Staff/Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) (3-year terms)**

Lay Leader  
Council Chair  
Class of 2019 (Chairperson)  
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Wayne Papke  
John Johnson  
Betsy Darby  
Elaine Keys  
Wayne Papke  
Tracy Merritt  
Beth Nicoll

### **Committee on Finance (3-year term)**

Chairperson (2019)  
Church Treasurer (2019)  
Financial Secretary (2019)  
Pastor  
Lay Leader  
Chairperson of Church Council  
Representative from Memorial Committee  
Chairperson or Representative from SPRC  
Chairperson or Representative from Board of Trustees  
Chairperson or Representative from Mildred Texter Ed

Phil Tooze  
Rev. David U. Jones  
Elaine Keys  
Rev. Hector D. Rivera  
Wayne Papke  
John E. Johnson  
Margaret Hurley  
Betsy Darby  
Jeff Nicoll  
Karen Gabbey

### **Memorial Committee:**

Margaret Hurley (Chair), Janice Cooper, Lois Dimick


### **Memorial Garden/Gardening Committee:**

Susan Miller (Chair), Janice Cooper, Dawn Folts, Beth Nicoll, Jeff Nicoll

### **Committee For Immigration:**

Pastor Hector Rivera, Maria Rivera, Betsy Darby, Phil Tooze, Jeff Nicoll

# February 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>I</b> 9:30- 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	<b>2</b> <div>Pastor Rivera @ Conference Center</div>	<b>3</b>  7 pm: AA Meeting
<b>4</b> <b>4-Chaplin Sunday</b> <div>Pastor Rivera @ Conference Center</div>	<b>5</b> 6 pm: Trustee Meeting	<b>6</b>  3 pm: Girl Scouts  5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	<b>7</b> 2 pm: Bible Study	<b>8</b> 9:30- 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>  7 pm: AA Meeting
<b>11</b> 9 am: Council Meeting  Contemporary Worship	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>  5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	<b>14</b> <i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i>  2 pm: Bible Study <b>7 pm: Ash Wednesday Service @ 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church</b>	<b>15</b> 9:30 – 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>  7 pm: AA Meeting
<b>18</b> 8 am: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Breakfast & Study  Newsletter due	<b>19</b> President's Day No Office Hours	<b>20</b> 3 pm: Girl Scouts  5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	<b>21</b> 2 pm: Bible Study	<b>22</b> 9:30 – 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  7 pm: AA Meeting
<b>25</b> Contemporary Worship	<b>26</b> 6 pm: Trustee Meeting	<b>27</b>  5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	<b>28</b>			

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- ❖ Worship Hours: 10:30 am Sunday Mornings
- ❖ Pastor: Rev. Hector D. Rivera
- ❖ Pastor's Office Hours: Tuesdays & Fridays, other days by appointment
- ❖ Administrative Assistant: Susan Miller
- ❖ Office Hours: Mon & Tue: 12:30 – 4:15 pm; Wed & Thu: 2:30 – 4:15 pm
- ❖ Music Director/Organist: Valorie Stotz

## **Getting In Touch With Us:**

- ❖ Office Phone Number: (585) 768-8980
- ❖ Pastor Rivera's Phone Number: (585) 663-3665
- ❖ **Mailing Address & Physical Location:** 10 Trigon Park, LeRoy, NY 14482
- ❖ Office Email Address: [smiller@leroyumcny.org](mailto:smiller@leroyumcny.org)
- ❖ Website: [www.leroyumcny.org](http://www.leroyumcny.org)
- ❖ Facebook: LeRoy Methodist Church
- ❖ Office's Physical Location: 12 Trigon Park, LeRoy (back entryway)

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