

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.

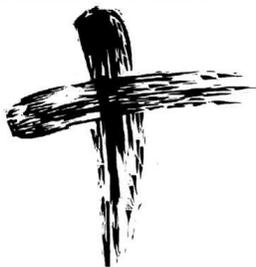
I pray and hope your Christmas and New Year were inspiring. Now, we set ourselves towards the next stage of our journey—Lent. Lent starts with Ash Wednesday on February 14, 2018.

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 1st Baptist Church of LeRoy for Ash Wednesday Worship service at 7:00 PM.

In Christ love,
Pastor Hector D. Rivera

Grace's Closet

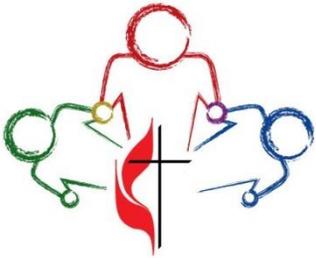
Despite the terrible cold temperatures, we have had quite a bit of business. The shelves are quite full, as we've been blessed with many donations.

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 11th, we will twice a month be switching out our traditional-style service to a contemporary-style service. The contemporary services will be the 2nd & 4th 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 17th 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)

Nurture Ministry Area (Chair)

Christian Education

Outreach Ministry Area (Chair)

Witness Ministry Area (Chair)

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

3rd 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	David Powers, Jr.
Class of 2019	Wayne Papke
Class of 2019	Karen Gabbey
Class of 2019 (Chairman)	Jeff Nicoll
Class of 2020	Janice Cooper
Class of 2020	John E. Johnson
Class of 2020	Susan Miller
Class of 2020 (Pastor Emeritus with vote)	David U Jones
Endowment & Investment Advisor (non-voting)	Phil Tooze

Currently Serving

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

Lay Leader	Wayne Papke
Chairperson	Rev. Hector Rivera
Lay Member	Don Keys
Class of 2019	Karen Gabbey
Class of 2019	Susan Miller

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

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

Committee on Finance (3-year term)

Chairperson (2019)	Phil Tooze
Church Treasurer (2019)	Rev. David U. Jones
Financial Secretary (2019)	Elaine Keys
Pastor	Rev. Hector D. Rivera
Lay Leader	Wayne Papke
Chairperson of Church Council	John E. Johnson
Representative from Memorial Committee	Margaret Hurley
Chairperson or Representative from SPRC	Betsy Darby
Chairperson or Representative from Board of Trustees	Jeff Nicoll
Chairperson or Representative from Mildred Texter Ed	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
				1 9:30- 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	2 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> Pastor Rivera @ Conference Center </div>	3 7 pm: AA Meeting
4 4-Chaplin Sunday <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;"> Pastor Rivera @ Conference Center </div>	5 6 pm: Trustee Meeting	6 3 pm: Girl Scouts 5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	7 2 pm: Bible Study	8 9:30- 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	9	10 7 pm: AA Meeting
11 9 am: Council Meeting Contemporary Worship	12	13 5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	14 ASH WEDNESDAY  2 pm: Bible Study 7 pm: Ash Wednesday Service @ 1st Baptist Church	15 9:30 – 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	16	17 7 pm: AA Meeting
18 8 am: 3 rd Sunday Breakfast & Study Newsletter due	19 President's Day No Office Hours	20 3 pm: Girl Scouts 5-6:30 pm: Grace's Closet	21 2 pm: Bible Study	22 9:30 – 11:30 am: Grace's Closet	23	24 7 pm: AA Meeting
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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:

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- ❖ Website: www.leroyumcny.org
- ❖ Facebook: LeRoy Methodist Church
- ❖ Office's Physical Location: 12 Trigon Park, LeRoy (back entryway)

Open Hearts  Open Minds  Open Doors