

THE NEW WINE

LEMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER



PASTOR'S MESSAGE

BY PASTOR OH

Dear Members of Lemont UMC,

As many of you heard, Bishop, John Hopkins, of Northern Illinois Conference announced that he has appointed me to serve a new congregation, Roselle United Methodist a, Roselle, IL, as a lead pastor and Rev. Timothy Casey to Lemont UMC, effective July 1, 2021

These announcements of new pastoral changes, on one hand, may shock many of you. On the other hand, the news may be a relief for others because I've been serving LUMC for five years, one of the longest pastors in two decades. As I've been processing this transition, I was touched by Romans 8:28. It says, "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." I am convinced that it is God's answer to the prayers of us. Undoubtedly, suitable for both of us.

Before they are ordained or licensed, clergy in The United Methodist Church agree to serve and go where their bishop appoints them.

John Wesley's traveling to preach place to place to begin the Methodist movement led to the itinerant system The United Methodist Church uses today. Appointments are for one year at a time. For elders and local pastors, particularly, the goal is to match the gifts and graces of the particular pastor with the ministry needs of a particular congregation. Thus, the local churches get used to pastoral changes every 5 to 6 years on average and many more years if things work well with the pastor and the local church.

I am convinced that Bishop and the Cabinet matched our gifts and grace with the profile of the local churches and have appointed me to Roselle UMC and Rev. Tim Casey to Lemont UMC. Please see the Bio of Rev. Casey on the following pages.

I want to let you know that I felt warmth and welcoming hearts from the SPRC members of Roselle and am excited to learn about and become part of the congregation at Roselle UMC and the community.

My husband and I have loved our five years at Lemont United Methodist Church and have seen God do some amazing things all those years. You have blessed us in many ways, so we truly appreciate you and cherish the time together with you. We will miss the community and the members of LUMC. While there is much we don't know yet, the one thing I can confidently share with you is that God makes all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose (Romans 8:28).

I will do my best to make the transition as smooth as possible within the next two months. I am still in charge of this church until I leave, and I have a baptism scheduled in May. If you have any questions or suggestions, contact GleeAnn Kehr (SPRC Chairperson) or me. Please be in prayer for our current and future congregations and Rev. Casey and me as this transition occurs.

With love and gratitude,
Pastor Hyo Sun Oh

LUMC WELCOMES Rev. Timothy Casey

Rev. Timothy Casey



- Rev. Timothy Casey was raised in a rural community in S. central Wisconsin
- Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Religion at Olivet Nazarene University
- Ordained in the Church of the Nazarene in 1990
- Received my Master of Divinity degree at Garrett-ETS in 1994.
- Served a two-point charge UMCs in Nebraska Conference

I was raised in a rural community in south-central Wisconsin. I went to college at Olivet Nazarene University. Where I earned my Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Religion. I was ordained in the Church of the Nazarene in 1990. In 1992, my family and I moved to Evanston, Illinois so I could attend Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary. I received my Master of Divinity degree in 1994 and moved to Nebraska to serve a two-point charge in the United Methodist church.

Rev. Timothy Casey



- Probationary Elder in 1996 in Nebraska Conference
- Full Elder in 2001 in Northern Illinois Conference
- Served Plainfield UMC as an associate Pastor for 10 years
- Served Good Shepherd UMC in Bartlett from 2006 to 2016 as a senior pastor
- Currently serving Channahom UMC since January 2017

We loved Nebraska but it was too far from home. My wife, Becky, grew up in Oak Lawn. After living in the same house for many years, her parents moved to Chicago Ridge. Her aging parents and a sister who was diagnosed with cancer clearly signaled our need to come back to Illinois. God blessed us with an appointment to Plainfield United Methodist Church in 1996 where I became the associate pastor.

In Plainfield, I directed a large youth group, helped teach Stephen's Ministry, oversaw the Saturday night contemporary worship service, participated in Conference youth ministry, assisted in beginning a successful small group ministry, and participated in general ministry. After 10 years and three senior pastors, I was appointed to Good Shepherd UMC in 2006.

Rev. Tim Casey with his wife, Becky



Becky and I will be married for 37 years on June 2. Though I sometimes question her wisdom in marrying me, she is still far and away from the smartest person I know. We have three children. Sarah, who is 33, lives in Seattle with her husband Phill. Their daughter, Esther Elizabeth was born on September 2, 2020. Sarah is a United Methodist pastor.

Our son Caleb is 28, and along with his wife, Melissa has a daughter, Maggie Ann, born on January 27, 2021. They reside in Seattle where Caleb attends college and works as a preschool teacher. Our youngest is Eli and he is 25, presently lives with us, and works as a dog trainer. While living in Plainfield, Joel, who was 17 at the time, became a part of our family. He now lives in Los Angeles is a standup comedian, television writer, and actor.



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I enjoy reading (mostly nonfiction), technology, nature (especially animals), the mountains, detective shows, and some sci-fi programs. I would call myself a geek, but I don't think I'm that smart. What I, we, love most is being grandparents!



I love the Church. I believe in the power of God's grace, inclusivity, ecumenism, and peace that passes understanding. Being a pastor is the only thing I've ever wanted to do, and I'm honored and humbled to be called into this ministry. I love being a disciple of Jesus Christ and helping others become disciples. I thank God for the blessings of everyday life, and I look forward to what comes next. God is GOOD!



Notable Mentions

Scout Collected Food for Food Pantries

Thank you to all of the scouts and their parents who delivered flyers to homes, picked up donated items and assisted at the township office to check, sort , box and deliver the items as well.



Thank you!

Thank you Trustees!

A big "Thank You" goes out to the Trustees who were able to help out on the Saturday Work Day. The work group Dale Janssen, Tony Ferrazzi, Tom and Rebecca Gebel, Jana Stelter, Karin Peraino, weeded and mulched the flower beds for the spring. Despite the light rain, the day was a complete success. We also had the opportunity to inspect the danger area and cliff that borders our property. We will review our future options at our next Trustee meeting.



Loren Kirkman took care of the church lawn





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April 29, 2021

Dear Donors to Rev. Joseph Kim's Memorial Fund

Greetings!

We wanted to reach out to you and thank you for your monetary donation to Rev. Joseph Kim's family. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are much appreciated by the entire family who lost a beloved husband, dad, and son. Indeed, you've made a difference in this difficult time.

Together, Aurora District Pastors (one Pastor from DeKalb District), Lay members, and the Churches have raised over \$5,165.00. The Korean Clergy and Churches also raised \$6,150.00. It has been a fantastic witness of how God works in and through us to meet the need of our very own. Praise God!!! The true meaning of "Love Thy Neighbor As Yourself" shines into the family through your generous gift and prayers. Special thanks to the Lemont UMC Finance Team for allowing the transactions to go through. Once again, thank you so much for providing a moment of light, comfort, and peace for Rev. Kim's family as they've been navigating the uncharted water. God bless your heart!

With love and gratitude,

Rev. Hyo Sun Oh, Lemont UMC

D.S. Rev. Jeffry Bross, Aurora District Superintendent of NIC

FEAR NOT

By Richard H. Lee, LUMC historian



Over 40% of Christians surveyed say they will not get the COVID virus vaccine, which I think is foolish. They obviously have fears that something may go wrong or have serious side effects.

Our scientists have done a good job developing a vaccine that has been tested and found to be safe and very quickly! Our government has done us a favor by paying for the development, manufacture, shipping and all for free.

I go to the Bible and find on BibleGateway that God says "Fear Not" at least 80 times and 158 times in the English Standard Version.

We should have faith and accept a drug that may save our life or those in our family. We should have confidence in our government and drug companies who want this problem to end.

It will save many elderly people or disabled people who cannot get out and get an appointment.

Library Column

Written by Kay Norfleet

Exodus talks about the exit of the Israelites from Egypt. It happened after several miracles performed by Moses...miracles that were a gift of God. Miracles freed them from slavery and allowed them to leave Egypt, its people, and the pharaoh that had held them in bondage for so long. Moses who led the Exodus had been a shepherd when the Lord spoke to him through a burning bush. A burning bush that did not consume itself in the fire. When Moses saw this anomaly he approached the bush and the Lord told him what to do, but Moses protested.

However, the Lord gave him the courage to go and deliver His People, the Israelites. So Moses went to Egypt and performed the miracle plagues which finally persuaded the pharaoh. Even after their exit from Egypt into the desert and after experiencing rather harsh living conditions that God answered (and by this time I must think God's patience was getting thin) the Israelites forgot all He had done for them.

In response, Moses ascended the mountain and saw the face of God who gave him the 10 Commandments which dictate how He wants HIS people to live. Moses shared with the Israelites who realized that God, Who made this earth, Who decides what happens, desired a just life for each individual. And He would help them obtain this just life. From chapters 25-40, Moses gave the Israelites the tabernacle, priest, and worship instructions.

I'd like to offer an opinion, shared by some, that the message of Exodus is that God saves His people whom He created. It is a message that is repeated and repeated, for instance on the cross. The Exodus message (God cares for us) is likened to Easter when Christ died for OUR sins. God arranged for us who sometimes cannot stay on the "straight and narrow" (10 commandment road) a set of rules. BUT Just as the exodus was the irrefutable proof of God's love for ancient Israel (he gave them a way out of Egypt), the further actions of a loving God are also evident. He also gave us forgiveness for our sins...doesn't the Lord's prayer say "forgive us our sins as we forgive others." Didn't the cross do just that?.

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Ten Commandments: King James Version

God's Law, the Ten Commandments, is expressed in Exodus 20:2-17 (KJV) with the following: "I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

1. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

2 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.

3 Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

4. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it.

5. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

6 Thou shalt not kill.

7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

8. Thou shalt not steal.

9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's."

Consider: We should try to live this way. We SHOULD do as the Lord wishes.

BUT God gave us free will, the ability to make a choice, however, He hopes we will make this choice. Exodus is an example of how and what He is and what He will do and what He desires.

Primetimers' Lunch Fellowship



Primetimers met at Fork & Spoon on April 17, 2021, at Noon. Alberta Harden, Joanne Goszczycki, Kay Norfleet, Priscilla Ludwig, & Pastor Oh had a good fellowship over delicious food.

Primetimers meet every Third Saturday at 12 PM at Fork & Spoon, Lemont. Everyone over 50 is invited. For more information, please contact Joanne Goszczycki.



LOOSE CHANGE SUNDAY & RAINBOW COVENANT

Loose Change Sunday is designated as the FOURTH Sunday of each month. All loose change collected in the offering on those days will be donated to our Rainbow Covenant Charities. Even a small contribution can make a significant difference when it is combined with the contributions from other churches. Through the Rainbow Covenant, our church provides monetary donations to pre-approved charitable efforts throughout the world. These charities are divided into six different categories, designated as different color bands of the rainbow.

Each month we will highlight one of these charities. If you would like to make a larger donation to that specific cause, please use a pew envelope and write the name of the charity on the outside. Any church that pays their full apportionment and contributes to all six bands of the rainbow is designated as a Rainbow Covenant Church. LUMC has proudly been a Rainbow Covenant Church every year, for over 25 years! Let's keep the trend going.

Please look for more information on each of these important ministries throughout the year and plan to drop your loose change in the offering plate on the fourth Sunday of each month. Thank you!



May 2021 Rainbow Covenant

May's Rainbow Covenant will be the Bishop's Appeal however we have placed June's information below for next month.

June 2021 Rainbow Covenant

In addition to our annual apportionment, LUMC makes monetary donations through the Rainbow Covenant in order to support specific causes. All loose change collected on the fourth Sunday of each month goes to support the Rainbow Covenant. Each month we highlight a charity from one of the bands of the Rainbow Covenant. For June, we are highlighting the yellow band charity, Tree of Life Ministry, Pierre, South Dakota.

This ministry with Lakota Native Americans addresses needs on the Rosebud and Pine Ridge reservations in South Dakota by "nurturing the body, strengthening culture, and enhancing the spirit." This ministry provides groceries and meals to the hungry; repairs to substandard homes; and supports local teachers as they reclaim native culture and language. Check it out at <https://www.treeofliferelief.org/>. Please bring in plenty of change on June 27th (Loose Change Sunday) to contribute to the Rainbow Covenant. If you would like to make a larger offering to this specific charity, write "Tree of Life" on a pew envelope. Thank you for your support of the special ministries in the Rainbow Covenant.

Happy Hands Preschool

By Karin Peraino

In April and May, Happy Hands is celebrating Spring! The children are doing Spring projects, sowing seeds, caring for their plants, and watching some special friends emerge.

We have eggs in an incubator and are counting down the days to when the chicks will arrive.

We will also be watching the lifecycle of caterpillars to butterflies.

Happy Hands is alive with activity and in awe of God's creations. Although they might not realize it, the things that have grown the most this year are the children themselves!



United Methodist Men

United Methodist Men – Saturday: May 8 @ 8 a.m.

The Lemont United Methodist Men (UMM) will meet via Zoom at 8 a.m. on May 8. Lemont UMM meets on the second Saturday of each month.

This group is made available for the fellowship of all the men of the church and all are welcome to attend.

If you are able to join us via Zoom, please contact Phil Ramos for the Invitation to the Meeting: Phil's e-mail is bolingbrookramos@gmail.com and his phone number is 630-740-1513.

Thank You,

Tony Ferrazzi, the President of UMM

Open Pantry Ministry

Open Pantry Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
from 9:45 AM to 11 AM

Items the Pantry Needs

needs paper towels, pork and beans, mac and cheese, tuna, chili, hash, spaghetti, pasta sauce.



Contact Number: 630-257-5210



Hope this finds you all well. I will be putting in a Scrip order on Friday the 12th, Please let me know if you would like to place an order.

Phone: 630 207-1151 or Margefox2366@gmail.com

Thank you~ Marge Fox

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Birthdays

May 1-Andre Talos
May 2-Dave & Christine Gessner
May 1-Charlotte Havemann
May 1-Peg Pecher
May 7 – Debbie Belander
May 7 – Don Mueggenborg
May 7 – Rebecca Gebel
May 9-Erik Anderson
May 16-Rachael Hayes
May 17-Sonia & Chloe Vavra
May 18-Tyler Rainaldi
May 18-Theo Nelson
May 20-Chris Gessner/Sean Clark/Kristin Pelikan
May 21-Ashtyn Talos
May 22-Kayla Walter
May 26-Bob Gergescz/Dave Kennedy
May 29-Deborah Chappell

Anniversaries

May 13-Jason & Jodi Stood
May 24-Mike & Debbie Chappell
May 20-Tom & Rebecca Gebel
May 29-Dave & Linda Kennedy



Tuesday Night Fellowship



Call Phil Ramos to join the meeting or click the link below:
<https://tuesfellowshipinfinityfreeappcom.webnode.com/>

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

For More information please contact the church office at
(630) 257-5210 or ministry leaders.

SMALL GROUPS

Bible Study:	Dale Janssen & Pastor Hyo Sun Oh
Prayer Meeting:	TBA
ALPHA:	Craig Baxter 815-685-1900
Methodist Essential:	Bill Price 630-754-7667
VBS:	Jodi Stood 630-243-9366
The Last Supper:	Arlene Knott 708-301-2023
Adult Sunday School:	Dale Janssen 815-485-4929
Sr. High Youth:	Kristin Nelson 630-257-8072
Jr. High Youth:	TBA
Breakfast Club:	Mark Huegelmann 630-257-3181
Jr. High Sunday School:	Mark Huegelmann 630-257-3181
Children's Sunday Sch:	Mark Huegelmann 630-257-3181
Prime Timers:	Kay Norfleet 630-257-6699 Joanne Goszczycki 630-257-6790
Men's Group:	Tony Ferrazzi 815-886-4177
Couples:	Tim and Karin Peraino 630-846-1415

MINISTRIES WITHIN OUR CHURCH

Prayer Warrior:	Pastor Oh 847-769-1125
Care Bear:	Alice Lange 815-838-5158
Coffee Social:	Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097
Script Fundraising:	Marge Fox 630-243-8166
CAP:	Cris Kerins/Dawn Ferrazzi
Audio and Visual:	Jana Stelter 630-243-9122
Handyman:	Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097
Landscape Team:	Bill Stelter 630-243-9122
Hospitality Team:	Amy Cheehy 815-834-1097
Widows Group:	Richard Lee 630-257-7339
Usher Team:	Mark Olinger 815-838-0660
Welcoming Team:	Sue Hinks 630-257-6743
Worship Choir	Sue Gergesz 815-483-7282
Praise Band	Phil & Leslie Ramos
Junior Choir	Cris Kerins 630-257-5660

****Any Other Ministry You Would Like to Start**

OUT-REACH MINISTRIES

Happy Hands Preschool	Karin Peraino 630-257-3112
Pantry Workday:	Church Office 630-257-5210
Panera Bread:	Church Office 630-257-5210
Daybreak Shelter:	Vickie Olinger 815-838-0660
Worthy Treasures:	Paulette Fries 815-838-6318
ESL:	Kay Norfleet 630-257-6699
Red Bird:	Steve Walter 630-783-1621

****Any Other Ministry You Would Like To Start**

Power of Attorney

For Free of Charge

Bill Shelby, has been made aware that there are a number of LUMC Members who do not have their Powers of Attorney (Health Care and Property) completed and available in case of emergency. Every person has the right to make their own decisions involving their health and property.

A power of attorney (Health Care and Property) assigns someone you TRUST to make these decisions on your behalf should you become incapacitated. Everyone should have these documents available in the event they are needed. Because of this, I am offering to provide help to our Church members and family in preparing these documents at no cost to you. I will provide the documents (Health Care and Property) and the notary stamp. You will need to provide the names and addresses of the Agent(s) that will be given the power of attorney....or "attorney in fact." Should you wish to meet and have these documents prepared, please let me know. You can reach me at (630) 379-4023.

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Prayers and Concerns

Rich Hudik, bone marrow cancer
*Priscilla Ludwig, going to Lemont Cnt
Anna (Fries), bladder surgery
*Neil Janssen, strength
Ron, cancer treatment
Jordyn Milinis (Pecher), crohns
*Sheila Farrer, health issues
*Jason Kehr, cystic fibrosis
*George Lange, healing
Jim Ludwig, hip surgery
Elena Winters (Miller), health issues
*Tom Gebel, arthritis
*Bev Svoboda, strength
Lori Bartwick, breast cancer
Joe Sigety, ALS
Lou Gunder, lymphoma/chemo
*Grieving Families
Mike Mandziara, brain cancer
Katie (Norfleet), kidney disease
Marty Rolin, nerve damage
Jamie, brain aneurysm, surgery
Linda, dementia
Judy (McAdams), cancer
Debbie Turner (Knott), psoriasis
David Goreham, blood disorder
Erv Rose (Baxter), prostate cancer
Valerie O., ovarian cancer
Ron Hamelen, Alzheimer's
Mike Overmeyer, throat cancer
Stephanie Wiley, breast cancer
*Jacob Monnett, health issues
Jim Kratochvil, eye stroke
*Dale Janssen, strength
*Joyce Koon, health issues
Andrew (Pecher), cancer
Fran (McAdams), cancer/chemo
*Rich Thomas (Cheehy), cancer
*Mary Jane Sykes, strength
Clint (Norfleet), Guillain-barre
Melanie Foster, ovarian cancer
June (Havemann), stomach cancer
Harper (Norfleet), leukemia
The wildfires & natural disasters
*Amanda Hill, blood clots
Lois, stage 3 cancer
Jim Durham, cong. Heart failure
*Sandra, autoimmune disease
*Joanne Goszczycki, health issues
E.D. McCormick, cancer
Gabrielle Blunt, Alzheimer's
*Alberta Harden, health issues
Chuck Herron (Miller), strength
All youth attending school

Kathy Burke, cancer
*Dan Harden, home/rehab
Police officers who keep us safe
**Annie W., home, healing
Peggy Fornero, healing
*Paulette Fries, moving to FL
Annette Greis, healing
*GleeAnn's siblings, covid19
Gena (Kehr), blood clots
Loretta Kramer, cancer
*The loss of Pastor Susan's mom
Thor (Fries), health issues
Margie, heart issues
Marge Good (Kehr), strength
Brian, fighting alcoholism
Rick Young (Baxter), dementia
Lorene Baldwin, cong. heart failure
Alice Lang, heart issue
Richard Lee, healing & recovery
Priscilla Ludwig, moving to long term facility
Jim Ludwig, recovery
Phil (Anderson & Beck families), still going through testing
Charles (nephew to Dottie McAdam), critical condition
COPD and pneumonia
Behling Family, fighting COVID
Anonymous Church Member for healing and recovery
Alice and George Lange, strength and recovery
Joanne Goszczycki & family, death of her husband, Gene
Judy Janovyak who are grieving upon the death of her father
Antonio Lange, service in Alaska
Christine Miller for healing from fall
Craig Baxter, for rotator cuff surgery and recovery
Marge Herron, for low oxygen, blood clots, and hip and knees pain.
Chuck Herron, having rehab at Mother Teresa Home
Chuck Anderson, a lot of health issues
Fred Walker, removed three toes. Pray for healing.
Seung Woo Lee for healing and recovery from spin fusion surgery
Sue Gergescz who grieves upon the passing of her 18 years co-worker, Steve. Pray for his family and friends.
Al and Judy Janovayk for full recovery
Don and Loryl Fisher for full recovery
Prayer for our country and the new administration
Those who are struggling with COVID
Health care workers & first responders
All those who have lost their loved ones to COVID
Fast distribution of Covid-19 vaccines

Please let us know your prayer requests by sending an email to the church office at (lemontumc@gmail.com).

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May New Wine

God loves you!