



**Bay Shore United Methodist Church**

# THE SPIRE

**The Rev. Dr. Sungmu Lee**

**June 2013**

We live in the land of liberty. We are free. We can speak, think, travel, believe, and do as we please. This is freedom. And yet, how ironic it is that here, in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, a lot of people do not seem to be all that free. Our age shall be known, not as the age of freedom, but as the age of anxiety. We are anxious about many things: having enough money, having good enough health, being secure and safe. We are free, but in a sense, we are not really free.

We are not the only ones who feel that way. Jesus said to those who lived in Palestine two thousand years ago, “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light” (Matthew 11: 28-30). The yoke often becomes the symbol of captivity and enslavement. Breaking the yoke becomes the symbolic expression of liberation from slavery and oppression. As we come to Jesus, the old yoke of slavery and oppression is broken, and the new yoke of Christ, the yoke of grace, is given to us. The yoke of the law is replaced by the yoke of grace, and our yoke becomes his yoke.

God through Christ comes first to bear our burden so that our burden becomes his as well. In this way God works in us and through us. To become a Christian means to bear the yoke of Christ. It means to be a fellow worker with Christ. As a true yoke-fellow and as a fellow worker with Christ, we are reminded of the fact that we are not alone. Christ is with us and bears the burden that we bear. He suffers with us when we suffer, and works with us to cultivate our souls.

That is the meaning of the yoke. It is the yoke of grace, peace, and freedom. We live in a free country, and we are free. However, we are not really free, because we are anxious about many things in our lives. Do we want to live really a free life?

As we conclude the 8<sup>th</sup> year of ministry together, let us come to Jesus Christ, take his yoke upon us, and learn from him, who is gentle and humble in heart. We will find rest for our souls because his yoke is easy and his burden is light. Amen.

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**DORCAS CIRCLE**


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The Dorcas Circle is planning a noon luncheon for Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Forum Diner. All ladies are welcome. Christine Hoff

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**OUR DAY CARE CENTER & PRESCHOOL**


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An OPEN HOUSE is scheduled at our Day Care Center and Preschool for SUNDAY, JUNE 9th from 12:00 --- 3:00. Please encourage your friends and neighbors with preschool children to attend. The Open House is planned for the same day as the Bay Shore Street Fair. If you are able to help at the open house by working with children on a craft activity that will be set up for you or just to pass out balloons please let Lois Fallon, Christine Hoff or Donna Lechner know. If you have a HS or college age student we would love to have them come to the OPEN HOUSE and help supervise the craft table for the children.

**WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT THE DAY CARE CENTER & PRESCHOOL**

Volunteers are needed to help for an hour or two during the week in June, July and August. We have several wonderful volunteers now but will need more during the summer to relieve the volunteers who have been helping since February. A BIG thank you to the following people who have given a great amount of time to help keep our Day Care Preschool Program open: Christine Hoff, Cathy Bernard, Diane Timoney, Millie Kresse, Dot Allen, Hyeonjin Kim, Pastor Lee, Alice Cavalla and Donna Lechner.

Please consider giving a few hours of your time to help support the Preschool Summer Program.

THANK YOU,

Lois Fallon

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**LAY READERS SCHEDULE FOR JUNE, JULY & AUGUST**


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Here are the lay readers for the following months. If for any reason you cannot do the scheduled day, please find someone to alternate with. If you need any assistance, please do not hesitate to e-mail me [Dorene] or come see me in church any Sunday. Thank you for your continues service ☺

**JUNE**

2: Lois Fallon  
9: Dale Dowd  
16: Christine Hoff  
23: Tom Wilson  
30: Roy Fager

**JULY**

7: Deirdrea Renwick  
14: Kim Gosline  
21: Roy Fager  
28: Lois Fallon

**AUGUST**

4: Dale Dowd  
11: Ebenezer Enin  
18: Tom Wilson  
25: Christine Hoff



*Dorothy Powell passed into Eternal Rest on May 4, 2013*

***“He Who Sings, Prays Twice!”- St. Augustine*****Notes from the Music Director****Happy Father's Day**

Happy Father's Day to all ! Please join us on Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> for our Father's Day Worship Service, honoring all father's. Our Youth Choir will sing at this service.

**Independence Day**

Join us on Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup> for our Worship Service. The service will be filled with patriotic music and hymns in celebration of Independence Day. The Handbell Choir will perform, and our visiting musicians will perform "Stars and Stripes Forever".

**Chamber Choir Rehearses**

Thursday June 6 <sup>th</sup> -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	in the School Building
Thursday June 13 <sup>th</sup> -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	in the School Building
Thursday June 20 <sup>th</sup> -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	in the School Building
Thursday June 27 <sup>th</sup> -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	in the School Building

**Youth Choir Rehearsals**

Sunday June 9 <sup>th</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:00 pm.	in the Sanctuary
Sunday June 16 <sup>th</sup> -	9:15 am.	in the Sanctuary

**Penataquit Handbell Choir Rehearsals**

Sunday June 2 <sup>nd</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:00 pm.	in the West Room
Sunday June 16 <sup>th</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:00 pm.	in the West Room
Sunday June 23 <sup>rd</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:00 pm.	in the West Room
Sunday June 30 <sup>th</sup> -	9:15 am.	in the Sanctuary

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**JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

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**BIRTHDAYS**

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June 2	Kerry Seyda
June 3	Patrick Farugio
June 4	Kristina Conste, Peter Aidoo
June 5	Sarah Schaw
June 6	Kwaku O. Owusu
June 9	Jeffrey Zelenka
June 10	Louis Bernard, Delores Bess, Amanda VanNostrand
June 11	Kristina Valcarce
June 13	Christine Williams
June 14	Naomi Freije, Kimberly Gosline
June 17	Melinda Dieters
June 18	Jillian Epp
June 19	Jonathan Hannett
June 20	Jason Abrams, Kerri Giesler, David Scharfenberg
June 21	Bill Aromi, Megan Joseph, Ed Williams
June 23	Jean Stark
June 24	Otila Perez
June 25	David Fager
June 26	Brittany Arrigo, Robert Miller
June 27	Joyce DeLuca
June 28	Megan McElroy
June 29	Stephen Schmalfuss, Bernice Essuman
June 30	Jessica DiPietro

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**ANNIVERSARIES**

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June 9	William and Jeanne Aromi
June 11	Sam and Karen DiPietro
June 12	Raymond and Ginger Sullivan
June 15	Michael and Joan Burvenich
June 18	William and Anna Hoffman, Nicholas and Lorraine DiGenaro
June 19	Ridley and Pansy Tomlinson
June 20	Harold and Leslie Owen
June 22	Catherine & Louis Bernard
June 25	Thomas and Helen Wilson
June 26	Luis and Kathy Guevara

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**OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER**

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Soup Kitchen  
Thursday - 4:30 p.m.

Thrift Shop	Wednesday	12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.
	Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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**SUMMER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

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July 1	Megan Epp
July 2	Shaine Mikael Wood
July 3	Carol Moore, Emelia Korankye
July 4	Abena Amoako-Ababio
July 8	Richard Berka, Caitlyn McElroy
July 9	James Erale
July 10	Jean Ufer
July 11	Riana Kane
July 12	Helen Wilson, Tom Wilson
July 14	Christopher Swetland, Brianna Tucciarone
July 18	Cynthia Conste, Sean Wilson, Raymond Leon
July 20	Michael Weick
July 21	Kevin Ryan, Tyler Seyda
July 22	Sarah Elizabeth Kirkup, Stephanie Nock, Herbert VanNostrand, Kwaku Amoako-Ababio
July 23	John Kresse III, Robyn Schwartz, Diane Timmone
July 24	Corrine Conste
July 26	Alexander DeVita, Frederick Bamfo
July 27	Geoffrey Lawther
July 30	Timothy Sullivan
July 31	Kailey Dowd, Harold Owen

August 1	Charles Finrock
August 2	Wayna Beaudrie
August 3	McKinley Seyda
August 5	William Giesler
August 6	Michael Burvenich
August 8	Megan Renwick, Bill Scharfenberg
August 9	Coralie Guittard, Charles Mayer
August 10	Eleanor Bisso
August 11	Ben Klimpel, Scott Owen
August 15	Linda Bullock
August 16	William Moore
August 20	Jim Cooper, Ebenezer Enin, Susan Yost
August 24	Kingsford B. Duah
August 25	Kim DiGiovanna, Chris Sawyer
August 26	Michael Harrington, Michael Renwick, Sr., Pansy Tomlinson
August 29	Charles Mayer, Jr. Harold Swetland
August 30	Anthony Seabrooks
August 31	Elizabeth Weick

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**ANNIVERSARIES**

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July 12	Benjamin and Carol Langstroth
July 15	McKinley and Kerry Seyda
July 22	Richard and Pat Riedel
July 23	William and Gail Moore
July 26	Donald and Diane Timmone
July 28	Kevin and Ellen McElroy
July 30	George and Betty Mack

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