



Bay Shore United Methodist Church

THE SPIRE

The Rev. Dr. Sungmu Lee

June 2014

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your support during the past nine years of my ministry. As announced before, I have been appointed to be pastor of First/Wesley UMC in West Haven, Connecticut. Once my new appointment begins on July 1st, I cannot play a role of your pastor. Yet, I will be your friend forever.

In March, when I was choked with tears in making my announcement of the new appointment, I realized how much I had loved you and how much I had poured myself into our church. When I saw you shedding tears, I was able to know how much I had been loved by you. I knew it would be tough to say bye to you, but I did not know it would be this tough. It is heartbreaking, but it is a time to move on.

My wife Hyeonjin and I have had precious experiences with you, including the 200th anniversary, the special services (Easter, Lent, Christmas), the Soup Kitchen, the mission Sunday potluck luncheon, the church picnic, the Lord's Supper, the baptisms, the Confirmations, the wedding, the funerals, the day care center, Hurricane Sandy (no power for weeks), the church cabaret (singing *Taylor the Latte Boy*), and much more.

You and I have different cultural backgrounds. In spite of our differences, we have become one in Jesus Christ. This presents the power of the Holy Spirit. You and I have not been *like* the family but the family itself, the church family. Because of our openness and understanding, we have done ministry harmoniously, sharing a lot of valuable experiences: joy, sorrow, faith, hope, love, and friendship in Jesus Christ.

I pray that you will continue to mature and grow through the spiritual journey with your new pastor, Wendy Modeste. Although we are separated from each other, we can communicate with each other by prayer (or e-mail, text, and telephone).

Thank you for your love and friendship in doing ministry together. God bless you, your family, and your future ministry!

Sincerely,

Sungmu Lee

Pastor of Bay Shore United Methodist Church

MISSIONS

The missions Committee will be hosting a baby shower on June 1, 2014 during coffee hour to benefit the Women's Advocate Ministry (WAM). WAM advocates for incarcerated women and their children. They provide clothing for babies born in the Bedford Hills and Rikers Island Correctional facilities. We need NEW clothing for children from size newborn - toddler 2. Other items like baby blankets, hats, pacifiers are welcome, no baby formula or disposable diapers are accepted. If you cannot attend the baby shower, you may give your gift ahead of time to me (Vida Owusu), Christine Hoff or Lois Fallon.

June 15, 2014 is Peace with Justice Sunday. A special offering will be taken to help spread the gospel of peace and cooperation.

Thanks to everyone who donated items for the UMCOR health kits especially the confirmands and the Sunday School.

Vida Owusu

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We want to extend a thank you for Harold and Leslie Owen for supplying the plants that we sold every year for Mothers day! Thank you for your help from Sunday school and youth.



Have a blessed Summer!

“He Who Sings, Prays Twice!”- St. Augustine

Notes from the Music Director

Special Worship Services

Please join us as we say farewell to our beloved Pastor, and his wife Hyeonjin, on Sunday June 22nd. This will be their last service with us, as they are relocating to West Haven, CT. to serve there. Come join us in celebrating their 9 years of service with us. We will have a reception following the service. Please come out, and support!

On Sunday June 29th, we will celebrate Independence Day, and our service will be all patriotic music. Our instrumentalists will be joining us as we sing “America, the Beautiful”, “God Bless, America”, and many more. Once again, we will close the service with “Stars and Stripes Forever”.

Chamber Choir Rehearsals

Thursday June 5 th -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	School Building
Thursday June 12 th -	No Rehearsal	
Thursday June 19 th -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	School Building
Thursday June 26 th -	7:00 pm. – 8:30 pm.	School Building

Penataquit Handbell Choir Rehearsals

Sunday June 15 th -	11:15am-12:00pm	West Room
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Youth Choir Rehearsals

Sunday June 1 st -	11:15am-12:00pm	Sanctuary
Sunday June 8 th -	11:15am-12:00pm	Sanctuary

Anyone wishing to join our music groups, please speak with Danny. New members are always welcome!



JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

June 2	Kerry Seyda
June 3	Patrick Farugio
June 4	Kristina Conste
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 19	Jonathan Hannett
June 20	Jason Abrams, Kerri Giesler, David Scharfenberg
June 21	Bill Aromi, Megan Joseph, Ed Williams
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
June 30	Jessica DiPietro

ANNIVERSARIES

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

OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

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.

SUMMER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

July 3	Carol Moore
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
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
July 27	Geoffrey Lawther
July 30	Timothy Sullivan
July 31	Kailey Dowd, Harold Owen

August 1	Charles Finfrock
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 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

ANNIVERSARIES

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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