



## THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MANHASSET (UCC)

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# 2006 BULLETIN

### A WORD FROM OUR MINISTER

Paul writes, "For we know the generous grace of our Lord Jesus Christ that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich" (2 Cor. 8:9). When Paul speaks of Christ's riches, he's referring not just to material wealth and power, but also to spiritual riches. He urges his readers to use Christ's lack of selfishness as a guide for how they are to give of themselves financially, materially and spiritually. Then he adds the startling note that somehow through our acts of generosity the grace of God works through us to create eternal results. How amazing it is to consider the God of the universe working through ordinary people like you and me!

Several recent acts of generosity in our church stand out in my mind as God working through us. On a recent trip to the Saratoga Family Inn shelter, a little girl named Tanja was playing with dolls and told one of our youth, "Do you know that some children actually have toys like this of their own and get to play with them whenever they want?" She later said, "Today was so fun. It was one of the best days of my life." In addition to the love she received from our youth, the dolls and dollhouse she was playing with were donated by church members. A week later I dropped off at the Glen Cove Inn the canned food items donated by church members and the Easter baskets decorated by the Sunday School children. The volunteers (including our own Barbara Meyer and Connie Knies) were thrilled to receive them on behalf of the people they help each week. Also as I write this, our church is getting ready to send a check for over \$2,000 to Heifer Project Intl. thanks to the money raised from our "Easter Chicks." (The Board of Missions & Outreach matched the chick money to push us over the \$2,000 amount.)

Let us continue to be inspired by Christ's selflessness as we search our hearts, pantries, closets and wallets for ways to do even more acts of generosity that God can work through!

Grace and Peace, Rev. Chase Peebles

### MILESTONES

#### Welcome New Members:

Dr. Sultan and Jennifer Salem joined on April 2. Margaret Mbugua joined on April 5.

#### Congratulations to:

- + Jim and Sally McMorris on the birth of their 9<sup>th</sup> grandchild, Andrew Spencer McMorris, on March 30. He is the son of John and Alisa McMorris, and the brother of Arianna.
- + Jennifer and Sultan Salem on the baptism of their son, Chase John Sultan Salem, on April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- + Linda and Scott Collins on the birth of their 1<sup>st</sup> grandchild, Elli Caroline Collins, on April 22. She is the daughter of Jenni and Scott L. Collins.

#### Condolences to:

- + Millie Enquist and her family on the death of Albert, a former member. Albert Fach, who was the father-in-law of Millie's daughter, died on March 8<sup>th</sup>.
- + Sarah Young and her family on the death of her mother, Lucille Young, on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Lucille was a long-time member of the church and chancel choir.
- + True Hampton and her family on the recent death of her father.

### AIR CONDITIONING FUND GOAL REACHED

The Board of Trustees wishes to thank the following people who helped us reach our Air Conditioning Fund goal:

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The fund was started many years ago with a generous donation from Fred and Dot Haug.

### ALL-CHURCH PLANTING DAY ~ MAY 7

Would you like to beautify our church by planting flowers? If so, wear your gardening clothes to church on May 7 and stay after 10 AM Worship to plant flowers. Our friends from the Saratoga Family Inn will be joining us and the children will get their own flower in a decorated pot. Pizza will be served.

### CONFIRMATION EVENTS

We have a number of significant Confirmation events on the horizon. May 3 will be our annual Confirmation Dinner, Program, and Communion. Our Confirmands will officially join the church on Confirmation Sunday, May 7.

### NEW 8:45 AM BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES

It is not too late if you would like to participate in our 8:45 AM Bible Study, which meets every Sunday in the North Lounge. Led by Prayer Chain Co-Chairs Margot Kramer and Pam Lennox, the study is an introduction to the Bible. **The Resource Book is \$12 and will provide the foundation for each week's lesson. Call Valerie at the church office to register for the course and buy a book.**

### MEMORIAL SUNDAY ~ MAY 28

At the 10 AM Service on Sunday, May 28, we will remember and honor members and friends of the church who have died since Memorial Sunday 2005. We invite family members or loved ones to be present to place a flower in the vase on the altar in memory of their loved one.

### MAY 21~HYMN SING/SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

Join us at 9:45 AM on Sunday, May 21, for our next Hymn Sing. Also during 8 and 10 AM Worship we will have the opportunity to share joys and concerns.

### MAY BOOK CLUB SELECTION NIGHT BY NOBEL PEACE LAUREATE ELIE WIESEL

Join us at 11:30 AM, Sunday, May 21, for a discussion of Nobel Peace Laureate, Elie Wiesel's memoir, *Night*.

Elie Wiesel was born in 1928 in Sighet, Transylvania, which is now part of Romania. He was fifteen-years-old when he and his family were deported by the Nazis to Auschwitz. His mother and younger sister perished, his two older sisters survived. Elie and his father were later transported to Buchenwald, where his father died shortly before the camp was liberated in April 1945. After the war, Elie Wiesel studied in Paris and later became a journalist. During an interview with the distinguished French writer, Francois Mauriac, he was persuaded to write about his experiences in the death camps. The result was his internationally acclaimed memoir, *La Nuit* or *Night*, which has since been translated into more than thirty languages.

Elie Wiesel is the author of more than forty books of fiction and non-fiction, including *A Beggar in Jerusalem* (Prix Médicis winner), *The Testament* (Prix Livre Inter winner), *The Fifth Son* (winner of the Grand Prize in

Literature from the City of Paris), and two volumes of his memoirs. For his literary and human rights activities, he has received numerous awards including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the U.S. Congressional Gold Medal and the Medal of Liberty Award, and the rank of Grand-Croix in the French Legion of Honor. In 1986, Elie Wiesel won the Nobel Prize for Peace, and soon after, Marion and Elie Wiesel established The Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity. An American citizen since 1963, Elie Wiesel lives in New York with his wife and son.

#### **CHILDREN (AGE 3 ~ GRADE 5)**

**FAMILY SUNDAY:** Mother's Day, May 14, will be our next Family Sunday. The children will sing a special Mother's Day song, hear a children's sermon, and make crafts for the special women in their lives.

**ALL-CHURCH PLANTING DAY:** After church on Sunday, May 7, children and their parents are invited to stick around for a pizza lunch and flower planting around the church property. Our friends from the Saratoga Family Inn will be joining us and each child will get their own flower in a pot they decorate. Make plans now to join us.

#### **IS YOUR CHILD COMPLETING 2<sup>ND</sup> OR 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE?**

If so call the church office at 627-4911 to add his/her name to the list to receive age-appropriate Bibles (children's and teens) on CE Sunday (June 11).

#### **YOUTH (GRADES 6 ~ 12)**

**PF SERVICE PROJECT:** On Sunday, May 7, PFers are invited to dress down and wear clothing appropriate for planting flowers throughout the church property. We'll have a pizza lunch and after the planting we'll head over to the park for football and other games. The children from the Saratoga Family Inn will be joining us for lunch and for planting. Come and meet these awesome kids.

**PF MISSION TRIP:** This year's PF mission trip will take place Sunday, June 25—Friday, June 30 and we will be heading south to help with disaster cleanup either for people affected by last year's hurricanes or by the recent tornadoes in Tennessee. More details will be coming as soon as volunteer coordinators on site determine where our group can best be used.

#### **FINANCIAL AID FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

The church has a Student Scholarship Fund to assist members or parishioners who may need financial aid in covering the escalating costs of attending college or graduate school. The aid is in the form of an interest free loan. The Student Scholarship Fund Committee is composed of six members of the church. All applications are carefully reviewed in strictest confidentiality. **June 15 is the application deadline. Applications for the 2006-07 school year are available from the church office.**

#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY AND ALL-CHURCH PICNIC ~ JUNE 11**

Make plans to join us for this year's Christian Education Sunday and All-Church Picnic on June 11. Our 10 AM Worship, led by our youth, will include special presentations by the children, recognition of Sunday School teachers, and songs by the Children's Choir. **The 11 AM picnic features wonderful food, games for the children, a moon bounce and pony rides.**

#### **WOMEN'S CLUB SPRING FLING ~ MAY 1, 2006**

Come join us at 12 Noon in the North Lounge and hear the beautiful voice of Melissa Maravell. Crepes will be served by Judy Young. Bring your friends. A contribution of \$8 will be collected at the door. See you then!

#### **MEN'S CLUB ~ MAY 4 2006 ~ 12 NOON**

Monica Randall will present a slide show of the Hey Day of Long Island's Gold Coast and Mansions. Our next meeting will be May 18. Contact Frank Dotzler at 627-9191 for more information.

#### **NEW HORIZONS (50+)**

On Wednesday, May 10 at 7:30 PM Michelle Schimel, Town Clerk, will present a slide show and discussion about the history of North Hempstead. Call 627-1183 for more information.

#### **FELLOWSHIP TIME AND ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORS**

Our weekly Fellowship Time offers an excellent opportunity to get better acquainted and enjoy a cup of coffee or a bite to eat. A sign-up sheet is available every Sunday during Fellowship Time. If it is in honor of a birthday or anniversary, we will happily print the information in the Order of Worship.

The Altar Flower Committee is seeking donations for altar flowers. This is a lovely way to remember or honor your loved ones. Send your check, along with the information for the Order of Worship, to the Church Office, 1845 Northern Boulevard, Manhasset, NY 11030, attention Marge D'Ottavio. The requested donation is \$50, although any amount is welcome.

#### **VISIT OUR CHURCH 24 HOURS A DAY AT [www.uccmanhasset.org](http://www.uccmanhasset.org)**

#### **CHURCH CALENDAR ~ MAY 1 – 31, 2006**

**Monday, May 1 ~ 12 Noon – Women's Club Program**

**Tuesday, May 2 ~ 7:30 pm – Deacons Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 3 ~ 6 pm – Confirmation Program and Dinner**

**Thursday, May 4**

12 Noon – Men's Club Meeting

8:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, May 7**

8:00 am – **Chapel Service**, Rev. Only Preaching

8:45 am – Bible Study

9:15 am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am – **Morning Service**, Rev. Only Preaching

10:15 am – Sunday School, Rev. Peeples

11:00 am – Fellowship Time

11:15 am – All-Church Planting Day

11:15 am – Music Committee Meeting

**Monday, May 8 ~ 8 pm – Adventures in Learning Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, May 9 ~ 7:30 pm – CE Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 10 ~ 7:30 pm – New Horizons Meeting**

**Thursday, May 11 ~ 8:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal**

**Saturday, May 13 ~ 2:00 pm – Kim/Wong Wedding**

**PENTECOST/FAMILY SUNDAY, May 14 (Mother's Day)**

8:00 am – **Chapel Service**, Rev. Only Preaching

8:45 am – Bible Study

9:15 am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am – **Morning Service**, Rev. Only Preaching

Samuel Mead Carrozzo and Katherine Evelyne  
Collard Baptisms

10:15 am – Sunday School, Rev. Peeples

11:00 am – Fellowship Time

**Tuesday, May 16 ~ 7:30 pm – Trustees Board Meeting**

**Thursday, May 18**

12 Noon – Men's Club Meeting

8:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday, May 20 ~ 4:00 pm – Chang/Han Wedding**

**Sunday, May 21**

8:00 am – **Chapel Service**, Rev. Peeples Preaching

8:45 am – Bible Study

9:15 am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

9:45 am – Hymn Sing

10:00 am – **Morning Service**, Rev. Peeples Preaching

10:15 am – Sunday School, Rev. Only

11:00 am – Fellowship Time

11:30 am – Book Club, Rev. Only

**Thursday, May 25**

7:30 pm – Missions & Outreach Board Meeting

8:00 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

**MEMORIAL SUNDAY, May 28**

8:00 am – **Chapel Service**, Rev. Only Preaching

8:45 am – Bible Study

9:15 am – Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am – **Morning Service**, Rev. Only Preaching

10:15 am – Sunday School, Rev. Peeples

11:00 am – Fellowship Time

**Monday, May 29 - OFFICE CLOSED**