



## LOOKING AHEAD

### July

4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day  
(Office Closed)

### September

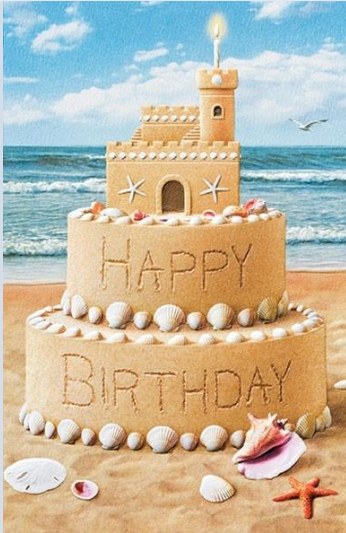
2<sup>nd</sup> Labor Day (Office Closed)  
8<sup>th</sup> Rally Day  
11<sup>th</sup> AARP  
12<sup>th</sup> Council/Board/Trustee Meetings  
14<sup>th</sup> Craft Fair & Flea Market  
25<sup>th</sup> Tall Cedars



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# July/August Birthdays



## July

6	Katherine Buchanan
9	Jessica Brower
10	Amanda Iken
11	Gary Brower, Jr.
13	Barbara Reiman Conca
14	Jack Brown
	Tara Michie-Palermo
15	Bernhard Iken
20	Timothy Jon McAuliffe
22	Edward Jerlin
25	Craig Roby
26	Jeffrey Rogers
30	Elizabeth Iken
31	Betty Reiman

## August

3	Judith Morris
4	Scott Reiman
6	Patricia Brower
8	Gregory Neis
12	Bernard Brannigan
19	Michael Coyne
21	Michael Coffey
21	Peter Matthius
27	William Bowe
28	Barbara Matthius

# Coffee Hour



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7 <sup>th</sup>	Trustees
14 <sup>th</sup>	Church Board
21 <sup>st</sup>	Tuesday Evening Bible Study
28 <sup>th</sup>	Adult Fellowship

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## From the Pastor's Desk

To All Who Call Upon the Name of Jesus,

One Fall a young woman named Linda was traveling alone up the rutted and rugged highway from Alberta to the Yukon. Linda didn't know you don't travel to Whitehorse alone in a rundown Honda Civic, so she set off where only four-wheel drives normally venture. The first evening she found a room in the mountains near a summit and asked for a 5 A.M. wakeup call so she could get an early start. She couldn't understand why the clerk looked surprised at that request, but as she awoke to early-morning fog shrouding the mountain tops, she understood. Not wanting to look foolish, she got up and went to breakfast. Two truckers invited Linda to join them, and since the place was so small, she felt obliged. "Where are you headed?" one of the truckers asked. Linda replied, Whitehorse.

*"In that little Civic, there's no way? This pass is dangerous in weather like this."* Linda replied with a gutsy yet not well-informed response, *"Well, I'm determined to try"*. "Then I guess we're just going to have to hug you," one of the trucker's suggested. Linda drew back. *"There's no way I'm going to let you touch me!"*

*"Not like THAT!"* the truckers chuckled. *"We'll put one truck in front of you and one in the rear. In that way, we'll get you through the mountains."* All that morning through that thick clouded fog Linda kept her eyes fixed upon the two red dots in front of her, with the assurance of the escort behind her, she made her way safely through the mountains.

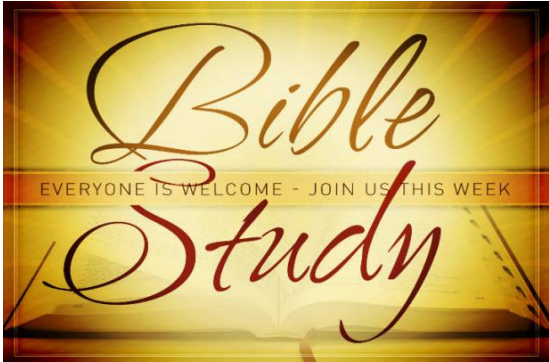
In Genesis 2 after God created the first man, Adam He remarked, *"It is not good for the man to be alone..."* At times, a solitary life navigating through the fog can be lonely as well as dangerous so like Linda in the story above we all need to be "hugged". When we are a part of a Christian fellowship where we feel the warm embrace of genuine love we find renewed vigor as well as confidence to enthusiastically walk the Christian life which God has planned for us.

God does not want us to isolate ourselves. Instead He wants us to be connected to one another, fellowshiping with like-minded people!

In Colossians Paul exhorts us to *"let the word of Christ richly dwell within you as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God, teaching and exhorting one another, singing psalms and spiritual hymns together"*. Let us not give up the assembling of ourselves together (Hebrews 10-25)! We truly do need to be able to rely upon one another.

May God bless you and Keep you Safe throughout the summer,  
*Pastor Charlie*

# Bible Studies



The Sunday School series discussing the concerns of those who attend will be held on Sundays, at 9:00 AM in the workroom.

The Tuesday evening Bible Study is held in the workroom at 6:30 PM.

## Note From the Church Council

There is a significant need for more volunteers to serve on the Church Board and the Board of Trustees. The limited number of persons currently serving is a detriment to the proper and efficient running of our beloved church.

# July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day Office Closed	5	6
7 Adult Sunday School 9 AM Church Service 10:00	8	9	10	11	12	13
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# Church News



Reserve Altar Flowers now through the end of 2019. A flower chart is on the bulletin board at the back of the Church Hall. Sign up on a Sunday. The price is \$25. Please indicate whether or not

you are going to take your flowers or if they should go to a shut-in.

If you are not currently receiving offering envelopes and wish to be included, please contact the church office at 718-448-1584.

Information for the September Lamplighter should be submitted no later than Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Information can be e-mailed to the church office at iuc1@verizon.net. Thank you.

Need to talk? Want spiritual counsel? Have an emergency? If so, you can reach Pastor Charlie through the Church office from Monday through Thursday (8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) at 718-448-1584. If you have an urgent matter off-hours, call Charlie's cell phone: 718-290-3726. If there is no answer, leave a message and he will reply. He is usually off on Friday; however, if you have a need, he is always available- any time, day or night. Please don't hesitate to call him!

## **How you can help the Hungry and Homeless:**

**Help Re-stock Food Pantries:** non-perishable boxed or canned food items are needed: canned meat, tuna, vegetables, and fruits, rice and instant potatoes, tomato sauce and pasta, macaroni and cheese, canned and instant soups, peanut butter and jellies, baby foods and disposable diapers. No glass jars, please. When you come to Church on Sundays, you can place donations in our Food Basket. Thank you all for sharing.

FYI – Richmond Senior Services has relocated to 729 Delafield Avenue, between Clove Road and Taylor Street.

## Prayer List

Please keep the following:

### Health Issues:

Baldini Family  
Laney Dahl  
Carina DeGiulio  
Karen McCarthy  
Jason Proceszyn  
Jan Wiggin  
Alan Yurich

### Serving our Country:

Matthew Ciccone, USMC  
Grand-nephew of Ann Holland

### Shut-Ins:

Ethel Thomas

in your prayers!!!

**If you would like to be on the Prayer List or would like to add someone, please call Gina in the Church Office at 718 448-1584.**



*Be completely humble and gentle; be patient; Bearing with one another in love.  
Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.  
- Ephesians 4:23*