



# Chepachet Union Church

## Our Church Life



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The annual churchyard clean-up event will take place on **Saturday, April 3rd at 9:00 a.m.** Scouts from Troop 44 will be there to help volunteers from our church membership. We have a winter's worth of sticks and leaves to clean up so bring your favorite pair of work gloves and some yard tools. Also, it looks like some jokester drove over the grass and made some deep ruts that will have to be smoothed out so some shovels may be needed. Refreshments will be provided by Rho Delta. **Rain date will be Saturday, April 10th.**

Christian Ed had their monthly meeting on Feb 25<sup>th</sup>. Children's Church is still virtual every first and third Sundays of the month. We have started discussing VBS. The theme this year will be Rocky Railroad, and we are hoping August we will be able to go forward with VBS. This will depend on Covid-19 regulations. Once we decide to move forward with VBS, we will be looking for volunteers, so if you can spare a little bit of time this summer to share God's Word with the children it would be greatly appreciated.

We voted in our new officers, as follows: Joy Schuyler, chairperson for running meetings and attending council meetings. Julie DeMello is co-chairperson for Sunday School, she will be assisted by Nora Barrows. Secretary is Jan Steere and Treasurer is Jean Carlson.

We have some February birthday that we celebrated. Happy Birthday to Natalia Laurie Breton, Sienna Sprague, Emily Brown, Myles Wright and Jesse Wright!



### ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS

The old saying is that spring has sprung. Every spring we look to a new future. Mankind is always looking for a new future. God's people are no different and have always looked ahead to a new and brighter future. The Old Testament prophets give tremendous details about the bright future of God's kingdom for each believer. Likewise the New Testament gives us even more details. For centuries mankind has sought utopia. Mankind has looked specially for a physical not a spiritual utopia for we are concerned with the here and now. This has included God's people as well. Sadly the Jewish people only look for the Kingdom of Heaven as an earthly one and unfortunately today most Christians do the same. Jesus tells us in Matthew that this view is severely limited. The He tells us that the Kingdom of Heaven is nothing like what we imagine, it is better! It is both physical and spiritual. It is like spring in that it is a new thing, a brighter thing.

Our study through the Book of Matthew continues through chapter 13. This next month we will be looking at such questions as:

- What does God say about the kingdom of heaven is it earthly or heavenly? Maybe both?
- If it is earthly does it exist now or is it for some future time?
- If it is now with us how come there is all this misery?

There is still a lot of Matthew to cover, you can join the study at any time. Those who attend the class are just ordinary folks trying their best to understand what God has in store for us. Adult class meets Sunday morning 10:30 am to 11:30 am by Zoom. Everyone is invited and welcome. If you want to attend the Zoom class just send us your email address and we will include you in the class invite or just use the zoom link the church emails out.



### Thrift Shop News

Spring is here and the thrift shop is blossoming with its "Spring Line".

Now that warmer weather is here, we can open up the windows and let the fresh air flow through.

Our special this month is the "fitness corner" highlighting our athletic-wear collection. We have more jogging suits, yoga pants, tank tops and sport bras than we know what to do with.

For the men and boys we have plenty of shorts and T-shirts. There is also a good supply of sneakers. Come in and take a look - our clothes are clean and in good condition. A big thank you to everyone who has made a donation!



