

**WAKEFIELD GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**PARISH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
 Sunday, August 27, 2023

1. Thank you all for joining us today on Zoom Facebook or You Tube. On-line guidelines have been sent to you for your support in worshipping on this media. Please read and follow them. Welcome to those who are joining us for the first time, or the first time in a long time.
2. **Virtual Weekly Meetings are held at the usual times and through the usual means. Please check the church web site for further details.**
3. **Weekly Prayer and Fast** continue Fridays from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.
4. **Wesley Class Leaders** are all invited to pray with the Pastor at 6:30am on WEDNESDAYS. The telephone access number: 857-357-0254.
5. **Please pray for all our members who are sick and shut-in.** Specifically, Bros Donavon Pitt, Israel Stephenson, Sisters Hazel Brown, Winifred Blucher, Jemima Clarke, Lumie Dawson, Euline Edwards, Beryl Butler-Golding, Tryphena Paige, Dorothy Richardson, Enid Williams, Ismay Whittaker, Christine Steele, and Edris Jackson.
6. September is Open House Month. We encourage everyone to invite a friend or family member to church, especially for these two special Sundays. Sunday, September 10 is Grandparents Recognition Sunday so invite your grandparents and for Sunday, September 24, 2023 is Friends and Family Sunday Service.
7. Saturday, September 30, 2023: Black Methodists for Church Renewal is sponsoring the Black College Fund Luncheon to be held on Saturday, September 30, 2023 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at Tremont United Methodist Church, 1951 Washington Avenue, Bronx, New York. The cost for this event is \$60 per person and can be purchased by registering at <https://ny-email.brtapp.com/!IAG-NahEN5PJJ56oFZfiv3zmidNO1dUym9SK9cDfM6fNbl-sOHdZyTY1BptNYbdg>. Deadline for registration and payment is September 15, 2023. No registrations accepted after September 15, 2023.
8. Saturday October 21-28, 2023. ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY INC'S ETL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION HISTORICAL BLACK COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY TOUR. The New York Annual Renewal Will subsidize the cost for 20 students to attend. Registration: [ETLEducationFoundation.org](http://ETLEducationFoundation.org) Enter BMCR as code. Tour itinerary includes Clark Atlanta University, and potentially Meharry Medical School and many others. **FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!**

9. Saturday, October 28, 2023 from 7 pm to 9 pm, the Children and Youth will have their Annual Bonfire. This year it will be at the Parsonage. All those who wishes to attend please notify Sis. Nicole Barrett at [nicole.barrett@wakefieldgraceumc.org](mailto:nicole.barrett@wakefieldgraceumc.org) or Sis. Honorine Henry at [thehenryboys@aol.com](mailto:thehenryboys@aol.com) by Sunday, October 14, 2023. **TO ATTEND THEY MUST HAVE YOUR NAME!**
10. SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24: You may have seen the news about the catastrophic flooding that hit the Hudson Valley in New York on July 10. Unfortunately, these areas that lost homes, communities, roads, access to clean water and resources continue to be inundated with severe storms and potential for flash flooding. The New York Annual Conference is asking the local churches to donate Flood Buckets, Health Kits, cases of water or make a donation. Wakefield Grace is asking the congregation to donate \$15 to send towards these items no later than September 17. To donate or for more details please see the pastor.
11. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19: Wakefield Grace UMC Annual Rally will be held on Sunday, November 19, 2023. This year each of the eight (8) Rally Groups will be asked to raise \$5,000. Total \$40,000. The theme will be Rally of the "I Am" Statements. The list of Rally groups is included in the bulletin. As construction of the New Church building continues, we are asking ALL members of the church to donate to the rally as we need to achieve this goal. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to Sis Paula Sangster-Graham.

### **OFFERINGS during this time**

For those worshipping online via Zoom, we encourage you to keep up your giving by using the electronic link. If you go to our web site: [www.wakefieldgraceumc.org](http://www.wakefieldgraceumc.org), you will see a GIVE button where you may transfer funds electronically from your bank account to the church's account.

For those unable to use the internet, please send your offerings via US mail to:

**Wakefield Grace United Methodist Church**  
**P.O. Box 3206**  
**Mt. Vernon, NY 10553**

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

### OFFICE HOURS

The Pastor is available for routine business Monday through Thursday from 10 am until 2 pm. Please make appointments to see the Pastor or discuss church business during these hours. The contact number for the Pastor during regular hours is 914-530-5422. In an emergency, please call 617-306-6833 to reach the Pastor.

Weekly 12 noon Wednesday Bible Study. Currently we are studying the Book of Exodus.

*Every day the church reads and writes the Bible for at least 1 hour*

*Every day the church is at prayer, 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.*

**Say Special Prayers for the New Church Project**

Telephone Number for Wesley Classes (605) 313-4837 Access Code 488197

## ZOOM INFORMATION

Please take this time to make a note of the Zoom information for SUNDAY  
WORSHIP SERVICE

Wakefield Grace UMC Sunday Zoom Service

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9963094422?pwd=blQ2OGkwMS9DdUpkd3pmTEFISzZSQT09>

Meeting ID: 996 309 4422

Passcode: 890217

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+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

Meeting ID: 996 309 4422

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Find your local number: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/ko9UT4pcr>

**Local Church Vision Statement**

Wakefield Grace United Methodist Church will focus on the committed disciples who will intentionally create the atmosphere that will cause others to experience Christ's presence among us.

**Local Church Mission Statement:**

Wakefield Grace United Methodist Church will strengthen its members spiritually so that they may be bold in proclaiming, reaching and embracing the at-risk and underserved of the wider community.

**Local Church Core Values:**

We embrace the values that propel us to offer service to the wider community; to lovingly welcome all who gather for worship; to respond to the challenges of all to provide a safe space for children and youth, to enliven the spirit of the elderly to reach out to the sick and home-bound; to build relationships across the divide and to empower the vulnerable and the marginalize -We are motivated so to act because the love of Christ directs us.

**Birthday List**

Pauline Taylor	August 28
Eunice O'Poku	September 1
Ismay Staine-Whittaker	September 1
Joy Rhodes	September 10
Angella Arnold	September 11
Jaheem Williams	September 11
Sonia Carter-Brathwaite	September 13
Sonia Henry	September 13
Euline Edwards	September 15
Beverly Bonner	September 16
Peyton Hynds	September 18
Kevin Cooper-Esprit	September 20
Austin Byer	September 21
Cassey Tuitt	September 23
Kezia Williams	September 27

**Anniversary**

Trevor and Dorothy Hepburn	September 28
Horace and Honorine Henry	September 30

**Independents**

Costa Rico Independence September 15

Belize Independence September 21