

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 129 Chestnut Street \* Toms River, New Jersey 08753-5306 Phone 732-349-8155 ~ www.fumctr.com \*Prayer Chain: office@fumctr.com April 20, 2021 – Church Office Hours M-F 9am – 12:30pm

"You have searched me, LORD, and you know me. You know when | sit and when | rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar..." ~Psalm 139:1-8 Electronic Giving Address: www.fumctr.com/donate

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1. We will meet for in-person worship this Sunday (*April 25*) at 9:00am in the Family Life Center and 10:30am in the Sanctuary.

\*\*Please remember that it is very important to **SIGN UP** for worship **EVERY** week. It makes it easier for us to prepare a spot for you! And just a reminder, both services will be live-streamed. You can access them at <u>http://www.fumctr.com/onlineworship</u>.

2. The **NEXT Food Pantry Ministry is SUNDAY, May 9th**. Please bring your food items to worship that day or to the church office breezeway the week before. Thank you!

3. Our **Youth Ministry** meets every Sunday night at 6pm in Thompson Hall and our **College Ministry** meets every Friday at 6pm...*All are welcome!* 

4. The **Amazon Smile Program** is up and running. If you make First United Methodist Church of Toms River your charity, our church receives a percentage of the eligible purchases you make. TREMENDOUS, right?!! Questions? Contact Kim General at kgeneral83@gmail.com or see the announcement flyer available on Sunday mornings (also available online) ©

5. **Pastor Wes' Online Devotional** is **EVERY THURSDAY** at 10am on Facebook. Log on at <u>www.facebook.com/fumctr</u>. You can also see it at our website <u>www.fumctr.com/devotional</u>

6. While some have not felt the pandemic's financial impact to this point, we know many are struggling to make ends meet. The needs are great. We, as a church, want to be able to minister to people who are in need. Often, one of the very first places people reach out to is the local church. Government and other charities are overwhelmed. First Church is part of the greater Toms River Community and we want to offer help in the love of Jesus. Your regular giving to the *Ministry and Mission* line on your envelopes (or the *Ministry and Mission* check-box online) makes First Church's outreach possible, both in the neighborhood and the world. *Thank you!* 

April Birthdays Janet Hirshblond (20) Virginia Anderson (21) Cathy Connelly (23) Janet Bush, Andrew Fullerton & Elve Schwartz (25) Kathy Muller (27) Pat Intveld (27) Rich Herr (28) Bill Hendrickson (29) Pati Rubino (30) Brian Krajcik (30) \*\*\* April Anniversaries Paul & Kris Olsen (24) Interested in Ushering at one of our two services? We can always use your help! Contact Pastor Ed at ed@fumctr.com

<u>Shoprite Cards</u> available after
9am and before 10:30am worship on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

I love you, **Pastor Ed** (cell: 609-617-5182)