



**Bay Shore United Methodist Church**

# THE SPIRE

**The Rev. Dr. Sungmu Lee**

**November 2012**

Last month, Koreans celebrated their national holiday called *Choo-Suk*, which literally means *Autumn Evening*. It is a day when they give thanks to their ancestors. On that day, all family members gather together at the home of the oldest son.

Cousins are embracing cousins whom they have not seen for a while. Aunts and uncles are sharing the memories of their parents and grandparents. Loved ones are remembering days gone by with their ancestors. It is still common but not as much as in the past that Koreans celebrate *Choo-Suk* as a great holiday. Modern Koreans have become more individualistic and thus, disconnected with one another.

We, who live in North America, are no exception. Although we live a convenient life because of modern technology, we have lost some things important and precious. One of them is the connection among people. That loss is real in spite of our cell phones, e-mails, and fax machines.

As we celebrate All Saints Sunday on November 4<sup>th</sup>, we remember and celebrate the lives of our church ancestors, including those who have died during the past year. It is also a day when we claim the title of saints. As saints of God, we are called into the community, the church whose head is Jesus Christ.

In a world in which people seem to be increasingly disconnected from one another, from their history, from their roots, this comes as good news. It is good news because it reminds us that behind all the technology, above all the efforts to modernize communications, Jesus Christ stands as our head.

Jesus Christ remains Lord of his church, and nothing in all of creation will be able to change that. As members of Christ's body, we do not have to wait until the death to be brought together. By Christ's death and resurrection we have become all saints not only now but throughout eternity.

As we celebrate All Saints Sunday, let us appreciate the membership of our church, whose head is Jesus Christ. Let us keep connected with one another by worshipping together, serving God and God's church together, and sharing the love of God as sisters and brothers in Christ. You and I are all saints. Therefore, let us act like saints of God.

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## DORCAS CIRCLE

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The November meeting of the Dorcas Circle will be Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am. We will be setting up for our annual Craft Fair. Hostesses will be Ellie Bisso and Regina Schneider. All women are welcome.

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## 18<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CRAFT AND BAKE SALE AT BAY SHORE UMC

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On Friday, November 9 from 5-7 PM and Saturday, November 10 from 10 AM-3 PM our church will be hosting our 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Craft and Bake Sale. On Friday night, as is our custom, we will be joined by our Boy Scout Troop #153 who will provide a wonderful Spaghetti Dinner for a nominal charge.

We will need many volunteers for this fair to be a success. We need people to donate crafts, bake HOMEMADE cookies, help move furniture, set up and to work at the fair. If you can do any of these things please call the church office at 666-7194 or email [UMCBS@aol.com](mailto:UMCBS@aol.com) and let us know how you can help. You don't have to commit to the whole time. Even if you can only volunteer for an hour or two it will be greatly appreciated. There are sign-up sheets posted in the Fellowship Hall for you to add your name.

If you are willing to put posters up anywhere (your office, break room, supermarket, library) they will be available in October. Just contact the church office.

And please be sure to invite your friends and family to this event. You won't be disappointed. Come, do some Christmas shopping and try our cookies. They come highly recommended – just ask our Music Director and Volunteer Cookie Taster, Danny Cafiero.

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## DONATIONS NEEDED

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Our Day Care Center is in need of:

Magazines, egg cartons, wrapping paper, shoe boxes, and a flannel board. Please give to Cathy Bernard or Christine Hoff. Thank you

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## THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE

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Our November 18th worship service will be a celebration of Thanksgiving. Please join us at 10 AM to praise God and celebrate all that you are thankful for.

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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Prayer request cards are available in the pews. If you would like a note sent to the person you are requesting prayers for include their address on the back of the prayer card. Every Sunday the prayer requests are e-mailed to our church e-mail group so we as a congregation can remember these requests in our daily prayers. If you have not received an e-mail with the prayer requests and would like to then contact Donna our church secretary. She will add your e-mail address to our church group. You can contact Donna by e-mail [umcbs@aol.com](mailto:umcbs@aol.com) or phone 631-666-7194. Lois Fallon, Worship Chairperson

**MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD!**



**Notes from the Music Director**

**Happy Thanksgiving!**

Please join us on Sunday November 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. for our Thanksgiving Worship Service.



**Chamber Choir Rehearses**

Every Thursday at 7:00 PM in the School Building  
No rehearsal on Thursday November 22<sup>nd</sup> - **Happy Thanksgiving!**

**Youth Choir Rehearsals**

Sunday November 11 <sup>th</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:00 pm.	in the Sanctuary
Sunday November 18 <sup>th</sup> -	9:15 am. -Rehearse for Thanksgiving Worship Service	
Sunday November 25 <sup>th</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:00 pm.	in the Sanctuary

**Penataquit Handbell Choir Rehearsals**

Sunday November 4 <sup>th</sup> -	11:15 am. – 12:15 pm.	in the West Room
Sunday November 18 <sup>th</sup> -	9:00 am. –Rehearse for Thanksgiving Worship Service	
	11:15 am. – 12:15 pm.	in the West Room

**Save the Date!**

Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 4:00 PM, Bay Shore United Methodist Church will host an “Advent and Christmas Music Concert”. This concert will benefit the music ministry at UMCBS. Our Chamber Choir, Youth Choir, Handbell Choir, along with soloists and instrumentalists, will perform music to usher in the Advent and Christmas seasons! Mark your calendars now. Tickets are on sale following worship services in Fellowship Hall.

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**GREENING THE SANCTUARY**

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***FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH AT 6 PM***

Come join in the fun of decorating our sanctuary for the Christmas season. Decorating will begin on Friday evening, November 30th at 6 PM. Come for an hour or stay as long as you can. Decorating usually takes about two hours. EVERYONE is welcome, especially those who love to climb ladders. Maybe you don't love climbing ladders. There are lots of on the ground jobs too, the creche, the tree, the pew candles and wreaths on the doors. If you have a rechargeable screwdriver please charge it and bring it to help attach the tall wooden candle holder posts to the ends of the pews. Refreshments will be served.

Thank you for helping, Lois Fallon Worship Chairperson

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**MISSED SUNDAY WORSHIP? CDs AVAILABLE**

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Did you miss a Sunday service? Would like to hear it? Marvin Allen records every worship service on a CD. It is available the following Sunday. Please ask Marvin Allen or Lois Fallon and you will receive a CD, no charge. These CDs are usually mailed to shut ins or included in a note sent to people who have had prayers requested for them.

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**UNITED METHODIST STUDENTS' DAY**

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November 25, 2012 is United Methodist Students' day, one of the six church-wide Special Sundays with offerings. Your generous donations help provide scholarships and loans for students attending United Methodist-related and other accredited colleges and universities. Vida Owusu Missions Committee



*Jupiter Perez Sr. passed into eternal rest on October 6, 2012.*

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**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

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**BIRTHDAYS**

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Nov. 3	Stan Orme
Nov. 4	Allison Becker, Sean Joseph, Alyssa Hourican
Nov. 5	Jonathan Wood
Nov. 6	Douglas Herd
Nov. 7	Cameron Allen, Christopher Witherspoon, Manuel Costales
Nov. 8	Payton Feil
Nov. 10	Eric Fager
Nov. 11	Kara Seyda
Nov. 14	Barbara Zelenka
Nov. 15	Edward Goldman
Nov. 16	Yaa Antiwiwaa Owusu
Nov. 17	Ava Lynn Statam, Caren DeRonde
Nov. 19	Ann Marie Falcon, John Murray
Nov. 21	Devin Keskinen
Nov. 22	Jennifer Allen
Nov. 25	Max Lyman
Nov. 26	Christopher Rivera
Nov. 27	Adwoa Ababio
Nov. 30	Mildred VanSicklen

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**ANNIVERSARIES**

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Nov. 20	Jim and Katherine Cooper
Nov.25	Eric and Regina Schneider
Nov. 29	Jeffrey and Dawn Lawther
Nov. 30	Bill and Ann Scharfenberg

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**OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**Soup Kitchen**

Thursday - 4:30 p.m.

**Thrift Shop**    Wednesday    12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.    Saturday    10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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**PLEASE NOTE: Forms for our Church Family Christmas Card and Christmas Poinsettias can be found on the back of the Christmas Craft Fair flyer – Red colored insert.**

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

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***The SPIRE November 2012***

# FORMS FOR CHURCH FAMILY CHRISTMAS CARD AND CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

## CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARD

Instead of sending cards to your church friends, you can participate in the Church Card that is mailed to all our members. Just submit your name, the way you want it to appear, AND RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 2. The cost is \$3.00.

Please print your name(s) exactly as you want them to appear.

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## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

The beautiful Christmas Poinsettias, which decorate our sanctuary on Christmas Eve have a dual purpose: Not only do they symbolize the birth of Jesus; they also enable us to share this joyous spirit with the sick and shut-ins among our church family. If you would like to provide flowers for these purposes, please fill out the form below and give it to Flaye Stahl or leave it at the church office. You may also call the church office at 666-7194 to order your plant.

(Please Print)

NAME OF DONOR:

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DONATED: \_\_\_\_\_ To the glory of God

\_\_\_\_\_ In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will take my plant after Christmas

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like my plant delivered to a shut-in

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 2.