



THE MESSENGER



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“Belong, Believe and Become all that God Promises”

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Finding God

A few years ago, someone asked me, “Where can I find God?”

This question led me to meditate and think about moments where life takes us through difficult times, for different reasons.

Desire to see God face-to face when we are going through a hard time is a natural human hope for direct comfort and consolation. Looking for God during struggles can put us in the right position to look up and see God’s faithfulness.

The greatest desire to see God is understandable, especially when it is most needed. When there is certainty that we trust in Him above all, then having or seeing God is the greatest thing for our life as a believer.

I think that to see God can be very simple. A true way to see Him, is to look around at everything that was created by Him. Look at the human being, made in his image and likeness. We are made special with unique characteristics and physiques. God intentionally and individually crafts each person with distinct qualities, talents, and purposes. This is supported by verses like Psalm 139:14, which says we are “fearfully and wonderful made.” This perspective suggests that uniqueness is not a mistake, but a reflection of a divine creator’s detailed design and plan for each person.

God created humans and everything He knew they need to live well on earth. He created the earth to sow and grow food, as well as animals of different species; some to feed us. Look at His creation in every humankind. God is the one capable of equipping us with great qualities and talents. This world today would be a better place for everyone if we saw each other as the best creation that our Creator made in His image.

See God by looking at people, nature, and animals. There is God telling us, “Look, I made all of this for you because you are one of my creations that I love the most.”

Pastor Emilce Erato

November Schedule

Mondays

11-12 p.m. Brew a New Life-AA
11/10 Council Meeting 10 a.m.
11/3 Girl Scouts 4-6:00 p.m.

Tuesdays

11-12 p.m. Brew a New Life-AA
11/11 Veterans' Day Office Closed

Wednesdays

11-12 p.m. Brew a New Life-AA
Road to Recovery 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Fridays

11-12 p.m. Brew a New Life-AA

Saturdays

9-1 p.m. SDA Church-Sanctuary
1-4p.m in Parish Hall
9-11:15 a.m. Road to Recovery-AA

Sundays

10:00 a.m. Worship service
11/16 Annual Meeting



Darlene Graham 11/10
Bryan Roach 11/11



Caren and Helmut Prill 11/2
Kristen and Rib Gasperetti 11/21
Pastor Emilce and John Erato 11/20



The following need your prayers...

Chuck Albers, Stephanie Baio, Tom Barrett, Teri Biancardi, Tina Bugalia, Terry Cataliotti, Bill Ciampa, Corey Ciampa, Gray Collingwood, Marilyn Dreyfus, Richard Fritz, Brian and Dylan Gasperetti, Hunter George, Kathryn Graven, Joanne Kempel, Ken Kempel, Cynthia Listort, Jane Macchia, Bill McGowan, Chuck Miata, Nicki, Penny Petersen, Jim Quigley, Joseph Randazzo, David Sacks, Schneider family, Dawn Sekeres, Moira Sheldon, Donna Sobey, Carl Strievski, Court Stevenson, Peter Stevenson, Kevin Sullivan, Sanzio Vagnini, Miriam Valder, Russ Van Tine, and Deanna Ventura.



**Sunday, November 16th
following worship.**

Thank you!

"Just a note of thanks to all of you for your calls, get well card and prayers. Your support meant a lot and was greatly appreciated".

God's blessings to all.

Helmut Prill



ADVENT CONCERT

December 7, 2025

4:00 PM

Ascension Lutheran Church
145 Franklin Avenue
Franklin Square, NY 11010

Tickets are \$15. They can be purchased in advance after worship or in the church office during office hours. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Please invite your family and friends as we celebrate the season together.

*Musical performances by
Abraham Correa, Gabriel Correa,
Joseph Graziose,
Patrica Chen Jones,
Dara Lemite and
Olivia Lu-Correa.*

Decorating the
Sanctuary
December 5th
1PM



Many hands make light work and the fellowship can't be beat. Please join us!

November Outreach



Happy 85th to Glen Vogel



Memorial Fund

"To my beloved wife, Frances, on her first birthday in Heaven. Gone but never forgotten. Broken hearted." Bill



A donation has been made in honor of "our daughter, Angela and her husband, Michael, on their 34th anniversary".
Joanne and Sanzio Vagnini



Keith Vogel, Glen, Pat and Kristen Gasperetti

