



**The United Methodist Church of Red Bank**  
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# **THE OUTLOOK**

***UMC Red Bank is a Church open to ALL to CONNECT with God  
and others, to GROW in our faith, and to SERVE in love."***

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## **November 2017**

What does it take to attract new people to church?

We have considered this question and taken a bold step. After much research and planning, in September UMCRB launched an "alternative" worship service, a "contemporary" or "progressive" service. Whatever words might be used to describe it, we have named it "The Village". With the support of a GNJ Congregational Development Grant, we have retained our Director of Music Ministry (and current divinity student) Evan Courtney as our Worship Leader. He has inspired and drawn people in with music and prayer. The Village occurs in Fellowship Hall. We have added high tech lighting and audio and brand-new A/V equipment purchased using MORE funds. The Village features joy-filled good news songs energized with microphones, guitars, keyboards, and drums. The Village rises and claps its hands. Unifying in excited praise, this Village opens itself up to understanding the Word of God.

Our church is going a step even further with its concept of The Village. Traditional worship puts scripture and tradition in the forefront with Pastor Jessica Naulty interpreting the scripture from the pulpit. UMCRB's The Village also starts with scripture and tradition, but it gives a stronger voice to the other elements critical to understanding God: experience and reason. We all believe God trusts us each to discover what God's message means to us. So, The Village takes some of the task of discernment out of the pulpit and "crowd-sources" it. After Pastor Jess's introduction to the day's scripture, those gathered are invited to share their own experiences and apply their own reason to its interpretation. Together in community, our "Village" creates a broader understanding God, Christ, the Holy Spirit and our collective mission. With this sharing, God's Word is proclaimed through the people.

So, perhaps this democratization of how we collectively come to understand God will open a path for those who are uncertain about the value of church. Trust yourself to invite these people. Perhaps less formal, less structured worship will attract those who won't sit well through organ music and sermons. Trust yourself to re-invite those who used to come. We have confidence that everyone will bring something new and valuable to the Village. We have confidence that everyone will be inspired, and we have confidence that all will gain something valuable, perhaps even transformational, in return. These collective benefits might well bring new saints into our church and into our shared blessings.

All are welcome to come and share in the exciting things happening at The Village at 11:00 AM every Sunday.

Thanks for the opportunity to share,

*Ken*

Ken Glossbrenner, long-time UMCRB member

## Complete Sunday Morning Schedule

8:15	8:30	8:45	9	9:15	9:30	9:45	10	10:15	10:30	10:45	11	11:15	11:30	11:45	12
Chapel Worship 8:15-9:00 <i>Weekly Communion</i>															
		Choir warm up and runthrough			Traditional Worship in Sanctuary 9:30-10:30 <i>Communion on 1st Sunday</i>										
										Warm up	The Village Worship in Fellowship Hall 11:00-12:00 <i>Communion on 1st Sunday</i>				Break down
			Fellowship						Fellowship						Fellow ship
					T-5th in church Jr/Sr High break fast	Sunday School 9:45-10:45 Toddlers, K-2, 3-5, 6-7, and Confirmation (8th)					Children's Church 11:00-12:00 4 yr olds - 4th grade				
				Nursery 9:00-12:15											
					Adult Ed #1 9:30-10:45						Adult Ed #2 11:00-12:00				

### November Worship Series: *Imperfect Community*



Throughout the gospel accounts, Jesus repeatedly gives advice for how to live in healthy community. He sees the tensions and struggles that build up when even the most well-intentioned people come together in a community and he responds with recommendations for how to transform imperfect community into manifestations of the Kingdom of God. Together, we will explore Jesus' lessons on conflict management, forgiveness, and unconditional grace and see where to apply them to our Imperfect Communities.

11/5 – Working Out Conflict  
 11/12 – Unconditional Forgiveness  
 11/19 – Unfair Generosity  
 11/26 – Give Thanks

## Church Flowers



Dear Friends,

The lovely flowers we see on the altar with the variety of green leaves and bushes of bright colors, remind us of God's beauty. What better way to lift our spirits and remember nature's beauty than to include some of that beauty in our church and worship.

Here is your opportunity to contribute to the beautification of our church. Please consider making a donation to purchase flowers. You may designate that you are placing flowers in memory, honor or celebration of an individual or organization as you choose. Floral arrangements are available for \$45 each and you may subscribe for one or more arrangements. Your name and purpose of your donation will be listed in Sunday's bulletin. You may also specify a particular Sunday or Sundays (for an anniversary, birthday or whatever) on a first-come, first-served basis. You may also choose to bring a "personal donation" of garden flowers or store bought.

Please note we will only purchase flowers on Sundays that are subscribed and paid in advance; other Sundays provide the opportunity to show off our potted plants. Orders should be submitted to Sheila at your convenience anytime during the year.

Please fill out the form below and return it with your check (may be placed in the offering plate or dropped in the mail slot in Sheila's office door.)

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I/We would like to give a gift of \_\_\_\_\_ arrangement(s) @ \$45.00 (per arrangement on any Sunday)

**OR**

I/We would like to design or donate a store-bought floral arrangement (No check needed for this)

Date:

In honor of:

In memory of:

In celebration of:

Given by:

Attached is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_

HUBOB

.....Marion Kleiner  
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**YOU BETTER WATCH OUT !**

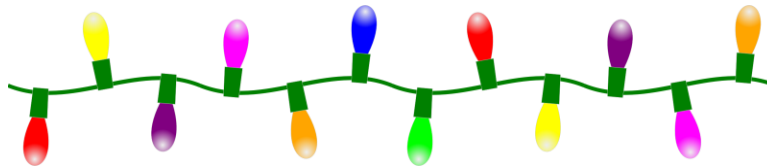
Yes, the trees are changing color - - the temperatures are dropping - - and we are all looking ahead to the coming holiday season. Do you need some new decorations for Thanksgiving? Or a hostess gift? Perhaps a few cards when you shop for your family dinner? Maybe you want to get a jump on your Christmas list. HUBOB can help you out! It may help your budget if you place more than one order for gift cards this year. We will be processing requests on **November 19<sup>th</sup> with delivery on December 3<sup>rd</sup>** and on **December 3<sup>rd</sup> with delivery on December 17<sup>th</sup>**. You can use the cards when you are doing your own shopping or as gifts or stocking stuffers. Stop by in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings or call Marion Kleiner at 732-918-9587 to make arrangements.

**REMEMBER, IT'S ALWAYS TIME TO HUBOB!!  
HELP US BALANCE OUR BUDGET!!!**

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United Methodist Women ~ UMW

.....Linda Babler  
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**Christmas Bazaar – Come One, Come All**

November 11<sup>th</sup> 10 am-3 pm – Fellowship Hall  
November 12<sup>th</sup>, after all three services till 1pm – room 114

Many items that would make wonderful presents are available for you.  
Start your Christmas shopping early, beat all the crowds.

Homemade Crafts in Santa's Work Shop  
Some of Mrs. C's finest Jewelry  
Come browse in Mrs. C's Kitchen – Homemade goods  
Decorations galore!!

And there is:

***The Annual Luncheon at the Bazaar***

on Saturday between 11:30 am and 2 pm in room 114.

UMW's famous chicken salad, red cranberry salad, green bean salad,  
quinoa salad, ambrosia salad (choice of 2 salads) and apple crisp for dessert.  
Adults \$10 and Children \$3. Come one, Come all! All are welcome at the table!

**Susanna Circle** will be meeting on **November 7<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm** in Fellowship Hall, we will share pizza together, bring up the items for the Bazaar and go through items that are new and need to be priced. We should be done by 8 pm. If you would like to help, let Linda Babler know your availability – for dinner.

**Craft Group** will be meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> at 11 am, bring a light lunch and join the fellowship. Help make cards for their distribution on Sundays after both services. All proceeds go to help UMW meet its pledge to the women, youth and children of the world.

**Book Club** - Meets the **4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at 1pm** in the Library. Please note the change of date/time during the winter months. Our book for **November 25<sup>th</sup>** is "America's First Daughter" by Stephanie Dray.

**Box Tops for Education** - UMW collects these labels, they help the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. Please take a moment and clip the label off the products you normal use and leave them in the box by the mail box in the hall outside Sheila's office.



UMW has a **Prayer Shawl ministry** here at the church. If you can sew, knit or crochet you are needed. We also are making baby blankets for the children that are baptized at our church. We now are providing baby, preemie caps for Monmouth Medical. Our next dedication will be in December, still time to finish up a prayer shawl. If you would like to be part of this ministry contact Linda Babler. We meet on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm** in the Library and in **November the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10am**, in the Lounge.

**UMW General Meeting** is scheduled for **December 9<sup>th</sup>, 10 am-12 pm** in Fellowship Hall. Bring cookies to share, also some of those cookies to package up for our shut-ins. Women of the Year will be announced.

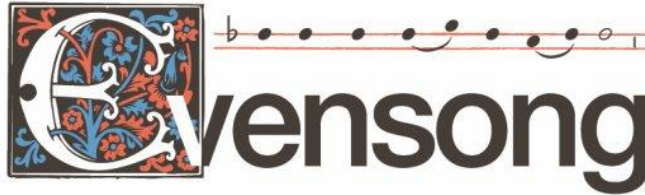
**Reminder: Mission Team Meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in the library.**



***Happy Thanksgiving to all from United Methodist Women of Red Bank!***

## MUSIC MINISTRIES

.....Evan Courtney  
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Come for an evening of prayer, readings and song on Sunday, November 19 at 4 pm!

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## HEALTH AND WHOLENESS OPPORTUNITIES

**BALANCE AND STRENGTH TRAINING** - Join the group to strengthen balance and fitness led by Janet Tartaglia, on **Tuesdays at 12:15 pm** in room 206. A no impact, no mat workout for the older adult done standing or sitting on chairs. Call Janet at 732-284-8222- or the church office for more information.

**PRANA FLOW YOGA** – Join us **every Wednesday morning from 9:30-11 am** in room 206 for **Prana Flow® Yoga**. Tiffany McCann will instruct the class to calm your mind, strengthen your body and open your heart.

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## Children, Youth and Young Adults

.....Elaine Dawson  
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### It's hard to believe its November already!!

Look for the **Angel Tree** in our back entrance this month. Take an angel and provide a child with Christmas gifts that may not get any without us. Leave your unwrapped gift under the tree. Our own Club 77 Youth Group will make stockings and wrap the presents for those in need. Thank you ahead of time for your generosity!

**All Youth groups** will be shopping and donating Thanksgiving dinners to local families in need. We are in need of turkeys for those dinners, so if you are able to donate a turkey please bring to church **no EARLIER** than November 19<sup>th</sup>. Please put turkeys in the fridge for thawing in time for Thanksgiving. Thank you for all you do!

**Please** continue to bring needed items for our **flood buckets**. See the list on the shelf by entrance. We had 15 buckets donated and we are not close to filling them. Please help those affected by the hurricanes. Our church will get them to a distribution center. Containers are by the back door.

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## God Squad

.....Greg Jansky  
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.....Jim Stonaker  
[Jimbo.stonaker@gmail.com](mailto:Jimbo.stonaker@gmail.com)

.....Suzanne Dice  
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This month has seen God Squad involved and busy in and about the church. We started the month with an in-depth discussion on food insecurity - in our area and around the country. It's hard to believe what it takes to feed a family in our state and in other regions - and we put it in perspective relative to what some of the youth make with their jobs.

God Squad had a focused and intense discussion as to what their daily stresses are, what causes their stress, how they relieve it, and how it takes over their lives.

In the middle of the month God Squad made care packages to send to the freshman in college who departed this past year. The care packages are always a big hit with the freshman and are a tangible way to stay in touch with our alumni.

Finally, God Squad rounds out October with their annual trip to Sunrise to paint pumpkins with the residents afflicted with Alzheimer's. It is always God Squad's pleasure to brighten the days and help celebrate the season with the residents.

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## Learning Tree

.....Kara Crespo  
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November is a month where everyone at Learning Tree talks about what we are thankful for. You will see leaves in our front hall listing all of these things. We encourage parents as well as church members to add their own leaves. We enjoy reading all of these special things!

We would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving filled with love, family, and friends!

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Thank you!! Thank you!!

.....Barb Valenti  
732-614-4087, [barb.mellenti@gmail.com](mailto:barb.mellenti@gmail.com)

A thousand times, "Thank You, Amy Applegate" for the many years you served as the Red Bank UMC Kitchen Coordinator. You kept the church kitchen organized, stocked and cleaned. It is a thankless job but, at last, we are thanking you!

Amy will be a hard act to follow, but please text or email Barb Valenti if there is a church item that is running out (or, God-forbid, you used the last of). The church furnishes dish soap (hand washing and automatic), paper towels, dishes (should be a set of 150), utensils, coffee filters, large box of plastic wrap (but not plastic storage bags), sugar, salt and pepper. Outreach provides coffee and tea for Fellowship Hour (contact Kathy Hackler if running out).

The church does not provide: half and half (or any milk product) for Fellowship Hour, napkins (check to see if anyone left some), plastic bags (check to see if any are donated). If there are any questions, text Barb Valenti at [\(732\) 614-4087](tel:7326144087) or email at: [barb.mellenti@gmail.com](mailto:barb.mellenti@gmail.com)

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## Our Family Kitchen

The Kitchen is the hub of activity in many homes and our Church Kitchen is no different. Just this month our Kitchen was the center for the UMW's preparation of 50 meals for The Center in Asbury Park, where people with HIV/AIDs get support and pick up these wonderful meals. Our Youth programs use the Kitchen on Wednesday nights as each week two parents prepare the night's meal for some 50 youth from grades 3 through 12 and their leadership – a true multi-generational and communal dinner. And on Sundays, who hasn't stopped at the Kitchen window for a coffee or enjoyed the snacks prepped in that same Kitchen? Thanks to your generous giving each and every month the Kitchen is kept in working order, helping it sustain its role in our Church Home, enabling our work of service to the community and in sustaining our community within.

As you pray for our Church and its mission and plan your giving, help us to close our \$37,000 budget gap, and picture our Kitchen, those who serve here, and the important work done here every week.

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## A New Bible Study

.....Jim Mellon  
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The Bible Study of the gospel of John continues. Join us from 7:30 to 9 pm each Tuesday evening, at Jim Mellon's (and Barb Valenti's) home, [134 Sleepy Hollow Road, \(Middletown\), Red Bank.](#)

This is my favorite gospel. Come and join as we explore the "truth and meanings" of the various passages in John. All are welcome.



# Church Family News

.....Chelsea Foster  
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Your Church Family would like to celebrate Birthdays, Weddings, Retirements, Anniversaries, Births and many more momentous occasions with you. You can submit your celebrations to Chelsea Foster at [cfoster\\_01@arcadia.edu](mailto:cfoster_01@arcadia.edu), or email to [sleavitt@umcredbank.org](mailto:sleavitt@umcredbank.org) or simply drop them in the office door mail slot.

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers...

All those affected by natural and human-made disasters, economic conditions, famine, civil war and genocide, those serving our country, shut-ins, all who are ill in body and spirit, those struggling with illness and substance abuse. For strength and healing for all in the world who need it and for compassion and understanding in our relationships.

## Please bother us!!

Communication is crucial in letting us know when members of this congregation are hospitalized or ill. We would rather be told multiple times than to not know at all. So, let Pastor Naulty and Pastor Zito know, leave messages at church, or email us at [sleavitt@umcredbank.org](mailto:sleavitt@umcredbank.org). Remember that hospitals no longer contact clergy when members are hospitalized.

Please check our website [www.umcredbank.org](http://www.umcredbank.org) for an up-to-date church calendar.

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Rev. David G. Henritz, Retired Pastor Emeritus

Worship Services  
8:15 am Communion Service  
9:30 am Traditional Service  
9:30 am and 11 am Adult Education  
9:30 am Sunday School  
11:00 am The Village Progressive Service  
11:00 am Children's Church

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