



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.”**

January 2017

*Thank
You*

*Every time you cross my mind, I break out in exclamations of thanks to God.
Each exclamation is a trigger to prayer. I find myself praying for you with a glad heart.
I am so pleased that you have continued on in this with us, believing and proclaiming God's Message,
from the day you heard it right up to the present.
- Philippians 1:3-5 (The Message)*

**It is through people like you that Jesus shows
his love for us. You are God's greatest blessings!**

**The pastors and staff would like to say
thank you for everything you do
to make the ministry of this church possible!**

Church Flowers



Dear Friends,

Winter is here with sometimes grey, dreary days, snow, sleet and rain, icy streets and sidewalks. The sun comes up late and goes down early and it's dark and cold.

We long to be reminded of God's beauty often hidden beneath the snowdrifts. 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 \$35 each and you may subscribe for one or two arrangements as you see fit. Your name and purpose of your donation will be listed in each Sunday's bulletin. You may also specify a particular Sunday (for an anniversary, birthday or whatever) on a first-come, first-served basis. Please note we will only purchase flowers on Sundays that are subscribed; 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.)

I/We would like to give a gift of \$35.00 (per arrangement)

Date:

In honor of:

In memory of:

In celebration of:

Given by:

Attached is a check for \$ _____

United Methodist Women— UMW

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Faith, Hope, Love in Action

Are you looking for something rewarding and different to start your year off right? UMW provides lots of service opportunities and here are just a sampling.....

We provide meals for HIV/Aids clients in Asbury Park and Lunch Break clients.

We make prayer shawls for members of our congregation and others in need.

We have a craft group and book club you can join.

We are hoping for a lady's morning out and a lady's retreat this year.

We support our Youth Group, Scholastic Assistance, CROP, and the Church building.

We support women's shelters and community basis groups.

We collect labels and box tops for education to support Red Bird Mission in Kentucky through the District UMW.

We pledge to mission on a national basis - our money goes to help women, youth, and children around the world.

Do you want to visit and get to know some of us? Come to any of our upcoming events

Watch for information in *The InLook* and upcoming issues of *The Outlook*.

UMW General Meeting in January – Our first meeting of the year is on January 7th between 10 am and 12 pm in room 114. It will be a morning of experiencing the “Games We Used to Play”. Bring a game from your past or your present, we can all join in the fun of fellowship. We also will be installing our officers. A light snack and beverage will be provided. Admission for the morning, bring an item that the Backpack Crew needs. If you would like more information contact, LSBABLER@AOL.COM or 732-741-1793. Everyone is welcome to come, join us for fun and fellowship.

UMW Craft Group - The UMW Craft group would like to invite you to join us in making the beautiful cards that are on sale in Fellowship Hall most Sunday mornings. Speak to Peggy Wien about joining them. You can even do the cards at home at your leisure. The money raised through our card sales help the Red Bank UMW fulfill their pledge to Mission. They meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month in Fellowship Hall. Their next meeting in January will be on the 10th 11 am–2 pm in the Library Lounge. They will be working on Valentine cards. Bring your lunch.



Book Club - meets every 4th Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be January 23rd at 7:15 pm in the Library. Our book for January will be “Liar, Temptress, Solider, Spy” by Karen Abbott.

UMW Red Bank Unit 2017 Emphasis - As in the last 6 years the need is still great and even more, so our Mission Emphasis is to feed the hungry. We will be looking for some volunteers to help with this

endeavor for the upcoming months of February, April, June, August, and October. It may not seem like much but it really helps Lunch Break. UMW provides the food, and the volunteers to serve on the first Saturday of the months listed above. Any leftover food stays with Lunch Break to help with providing breakfast on the next Monday. If you can help, see Linda Babler. Our next date is February 4th. Contact Linda Babler or Cyndi Skove if you can help.

UMW will be putting together 50 meals for "The Center" in Asbury Park on Saturday January 21st between 10 am and 12 pm. The meals consist of a main course, potato, vegetable and dessert. If you can help, let Linda Babler know. We can use your help!

Susanna Circle - We will meet on February 7th at Linda Babler's home, 387 Oak Hill Road in Middletown, just off Highway 35 at 6:30 pm. We will be making candy for sale on Sunday, February 12th for Valentine's Day.

Red Bank UMW has a growing **Prayer Shawl ministry** here at the church. We dedicated prayer shawls on December 18th at the 10:30 service. We hope to dedicate more shawls on UMW Sunday on May 21st. We will meet on January 10th at 6:30 pm in the Library and also on the 21st and 28th at 10 am in the Lounge. We are busily making red prayer shawls for our Confirmands to receive when they are confirmed this year. We also make up baby blankets to be given to newly baptized children. Come join us, the more the merrier. We would be happy to teach you how to crochet or knit.

Snowmen for Camden - UMW wants to **thank everyone** that came out and supported us by participating in the Snowman for Camden. At the time of this printing we have collected over \$250.00.

Reminder: Mission Team Meeting on January 23rd at 1pm in the Library.



Box Tops for Education Labels: Did you know that we collect Box Tops for Education? Campbell Soup Company has decided not to continue with the program of Labels for Education. There is a shoe box outside the receptionist office for the Box Tops for Education labels. We collect these all year, save them for us, they help the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. **We want to thank Club 77 for sorting, counting and getting the labels all ready to send out to the Red Bird Mission.**

Outreach Committee

....Kim Voorhees
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Outreach Committee sends a **huge THANK YOU** to everyone in the congregation for **contributing** and **assembling** the Hygiene / Health Kits. With your generosity and help, we were able to reach our goal and completed 103 kits.

The Learning Tree Preschool

...Kara Crespo

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Happy New Year!

Learning Tree will be holding our annual Open House on January 28th from 9:30-11:30 am. If you know of anyone looking for a Mom and Me, 2 1/2, 3's, Pre-K or Enrichment class, please let them know about our Open House. You can also set up a tour at any time to see our school and hear about our programs. So please share this with friends, family, and neighbors!

"All the flowers of tomorrow are in the seeds of today!"

HUBOB

....Marion Kleiner

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Your HUBOB Team would like to thank everyone who purchased a gift card during the Christmas season. Many were donated to the angel tree, others were used to spread love and caring to friends, relatives, and neighbors. AND every card made a contribution to the church budget. We hope you will remember that we will be available every week so you can continue to support us by picking up cards for your weekly shopping, birthday/wedding/new baby/hostess/ anniversary or thank you gifts. Stop by in Fellowship Hall and review the choices.

REMEMBER, IT'S ALWAYS TIME TO HUBOB

God Squad

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God Squad would like to wish our Church Family a Happy New Year!

One of God Squad's highlights for December was visiting our friends in Sunlife and reading *T'was The Night Before Christmas* and singing our favorite carols. We were able to bring some holiday cheer, and by all accounts, a great time was had by all.

Finally, the Annual Clothing Drive will kick off in the new year and run until February 4th. Clothes may be dropped off on the front of the stage in kitchen-sized bags; God Squad will move it to storage. We will be collecting clothing (blouses, shirts, sweaters, coats, shoes, purses, pants, jeans, skirts, slacks, dresses, snowsuits, raincoats, pajamas, etc.), bedding/draperies (bedding, bedspreads, sheets, quilts, blankets,

curtains, drapes, tapestries, chair/sofa covers, towels, etc.), and stuffed animals. All proceeds from our collection go directly to the summer ASP mission trip; and as in previous years, we have been able to greatly pay for vans. We thank you in advance!

Backpack Crew

.....Suzanne Dice
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Save the Date!!! Our **Second Annual Gala** at the Oyster Point Hotel is **February 25, 2017!**

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. Remember that hospitals no longer contact clergy when members are hospitalized.

Please check *The InLook* **or** our website – www.umcredbank.org
for an up-to-date church calendar.

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, or email to 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.

Condolences

Sincere condolences to Ruth Allen and the Allen family on the death of Richard Allen. The Allen's were long time members of our church before moving to Pennsylvania. Notes may be sent to Ruth at 18 Round Top Road, Halifax, PA 17032.

The Library

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Reconciling Committee

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