



The United Methodist Church of Red Bank
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THE OUTLOOK

“A Church with open doors, empowered by God’s love to be a Christ-like community, reaching out in ministry and service.”

September 2016

Dear Church Family,

Another summer has sped by and as I write, it feels as if we are standing at the start line of a race, eagerly anticipating the exciting season ahead! This September is a special one in the life of our church – we are celebrating 75 years of ministry in our current building. While our faith community is quite a bit older, being organized in 1864, the cornerstone of the Sanctuary at 247 Broad Street was dedicated 75 years ago this month.

As we celebrate together all the ministry and mission that has been made possible by our spacious and beautiful church building, we remember that none of it would have happened without the amazing people that make up this church. As a child, I sang the song, “The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple, the church is not a resting place, the church is the people. I am the church, you are the church, we are the church together. All who follow Jesus, all around the world. Yes, we’re the church together!” Thank you, to each and everyone one of you who has lived out this spirit of BEING the church in action.

Our amazing church building is one of the tools that we, the church, use to be in ministry to our community and the world. Our doors are open to an ever growing number of 12-step and community-based groups. Just in the past two years, I have seen our facilities be used for a nursery school, a folk dancing group, counseling services, educational opportunities, musical programs, local association gatherings, an art class, a voting site, and that doesn’t even include how our congregation utilizes our space for worship, Christian education, mission and ministry, outreach, and community service. While the expenses that go along with the upkeep and maintenance of a facility like ours are not insignificant, they truly are ministry funds offered as gifts for God’s continued work here through the UMC of Red Bank.

We invite you to join in the celebration of our 75th Anniversary through two different Sundays’ events. On the 11th, we will worship together at 9:30 a.m. followed by a potluck picnic on the front lawn. The men’s “Helping Hands” ministry will have the grill churning out hot dogs, burgers, veggie burgers, and ribs, but we are asking people to bring sides, salads, and desserts to accompany the BBQ. The following Sunday evening, you’re invited to share your gifts and celebrate others’ in the Talent Musical Show beginning at 6:00 p.m. on the 18th, followed by make-your-own ice cream Sundaes in Fellowship Hall. We hope you join us for any or all of the celebratory events scheduled. May God continue to bless our ministry for the next 75+ years ahead!

Peace in Christ,



Jess



Celebrate UMC Red Bank's 75th Anniversary

**Join us for these fun-filled, nostalgic and
meaningful events in the rich history of our church!**

Sunday, September 11, 2016

"Homecoming"

Worship at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary

Church-wide picnic on our front lawn

All are welcome!!

Please bring a covered dish to share.

"Helping Hands" Men's Group

will BBQ hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, and ribs.

Game area for the young and young-at-heart!

Sunday, September 18

8:30 worship in the Chapel

10:30 am worship in the Sanctuary

Exhibit of historic photos of the church and its activities.

Anniversary cake in Fellowship Hall

following worship

6 pm Talent Musical Show

followed by a

Make Your Own Sundae Party in Fellowship Hall

Children's Ministries

.....Elaine Dawson

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Message from The Director of Children, Youth and Young Adult Ministries, Elaine Dawson:

The summer has flown by as it usually does and we start to focus on getting back to school and a routine again. Although we are all sad to see the slow days of summer pass, we are excited to begin the new year and a new adventure. Life can be hard for our children as they are inundated with information good and bad, 24/7. It can all be overwhelming and difficult to navigate, at any age. In all our youth groups we discuss the challenges faced by your children every day. Youth group is a safe place to land at the end of a Wednesday. Some sit alone at the lunch table, some have many friends but feel alone, some struggle in school and some have the pressures of success. On Wednesday nights we all take a moment to breathe; to celebrate the goodness of life and the plan our God has for us. It's cool here to love God! Join us at 6 pm on Wednesdays. Make room for God in the life of your child and the rewards will be reaped for many years to come. God bless everyone, no exceptions!

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Attention All Youth Groups MARK YOUR CALENDERS!!!!

All Youth Groups begin on September 14th at 6 pm SHARP!

We are very excited to begin. Everyone meets in Fellowship Hall for dinner and prayer at 6 pm. If you have any questions, please call Elaine Dawson at 732-747-0446 ext. 11.

Our Youth Groups are as follows:

Mustard Seeds: Grades 3-5 from 6-8 pm

Club 77: Grades 6-8 from 6-8 pm

God Squad: High School from 6 to 8:30 pm

Young Adults: Ages 18-29 from 7-9 pm

in room 210

If you are new to Youth Groups please come a little earlier to get situated and meet the leadership.

If you are a Mustard Seed this year - Parents please come to room 114 at 5:40 pm on the first night September 14th to fill out important paperwork that will help us to know your child better and to reach you if necessary and to mark any known allergies effecting your child.

If you are in Club 77 this year - Parents please come to the Library at 7:45 pm on the first night September 14th for an orientation meeting.

We are a nut and peanut free program.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL - Come learn about the stories from The Bible that are still relevant in 2016. The Bible still leads us and shows us how God wants us to live. Come Grow with Us!

Sunday School starts September 18th during the 10:30 am worship service!

The Sunday worship opportunities and programming are as follows:

8:30 am - Worship in the Chapel with Communion every Sunday

9:30 am - 7th and 8th grade Confirmation class - bottom of Basement steps - Pastor Jessica Naulty

High School Sunday School Class - In basement Youth Room (9th-12th grade) Elaine Dawson

Adult Education - In the Lounge Wednesday nights at 7 pm and 9:30 am Sunday mornings.

Choir Practice - Everyone is Welcome!

10:30 am - Worship in Sanctuary- Children can sit with their Sunday School class or family. Children will be excused to Sunday School after the Children's Sermon.

Nursery Care-available to all those under 2 years old in room 109.

Fellowship Time in Fellowship Hall following worship.

11:45 am - Sunday School is over. Please pick up your children in their classrooms.

Sunday School Rooms:

Nursery for all those under 2 years old: Room 109 Toddlers ages 2 to pre-K

Room 110 -Teacher Barbara Roguski **Kindergarten-3rd grade: Room 212** - Teachers Kim Voorhees and Dawn White

4th-6th grade: Club 77 room at bottom of basement steps -Teachers: Michelle Foreback, Sharon Gades & Melissa Reimertz

The Blessing of the Backpacks will be on **September 11th at the 9:30 am Worship Service**. On the same day will have the **Dedication and Blessing of all Youth and Sunday School leadership**. Please be in church on the 11th. Party after church!!!!

The Learning Tree Preschool

....Kara Crespo

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We are so excited to start another school year! Our first day is September 14th. We still have some spots in our Mom and Me, 2 1/2, 3's, and Pre-K classes. If you know anyone who may be looking for a preschool, please tell them about Learning Tree.

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

LOST & FOUND

The coat racks in the hall have been cleared of clothes. There are three boxes of clothes in the hallway. Each box is labeled with the contents (or open the lid and check out the rolled up clothing items). These clothes will remain in the hallway until 1 December at which time they will be given to a local charity. There are also a few items (e.g., umbrellas, glasses, etc) that are in the "normal" Lost and Found under the distribution boxes next to the Secretary's glassed office in the back hallway. Hope you find that missing item!

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

HUBOB

.....Marion Kleiner
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FINANCIAL FACTS

Would you believe.....that since 2010 we have sold \$150,000+ in food store cards for Foodtown and ShopRite? That amounts to \$7,500 that has been applied to our budget. Every time you purchased a card for your family shopping or as a donation to the Back Pack Crew or to purchase supplies for a church dinner or to feed the Youth Group on a Wednesday night, YOU helped us reach this number. Your HUBOB Team would like to say "THANK YOU TO ONE AND ALL". Please keep up the good work. And if you haven't joined this effort, please consider picking up a couple of cards before you do your shopping this week.

2010 - \$24,275
2011 - \$28,500
2012 - \$22,675
2013 - \$23,125
2014 - \$19,700
2015 - \$26,050
2016 - \$6,725 - to date (7/1/16)

$\$150,000 \times 5\% = \$7,500$

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SAVE THE DATE!!

Your HUBOB Team has scheduled a very special *Victorian Ladies Tea and Fashion Show* for Saturday, October 22nd at 2 pm. Gentlemen are invited to attend as well. All are encouraged to wear their favorite hat and bring a cherished tea cup. Please be prepared to tell the story behind the cup. There will be prizes and tea sampling for everyone. We will be serving your favorite scones and tea sandwiches. Bring your friends, neighbors and relatives – the more the merrier. Proceeds from the event will be used to repair the church steeple. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. Stop by in Fellowship Hall to reserve your space!!

REMEMBER, IT'S ALWAYS TIME TO HUBOB

Backpack Crew

.....Suzanne Dice
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We would like to thank everyone who donated fresh veggies from their gardens for our summer program! We have been working hard to be well stocked to kick off our fourth school year in service!

Our ***Race Against Hunger*** is fast approaching on **October 8th at the Asbury Park Boardwalk**. A 5K/10K/10K relay- and all runners or walkers are welcome. Check out our website at www.boardwalkrelay.com for more info!

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

CROP Team UMC

Janie Schildge

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It is **CROP Walk SEASON** and just 8 weeks until we head out on our **36th Crop Hunger Walk** from Red Bank Regional High School! We are walking on World Food Day this year, Sunday, October 16th, and that day commemorates the challenge of enough food for all around our world, established by the United Nations, and recognized in over 100 countries. You can check out this year's theme and activities on our website: redbankcropwalk.com and start working up to five mile hikes so you will thoroughly enjoy Walk Day and have enough energy to relax and listen to Musicians on a Mission who are volunteering for DJ Duty!

After 12 years our delightful talented DJ John Limyansky, retired to Florida, so we are blessed to have been selected for an event to support by this non profit group (350 musicians in all) who share their talents all over NJ)

There is talk of a stroller brigade for the youngest of our CROP Walkers, and a short walk for those who want to experience the first kilometer, or catch a ride back from any of the water stops. Our United Methodist Church has been a Water Stop Sponsor for many years, and we support CROP Walk in a very big way, leading the community in fundraising, and turning out a lot of walkers, sponsors, volunteers, artists, and cheerleaders. And our special guest this year will be Dory, the blue fish, so you'll have a chance to smile with her for the camera during Walk Day.

Online teams are encouraged, and easy to set up. Molly McGroary, Deanna Reimertz, and Ryan Moore are our three Teen Leaders from God Squad who have been planning a skit, and displays, and ways to teach folks about what each of us can do about alleviating hunger, through our Crop Teen Committee.

So, if you are new to our congregation, come find out about this annual event on **Sunday, September 18th in Fellowship Hall at our Crop Table**. In October our back hall table will feature Hunger and the steps we take with Back Pack Crew and Crop Walk to reach out and share, whether it is right close to home, or far away – we are all neighbors! We will share ideas on how to reach our community goal of \$120,000 and 12,000 pounds of rice, beans and peanut butter during the coming weeks. How about collecting pennies in a jar? Or a bake sale? Or share your ideas with us. What should our RBUMC goal be this year? How many folks can we get out? Thanks from your Crop Team!

Outreach

.....Barb Valenti

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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 complete 200 kits that were delivered to UMCOR.

The end of June UMCOR announced, "West Virginia experienced one of its worst flood disasters ever. The floods and severe weather claimed the lives of at least 23 people, left thousands of West Virginia residents without power, and damaged or destroyed hundreds of homes." **Some of the hygiene kits we made were sent there.**

Mission Opportunity: Is there any chance you can help a lovely woman suffering from MS with food pick-up and miscellaneous help (usually less than an hour)? She lives on Tinton Avenue on the Eatontown/Tinton Falls border. She is in her 50s and just can't drive nor pay to have others help her. She will pay for the items you purchase for her, but not gas costs, etc. Gerri Poranski has been helping her for years along with Gerri's friend. They need a little help. Please consider this as a lovely donation of your time. Pickups and deliveries are usually during the day but can be done in the early evening. If you can help, please contact Gerri Poranski at gporanski713@yahoo.com or Barbara Valenti at mellenti@verizon.net. If you can't help, maybe you know somebody who can. THANKS!

Church Flowers



Dear Friends,

Summer is filled with the beauty of Nature everywhere we look. But, summer is drawing to a close and there will be fewer and fewer flowers to enjoy outside. A perfect opportunity to remind ourselves of God's glory by bring some of it inside. And – a philosophical note – it's not just a matter of “decorating” the church. On a deeper level it is an opportunity to give thanks to God for the life of someone dear to us; an opportunity to praise God for God's bounty; an opportunity to share God's love with others.

Please consider making a donation to purchase flowers. You may designate that you are placing flowers in memory, honor, celebration, or thanksgiving of an individual or organization. Floral arrangements are available for \$35 each, and you may subscribe for one or two arrangements as you see fit. Your name and the purpose of your donation will be listed in that Sunday's bulletin. You can also specify a specific Sunday (for an anniversary, birthday, or whatever) on a first-come, first-served basis. Please note that we will purchase flowers only on Sundays that are subscribed; other Sundays provide the opportunity to show off our potted plants.

Orders should be submitted to Sheila in the church office at your convenience anytime during the year.

Please fill out the form below and return it with your check in the appropriate amount. Forms and checks 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 \$_____ (at \$35 per arrangement)

In honor of:

Given by:

In memory of:

Attached check for \$_____

In celebration of:

**Ladies Morning Out
"Mary or Martha?"**

Leader: Rev. Christina Zito

Saturday, September 17, 2016

8:30 am- 12 pm

Cost \$5.00

Soup and Bake Sale: September 25th, after both services. UMW will be making soup for sale. If you can bake for the sale, please sign up in Fellowship Hall - visit the table. If you would like to help make soup on September 24, or help out at the sale on the 28th, contact Linda Babler. All proceeds go to our National Mission Pledge and our help meet our local mission projects.

Senior Luncheon: September 28th at 12 noon in Fellowship Hall, sponsored and provided by UMW. Are you 55 or older then plan to come out. All are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to the Church office 732-747-0446 by September 21st. Join us for Lunch, Entertainment and Fellowship. Free will offering, just bring your good spirits and come to enjoy. Watch for more information and details in the upcoming issues of *The Inlook*.

UMW General Meeting: October 6th at 12:30 pm in room 114. Program to be confirmed. So do watch *The InLook* for updates and more information. This meeting will be a salad luncheon, everyone bring something to share. Bring a friend. Everyone is welcome.

Book Club

Meets every 4th Tuesday of the Month at 7:15 pm in the Library

Our Book for September 27th is:

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" by Harriet Beecher Stowe

2016 Breakfast for the Clients of Lunch Break - Every other month we have been providing a cold breakfast for the Lunch Break clients. This begins our 5th year and we are looking forward to sharing our efforts beginning in October. Linda Babler will be our team leader for the morning. **Our next date is October 1st.** If you would like to help cook casseroles, breads and the like on Friday, September 30, or help cook and/or serve on Saturday, please contact Barbara Valenti or Linda Babler

Christmas Bazaar - Would you believe that **November 13th** is just around the corner. The Christmas Bazaar will feature all kinds of Christmas decorations, Christmas handmade items, crafts of all kinds, and we need your used jewelry for the Bazaar. If you can help begin now, by making Christmas items. Donate some of your beautiful gently used Christmas items. If you can help at the Bazaar, let Linda Babler know. Keep your eyes out for more information on the Bazaar as we move forward. If you would like to donate a **basket filled with goodies, any theme will work, for the Silent Auction** please let Linda Babler know. The baskets go on display October 2nd. We have several donated so plan to join the fun.

Craft Group will be meeting on September 13th and 27th at 11am - 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.

Campbell Soup Labels: Did you know that UMW collects Campbell Soup Labels and others labels. See the notice on the UMW main bulletin board in the hall as to which labels we collect. For the Campbell labels we need the PC code with the picture of the little boy. We will take the entire label if you are unsure as to what we need. There is a shoe box in the receptionist office for the labels. We collect these all year, so please save them for us. They help the Red Bird Mission or Henderson Settlement House both in Kentucky.

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. If you would like to be part of this ministry, contact Linda Babler. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in room 211 and the 3rd and 4th Saturday of every month at 10 am, both in the Lounge

Reminder: Mission Team Meeting on September 26th at 1pm in room 107.

**NORTHERN SHORE DISTRICT FALL DAY APART
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016
9:30 am TO 12 pm**

Topic: Domestic Violence

DVD Presentation and Discussion:
"I Believe You; Faith's Response to Intimate Partner Violence"
produced by DIVA Communications

This Interfaith Documentary DVD explores the stories of abused women and how they survived with the help and support of Faith Groups.

**Where: Oakhurst UMC
103 Monmouth Road
Oakhurst, NJ 07755**
Light Breakfast will be served
Baby sitter provided upon request.

**Norther Shore District UMW
Annual Dinner
Tuesday, October 4 , 2016
St Andrew, UMC in Toms River**

Registration and Appetizers: 5 pm
Dinner: 6:00 pm
Business meeting: 6:45 pm
Program: 7:15 pm
Dismissal: 8:30 pm
Cost: \$20

Ingathering: Food for the Back Pack Crew

Love offering: Back Pack Crew
Roll call : Camden Neighborhood Center
Program Resources will have materials for your units to browse through
Displays for Social Action Interests

Menu: punch, veggies, chips & salsa, fruit;
eggplant parmesan, baked ham, chicken francaise,
roasted potatoes, carrots, green beans, strawberry salad,
rolls & butter; tea, coffee and water,
cheesecake and yellow cake with chocolate frosting

Please send your reservations to Marian Whetstone at
getwhet@comcast.net or 609-492-0205
or mail to 11606 Sunset Terr., Haven Beach, NJ 08008

Registration Form

Contact Name: _____ email _____
Unit name: _____ Church _____
of people attending _____ (8 per table max.) @ \$20/person _____

Greater New Jersey United Methodist Women
Annual Fall Meeting
Saturday, October 15, 2016

Environmental Justice

“God saw all that he had made, and behold, it was very good.” Genesis 1:31

GNJ UMC Mission Resource Center
205 Jumping Brook Rd, Neptune, NJ
9:00 – 2pm

Cost \$10, pay at the door, and a Love Gift offering

Keynote Speaker: Pat Watkins,
GBBM-UMC Nature Conservancy, Citizen’s Climate Lobby (CCL)

Registration - marciarobuck@aol.com, or 973-763-6035, or see Linda Babler

Adult Education

.....*Barbara Spencer*
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A new study! Who was Paul? We are in search of Paul - a Pharisee? a Roman citizen? a tent maker? a religious terrorist? a Christian missionary? a lawyer? a member of the tribe of Benjamin? the Apostle of Grace? a writer of thirteen new testament books?

Come to the **Adult Ed classes, Sunday mornings at 9:30 am or Wednesday evenings at 7 pm**, while we are exploring new insights into Paul's message, his ethics and theology, his character, his mission and his challenge to Roman Imperial theology and the apostle's radical relevance for today.

Thursday morning and evening Bible Study starts back up again on September 15th. Join us at **11 am or 7 pm in room 107** for an in-depth study of the families of Genesis. Using a resource entitled, "Broken & Blessed: God changes the world one person and one family at a time" we will discuss how God uses us, even with our imperfections to transform the world. This study will run from Sept 15th through October 27th. Join us each week, or drop in when you can. The studies are co-led by Pastor Jess and Diana Pearce.

A new **study group** will begin on **Wednesday, September 14 at 10 am** in the Lounge and continue to meet on the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays**. The book "The Gift of Years – Growing Older Gracefully" by Joan Chittister is the focus and will be facilitated by David Henritzky. The book will be available for sale at approximately \$13.95. Please call the office or email (sleavitt@umcredbank.org) to sign up so we can order the books. This study welcomes all who wish to learn how to grow older gracefully!

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.

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.

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.

Thank-you!! from Betty Hansen

Celebrating my 100th birthday with my friends on Sunday, August 14th was very meaningful to me. It was truly a special time. Thank you for the pretty rose wristlet and the most delicious cake ever! I very much enjoyed receiving over 70 unique birthday greetings. Thank you, one and all! Love, *Betty Hansen*

Condolences

Sincere condolences to the family of Rev. Ed Cheney who passed away on August 1, 2016. Rev. Cheney served our congregation from 1966-1970. A memorial service will be held September 18, 2016 at Wesley Manor in Ocean City at 2 pm. There is time to greet the family from 1-2 pm before the service.