Connect

Prayer Shawl Group Craft Group

2nd Tues @6:30 PM & 3rd and 4th Sat @10 AM 2nd and 4th Tuesdays @11 AM

Grow

Education and Growth Opportunities

Children's Sunday school Sun @9:30 AM **Adult Education** Wed @7 PM and Sun @9:30 AM Bible Study Thurs @11 AM (Pastor Jess) – Studying the Book of Exodus Tues @7:00 PM (Jim Mellon) – Studying the Gospel of John

Youth Group Wednesdays @6 PM

Health and Fitness Groups

Balance and Strength Training Tuesdays @12:00 PM Wednesdays @9:30 AM Prana Flow Yoga

UMW Women's Retreat - April 21st from 9 AM-3 PM. Rev. David Henritzy will be our facilitator. Cost is a mere \$5 to defray the cost of breakfast and lunch. Registration is highly recommended. Forms available after Easter. All women are invited to attend.

Applications for Scholastic Assistance Scholarships available April 1st in a pink folder on the ledge by the Office. Please sign the sheet in the folder. Contact Barbara Guenther, biguenther@verizon.net.

Serve

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser – Sunday, May 20th from 8:00-10am

The UMW and the Men's Fellowship are joining forces to host a breakfast before a single 10:00 AM service on May 20th. Join in the fun and support our fundraising effort with a free-will donation! Contact Barb Valenti, barb.mellenti@gmail.com for more info.

Ongoing Food Collection Cart

The shopping cart in the back hallway is always awaiting food donations for both The Backpack Crew and Lunch Break. Thanks!

In Our Prayers

All those affected by natural and human-made disasters, economic conditions, civil war and genocide, those serving our country, shut-ins, all who are sick in body and spirit, those struggling with depression, eating disorders, and substance abuse. Pray for our president and our nation, those impacted by gun violence, our elected leaders, Terri Dinkel, Marie Heimann Davidson, Barb Roguski's step-mother, Margaret Birkemier, Peter Delaney, for those battling the flu and other illnesses, for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one, and for strength and healing for all in the world who need it and for compassion and understanding in our relationships.

REMINDER – If you know someone is in the hospital or needs a pastoral care visit, please call the office and let us know. Thank you for helping us care for all our members!

Welcome Visitors

We're happy you joined us today! Visitor Bags are available – please ask an usher or greeter. Thank you for visiting. We look forward to seeing you again!

Helpful information:

- Hearing assistance devices are available.
- Bathrooms are outside the Sanctuary.
- Children's activity bags are in the back of the Sanctuary.



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April 1, 2018 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship 11:00 a.m. The Village Worship

Welcome home to church... It's Easter!

The United Methodist Church of Red Bank is open for ALL to CONNECT with God and others. to GROW in our faith, and to SERVE in love.



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Traditional Worship at 9:30 AM

Our worship service begins with the prelude. As we gather for worship, please silence your cell phones and refrain from using flash photography.

The Church Gathers

♪ Prelude "Crown Him With Many Crowns" arr. Lloyd Larson

Welcome and Announcements

If you are visiting with us, please take a moment to fill in the "Welcome Visitor" cards located in the pew racks. Cards may be placed in the offering plates or returned to a greeter.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is Risen Indeed!

L: Hallelujah!

P: On this day we celebrate resurrection.

L: The power of life has overcome the power of death.

P: Hallelujah!

L: The light of love has shattered the darkness of fear.

P: Hallelujah

L: The way of peace has prevailed against the violence of empire.

P: Hallelujah!

L: We come to worship the God whose resurrection power lives on in the Christ we serve.

ALL: Hallelujah!

→ *Opening Hymn #302 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you walk patiently with us. You celebrate our growth in your love and mourn our missteps along the way. This day, as we gather to celebrate the joy of Easter, remind us that WE are "Easter People", people of the Resurrection; people who know that the seemingly impossible is possible through your love. Forgive our stubbornness and fears. Fill us with your healing love and help us to become the disciples that you need to serve in our world today. We ask this in the name of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Time of silent prayer

Assurance of Pardon

L: This is the day of resurrection and new life. This is the day God offers us steadfast hope and love which will never end.

P: We will sing and dance on this day! We will rejoice and give thanks to the God who saves us. Amen.

To Hear the Word

 ♪ Choral Anthem "Risen Again!" Dan Forrest

Sanctuary Choir; Judy Grimes, piano

*Gospel Reading John 20: 1-18

Sermon Easter People Rev. Jessica B. Naulty

To Respond in Faith

→ *Hymn #311 "Now the Green Blade Riseth"

Pastoral Prayer

Offering our Gifts

→ Offertory "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" Dan Forrest

Sanctuary Choir

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Celebration of the Sacrament of Communion

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

L: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give you our thanks and praise... ... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

ALL: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.

Hosanna in the highest.

L: Holy are you... ...we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

ALL: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

L: Pour out your Holy Spirit... ... All glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Communion will be served by intinction; you will receive a piece of bread, dip it into the cup of juice and then eat. Feel free to stop at the kneeling rail for prayer as you return to your seat. Please use the side aisles to come forward and return by the center aisle. If you need gluten free elements, they are available at the station by the pulpit.

And Scatters to Be in the World

≯ *Closing Hymn #308 "Thine Be the Glory"

*Benediction

♪ Postlude "'Hallelujah Chorus' from 'Messiah'" G.F. Handel The congregation is invited to stand and sing along with the postlude.

* Please stand in praise to God if you are able.

Serving in worship this morning:

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jessica Brendler Naulty Director of Music Ministries: Evan Courtney Reader: George Schildge

Acolyte: Confirmand

Brass: Chris Johnson, Will Stein, Elliot Moxley, Lucas Kirchberger

The Village Worship at 11:00 AM

Gathering

▶ Opening Song "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" arr. E. Courtney
 Welcome and Announcements Evan Courtney
 Please fill in the Attendance Cards and put them in the offering basket.

♪ Song "Resurrection Day" Matt Maher

Prayer

Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture John 20: 1-18
Sermon Easter People Rev. Jessica Naulty

Table Conversations

Sharing What We've Learned

Prayer of Consecration for Communion

Lord's Prayer

♪ Song "I Will Rise" Giglio/Tomlin/Reeves/Maher

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Offering baskets will be collected and brought forward at the conclusion of communion.

♪ Closing Song "Joy" Rend Collective

Benediction

Worship Team: Evan Courtney, Nicola Blake, Eric Hackler, Andy Judkis, Michele Naples, Scott Paden, Tech Crew: Chelsea Foster, Eric Hackler, Jim Mellon, and Howard Naulty

^{*}Passing the Peace of Christ