

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.”

September 2019

Dear Church Family,

As the summer months wind down and the school year begins, it is exciting to think of all the ministries that will be starting up for another season. Our youth ministries and Sunday school classes are gearing up with leaders and teachers; our Bible study and Adult Ed classes are preparing topics and lessons; our choir and worship band are getting ready to make a joyful noise; our UMW are gearing up for learning and service events, and various mission and outreach projects are being planned!

With all this preparation underway, I am surrounding in prayer our church, its ministries, and the people who will be transformed by it. Church is so much more than the building in which we gather. For me, church is a community of transformation; a gathering of people focused on God's love, made known to us through Jesus, who grow and serve together, giving of their hearts, their resources, and their spiritual gifts to share God's love with others and make a difference in the world! As we do church together, we are changed from the inside out, and we make an impact that ripples out in our everyday lives.

I believe that our church has the power to make real positive change in our community and in the world. I have seen the good we can do as we share the love of God with others, bringing hope and peace where despair once lingered. As all the students and teachers prepare to go Back to School, I invite you to take this opportunity to explore the different ways you can connect to God and others, grow in your faith, and serve in love through our church. If you have not been active in a small group in the past year, please consider all the options our church has to offer. It is through the conversations and relationships that develop in small group dynamics where we really allow the love of God to transform us.

I pray that this upcoming season in your life and in our church community is one of spiritual growth and sharing God's love.

Pastor Jess

Rev. Jessica B. Naulty

Worship

...Chelsza Foster

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SAVE THE DATE! - September 8th – Homecoming Picnic

Invite the family to join you for a single worship service at 9:30 in the Sanctuary, followed by a church picnic on the front lawn (we believe it will be a sunny, beautiful day). Grilled hot dogs, hamburgers and BBQ ribs are provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share (See sign up in Fellowship Hall by the “coffee window”). Donations are welcome to cover the cost of the grilling supplies.

Return to regular worship schedule on September 15th. Service times are:

8:15 a.m. in the Chapel

9:00 a.m. Adult Education in the Lounge

10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

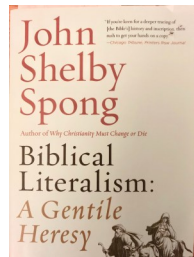
11:30 a.m. The Village (contemporary conversational service)

Adult Education

...Mark Hackler

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Sunday Morning and Wednesday Evening Study



We are starting with *Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy* by John Shelby Spong at 9:00 on Sunday, September 15th in the lounge. It is a study of Matthew's gospel noting how the story was constructed using Jewish messianic expectations, Jewish symbolism, and the liturgical calendar of the synagogue that would have been obvious to Matthew's original audience, but that was quickly foreign to the Gentile church as it developed after the split with the synagogue. We have 5 videos of Spong's lecture on this book from Chataqua in 2016.

Following this we will move to *The Challenge of Christ* by John Dominic Crossan. That should likely get us Advent or beyond.

Thursday morning Bible study - 10:30 am - 12:00 pm .

All are invited to join in the conversation on Thursday mornings with a Bible study led by Pastor Jess. This year we'll start off in Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, listening for what the social dynamics of the day were, and what lessons we can apply to our own lives and faith journeys. No pre-reading or starting knowledge of the texts is necessary. Just come as you are, with a willingness to learn together.

Church Flowers

...Shzila Leavitt

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Dear Friends:

The lovely flowers we see on the altar with the variety of green leaves and 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.

This is your opportunity to contribute to the beautification of our church by donating flowers. You may designate flowers in memory of (IMO), in honor of (IHO), in celebration of (ICO) an individual or organization as you choose. Floral arrangements are available for \$45 each and you may subscribe for one or more

Please check our website www.umcredbank.org for an up-to-date church calendar.

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Elaine Dawson, Director of Children, Youth and Young Adult Ministries
Evan Courtney, Director of Music Ministries
Sheila Leavitt, Financial Secretary
Bob Shindel and Tom Sutton, Sextons
Rev. David G. Henritzky, Retired Pastor Emeritus

Worship Services

8:15 am Communion Service
9:00 am Youth & Adult Classes
10:00 am Traditional Service and Children's Sunday School
11:30 am The Village Contemporary Conversational Service

Church Office Hours
Monday through Thursday 9:00 am-2:00 pm
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arrangements. Your name and purpose of your donation will be listed in Sunday's bulletin. You may 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 store-bought or garden flowers.

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 write information on memo line of your check or attach a post-it with info.

United Methodist Women – UMW

..Linda Babler

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Book Club – notice room change..We meet the 4th Saturday of the Month at 1pm in room 114. Our September 28th read is "A Prayer for Owen Meany" by John Irving

UMW Harvest Bazaar: Begins their Annual Basket Auction September 1st, 2019 in the Library area between services. Come make a bid and support the mission work your UMW does for Children, Women and Youth in the community and around the world.

Please come to the UMW Bazaar (hand craft items, slightly used items, baked goods, jewelry) on Saturday, October 12 10-3:00 Luncheon 11:30-2:00 (famous chicken salad, green bean salad, apple crisp, ambrosia or vegan option) and Sunday, October 13, 9:00-2:00

Susanna Circle meets 6:30 p.m., September 3rd, 2019 Cyndi Skove's home 53 Jamestown Rd, Eatontown, NJ to make candy for the upcoming Bazaar. Everyone is welcome to come out and make chocolates !!!

September 21st Ladies Morning Out, 8:30 – 12 noon Facilitator: Rev Jessica Naulty on "Mindfulness: The Power of Mindset". To be held in Fellowship Hall, Light breakfast included. Registration forms available September 1st, Cost \$5.00

September 25th Over 55 Luncheon 12 noon Menu: appetizer, meatloaf, mashed potatoes, peas, apple pie. Speaking of apple pie, dessert will be an apple pie baking/buying contest. Enter your best homemade or your best store bought pie.– Everyone is a winner !! Entertainment: The Evangelistic Singers.

UMW prepares a hot breakfast for the clients of Lunch Break on Saturday, October 5th. If you would like to help cook, serve or clean up please let Barbara Valenti (barb.mellenti@gmail.com) know. There are 2 shifts, the first is 8:30 – 10:30 and the second is 10 – 12noon. We still need a couple more volunteers. All hands are a help !!

Prayer Shawl (knit or crochet group) will be meeting on September 21 and 28th at 10am in the Lounge.

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 normally use and leave them in the box by the mail bins in the hall outside the Church office.

Reminder: Mission Team Meetings September 16th at 1pm in the library.

The UMW Craft Group will meet on September 10 and September 24 (the second and fourth Tuesdays) in the Library Lounge area from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to make greeting cards. In addition to our regular categories such as Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Thinking of You, Cards for Children, Thank You, Anniversary, Sassy, and Blank (for Notes), we are currently making cards for Back to School, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. We welcome new people to help make cards. Stop by on any Craft day for creative fun and fellowship. Cards are available for \$1.00 each on Sunday mornings in Fellowship Hall and will also be available at the Bazaar. Card sales help support our UMW Missions!

Learning Tree

....Kara Crzspo

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Happy September Everyone! Learning Tree's first official day is September 11th. We are excited to welcome all of our students and families! We still have spots available in our 2 1/2 and 3's classes at this time so if you know anyone who may be looking for a preschool program please share information about Learning Tree!

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

Children's Sunday School

....Elaine Dawson

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A note from The Director of Children, Youth and Young Adult Ministry-Elaine Dawson
We are very excited to start off our year with a church picnic on Sunday, September 8th with games for children of all ages. ALL ARE INVITED! Please have the children bring their Backpacks to be blessed in worship on this day.

Life in the 21st Century is both exciting and full of opportunity. At the same time, temptation to make a wrong turn and give into peer pressure is enormous. We believe that Christian education is so very important in the lives of our children. In our youth groups we talk freely about the challenges faced by our children every day. We will help others who are less fortunate than we are through service to our church, our community and the world. Through program, service, worship, and fellowship, we hope the children learn what it feels like to live a faithful and healthy life with God at its center. We hope you will encourage your child to join us every Wednesday night. You do not have to be United Methodist nor a member of our church to join us.

Our Sunday School will start on September 8th after Children's Time at the 10:00 worship service. Your children will be in: Room 109 for nursery for children under 2 years; room 110 if they are toddlers from 2 to pre-K; room 112 for all those in Kindergarten through 2nd grade; the Club 77 room (B5) in basement is where 3rd-6th grade attend Sunday School. This year we will be reviewing The Book of Genesis, examining the book of Exodus, looking at the stories from VBS, continue to learn The Lord's Prayer, and we will look at The Parables of Jesus. Please pick up your children after worship in these rooms.

On September 15th we will start our "Bagels and Faith" Youth discussion class at 9:00-9:50 AM for all those in 7th grade-High School. Elaine and the youth will look deeply into parts of the bible and its relevance in the 21st Century. Meet Elaine Dawson in The God Squad Room (B4) in the basement for a lively discussion at 9:00 sharp. There will be several weeks playing the Jesus game. For those who aren't familiar with it.....ITS FUN!

Our Youth groups start on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:00 PM SHARP! All those in 3rd grade through high school are welcome. Meet in Fellowship Hall for supper and prayer. All groups are living out the message of Jesus through program, service, fellowship and fun! Our Mustard Seeds group is 3rd-5th and after dinner are in room 114 until 8:00 PM; our Club 77 group is in the basement (B5) at the bottom of the stairs in their own room big enough for a large Jr. High group; God Squad is our High School group who attend mission, lead our 4th Sunday worship service, help with projects within the church and community, play games (e.g., "Chopped"), and we have fun!

We are a NUT/PEANUT safe church and no items with NUTS/PEANUTS are permitted in building.

Outreach

....Kathy Hackler

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1. Thanks to everyone for their school supply donations. We were able to help Lunch Break, 180 Turning Lives Around, and students in the Red Bank Schools. A super huge thanks to Carol Voorhees for setting everything up and Barbara Roguski for taking care of organizing supplies and getting them delivered (Also thanks to Sheila and Peg R. for their assistance!)
2. Thanks to everyone who donated money for CWS blankets. We were able to recoup some of the cash from insurance and a kind church member is making us whole in that area. If you wrote a check and haven't written a new one yet, please put it in with the regular offering marked CWS blankets.
3. We hope you will join other church members for the JBJ Soul Foundation Day of Hope Community Walk on Thursday, September 19th. It is always a great experience to represent our church there as well as meet others from local community organizations. Even though the date on the flyer has expired, you can still sign up under our church name.
4. We will be hosting a community forum on Immigration Issues on Thursday, October 24th at 7:00. We have several well known local panelists who will discuss all aspects of immigration and give information about the facts, the myths, and the reality. We hope you can attend

Men's Fellowship

...Jim Mellon

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Hi guys!

Yes, the summer is over, but our next Men's Fellowship gathering is on Saturday, Sep 7th at 4:00 p.m (NOT the normal time of 8 a.m.). We will be focusing on staging items for the church-wide picnic (on Sep 8th). Additionally, we need help on Sunday the 8th of September at 8:00 AM for the actual picnic setup. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you. Shalom.

We are updating our USPS mailing list for THE OUTLOOK. If you would like to continue receiving a hard copy of this publication, please call the church office @ (732) 747-0446 (you can leave a message in voice mail). If we don't hear from you, we will assume you prefer to be deleted from future mailings. We'd also love to hear what you feel is missing in this publication.As a note, much of this information is sent electronically in the Sunday Bulletin, Thursday E-Blast and through committee meetings.**

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 know, leave messages at church, or email us at sleavitt@umcredbank.org. Remember that hospitals no longer contact clergy when members are hospitalized.

Music Opportunity

Sanctuary Choir will start up again Thursday, September 5 at 7:00-9:00 pm, and our first Sunday in worship will be September 15.

...Evan Courtney
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Green TeamJanie Schildge

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JOIN OUR TREX® CHALLENGE FOR A GREENER EARTH

Sunday, September 1 marks the official start of our TREX® Challenge for a Greener Earth. We invite you to join the challenge by bringing in single use plastics such as grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, ziploc® and other re-sealable bags, produce bags, bubble wrap, salt bags, and cereal liners. We will take your single use plastic to one of several drop off centers where it will be packaged up, sent to TREX® and given a new life as outdoor furniture, decking material, landscape lighting etc. Our goal is to collect and recycle 500 lbs of plastic. In exchange, TREX® will donate an outdoor bench to our church and together we will have eliminated 500 lbs of plastic from our area landfills!

Club 77 and some friends will be our sorting partners and will help monitor our collections to be sure the right types of plastics are included in our collection. A poster outlining the types of plastic that can be donated is just inside the back door next to our collection box. Invite relatives and friends to join in!

Any plastic marked with a 2, or 4, or plastic that can be stretched (such as grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, ziploc® and other re-sealable bags, produce bags, bubble wrap, salt bags, and cereal liners) can be donated. Please note, it is VERY IMPORTANT that ALL materials are CLEAN, DRY

AND FREE OF FOOD RESIDUE! HELP US MEET THE CHALLENGE! Please see Janie Schildge or Bobbie Ridgely (bjridgely@yahoo.com) for more information.

39th CROP HUNGER WALK goes Sunday October 20th, and Red Bank United Methodist Church is a Water Stop Sponsor! Please save the date and plan to help in some way. Our 2019 goal is to raise \$109,000 to help our 15 local partner programs and global partners working through Church World Service around our world. You can be one of our 900 walkers, runners, or volunteers, bringing in 16,000 pounds of food! Teen leaders from our youth group include Dillon McCann, Julia Sullivan and Emily Sullivan. and Chelsea Foster are on the design team for our new Tee shirts which will be available after September 10th, and Shortstop the Clown will be dancing with the WAG Band! So save the date, donate to the online team, or set up your own team, help hand out water with Barb Guenther and Peg Rizzo, and invite your family and friends to join in STEPPING UP To END HUNGER! For more information go to www.redbankcropwalk.com, or contact Janie Schildge. THANK YOU!

Church Family News

Welcome to our new members: Becky Goodhue, Anne Hughes-Hinnen, Katie Sawyer, Teddy Keating and Nancy Moore. Please introduce yourself to them and as a kindness, please wear your name tag at church.

H.U.B.O.B

...Marion Kleiner

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HUBOB IS ON THE MOVE!!

STAND BY - - It will be a busy season for your HUBOB Team! We have plans for several activities and we hope you will join us. There will be food and fellowship in many forms, so watch for all of the announcements.

FIRST ON THE LIST: We are happy to announce our Silver Tea on Saturday afternoon, September 28th at 2 pm. This will be an opportunity to honor the passing of Anne Walratt, one of our original HUBOB team members. Wear your favorite hat and bring a friend. In addition to tea, we will be providing an art auction/sale with works from the collection of long time member, Emily Schopp, who also passed away last year. This will be an afternoon to celebrate the lives of these two women and their years of service and loyalty to the United Methodist Church of Red Bank. Your reservations can be made at the HUBOB table in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings or by calling Marion Kleiner.

REMEMBER: IT IS ALWAYS TIME TO HUBOB!

HEALTH AND WHOLENESS OPPORTUNITIES

BALANCE AND STRENGTH TRAINING - Join the group to strengthen balance and fitness led by Janet Tartaglia, on **Tuesdays at 12 pm** in room B1. 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 B1 for **Prana Flow® Yoga**. Tiffany McCann will instruct the class to calm your mind, strengthen your body and open your heart.

Church Volunteer Opportunities

...Barb Valenti

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I know it is more exciting to volunteer to serve, at say, a soup kitchen but the church runs best when everyone volunteers and gets involved. To keep our budget within reason, we need volunteers. Please consider doing any of the following jobs:

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday **Reader** (help pastor with communion, offering and announce/read)
- Provide light snacks for **Fellowship Hour** (cheese, crackers, make coffee, set food out, do dishes)
- Wash dirty dish towels (accumulate in brown dish pan near big dish washer)
- Take food in shopping cart to the **Lunch Break** (between 9-2:00 Mon-Sat, and they will unload)
- Use Desktop Publisher and organize/write **THE OUTLOOK** (8-12 page newsletter done Sept-Jun)

Family Nights

....Suzanne Stonaker & Kathy Kelley

Family Nights

.....familynights@umcredbank.org



Calling all Families! September is here and it's time for us to start planning some amazing Family Nights! We need you to help us plan lots of great events, both large and small. We invite you to join us for a brief meeting after services on Sunday, September 15th. We will meet in Room 114 at 12:30. We can't wait to see you there!