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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."

June 2019

Dear Church Family,

For nearly 50 years, our denomination has been fighting over human sexuality and whether individuals in the LGBTQ community should be permitted to be ordained in the United Methodist Church and whether UMC clergy are allowed to preside at same gender wedding ceremonies. This past year has been particularly tumultuous with a Special General Conference session held in February, the result of which doubled down on a traditionalist and exclusionary view – one that is held in many of our conservative churches and cultures throughout the global denomination.

The pushback to this General Conference decision has been profound. People who have never before taken a stand against the discrimination of our LGBTQ siblings are joining in this justice movement for full inclusion. People are saying that they cannot stay in a denomination that says discrimination is ok for any segment of the population. We have reached a breaking point. If the Special Session of General Conference taught us anything, it was that it is time to go our separate ways, and bless one another for future ministry in separate Methodist expressions.

The biggest questions that need to be answered now, as we decide our way forward, are what values, structures, and policies do we keep as we go about forming our future denomination. What are the "must haves" and what are the things we "can't abide by." This affords us the time and space to think critically about the theology that drives our ministry and mission, and ensure that our polity (our rules and organizational structure) is built around our beliefs... not the other way around. This work takes time – and is already underway as various groups are meeting to bring like minds together around the table. I have hope and deep faith that the new organizational structures that are birthed from this process will reflect the heart of Jesus and the heart of our denominational founder, John Wesley. Both taught an outwardly focused faith that is not concerned solely for the individual's faithfulness and upholding of ancient laws, but for social holiness and living out God's love by serving the last, least, and lost.

As we await the formation of a new Methodist expression, one that embraces, equips, celebrates, and empowers all, I encourage you not to lose faith. At the UMC of Red Bank, we ALREADY live as this kind of church! May God continue to bless us in our ministry and outreach to ALL and guide us into a future denomination that we can be proud of claiming as our own!

Rev. Jessica B. Naulty

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Upcoming Worship Schedule

June 2nd – Regular 8:15, 9:30, and 11:00 service schedule

June 9th – Single service at 9:30 for Confirmation and Pentecost Celebration

June 16th – Two Services only at 9:30 and 11:00 – Father's Day

Scholastic Assistance Scholarship Sunday at 9:30 service

June 23rd and 30th – Regular 8:15, 9:30, and 11:00 service schedule



July 7th – Sept 1st – Summer Worship Schedule – Two services only

9:30 Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary11:00 Village – Contemporary Conversational Worship in the Fellowship Hall

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. Hot dogs, hamburgers and grilling provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share. Donations are welcome to cover the cost of the grilling supplies.

Return to regular worship schedule on September 15th.

God Squad

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As God Squad wraps up our year together we would like to thank everyone who has supported us and our various fundraisers. We look forward to Move Up Night where we welcome next year's incoming freshmen and have a scavenger hunt throughout town. Our last night together will be our annual picnic. We leave on our mission trip the first weekend in July. We ask for your prayers as we travel, work, and spread UMCRB's love on our trip. Happy Summer!!!

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 Apy Family on the death of Helen Apy.

Congratulations

Many congratulations to Janie Schildge!! First, at the Family Promise of Monmouth County Gala she was named *Volunteer of the Year* for her work with CROP, Family Promise, and all she does to help the Monmouth county community. The next day AAUW (American Association of Women) honored her for her work with CROP, League of Woman Voters, work with environmental groups and Planned Parenthood. At that event the Monmouth County Board of Freeholders declared May 2, 2019 Janie Schildge Day!

Many congratulations to John Walradt on being honored by the United Methodists of Greater New Jersey for his work for the Red Bank Preschool move to our church school wing, Hospitality Ministry and the UMCRB!!

Many congratulations to Peg Rizzo for being celebrated at Lunch Break as an Iconic Influencer!

We had many, many folks working on the <u>Parsonage garage</u>. The siding and windows were repaired, the entire outside was scrapped and prepped for, and then finally the entire outside siding (T1-11) was stained with solid-based stain - looks like paint - and it looks fantastic! A thank you to: Ken Blake, Mia and Carol Vorhees, Kathy Kelley, Dave Baughman, Rev Jess Naulty, and Bobbie Ridgley.

Inside the church work was also accomplished: Room 202 (Christina Zito's old office) had some refurbishment - new ceiling tiles, repaired bulletin board; the "Antique Bathroom" had the sink faucet filter cleaned/cleared; and some holes in church walls were repaired.

Outside the church work accomplished: The outdoor lighting (lights-up the face of church) had many lights repaired or replaced. A special thanks to Michael McGroary. The Hudson Street church sign was prepped and painted and now looks superb. Thank you, Barbara Roguski! Our weekend Sexton, Tom Sutton, pitched-in and prepped the bilco doors on our rental property at 257 Broad Street. It allowed us get them primed. Also, a big thanks to the weeding and mulching crews, George Schildge and Gary Babler, during this weekend, but many others have been helping with mowing, trimming, weeding and caring for the church lawn and gardening. The church lawnscape (grass, hedges, flower beds, etc) is looking amazingly well, thanks to all of them.

Your coordinators/helpers, Jim Mellon and Barbara Valenti wish to express to all of you volunteers, a sincere "Thank You!!!" It takes a Village!

A Notice of Joy and a Request for More Volunteers

...Jim Mellon

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Significant announcements!!!

First, Red Bank Pre-K (RB PreK) has agreed to continue to use the church building for the next school year! Really important event. We will continue with our relationship with the borough school and also continue to receive significant income into our general budget. Yeah!

Secondly, we need to remove the remaining carpeting in the entire 2nd floor of the Education Wing - it is a contract requirement. Many might remember removing the carpet in Room 206 during last summer, as we got ready to host RB PreK. We need volunteers to help with this labor intensive effort!

Details are:

What: Cut-up and remove all carpeting in Room 205, and in the 2nd floor hallway from Rooms 206

to 212. Dispose of carpet. Remove all adhesive from floor. Repair tile damage

When: Saturday (6/22/19), from 8:30 until done

Where: 2nd floor, Ed Wing

Sign-Up: Sign-up Sheet in Fellowship Hall

Men's Fellowship

...Jim Mellon

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Calling all Men! Our summer Men's Fellowship gatherings will occur on the following Saturdays: June 1st, July 6th, August 3rd, and September 7th. It is always from 8 to 9:30 AM in Room 114. There is always coffee. Bring some food and stories to share.

Come to one meeting, or come to all of them. We join together to talk about what is happening in our lives, in the church, and in our world. It is a time of sharing, but it is also a chance to share a meal with your fellow church members and friends. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you!

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Church Flowers

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 I your opportunity to contribute to the beautification of our church by donating flowers throughout the year. You may designate that you are placing flowers in memory, in honor of, in 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 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.

We would like to give a gift of
arrangement(s) @ \$45.00 (per arrangement on any Sunday)
design or donate a store bought floral arrangement (any Sunday - no check needed).
Please fill out the form below and return it with your check which may be placed in the offering plate of the mail slot in Sheila's office door.
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..Linda Babler

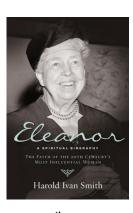
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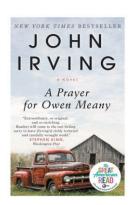
United Methodist Women 150 Years in Mission



June 4th – Susanna Circle meeting – Picnic @ Cyndi Skove's at home 53 Jamestown Drive, Eatontown Bring a dish to share – please RSVP to LSBABLER@AOL.COM.

June 6th – UMW General Meeting -6:30-8:30 pm in Room 114 - An evening of fellowship. If you like strawberry shortcake come join us. We will be completing 6 centerpieces to be used for table decorations during repasses. It will add some color to Fellowship Hall and give the hall a more pleasant look for the families. We also hope to share some of our favorite devotions. If you have a favorite devotion bring it to share with the others.





Book Club - Meets the 4th Saturday of the month at 1pm in the Library. Our Book for June 22nd is "Eleanor: A Spiritual Biography" by Harold Ivan Smith. Our September 28th read is "A Prayer for Owen Meany" by John Irving. There are no Book Club meetings during the summer.



UMW – Fair Haven Community Garden Plots - Garden workers are needed to help clean the plots, plant the plants, and pick the produce. Half of all produce goes to Lunch Break clients and the other half goes to the congregation on Sunday mornings. If you would like to help, please contact Cyndi Skove for more information.

some Wednesday nights and other times. You can join our GREEN TEAM to oversee this project and help out. **ALL MATERIALS MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY AND FREE OF FOOD RESIDUE! THANK YOU! WE NEED YOUR IMPUT TO MAKE THIS WORK!**

Summer Homework – start collecting now! Official Start of Trex Challenge – 500 pounds of clean single use plastic – Sunday, September 1^{st.} Posters and Flyers will be available to guide you and we encourage each family to challenge each other to collect it. We will have a lot less trash in our homes and it will be a good challenge. Ask your relatives and friends to join in.

Janie Schildge and Barbara Valenti will help you with any questions, and concerns.

RECYCLE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS TO HELP PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT



grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, ziplock & other re-sealable bags, produce bags, bubble wrap, salt bags, and cereal bags

All materials must be clean, dry and free of food residue.

Outreach and Habitat for Humanity

....Kathy Hackler

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Our ongoing mission story of of Tanzania – Janie Schildge and Carol Voorhees travelled to Conference on May 20th with a huge bag of dresses made by our Friends in Tanzania at the Church Center Project in Dar es Salaam. All the dresses and the last beaded bag were SOLD – and together with some dresses and a shirt from Vincent UMC, we raised \$400 for Kabaka's Womens' Sewing project at the Center. It was such an exciting day and the dresses were a HUGE HIT! Now we need to order more, and figure out how to transport these works of art back to the US. Is anyone taking a trip to East Africa this summer? We could use your help!

Thank you for your support of this project. *Miracles Everywhere* is our Conference Mission and all UMC congregations are asked to be a part of this mission.

HABITAT of Monmouth County's Women Build took place over three days in May, building a home for a Veteran and his family in Keansburg. Carol Voorhees and Janie Schildge worked on May 16th on a beautiful day, with some really wonderful folks who guided and instructed us and a lot was accomplished. Thanks for your support of this work in needed housing here in Monmouth County.

Church-wide Clean-up

....lim Mellono

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Thank You!!! Thank You!!! Thank You!!!

The church-wide work day, Saturday, 5/21/19, was a huge success. That success was due to the many volunteers/helpers. Let me name a few of the projects and the people.

Family Nights

....Suzanne StonakerKathy Kelley

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Thank you to everyone who came out and put on their thinking caps for our *Family Trivia Night*! We had lots of fun, lots of laughs, and even got to learn a few new things! Thanks, also, to all who donated snacks - everything was delicious.

Our next Family activity will be on **Saturday**, **June 8th**. Join us for a **Family Nature Hike and Picnic in Huber Woods Park**, **Middletown**. This is an event for families with children of all ages. We'll meet in the main parking lot at 10am and go on an easy hike on the Nature Loop. At 11am there will be a live animal presentation with a park naturalist that's sure to enthrall children and adults alike! Be sure to bring a picnic lunch as we round out an adventurous day for all! Look for a sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, email <u>FamilyNights@umcredbank.org</u> or contact George Schildge at 732-741-0528.

Green Team

....Janie Schildge

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What's Up With Green Action (Recycling and More) Here at UMCRB?

Our Green Fair on April 7th featured youth projects, and also concerns about plastics and how we can use other products. If you ordered red maple seedlings from the RBR Environmental Club, they were delivered to church on May 26th. Thanks go out to Emily Sullivan and Grace Heimann-Davidson for that project. Our young folks are very aware of pesticides in our air and soil and plastic waste in our water and everywhere! We are so happy that they understand the importance of taking care of our earth and that they want to make it a healthier place for all species. Let's all work a bit harder on refusing plastics, reusing plastics, and recycling plastics. This Summer we will continue our recycling of items in the bins in the back hall.

PLEASE do not bring Styrofoam, plastic straws, and other single use plastics into the church building. We are trying very hard to live without them. THANK YOU for helping us. We have filled a huge container that Barb Valenti purchased and paid for its return to Terracycle. Thank you Barb! There will be a Styrofoam recycle trip up to Union County in early July. Please bring in only clean, white, and no food containers – **BEFORE JUNE 23rd**, and we will make the trip to recycle.

Two young students from Shrewsbury Boro School Council came to our Fair and demonstrated their project with Trex Company, where they provided containers and posters and information to collect single use plastics. It was a six-month challenge to collect 500 pounds of plastic liners and covers and bags, to be made into Trex composite boards, that are used for decking and benches and more. We don't know if they made their goal, but they trained us what to collect and how to pack it, and deliver to participating grocery stores to be shipped to TREX. We would like to have our church family take on this as a **Trex Recycle Challenge**. Please start saving the following items at home this summer so we can get a head start on our project!

Goal of Trex project – KICK-OFF TREX CHALLENGE – June 2019 through February 2020. If we have met the goal of 500 pounds, then we are able to get a Trex bench! Wouldn't that be a great thing to have out in the playground at church? We think so and are willing to work on this but we need your help! We invite you to start collecting clean plastic single use plastic bags - grocery bags, bread bags, case overwrap, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, ice bags, wood pellet bags, ziplock and other re-sealable bags, produce bags, bubble wrap, salt bags, and cereal liners!! We will give out a flyer listing all items, and will have a big box to put them in at church. We have invited Club 77 and some friends to be our sorting partners, and to monitor the items to make sure they are ok to recycle. This could be done on



UMW prepares a hot breakfast for the clients of **Lunch Break** on June 1st. If you would like to help cook, serve and clean up please let Linda Babler know, lsbabler@aol.com . There are 2 shifts, the first is 8:30 – 10:30 am and the second is 10 am– 12 pm. We still need a couple more volunteers. All hands are a help!! Also, we will be providing breakfast on August 3rd, mark your calendars!!

Prayer Shawl will be meeting on June 15th and 22nd; July 20th and 27th; and August 17th and 24th 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 June 17th and August 19th at 1 pm in the Library. No meeting in July – enjoy the summer.

UMW Bazaar is October 12 and 13 — Mark your calendars and plan to attend! Some information you need to know:

- Baskets will be on display the month of September you can work on them all summer!
- Book sale will be held at the same time as the Bazaar
- All three holidays Halloween, Thanksgiving (fall) and Christmas will be celebrated.
- If you have items for the Bazaar, e.g., good glass, jewelry, or items you think will sell, hold onto them as we will collect them in September.

Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:

July 13 - cook for the Center 10 am

July 12 – 14 Mission U – Georgian Court Universit, Lakewood

July 20 - Mission U One day - Korean UMC

August 3 - Serve breakfast at Lunch Break 8:30 am- 12 noon

September 14 - Northern Shore District UMW - Fall Prayer Breakfast 9 am - 12 noon

September 16 - UMW mission team meeting 1pm

September 21 - Ladies Morning Out – 9 – 12 noon

September 25th Over 55 Luncheon 12 noon

The UMW Craft Group will meet on June 11 and June 25 in the Library Lounge area from 11 am to 2 pm to make greeting cards. Craft Group will continue to meet during July and August on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays (July 9 and 23; August 13 and 27). Come to one or more sessions for some creative fun and fellowship. Stop by the card table in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings. We have been preparing a nice selection of Father's Day and Graduation cards. Card sales help support our UMW Missions.

Learning Tree

....Kara Crespo

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Learning Tree has finished another fun and exciting school year! We are looking forward to starting up the 2019/2020 school year in September!

We still have spots available in many of our classes, so if you are looking for a preschool program or know someone that is, please come and check us out! We do schedule tours throughout the summer.

We hope everyone has a fun, safe, and enjoyable summer!

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

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

....Claing Dawson

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All voyagers are invited on an encounter to experience God's limitless love! Let's explore where God's power can take us! We will experience exciting stories from the Bible and discover ways to serve God and others.

Everyone 4 years old by August 5th through going into 6th grade in September is invited to go beyond with Faith, Boldness, Kindness, Thankfulness and Hope.

Join us August 5-9 from 9 am to 12:30 pm. Registration forms are available on the counter at the back entrance. Registration CLOSES July 1st or as soon as the Voyage is full. The cost is \$25.00 per voyager. If your family is unable to pay, please see or call Commander Dawson (732-747-0446, extension 11). Donations to help defray the rising costs of VBS are greatly appreciated!

Don't forget our Closing Party is Friday, August 9 at 6:30 pm SHARP!!

H.U.B.O.B

....Marion Kleiner

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WHERE ARE YOU?

HUBOB needs you! Every week you are shopping for food, clothing, gifts, movie tickets, or articles at the pharmacy. Maybe you are having dinner out or just grabbing coffee on the road. HUBOB wants to travel with you – in your pocket or in your wallet. We have gift cards to cover almost every item on your list. Stop by in Fellowship Hall on Sunday morning and pick up a card (or two). Every purchase helps the church budget – and doesn't cost you anything. <u>THAT</u> is a winning idea. For more information, call 732-918-9587.

REMEMBER: IT IS ALWAYS TIME TO HUBOB!

Music Opportunity

.... Evan Courtney

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The Sanctuary Choir is inviting you to join them on the last Sunday of every month! If you are someone who enjoys singing in choirs, but doesn't have time to commit to every week, come join us in the choir loft at 8:30 am on the last Sunday of each month to sing! The songs will be easy and you will have lots of help from regular choir members. For adults 18 to 108!

HEALTH AND WHOLENESS OPPORTUNITIES

BALANCE AND STRENGTH TRAINING - <u>Join</u> 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 Lawn Care

.....Barb Valenti

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Almost every Friday from 1:00-4:00 pm and almost every Saturday from 8:00 am -noon there will be mowing, edging, blowing, weeding, etc. The machines and tools are provided (but bring your favorite tool). **We need volunteers!!** This saves the church an enormous amount of money (good exercise, youth get volunteer hours and hilarious bonding opportunity). Please pick a day or text if can come. I love spontaneity but sometimes the lawn care is canceled due to rain or just doesn't need to be done. Please contact Barb Valenti (732) 614-4087 (text or call) or email barb.mellenti@gmail.com. THANKS!