



**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."**

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**February 2019**

Dear Church Family,

This February is a big month in the life of our denomination. On February 23-26, 2019, a special session of the UMC General Conference will be held in St Louis, gathering delegates from all around the world as they deliberate and vote on our denominational stance on human sexuality. The outcome of this session could result in significant change to the structure of the UMC.

The session will consider three plans for "A Way Forward" to allow the church to deal constructively with differing views on human sexuality within the church while remaining unified as a global church. The Council of Bishops, which commissioned the report containing the proposed plans, is recommending adoption of the "One Church" plan, which would give local congregations and clergy control over whether or not to perform same-sex marriages, and would give annual conferences and their Boards of Ordained Ministry control over whether ordination candidates in committed same-sex relationships can be considered for ordination or allowed to continue to serve in ministry. These proposed plans will be discussed at great length, and most likely amended along the way, so there is no real way to predict what the end result of this Special General Conference Session will be.

We invite you all to stay informed, and please be in prayer for the bishops and delegates that represent us and vote on our behalf. United Methodist News will report from on-site during the conference and update news both [online](#) and in its [Daily and Weekly Digest e-newsletters](#), which we will provide links for through the eBlast. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Jess, or Carol Rigler, our Lay Delegate to Annual Conference.

On Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10 am, everyone is invited to attend the UMW General Meeting where we will be sharing a presentation on the Special Session of the General Conference, and as best we can, explaining the implications it has for us as a local church. We hope you will join us for this informational session, and feel free to bring any questions you might have.

May God grant us grace and peace in the month ahead.

*Pastor Jess*

Rev. Jessica B. Naulty  
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*Carol*

Carol Rigler  
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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 is 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.

Please fill out the form below and return it with your check which may be placed in the offering plate or dropped in the mail slot in Sheila's office door.

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I/We would like to give a gift of

\_\_\_\_\_ arrangement(s) @\$45.00 (per arrangement on any Sunday)

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_ design or donate a store bought floral arrangement. (No check needed for this).

In honor of:

In memory of:

In celebration of:

Given by:

Attached is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_

# United Methodist Women – UMW

..Linda Babler  
732-741-1793, [lsbabler@aol.com](mailto:lsbabler@aol.com)

**Book Club** - Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month at 1pm in the Library. Our Book for February 23<sup>rd</sup> is "Siddhartha" by Hermann Hesse.

UMW prepares a hot breakfast for the clients of Lunch Break on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you would like to help cook, serve and clean up, please let Linda Babler know - [lsbabler@aol.com](mailto:lsbabler@aol.com). There are 2 shifts, the first is 8:30 am – 10:30 am and the second is 10 am – 12noon. All hands are a help!!

**Mark Your Calendars:** Susanna Circle will be meeting at the church in the Lounge on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. All ladies are invited to attend - just come join us. Watch for more information to follow.

**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 Sheila's office.

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. We now are providing baby, preemie caps for Monmouth Medical. Our next dedication will be in May, lots of time to finish up a prayer shawl. If you would like to be part of this ministry contact Linda Babler. We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at 10 am, in the Lounge.

**Reminder:** Mission Team Meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup>, at 1pm in the Library.

**Craft Group** has beautiful Valentine Cards available on Sunday mornings in Fellowship Hall, and later in February will begin featuring St. Patrick's Day Cards. We also have our regular selection of cards for Get Well, Birthday, Sympathy, Thank You, and other categories. Thank you for supporting our UMW missions by purchasing our handmade cards!

Craft Group will be meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays (February 12 and 26) in the Library Lounge area from 11 am to 2 pm to create new cards. Come join us!

### Mark your calendars for these dates:

Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 10 am – 12 pm General Meeting – Speakers on the upcoming Special General Conference

March 6<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon - Ash Wednesday Service – Squire Chapel – followed by luncheon in room 114

Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup> between services – selling left over soup from Ash Wednesday.



**May you keep your neighbors in your heart.**

## H.U.B.O.B

...Marion Kleiner  
732-918-9587; [marion.kleiner@gmail.com](mailto:marion.kleiner@gmail.com)

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!



It's HUBOB chili time!!

Stop by in Fellowship Hall on Sunday morning, February 3<sup>rd</sup> to pick up your chili and cornbread so you are ready for the game. You'll have 16 ounces of the best chili in Monmouth County for just \$10. And think about grabbing a few more to put in the freezer for those cold winter nights when you want a delicious quick meal for the family. Let's kick off 2019 by remembering to HUBOB – HELP US BALANCE OUR BUDGET! Every order will help to pay the bills.

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## Stewardship

...George Schildge  
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We have wrapped-up the 2019 Stewardship Drive on January 24, 2019.

The Stewardship team offers a special "Thank You" to all who have made their pledge and shown their willingness to financial support our church.

Numbers always say so much, so here they are: 91 pledged commitments, totaling \$276,950 or 92% of our goal (\$300,000).

We are grateful to everyone who pledged. We are also grateful that all (100%) of our Church Council Lay Members have pledged. Still, if you haven't sent in an Estimate of Giving card, please consider doing so now. Participation is important, as it shows a commitment to the life of your church. Estimate of Giving cards may be found in the Narthex racks or can be received from the church office.

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## Children's Ministries

...Elaine Dawson  
732-747-0446, ext 11, [ed45yrs@aol.com](mailto:ed45yrs@aol.com)

**Sunday school** - We need two people to volunteer to be subs for Sunday school immediately. We have lost one of our teachers to work commitments, so we will be spreading our teaching staff very thin. Please call Elaine Dawson at 732-747-0446 ext 11, if you can teach either K-2 or 3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> when needed. Thank you.

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## Learning Tree

.....Kara Crespo  
[learningtreepreschoolredbank@gmail.com](mailto:learningtreepreschoolredbank@gmail.com)

February is a month filled with love at Learning Tree. We will be celebrating Valentine's Day with our friends! We will also be continuing our *Letter of the Week* curriculum. Each day is a fun and busy day in all of our classrooms!

We have started our registration process for the 2019/2020 school year. If you know anyone looking for a preschool program, please let them know about Learning Tree. Tours can be setup anytime during the week.



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

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## Available Rental Space

.....Barb Valenti  
732-614-4087; [barb.mellenti@gmail.com](mailto:barb.mellenti@gmail.com)

If you know of anyone who is interested in renting a two car garage from the church (about 500 square feet), contact Dave Becker at [becker73@comcast.net](mailto:becker73@comcast.net).

The church has a 225 sq. ft. furnished office (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) with view out on Broad Street for rent as of February 1, 2019. Please contact Shawn McCann [ssmccann66@verizon.net](mailto:ssmccann66@verizon.net). This needs to be a non-profit NOT a commercial rental.

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## 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.

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# God Squad

....Greg Jansky  
[gjansky@gmail.com](mailto:gjansky@gmail.com)

....Jim Stonaker  
[Jimbo.stonaker@gmail.com](mailto:Jimbo.stonaker@gmail.com)

....Suzanne Dice  
[zannedice@aol.com](mailto:zannedice@aol.com)

We started off the new year together with Alumni Night! We were blessed to have 8 of our college students spend the evening with us and answer questions about college life.

We are preparing for our annual **Spaghetti Dinner** taking place on **February 9<sup>th</sup>**. Tickets can be bought on the church website or on Sundays between services. And don't forget to bring items in for our clothing drive!

We also spent some time working in the Backpack Crew pantry organizing and shelving food!



## Music Opportunity

....Evan Courtney  
[courtney.evan@gmail.com](mailto:courtney.evan@gmail.com)

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!

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## Backpack Crew

....Suzanne Dice  
[zannedice@aol.com](mailto:zannedice@aol.com)



## Family Night

....Suzanne Stonaker  
...Kathy Kelley

Our latest *Family Night* event was RAWRing fun! We watched *The Good Dinosaur*, ate lots of popcorn and dinosaur-shaped chicken nuggets, had a Dino Dig and more! Thank you to everyone who helped.

Our next event is scheduled for early March and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We are planning a Family Fun Festival to include various stations. Stations may include a craft, carnival game, cookie decorating, science experiment - anything! But **WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!** We need volunteers to help plan, donate supplies, and/or be in charge of a station. Our Family Nights are a great way for the congregation to get together to share laughs and fellowship, so won't you please help us keep the fun going? If you can help or would like more information, please email Suzanne at [familynights@emcredbank.org](mailto:familynights@emcredbank.org). We can't wait to hear from you! Other upcoming events will include Easter Egg decorating and another enormously fun Trivia & Game Night. Be sure to look out for more information about those events as well.

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# Church Family News

....Chelsea Foster  
732-737-4382, [cfoster\\_01@arcadia.edu](mailto:cfoster_01@arcadia.edu)

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](mailto:cfoster_01@arcadia.edu) or email to [sleavitt@umcredbank.org](mailto: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.

## The Congregation sends sincere condolences to:

The family of Bob Hook who passed away on January 4<sup>th</sup>. Notes may be sent to son David Hook, 101 Fulton Street, Keyport, NJ 07735.

The family of Frank Moran who passed away on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

The family of Frank Harwood, husband of Barbara, who passed away on January 13<sup>th</sup>. Notes may be sent to Barbara at 244 Rutledge Drive, Red Bank, NJ 07701.

## 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](mailto:sleavitt@umcredbank.org). Remember that hospitals no longer contact clergy when members are hospitalized.

Please check our website [www.umcredbank.org](http://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 and Church Secretary  
Bob Shindel and Tom Sutton, Sextons  
Rev. David G. Henritzy, Retired Pastor Emeritus

## Worship Services

8:15 am Communion Service  
9:30 am Traditional Service  
9:30 am and 11 am Adult Education  
9:30 am Sunday School  
11:00 am The Village Progressive Service  
11:00 am Children's Church

Church Office Hours  
Monday through Thursday 8:30 am-3:30 pm  
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