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Center Brunswick United Methodist Church

Jottings from Joy

"Who among you fears the LORD? Who listens to the voice of his servant, who walks in darkness and has no light? They will trust in the LORD's name and rely upon their God." Isaiah 50:10

"Trust the Process" has become a catchphrase in sports. It means sticking to a long-term plan even in the face of bad short-term outcomes. ... Trust the Process means sticking to a well-grounded methodology to accomplish a long-term goal.

Isn't this our life as a church? We know that God is in our church, works through us and out to others! The most unlikely place for growth is perhaps the ones we would least expect to be able to spread the word! Yet, our growth is coming from our most aged Population! Our gathering times at Diamond Ridge has grown to a dozen like the disciples numbered! A good number will be coming to church, as able! The bus is back!

What an example they set! Each one invites someone, and they make sure those who are interested come! How they are affirming and share with each other is fantastic! They share their stories of struggle and triumph openly and know it helps them all! They freely share about loving to love and be loved, no matter how old that never changes!

An inspiration for sure! Our soul life and living never stops. Though our body ages, our minds slip, and we become physically immobile or challenged, our spirits are with God. Therefore, like "Ever ready batteries" we never stop our love from overflowing!

So too, we can trust our church is ever alive and well in spirit no matter what! Keep on sharing your souls, your love and keep that open to those not among us and be inviting! Trust God is in the process!

Peace and Love, Pastor Joy

Welcome to the World - Little Ones



Congrats Jonathan & Leah
Brynley Jacqueline Hayner
Born: September 3
Weight: 7.5 lbs.
Length: 22 inches



Congrats Sam & Morgan
Anthony James Burden
Born: August 28
Weight: 8 lbs. 9 oz.
Length: 20.5 inches





Dear Parents, and Grandparents of 6th graders and up who are not confirmed!

In January 2019, we will be starting a confirmation class for all youth in 6th grade and up who have not already been confirmed! However, we need to hear from you about:

- Your youth and their interest
- Your ability to assist with adult attendance needs
- Time frames that will not strain the family together times!

Therefore, it would be good to have the parents, grandparents, and/ or youth gather to discuss a plan forward. I seek to meet with you in October before Holiday hustle and bustle! Looking at Monday, October 15th or 22nd from 6:30pm to 7:30pm, at the parsonage (behind the church to the left off the parking lot). This time will overlap with the 2 youth who are already doing confirmation class. This will give you a chance to find out from them and their parents about what happens during confirmation process. (Although, they did independent study in the summer which we will not do) Due to the possible numbers we could have, I will need to have another adult with me at the sessions so would seek out a parent/ grandparent (different each time) to be present as assistant. We will also, need drivers for various field trips, missions and other places of worship. That needs to be set up ahead!

It is exciting to have a group of youth that will grow together in their faith and journey closer to knowing their church, their faith and each other! Please let me know your attendance preference (15th or 22nd) either by phone: 5186217313, text 8025789328 or email joylow69@gmail.com!

Thanks Pastor Joy



The Walk to Emmaus - A Journey with Christ

While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and walked with them. - Luke 24:15

October 11-14, 2018

Men's Walk #136, UMC
227 Main St, Hudson Falls, NY
6 pm Thurs - 6pm Sun

The walk to Emmaus is an experience of Christian spiritual renewal and formation that begins with a three-day short course in Christianity. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way as God's grace and love is revealed to you through other believers.

The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with the prayerful discernment and invitation from a sponsor. After one accepts this invitation they complete an application. The Emmaus leaders prayerfully consider each applicant and in God's time, the person is invited to attend a three-day experience of New Testament Christianity as a lifestyle.

Following the three-day experience, participants are joined in small groups to support each other in their ongoing walk with Christ.

Through the formational process of accountable discipleship in small groups and participation in the Emmaus community, each participant's individual gifts and servant-leadership skills are developed for use in the local church and its mission. Participants are encouraged to find ways to live out their individual call to discipleship in their home, church, and community.

The objective of Emmaus is to inspire, challenge, and equip the local church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work. Emmaus lifts up a way for our grace-filled lives to be lived and shared with others.



Support the Youth Program

A garbage bucket is located in the entrance way for redemption cans, and plastic and glass bottles.

This is for the youth program and will save you a trip.

Thanks for your generosity!



Beyond Our Church

New Methodist Church Formally Launched in Cambodia By Elliott Wright*

The Methodist Church of Cambodia officially came into being in early September at a conference in Phnom Penh. It has 140 congregations, 11 districts, 132 clergypersons, 3,171 full members and average Sunday worship attendance of 6,828.

“This new church is the culmination of many years of collaborative work among five mission agencies, their missionaries and the work of indigenous leaders,” said Bishop Larry M. Goodpaster (retired), the United Methodist bishop assigned to the Cambodia Mission. He represented the denomination at the September 4-7 conference.

South Carolina ready to respond after Florence

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The worst is yet to come. While the downgraded storm didn’t do as much tree and wind damage in South Carolina as many had feared, the deluge of water continues to cause flooding. Jessica Brodie has an update on how disaster response leaders are preparing for when roads are passable.

What people can do now?

South Carolina Resident Bishop L. Jonathan Holston said while people might be uncertain, we should have hope.

“There is tremendous evidence of God’s faithfulness in our midst,” Holston said, urging South Carolina United Methodists to pray for the families impacted by this disaster; pray that communities will come together in the recovery process; give generously of compassion and financial resources; and consider being trained and volunteering for recovery efforts.

The conference is asking all congregations in the UMC to be praying for those affected, both in South Carolina and in North Carolina. “As bad as we have it in South Carolina, North Carolina has it worse,” Brodie said.

Congregations are also invited to give financially to the UMC disaster effort. “Right now, money can do much good,” Brodie said. “It’s good to have financial resources in place to purchase the supplies we need rather than donation of materials.” The conference is not calling for churches to assemble more health kits and flood buckets, as the Carolinas currently have more than enough courtesy of the United Methodist Committee on Relief. If people want to give specifically to South Carolina response efforts, they should donate to UMCSC Disaster Response (mail a check payable to South Carolina Conference of the UMC, 4908 Colonial Drive, Columbia, SC 29203, or donate online at www.umcsc.org/data/disasterresponsedonation.php).

To donate to anyone affected in the storm, donate to UMCOR U.S. Disaster Response at www.umcor.org. Also, United Methodists are urged to get trained to be part of the ERT effort; all skill levels are welcome. Two Early Response Team trainings are coming up (Sept. 22 in Charleston and Oct. 6 in Lexington), and more are being scheduled. Register at www.umcsc.org/data/ertregistration.php. Also, if you need help, call the UMCSC’s centralized Crisis Assistance Hotline: 800-451-1954. **OR There are envelopes in our pews at CENTER BRUNSWICK UMC Label Storm Florence! And we will make sure it gets to the needs through the UMCORE!**



Update Distribution of the Monthly

Starting next month, you will be receiving the CBUMC newsletter every other month. This will cut down on the cost of postage and printing. If you are receiving the newsletter by mail and would like to receive it by email, please contact Penny Martiniano via email at martiniano110407@gmail.com

Have you Heard the Organ Chimes?

A big thank you to Dianna Parisi, our church organist, for bringing back the organ chimes. The chimes can be heard for miles around from the bell tower prior to the start of our Sunday morning service. Many people in our community have said what a beautiful sound it is to hear the CBUMC chimes again on Sunday morning.





To Our Center Brunswick United Methodist Angels

Thank you for your generosity in donating to the ANGEL GIVING BOX for Nicole Dandeneau Bulson.

“Niki” (our goddaughter) is a young mom with two children, ages 11 and 15. She and her husband live in Petersburg, NY. Niki has been diagnosed with Stage IV neuroendocrine cancer that is considered rare and aggressive with very limited treatment options.

To help with their medical expenses, a fundraiser was held on September 22nd at Pittstown Volunteer Emergency Corps and was a great success, with over \$10,000 being raised!! Once again, thank you for your generosity and God Bless!

We leave you with this thought:

“Give of yourself as the angels did and wonderful things will come to you.”

Sincerely,

Lorraine and Jerry Looney



Finance Committee

The finance committee has been busy working on the 2019 budget for the church operating and program expenses, education building and parsonage operating costs, outreach, pastoral support and salaries. The budget will be presented to the Administrative Council on October 11. Please plan to attend.

Trustee Committee

The Trustees are looking for volunteers to shovel the walkways of the entrances to the Church, Education Building and Parsonage this winter. The walkways need to be cleared for the many events that occur during the week as well as before Sunday morning services.

Please call Jim Burden @518-376-9153 if you are interested.



Swiss Steak Supper - Thank You!

Thank you to all who helped in preparation of the Swiss Steak Supper - from the organization and groceries and supplies shopping weeks before, the preparation the week of the supper and finally the day of the supper. We are happy to announce that netted \$900 for the benefit of the church. Our patrons were very complimentary and asking about the next one. Now that the word has gotten out, 'people are talking', and we look forward to the next Spring of 2019 Swiss Steak Supper.

Jill Walton & Shelia Hyde, *Swiss Steak Supper Co-chairpersons*

We could not do it without every single person that helps, big or small.

We appreciate all of you!

We are truly blessed to be part of the Center Brunswick United Methodist Church family.

October 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 *	3	4	5	6
7 *	8 *	9 ◆ *	10	11 ◆	12	13 ◆
14 *	15 ***	16 ◆ *	17	18	19 *	20
21 **	22 ***	23 *	24	25	26 *	27
28 **	29	30 *	31			

* Weekly Activities

Monday - 7:00 pm - Bell Choir

* 15th - 22nd

Monday - 6:30 pm - January Confirmation Class Parents

* 15th - 22nd (*Meet at Parsonage*)

Monday - 7:00 pm - Confirmation Present Class

* 8th - 15th - 22nd (*Meet at Parsonage*)

Tuesday - 7:00 pm - Choir

* 2nd - 9th - 23rd - 30th

Friday - 6:30 - 8:30 pm - Highlight Acting Troupe

* 19th - 26th

Sunday - 9:30 am - Worship

* 7th - World Communion Sunday

* 14th - Pledge Sunday

* 21st - Laity Sunday - (*Deadline for Charge Conf. reports to be to Joy*)

* 28th - Children's Sunday - *Trunk or Treat*

Sunday - 3:00 - 5:00 pm - Highlight Acting Troupe

* 21st, 28th

◆ Meetings & Programs

◆ **9th - Tuesday - 1:00 pm** - Imagine No Racism - at Newtonville UMC
6:00 pm - SPPRC meets with DS Rev. Rich Wehing

◆ **11th - Thursday - 6:30 pm** - Finance Mtg. followed by Admin. Mtg.

◆ **13th - Saturday - 2:30 pm** - Rebekah's - Fellowship Hall

◆ **16th - Tuesday - 2:30 pm** - Nominations/Lay Leadership Team

October Birthdays

03 - Chuck Rebhun
 07 - Doug Eddy
 07 - Jason Hill
 07 - Sheila Hyde
 10 - Dillon Flynn
 11 - Ed Godfrey
 12 - Marcia Smith
 14 - Chris Goyette
 15 - Paul Martiniano
 16 - Kathleen Brown
 20 - Roger Schott
 22 - Colton Hill
 26 - Charles Johnson
 30 - Hailey Goyette

October Anniversary

18 - Gary & Kelly Conn

Pledge Sunday - October 14

Hopefully you have received a letter in the mail from the finance committee along with a 2019 pledge card for you to make your pledge. Please bring your pledge card to Church on the 14th and join us for brunch after the service. CBUMC counts on the commitments of its congregation.

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The World is Hugged By The Faithful Arms of a Volunteer

Looking to Lend a Helping Hand?

Scripture Readers
Greeters
Ushers

Contact Pastor Joy
for further information

If you are feeling down — unsure — unhappy — or just lost
Go Volunteer!

I promise you—the best feeling in the universe is
helping someone in need.

I believe that the quality of your life is solely
determined on the quality of your contribution to others.

When you take the time to stop thinking of yourself,
and start working to improve the life of someone else,
God steps in and improves yours.

Unsure of how to begin?
Start where you are - use what you have - and do what you can.

LeeAnne Locken

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