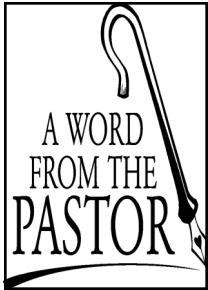


THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

“Serve, Teach, and Love As We Grow In Faith”

OCTOBER 2016



Experience the Joy of Generosity!

In a few weeks, we will begin a three-week stewardship emphasis titled *Experiencing the Joy of Generosity*. This will be an exciting and beneficial three weeks of sermon messages and lay presentations. I believe this program will be a blessing to those who already are experiencing the joy of being generous with the gifts God has given to them, and I hope and pray that this effort will help many more experience the joy that comes from giving faithfully and generously.

When we give to God through giving to our church and others, we experience one of the true joys of being Christians. Jesus said, “*It is more blessed to give than to receive*” (Acts 20:35). God doesn’t need our gifts, but he asks us to give them. God accepts and uses them and gives us joy in sharing them. As we respond to God’s love for us by giving back to him part of what he’s given to us, he reacts by giving us even more. “*Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you*” (Luke 6:38). Although we don’t give so that we will receive God’s blessings, God’s Word promises us that, when we give faithfully and willingly with the heart of a servant, we will receive an abundance of spiritual blessings and, for some, material blessings as well.

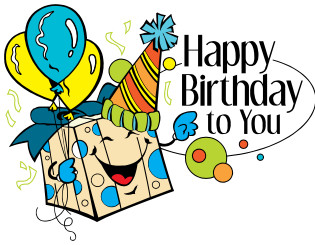
Have you ever wondered why you are left with such a joyful feeling when you are able to give a gift to your church or to help a person in need? The answer to that question may be rooted in us as Christians who are being recreated in the image of God. To be made in God’s image means we are made to be like him whose nature is to give. Giving helps us feel fulfilled as we reflect God’s nature. Although the image of God was lost by sin, as those converted by faith in Jesus, we “*have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator*” (Colossians 3:10). Our Creator empowers us to give joyfully to our church and others according to his will. With this attitude of joyful gratitude, God keeps us close to him, and others see his image through us.

Our pursuit for fulfillment and joy is achieved in the discovery that we receive those things when, by God’s grace, we respond with enthusiasm to God’s directive to give. Like David, we exclaim, ¹⁴ “*But who am I. . . That I should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand.*” I Chronicles 29:14

I hope and pray that *Experiencing the Joy of Generosity* will be a blessing to you and your family!

*May God Bless Us As We Continue the Journey Together,
Pastor Kathy*





- OCT 3 Stacy Brown
- OCT 4 Nancy Burchard
- OCT 5 Gertrude Bue
- Jone Hoffman
- OCT 7 Jake Ernst
- Rich Lee
- Larry Nemece
- OCT 8 Lorraine Leffingwell
- OCT 9 Marlene Meyer
- OCT 11 Todd Gates
- OCT 13 Jim Harmer
- Beth Pfaff
- OCT 17 Don Stender
- OCT 18 Janet Gilbertson
- OCT 19 Ione Dana
- OCT 20 Jaryd Bailey
- OCT 25 Gary Shankey
- OCT 26 Elaine Know
- Bob Lind
- Jackson Perry
- OCT 27 Amelia Hoffman
- Dennis Melichar
- OCT 30 Garret Gjerseth
- OCT 31 Darrin Boehm
- John Langley



- OCT 2 Dustin & Courtney Taylor
- OCT 4 Mark & Amy Hoffman
- Tyler & April Schoolcraft
- OCT 6 Grant & Geri Allen
- OCT 9 Dave & Rita Casper
- OCT 15 Barry & Karolyn Gjerseth
- OCT 16 Dan & Virginia Berger
- OCT 20 Dave & Kae Dettinger
- OCT 25 Zack & Renata Olson
- OCT 28 Jason & Kristin Breining
- Leroy & Sarah Wiersma



YOUR UMC CHURCH NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE ONLINE ON OUR WEBSITE—brfumc.org—OR WE CAN EMAIL IT TO YOU. CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS (715-284-4114).

Help a Neighbor

Good Neighbor Day is October 15
Invest your time to meet your neighbor's need

The Mission Outreach Committee invites you to participate in the church's annual Good Neighbor Day on Saturday morning, October 15. Participants are asked to meet at the church office parking lot at 8:00 a.m. where work and team assignments will be determined. Included in the morning's activities will be leaf raking and yard work, window washing, and light house-keeping duties for area residents who need assistance. Participants are urged to bring window cleaning supplies, rakes, leaf blowers, and hedge trimmers. As previously mentioned, Kingdom Dollars will be awarded and a noon lunch at a Subway store will be provided! For more information, please contact Good Neighbor Day chairman Tim McCann at 715-896-1293.

United Methodist Women -- Growing in Blessedness

From response

What happens when women organize for mission?

“learn BOLD AND COURAGEOUS Women have been in mission for centuries. In 1869 the Methodist Episcopal Church women learned from the wives of male missionaries that women in India could not be served by the men, and they decided to do something about it.”

“They organized the Women’s Foreign Missionary Society and mobilized U.S. women to raise funds to send a woman doctor, Clara Swain, and an educator, Isabella Thoburn, to India to serve women and children. Their bold and courageous action galvanized a women’s mission movement that is still turning faith, hope and love into action.” (Harriett Olson, *response*, September 2016, p. 7)

“live DARING AND GIVING The needs of women, children and youth – who are the least of these in every society—not only are invited to the table, they are placed front and center. That’s what daring, giving Methodist women deaconesses and leaders did more than 100 years ago when they set out to serve women, children and youth in the United States. These women founded schools for newly freed African Americans after the Civil War, settlement houses for new immigrants and mothers’ clubs for poor communities.”

“The foremothers’ work remains. Today United Methodist Women supports 96 national mission institutions providing services like child care and family programs, camps for children with special needs and assistance to immigrants and survivors of human trafficking. Church, this is what happens when women organize for mission.” (Yvette Richards, *response*, September 2016, p. 12)

“And that is why, in the 21st century, women still need to organize for mission.” (Annabelle Bricker, *response*, September 2016, p. 37)

North Central District UMW now has three of our local unit’s members on the Leadership Team. On Saturday, Sept. 17, Carol Anderson was installed as president, Carol Hornby was installed as secretary and Luane Meyer was installed as Mission Coordinator for Social Action.

Congratulations to Loretta Charneski and Janet Krohn who completed the 2016 UMW Reading Program.

Have you paid your 2016 pledge to UMW? If you aren’t sure, ask our treasurer Lois Epps. Our individual pledges help to pay our pledge to mission for the district and donations to local mission projects.

Remember to invite a friend to your Circle meeting. Share the gift of fellowship with them.

Save these Dates

- Oct. 3 Circle Meetings
- Oct. 23 UMW Sunday/ UMW sponsored Cranberry Marsh tour
- Nov. 7 Circle Meetings



RADIO BROADCAST

SEPT 25

Sponsored by the United Methodist Women



Good Samaritan Fund

Please let us know . . .

If you know of someone who is in the hospital or who is working through medical issues at home, please call the church office so that the Pastor is aware of the need and can respond accordingly.

If you know of an individual or family that is working through health issues, hospitalization, or some other crisis and could benefit from the gift of a meal, please call the church office and Jill will pass the information to the Caring Meal Crew.

The Good Samaritan Fund is in place to help members of our church family who are experiencing unexpected financial need. The fund may be used to help pay for needed medications, utilities, or to help with Christmas expenses for children. The fund may also help travelers in need of fuel or a meal.

If you should see someone in the community who may have a need, please contact Pastor Kathy, who is authorized to dispense the funds according to the guidelines.

The Good Samaritan Fund is funded by the generous donations of the church family. If you would like to help financially support the GSF, your donation can be dropped off at the church office and Jill will see that it is deposited to the right account.

FILLING THE GAP

In last month's newsletter we announced that there has been a gap of approximately \$20,000.00 between the amount of budgeted expenses and the projected revenue for this year. If this gap continues the church will not be able to meet all of its financial obligations.

Many members of the congregation responded to filling this gap. At present there have been additional gifts and commitments of nearly \$3,000.00. The Finance Committee is very thankful to those who have stepped up in this time of need.

In order for those that have not yet made a commitment to help fill the gap, attached below is a form that can be completed and returned to the church. Or you can simply e-mail the church with the amount you can commit to filling the gap. The e-mail address for the church is brfumc@gmail.com.

I Want To Help Fill The Gap

As a reflection of God's generosity, I/we can increase my/our giving for 2016 by:

_____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$200 _____ Other Amount

Name _____

*Is God nudging you to
take the next step in
your faith journey?
If He is . . .*

New Member Class Is Coming

Contact Pastor Kathy or the church office
at 715-284-4114 to participate.



Cranberry Marsh Tour

What's your favorite way of eating cranberries? Drinking the juice; berries ground up with oranges for a relish; dipping a cranberry in caramel; dried cranberries added to your salads or oatmeal. There are endless possibilities.

Jim Bible has been in the cranberry growing business since he was 20 years old. Jim's father purchased a small 16-acre cranberry marsh in 1981 along Robinson Creek in the town of Manchester. Over the past 35 years the family has expanded that marsh and started another in Brockway and a third in the town of Washburn in Clark County. We are privileged to visit during his harvest at Brockway Cranberry, Inc. at 1:00 o'clock on October 23. He will educate us on the growing and harvesting process and introduce us to the many products made from this little fruit. You may even be treated to tasting some of these products.

Please pick up directions at church in the Gathering Area where we will be keeping a count on the number of people attending. This will help the coordinators in planning for the tour.

WOW DINER MENU

Our Church Family Night menu for the month of October:

October 5

Macaroni & Cheese
Raw Veggies/Dip
Rolls
Desserts
Beverages

October 12

Hamburger Bar
Baked Beans
Assorted Chips
Desserts
Beverages

October 19

Homemade Chicken Soup
Ham Sandwiches
Desserts
Beverages

October 28

Tacos
Desserts
Beverages

Every week there will be hot dogs and peanut butter/jelly available. A Free-Will Offering will be taken to cover the cost of food. Plan to join us on Wednesday evenings. Everyone Welcome!!





Matthew 19:14: But Jesus said, “Let the children come to me. Don’t stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these children.

Just a reminder! Sunday School will begin at 9:20 a.m. and end at 10:15 a.m. (Children are encouraged to attend church with their families at 9:00 a.m. They will be dismissed to go to Sunday School following the Children’s Message). **The Sunday School classrooms are unsupervised until 9:20 a.m. please remain with your child until an adult arrives.**

The Carnival Extravaganza was a success! Everyone had so much fun! The children played games, had their picture taken in the “photo booth”, had snocones and popcorn. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way at the carnival. Events like these cannot happen without volunteers!

All children participated in Group Sundays in September. It is a great way for the Sunday School Team and the children to get to know each other. We played a Human Board Game, “Getting to Know One Another” and discovered what everyone’s favorite food was, what they had done for the summer, and the list goes on. We also learned how many times “apple” is in the Bible and how it relates to the stories in the Bible. God calls His children, “the apple of His eye”. Read Deuteronomy 30:10 and see what that means.

In October we will begin the Rotation Model Sunday School. This is a way to teach Bible Stories and concepts through child-friendly, creative, and interactive areas. The name of our rotation is **JAM, Jesus and Me**. The children will rotate to a different area each week: **Creation Station** (Art), **Sunday’s Diner** (Cooking), **Godly Games** (Games), and **Hollywood** (Stories/Music). They will focus on one story for 4 weeks. Our first rotation is “Calling His Disciples.” Rotation Leaders do not rotate, but stay in one place, preparing one lesson (with some age-appropriate modifications) for the four week rotation. All children will begin in the Hollywood Room and be dismissed to their rotation. The Hollywood Room is located downstairs by the elevator.

VOLUNTEERING: We are in need of volunteers,. You can serve as a rotation leader, a helper, or a substitute. Contact Beth if you are willing to volunteer!

FAMILY SUNDAY: The third Sunday of each month has been designated as Family Sunday. Our first one is October 16. All Sunday School children will participate in the 9:00 a.m. Worship Service. Pre-K children and 4th graders will receive their Bibles. Families and children are encouraged to attend this special Sunday and remain in church for the full service. What a great opportunity to involve our younger youth in worship!

Like our Facebook page Black River Falls Sunday School to see photos of our activities. You can also go to the church’s website, www.brfumc.org for photos and other information.

I know it is a little early, but I would like everyone to mark their calendars for our Christmas Program on Sunday, December 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Please continue bringing in your ink cartridges and old cell phones. There are boxes in the front entryway, by the Church Office, and by the Youth Rooms for the ink cartridges and cell phones.

<u>YOUTH BIRTHDAYS</u>	
OCT 2	Avery Brooks Marin Stowe
OCT 10	Alanah Gaier
OCT 15	Kristian Hoffman
OCT 18	Matthew Becker
OCT 21	Megan Gartner
OCT 27	Kaylee Peterson





Youth Group is open to anyone in 6th-12th grade. We meet each Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join us for supper before Youth Group. Supper is served from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Feel free to bring a friend.

The Youth Group will be helping with supper clean-up on the last Wednesday night of each month.

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS:

Oct 5th—Youth Group

Oct 12th—Youth Group

Oct 19th—Youth Group

Oct 26th—Youth Group and clean up the kitchen

Contact Suzanne Goldsmith 715-896-0224 with any questions about our program.

UMC Chicken Q and Auction

Sunday, October 16 in the Fellowship Hall

Auction: 10:30 a.m.

Chicken Q: 11:30 a.m.



Menu:

1/2 Chicken \$9.00

1/4 Chicken \$7.00

Includes Baked Potato, Beans, Roll, Beverage and Dessert

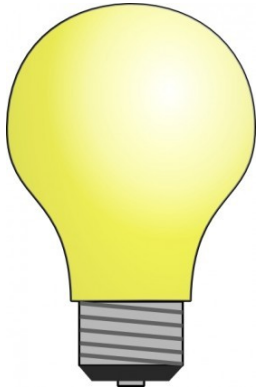
Our Guest Auctioneer will be Pastor Kathy

All proceeds will go to our Shared Conference Ministries

Donated items for the auction are encouraged and may be brought to the church office anytime by Friday, October 14.

PRAYER FAMILIES FOR OCTOBER

OCT 2	Jeremey, Stacy & Jaxson Brown Dave & Kae Dettinger Amy Willette, Steve & Michael Firkins Krystle & Channing Goldsmith, Avery & Esmee Brooks
OCT 9	Roy & Dorothy Hefty Jim Holt Elaine Know Dennis Melichar
OCT 16	Duane & Connie Nosbisch Elizabeth Pfaff Sharon Seely Marlene Taylor
OCT 23	Jean Anderson Jason, Kristin & Benjamin Breining Ione Dana Megan & Mallory Finch
OCT 30	Barry & Freda Goldsmith Mildred Hefty Basil & Iris Holder Myrtle Kelley



Keep the “Lights On” in the Church Fundraiser

For a donation of \$40 per day you can help with the operating costs of the church and help “keep the lights on in the church”. As we all know, money is tight, but we don’t want programs to be discontinued because of a lack of funds. To help with the expenses of the day-to-day operations of the church, we are giving our friends and members a chance to help by underwriting the cost of electricity!.

Here’s how it works:

1. Check the calendar on the table in the Gathering Area, pick a date (or dates) that are available, and write your name on it.
2. Write your check to “United Methodist Church” for \$40 x the number of days you chose.
3. Place your check in one of the envelopes provided.
4. Drop the envelope in the box on the table in the Gathering Area, put it in the offering plate, or mail it to the church.
5. Thank you for helping to keep the “lights on” and our programs going in the church!!



Van Etta Library

BOOK REVIEW

The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah

In the quiet village of Carriveau, Vianne Mauriac says good-bye to her husband, Antoine, as he heads for the Front. She doesn't believe that the Nazis will invade France, but invade they do, in droves of marching soldiers, in caravans of trucks and tanks, in planes that fill the skies and drop bombs upon the innocent. When a German captain requisitions Vianne's house, she and her daughter must live with the enemy or lose everything. Without food or money or hope, she is forced to make one impossible choice after another to keep her family alive.

Author Kristin Hannah has given us another riveting novel. This historically informative story of the sacrifices and hardships innocent people had to make during World War II will captivate you. It is a heartbreaking novel that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the durability of women, who saw their families torn apart by the war.

This book was donated to the Van Etta Library by Larry and Jean Anderson, in memory of Muriel Epps, mother of Tom Epps.

Rhoda Gulso

E-GIVING - EASY AND CONVENIENT!

Electronic Giving (E-Giving) is a way for individual congregation members to direct gifts to the church without having to write out a check or fill out an envelope. In E-Giving money can be automatically transferred from your savings or checking account to the church's bank account. — and there is **NO CHARGE** for this service. A number of our members are already taking advantage of this easy way of giving contributions to the church..

If you would like to sign up for E-Giving, please call Jill in the Church Office. She will be glad to answer any questions you may have and help you fill out an easy authorization form. Now would be a great time to take advantage of this easy and convenient way of giving to your church!

Close Out Sale

All Fair Trade coffees, teas, hot chocolate mix, and baking cocoa are on sale at wholesale prices. Check out the supply in the Gathering Area. Treat yourself or buy an early holiday gift.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE:

Did you know that you can sponsor the Bulletins or the Radio Broadcast on a Sunday in memory or in honor of loved ones? The cost is:

- Bulletins—\$20.00 per Sunday
- Radio Broadcast—\$100.00 per Sunday

You can also provide Altar Flowers for a special Sunday. Please call Jill in the Church Office (715-284-4114) to schedule the Sunday of your choice.

The American Red Cross has a Home Fire Preparedness Program on now to help everyone be protected from home fires. They are offering FREE smoke alarms. To register for this program, call 715-299-8504 or visit www.getasmokealarm.org. A team of Red Cross volunteers will schedule a visit to install up to 3 FREE smoke alarms in your home. BE PREPARED Get a Free Smoke Alarm!!!

The Unity of True Community

Published September 27, 2016

My brothers and sisters, clergy and laity – the beautiful people of Wisconsin – I invite you to discern with me now: what is the will of God for the Wisconsin Annual Conference? What does God dream for us? Where are we heading as the body of Christ and the faithful people of God?

Allow me to share with you some of my own thoughts and discernment since our wonderful time together at the School for Ministry.

When I reflect on God's dream for Wisconsin, I see us living together in harmony with each other, and with the land – which bears fruit abundantly. It is an excellent stewardship of relationships and resources. Many differences are present, but what we hold in common is an unwavering commitment to serve one another and God. There is great longing to find God's love and grace in each other, creating a healing space for us, so that we might share our abundance and give life to others. It is a place defined by respect, dignity, civility, and mercy. It is a place of justice, compassion, and peace.

Don't we all want that? Aren't we all willing to work together to make such a dream real? M. Scott Peck wrote a book called *The Different Drum: Community Making and Peace*. In it he described four stages of community making: pseudocommunity, chaos, emptiness, and true community. Briefly, in pseudocommunity, people are pleasant to each other, but avoid conflict at any cost. Individual differences are minimized, unacknowledged or ignored. Intimacy and honesty are buried under platitudes and generalizations. In chaos, differences surface that cannot be ignored. There is a lot of finger-pointing and choosing sides. Leadership futilely cry out "can't we all just get along," but no one is willing to budge an inch, and the same fights are fought over and over. The result of this is emptiness – or biblically, wilderness. In the emptiness of wilderness we purge ourselves of our preconceptions, our prejudices, our ideologies, and our need to control. We let go of ego and agenda, and finally come to the place where we can say with Jesus, "Not my will be done, O Lord, but thine. People get in touch with their own personal brokenness, fears, failures, and selfishness.

Once people empty themselves and open to meet and treat others as equals, true community emerges. Individuals find their place in a synergistic whole; together, as body of Christ, we are greater than the sum of our parts. Through the real sacrifice demanded by emptying, we engage in *kenosis* as Paul writes of Jesus in the second chapter of Philippians. We find unity in Christ. As baptized and beloved children of God, our differences lose the power to divide us, and we become who God intends us to be. No part of the body any longer says to any other part "you don't belong." The vision of 1 Corinthians 12 explodes forth birthing a new reality.

Christ, my friends, can never be divided. Even when broken, it is like an arm or leg. With proper care and attention, it knits and heals and becomes even stronger than before. This is where I believe we are as we "Imagine Wisconsin Anew." The Wisconsin I see is a model and a witness to the whole world of what true community is. Our differences do not have to be liabilities. They are only powerful in negative ways when we approach them this way.

During my sojourn on the Santiago de Compostela I spent time dreaming dreams and seeing visions. I felt very much connected to the beautiful people of Wisconsin – not just some, but all. I know we argue over things and we see some things very differently, but still we are one in Christ. We must find a way to live the reality of our oneness, not seek ways to break apart.

Even if our denomination cannot live into God's dream, I know that great good will come through our sacrifice and suffering. Our God is a God of resurrection and new life. God will restore all things. Even should we die with Christ, we will rise again with Christ. So I am calling us all to discern together God's will for our life – to believe Jeremiah's word that God has a future and a hope for us, for our good and not for ill. It is a risk. We have walked a long time in chaos, and if we are ever going to reach true community we must risk the wilderness and give up getting our own way. But it is worth it, and God will guide us every step of the way, if we will only trust God to do so.



Bishop Hee Soo Jung

Every Person in this church is a LEADER in some capacity.

You may have the ability to lead in *Worship, Music, Youth, Hospitality, Witness, Mission, Prayer, Teaching Sunday School or Adult Small Groups, Peace Making, Preparation, Organization, Planning, Encouraging, Financial Management, Landscaping, Maintaining, or Visioning new ministries*. Whatever your leadership gifts, BRF UMC needs you.

October 28-29, The Mennonite Peace Center staff will lead us in a *Healthy Congregations* workshop. This is a workshop open to all adults who want to see this church grow healthier and stronger in Christ.

November 11-2, Rev. Bill Blank, Director of the Mennonite Peace Center will lead us in *Conflict in the Church: Entrusted with the Message of Reconciliation*, a workshop designed to help all who participate in the ministries of BRF UMC improve their ability to handle conflict effectively, in your church, in your home, in your workplace, and in your community.

The cost of these workshops has been underwritten by the generosity of a church family and lunch will be provided.

Brochures can be found following this page, or you may pick up your brochures at the Information Station in the Gathering Area, fill them out, and turn them in at the Church Office.

Have you Seen or Experienced the New Prayer Room?



After months of planning and preparation, painting and furnishing, the new *Prayer Room* is now ready. Most of the furnishings have been donated in memory or in honor of loved ones. (A list of donors can be found in the *Prayer Room*.) The *Prayer Room* is located east of the Fellowship Hall opposite the Church Library.

If you are seeking a time for prayer/reflection, a time to connect with God without the distractions of your life, you may want to spend a few minutes or longer in the *Prayer Room*. The *Prayer Room* is open during church office hours, when there are activities in church and on Sundays. And if you seek prayer support, Pastor Kathy will be glad to accompany you when she is in the building.



“I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS.”

EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV



Trunks are Needed for TRUNK OR TREAT Monday, October 31, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. BRF United Methodist Church Parking Lot

Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event where people gather and park their vehicle in a parking lot, open their trunks or backs of vehicles, decorate them and pass out treats from their trunks. This event provides a safe family environment for trick or treaters. Park and Decorate 3:00-4:30 p.m.; Trunk or Treat 5:00-7:00 p.m.; 7:15 p.m. exit the parking lot.

(For the safety of children no vehicles will be allowed to exit the lot until the event is over.) If you are interested in hosting a trunk, please contact Beth Bue at snoballbue.65@gmail.com, or 715-284-7494, or 715-896-0823. Please reserve your spot by Monday, October 24. If you're unable to host a trunk but would like to donate candy for this event, please bring it to the church and place it in the orange bin in the Gathering Area.



Fall Bible Studies

On Wednesday, October 19, at 6:15 p.m. Tom Epps will be starting a Bible Study on “Aging in the Grace of God”. This is a 10-week study which will encourage you to attack aging head on. Christians are encouraged to accept aging as a vital and positive stage in their faith journey. Aging is not a time to merely exist, but a time to grow and bloom. This class will meet in the Wesley Room.



On Thursday, October 20, at 5:30 p.m. we will be starting a Women’s Bible Study on “Joseph, the Journey to Forgiveness” by Melissa Spoelstra. This is a 7-week study on Forgiveness. All of us know what it’s like to be hurt or betrayed. From hurtful words, lies, or gossip to the unspeakable pain of abuse, adultery, or abandonment, God knows the pain we cause each other and longs for us to forgive one another. This class will meet in the Keefe Room.



BRF UMC Calendar of Events—October 2016



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:00 a.m.—Worship Service
9:20 a.m.—Sunday School
10:15 a.m.—UMC Choir Practice
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3

Pastor Kathy Day Off
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
9:00 a.m.—Martha Circle Meeting
1:30 p.m.—Circle of Hope Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4

5:30 p.m.—Lay Leadership Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5

9:00 a.m.—Prayer Group
10:10 a.m.—Book Club
4:30-6:00 p.m.—Church Family Night Meal
5:00 p.m.—PreCon
6:00 p.m.—Youth Group
6:00 p.m.—Bell Choir Practice
6:15 p.m.—Christians in Conversation
7:00 p.m.—Spirit! Practice

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6

5:30 p.m.—Women's Retreat Meeting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:30 a.m.—UM Men's Group Meeting

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 a.m.—Worship Service
9:20 a.m.—Sunday School
10:15 a.m.—UMC Choir Practice

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

Pastor Kathy Day Off
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

5:30 p.m.—Board of Trustees Meeting
5:30 p.m.—Finance Committee Meeting
6:30 p.m.—Administrative Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00 a.m.—Prayer Group
4:30-6:00 p.m.—Church Family Night Meal
5:00 p.m.—PreCon
6:00 p.m.—Youth Group
6:00 p.m.—Bell Choir Practice
6:15 p.m.—Christians in Conversation
7:00 p.m.—Spirit! Practice

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

9:00 a.m.—Worship Service
FAMILY SUNDAY—No Sunday School
COMMUNION SUNDAY
10:15 a.m.—UMC Choir Practice
10:15 a.m.—All Church Auction
11:30 a.m.—Chicken Q

MONDAY, OCTOBER 17

Pastor Kathy Day Off
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

9:00 a.m.—Prayer Group
4:30-6:00 p.m.—Church Family Night Meal
5:00 p.m.—PreCon
6:00 p.m.—Youth Group
6:00 p.m.—Bell Choir Practice
6:15 p.m.—Christians in Conversation
6:15 p.m.—Aging in the Grace of God Study
7:00 p.m.—Spirit! Practice

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 a.m.—Worship Service (UMW Sunday)
9:20 a.m.—Sunday School
1:00 p.m.—Cranberry Marsh Tour

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

Pastor Kathy Day Off
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

9:00 a.m.—Prayer Group
4:30-6:00 p.m.—Church Family Night Meal
5:00 p.m.—PreCon
6:00 p.m.—Youth Group
6:00 p.m.—Bell Choir Practice
6:15 p.m.—Christians in Conversation
6:15 p.m.—Aging in the Grace of God Study
7:00 p.m.—Spirit! Practice

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

7:00-9:30 p.m.—Healthy Congregations Workshop
(Led by Mennonite Peace Center)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.—Healthy Congregations
Workshop (Led by Mennonite Peace Center)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

9:00 a.m.—Worship Service
9:20 a.m.—Sunday School

MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

Pastor Kathy Day Off
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

