



THE LIGHTED CROSS

BERWYN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



May 2018 Newsletter

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June 2-3 UMW Spring Retreat

June 3—Summer Worship Schedule Begins

July 15-19 Vacation Bible Camp

*Mark
Your
Calendar*

Join Us For Worship

8:30 am Worship

9:15 am Sunday School for All Ages

10:30 am Traditional Worship with Choir

Communion is observed on the First Sunday of the Month

Dear BUMC, I need a thousand tongues to sing my gratitude, delight and thanks for the amazing send off you gave me on April 8th. The service was beautiful; the choir was amazing! What a joy to have Jan, Paul, JoEllyn, and Keith back in the choir stalls, and Carol and Steve Cherry playing so well. I could hardly keep from singing...

Thanks for Claudia's kind words and to you, dear congregation, for the generous gift, which is so appreciated. Thanks to Rick and the crew for the gorgeous reception...(I need more tongues)...

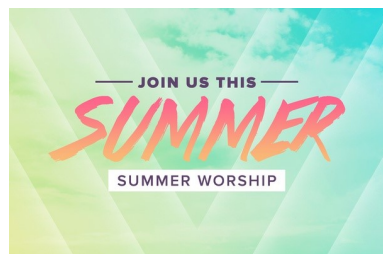
Truly wonderful.

Thanks to the choir for all they have done, for the gifts and cards, and Lee's gorgeous quilt.

It has been a wonderful journey getting to know all of you over these past eleven years. You have been so supportive of me. It has been a precious experience ministering at BUMC. I wish you well as you move forward into the next adventure God has waiting for you.

God's blessings and Peace be with you.

Judith



SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Our summer schedule will begin on June 3, 2018, and continue through September 2, 2018. Worship services will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., and both services will be held in the Sanctuary. We hope the earlier service times will make it convenient for you to attend, and that we will see you in worship during the summer months. We will not have regular services in the outdoor chapel. Remember that our Sanctuary is air-conditioned!

GLORIA SATURDAY EASTER EGG HUNT A SUCCESS *Cindy Shallcross*

On Saturday, March 31 over 50 children and parents started to gather at 9:30am in Schieck Hall for a light breakfast and fellowship. The hunt began at 10 with the kids searching for eggs meticulously hidden. Since we had beautiful weather, the eggs were hidden on the back lawn of the church and the playground. The children enjoyed searching for the brightly colored, fun filled eggs. After the eggs were all found everyone gathered to hear the Easter Story. Pastor Tim told the story by asking for specially numbered eggs. Each of the eggs held a special symbol of the Easter Story. Children received prizes and a great time was had by all! Thank you to everyone for the donations of Easter eggs and candy, prizes and help hiding eggs!



ACOLYTE RECOGNITION

Our acolytes serve quietly each week to enhance our worship experience. On May 13 we will recognize those youth who have served faithfully during the past year in performing these essential worship services.



Visual Worship Director

Do you have a flair for décor? Do you like to express yourself visually? We are looking for someone to dress the sanctuary throughout the year to reflect the church season. Please see Pastor Tim if you are interested.



Vacation Bible Camp dates have been decided so mark your calendar: Sunday July 15-Thursday July 19. I am looking for volunteers to help throughout the week. Please let me know if you are interested.

Cindy Shallcross 610-644-4653 or cbcampbell30@netscape.net

WOULD YOU LIKE TO DELIVER A SERMON OR LEAD A WORSHIP SERVICE? *John Paylor*

We are looking for Berwyn church members to lead our services when Pastor Tim is away. We like to have one person to deliver the sermon and another to lead the worship – all parts of the service except the sermon. Haven't you always secretly wanted an opportunity to preach to the church? Now is your chance! Please contact John Paylor, Chair of the Worship Committee, jpaylor@verizon.net; 610-889-3286.





Janet Wham

The end of BUMNS school year is fast approaching. During the months of April and May the children invited their Dads for Donuts and Moms for Muffins. The 5 Day children will “graduate” on May 22nd.

On April 21st, BUMNS held their annual Silent Auction. The event was held at La Cabra in Berwyn. All monies raised benefit the school and the children of BUMNS. KIM equipment, music instruments and educational supplies are bought with fundraising monies.

Every year I feel fortunate to have been a part of each child’s preschool experience. It has been an amazing privilege to witness the tremendous progress and growth the children have made since September. It doesn’t seem possible that the school year is almost over.

BUMNS is blessed to be a part of Berwyn United Methodist Church. The warmth we feel is overwhelming and appreciated. Thank you to Pastor Tim for spending time with the 5 Day children. They have enjoyed chapel time with Pastor Tim.



50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CREATION OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH by *Marsha Williams*

On April 23, 1968, both the leaders of the Evangelical United Brethren Church and The Methodist Church declared the creation of a new denomination, The United Methodist Church. With the words “Lord of the Church, we are united in Thee, in Thy Church and now in The United Methodist Church,” is a symbol of one of the largest denominations in the world, representing 53 countries. At the same time, the church become desegregated. Events to celebrate this are set to occur at the conference, both on the district and local church levels beginning April 22, the Sunday before the April 23 anniversary, through May 20, Heritage Sunday. This year, the Heritage Sunday theme is “Jubilee: The 50th Anniversary of The United Methodist Church. Resources about the 50th anniversary can be found at: <http://www.umc.org/topics/the-50th-anniversary-of-the-united-methodist-church>

Source: The United Methodist Church Celebrates 50th Anniversary of Historic Merger (March 28, 2018). <http://www.umc.org/news-and-media/the-united-methodist-church-celebrates-50th-anniversary-of-historic-merger>



UMW SPRING RETREAT

Women of the church are invited to join in a weekend of fellowship at the home of Debbie Nemetz in Little Egg Harbor, NJ, June 2-3, with the option to arrive early on June 1. We will use the book *Gift from the Sea* by Anne Morrow Lindbergh as a discussion starter. Anne, the wife of Charles Lindbergh

wrote meditations on youth/age, love, peace, solitude and contentment during a vacation by the sea. It is a book to re-read time and time again in our life journey. Check it out! Please contact Debbie at debbienemetz@hotmail.com to tell her you’re interested in attending.

LAY LEADER LETTER *Lee Paylor*

C-H-A-N-G-E. Change – the seasons change; sunrise and sunset are changes. We experience changes every day. Sometimes, change is good and sometimes, not so good. Change is one thing we know will happen.

Hymnals have many interesting topics for categorizing hymns – none are “Change”. However, many relate to “Change” – Aging, Care and Love, Comfort, Encouragement, Faith, Obedience, Promise and Hope, and Trust. (see back of hymnal)

“...who trusts in God’s unchanging love builds on the rock...” Worship and Rejoice, 429.

“O God, your constant care and love are shed upon us...throughout our lives in every stage...” Worship and Rejoice, 503.

May we feel God’s unchanging love through all the changes in our days and lives.

BUMC 2018 Speakers Series

Let's Talk About...

“Mission in Our Backyard”

Guest Speaker: Dona Sensenig, RN
Spanish Health Ministry in Kennett
Square

Sunday, May 6, 2018 12pm
Salad lunch will be provided.

Please RSVP to church office by
Thursday, May 3 at office-
bumc@comcast.net or call 610-644-
5555.

“Human Trafficking”

Guest Speaker: Carol Metzker
Sunday, May 20, 2018 2pm

ALL ARE WELCOME

**Come join us for our free speaker
series on current topics.**

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More information: 610-644-555

www.berwynumc.org

Stay tuned for more information on upcoming events.

Spanish Health Ministry provides translation and interpretation of medical information, counseling and support. Assist families in making appointments and coordinating medical services. They meet the spiritual needs of the entire family through Bible Studies and Vacation Bible School.

Carol Metzker is the author of *Facing the Monster: How One person Can Fight Child Slavery*. She is a TEDx speaker and a consultant for the Salvation Army's New Day to Stop Trafficking Program. Carol will focus on local human trafficking and provide practical tips on protecting children from human trafficking.

Ministry of the People is supported by the Staff

Pastor: Tim Duchesne

Children's Coordinator: Cindy Shallcross

Lay Leader: Lee Paylor

Admin. Assistant: Veronica Mosley

Organist/Director of Music:

Nursery Assist: Eliza Chumpitaz

Sexton: Roger Toro

Recordings of Sunday Services are available—Contact Jon Stockler, 610-348-3385 or JStockler@aol.com



Our **M**ission **S**tatement

God **CALLS** us to **Care, Accept, Love, Laugh and Serve**

Worship **S**chedule

8:30 AM	Early Worship
9:15 AM	Sunday School for All Ages
10:30 AM	Traditional Worship with Choir

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