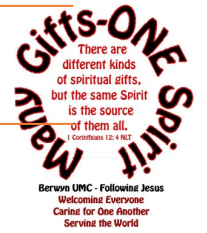




# THE LIGHTED CROSS

BERWYN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## October 2017 Newsletter

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- Oct 7 UMW meeting
- Oct 14 Fall Fest & Flea Market
- Oct 21 IHN
- Oct 22 Harvest Dinner
- Oct 28 Trunk or Treat
- Nov 5 All Saint's Day
- Nov 26 Deadline for Poinsettias



### 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



We have the right 'stuff' donated....**Now** we just need shoppers to purchase it! And **YOU** can help!

There will be flyers for the Fall festival located in the Narthex. Please take a few and give them to your friends and neighbors. Hang one up in the break room at work... Let's get the word out about the Fall Festival!!!!

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**9 A.M. TO 2 P.M.**

***RAIN OR SHINE***

**COLLECTIBLES**

**BOOKS ~ BAKED GOODS**

**FLEA MARKET TREASURES**

**& FURNITURE**

**BERWYN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
140 WATERLOO AVENUE BERWYN, PA**

If you are interested in working in a specific booth here are the people in charge. Please contact them and let them know you are interested!!!

Books – Joy Fuerst

Collectibles – Judy Fisk

Bake Table – Janet Campbell

Flea Market – Stephanie Borelly

Lunch/Kitchen – Stephanie Borelly

Menu – hotdogs, chips, apple, beverage and a cookie...

There are a lot of opportunities to volunteer.

If you have a few moments to spare – come and assist.

There are always items that need priced, books that need to be stacked and shelves that need to be stocked. Whatever your specialty, we have just the right spot for you! We need **everyone's** help to make this a success!!!!

If you still have big items, for the Flea Market, that you want to donate please contact me – Stephanie Borelly - I will come and pick it up!!!

Email: [Johnborelly@comcast.net](mailto:Johnborelly@comcast.net) Home: [610.948.4389](tel:610.948.4389) Cell: [610.299.6254](tel:610.299.6254)

## COME DREAM WITH US IMAGINE THE SUMMIT

Rev. Tim Duchesne

On Sunday, October 8, 2017 from 11:00 am to approximately 1:00 pm, you are invited to an Imagine the Future Church Summit. We will have a shorten worship service beginning at 10:30 am and move right into our Summit time together.

The Summit will be held in the Fellowship Hall, come share your hopes and dreams and best experiences of being a member of Berwyn UMC. This will be a time for us to envision and discern where God may be leading us in the future.

Members from sixth grade and up are encouraged to participate. Child care will be available for children from infant to 5<sup>th</sup> grade. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. (A free will offering will be collected to defer the cost of refreshments.)

A sign up sheet will be available in the narthex, so that we know how much food to provide. We look forward to seeing you there and discovering together what God has planned for us.

See you at the Summit.



## HARVEST DINNER

The Berwyn UMC annual Harvest Dinner will be held on Sun. Oct. 22, 2017. It will be held in Schieck Hall at the conclusion of the 10:30 am worship service. The meal will feature roast turkey, baked ham, mashed potatoes, dressing, gravy, vegetable, rolls, salad, and assorted desserts. The cost for the meal will be \$10 for adults, \$5.00 for children 10 and under and free for children under 5. Reservations are required and must be made by noon on Wed. Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. Reservations will be taken at the services on Oct. 8 and Oct. 15 or you can always call the church office.

This year as we say thank you for the bountiful harvest we ask each of you to bring a canned or non perishable food item to the dinner to be donated to the local food pantry.

Help is always needed to get this great meal on the table. If you are willing to volunteer please let Rick Stoker know. We will need kitchen prep people on Fri. morning, people to set up the dining room on Fri. morning, kitchen help on Sunday morning and of course dish washers.

This would be a great time to ask some family members or your neighbors to join us for a great meal.



### BERWYN UNITED METHODIST NURSERY SCHOOL UPDATE by Janet Wham

October brings cooler weather and happy children! BUMNS students have adjusted to the school routine. They are enjoying the activities and social interaction with friends.

Field trips are a part of our curriculum in October. The 3 & 4 Day children will visit Milky Way Farm. Learning about farm animals and pumpkin picking are included in the adventure. The 2 Day classes will tour Sugartown Pumpkins on their first field trip. Here the youngest classes will enjoy a hayride to the pumpkin patch. The 5 Day children will go to Highland Orchards for apple picking.

October Is Fire Prevention month. The children practiced a fire drill and learned the correct way to exit the building in the event of a fire. The Berwyn Fire Company will bring their trucks to school to further educate the children about fire safety. The 5 Day classes walk to the Berwyn Fire Station for their lesson.

BUMNS families will be supporting church outreach programs this year.

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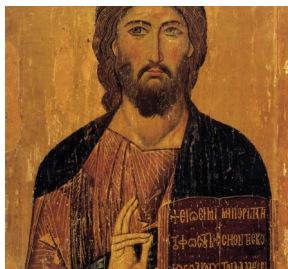
**Bake sale...** Help is needed to load our tables with sweet treats at Fall Fest. Help is also needed behind the tables with helpers. If you have time to make, time to bake, and time to take a moment to volunteer your yummys and your time the day of Fall Fest PLEASE call Janet Campbell. Thank you!



## A New Sermon Series: Ancient Wisdom for Today

Starting September 24, 2017

For ten weeks we will explore some of the ancient Christian traditions that have rooted Christians in their faith and helped them to grow into the likeness of Christ.



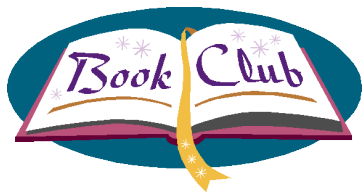
Topics will include:

- How to Pray the Scriptures
- Practicing Hospitality
- Living Simply
- Prayer
- Labor
- Rest
- Stability
- Conversion of Life
- Obedience
- The Pilgrim Life.

Join us for Worship Sundays 8:30 am & 10:30 am.

### SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 7 9am. Watch the bulletin for details .



**Wednesday, October 18** Discussion Leader: Marge Smink-  
Hostess: Marge Smink 610-359-5445

Book: *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew-- Three Women Search for Understanding* by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver, and Priscilla Warner



**Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Thank You**

*Attention: Mr. Jeff Barger and Mrs. Claudia Sharpless*

*Dear Jeff and Claudia,*

*Our members, especially the grandparents, Pastor Monte and I were elated and at the same time overjoyed at the numerous backpacks and abundance of back to school supplies from Berwyn United Methodist. As always, Berwyn is right on time!!!*

*Our Pastor Rev. Monte and members, and I cannot thank you and our friends at Berwyn enough for the special delivery. We are still talking about Berwyn from last year's Christmas delivery which helped Mt. Zion tremendously to show kindness to the people we reach out to at Christmas time.*

*It is through the generosity of your members and friends at Berwyn that there were many smiling faces upon receipt of your gifts of love.*

*We are very thankful for your love and commitment to help us meet the needs of others.*

*Thanks again and God bless the good people at Berwyn United Methodist Church.*

### **Ministry of the People is supported by the Staff**

Pastor: Tim Duchesne

Children's Coordinator: Cindy Shallcross

Lay Leader: David Adams

Admin. Assistant: Veronica Mosley

Organist/Director of Music: Judith Lang

Nursery Assist: Eliza Chumpitaz

Sexton: Roger Toro

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



Bring your witches and scarecrows dressed up to go Trunk or Treating. Bring a friend! If you would like to decorate your car trunk please see Kristine Adams to register. We will have teal pumpkin stations so our young friends with food allergies can get some treats too. The more cars the merrier. This is a free event for the community. Join us!



## TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday, October 28

from 3pm to 5pm in our parking lot

Admission is FREE!



### PEOPLE TALK

To my BUMC family, on behalf of my wife and myself thank you so for all your prayers, cards, visits, and meals as I have been recovering from surgery. They have meant so much to both of us. Your support has been truly a godsend to our family. I am honored to be your pastor and look forward to what God has in store for all of us together.

Grace and Peace,

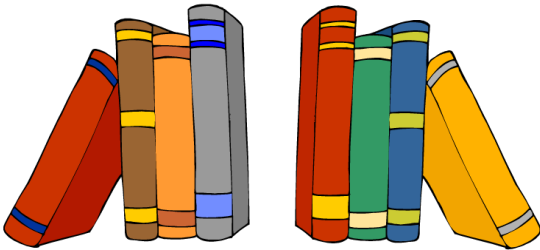
Pastor Tim

### FAITHFUL STEWARDS

This month, we highlight **Lee and John Paylor** as our Faithful Stewards. Lee and John are always there to lend a helping hand. Lee serves as chairperson of MECCA and sings in the choir. She is a talented quilter and has made stoles for our ministers and confirmation classes.

John serves on Communications, Nominations and he is currently the chair of the Worship Committee. John has a passion for ensuring the worship services at BUMC are conducted in a way to edify the Lord, encourage the members, and embrace visitors.

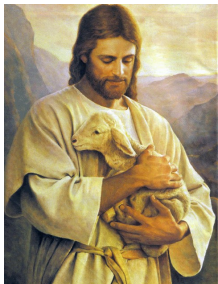
Next time you see John and Lee, be sure to give them a big BUMC thank you!



### CHECK THIS OUT FROM THE CHURCH LIBRARY by Marjorie Smink

*Please Pass the Faith: The Art of Spiritual Grandparenting* by Elsie R. Rempel, c2012. [248.85 Rem]  
This book is a medley of stories,

theories and personal experiences that the author uses to demonstrate how grandparents (biological or honorary) can pass on the faith. Spiritual grand parenting is relating to children and youth, those in the first third of life, with the willingness to be spiritual companions. It encourages older adults to embrace their role as mentors, guides and sages.



### LOST LAMBS MINISTRY by Kristine Adams

Recently the Communications Committee had their first meeting of the new church year and one of the many things we discussed was our focus for the coming year. All of us expressed concern over the dwindling number of members we see weekly at worship. We are embarking on a new ministry here at BUMC. The Lost Lambs Ministry and we need your help. We are looking for some people who will go through the church directory and give members we have not seen in a while and say hello. If you are interested in learning more about this and would like to help make calls, please contact Ann West. Thank you so much for helping us reach out to our brothers and sisters and to offer our love and support.

# LOSS OF TURTLE ISLAND

Camp  
Innabah

712 Pughtown Rd,  
Spring City, PA  
19475

Nov 12, 2017  
4-7pm  
(meal to follow)

The Loss of Turtle Island is a participatory learning experience that depicts the historic relationship between European settlers (convinced of their Christian superiority) and the Indigenous nations, the original inhabitants, of the land we now call the United States of America.

Blankets represent the land and participants represent distinct Indigenous nations who experience colonization, genocide, broken treaties, forced removal, assimilation and termination — all in the spirit of the Doctrine of Discovery.



presented by EPA CoNAM  
RSVP to: [fanderson@epaucmc.org](mailto:fanderson@epaucmc.org).



# Christmas Poinsettia Orders & Discretionary Fund

As we approach this Christmas season and the celebration of the birth of Christ, we are making available an opportunity for you to help beautify the church sanctuary with poinsettias which you may take home to enjoy or donate to a shut-in of the church. The poinsettias are from and benefit the greenhouse at the Devereaux Foundation in Devon.

## **Deadline for Poinsettia Orders November 26<sup>th</sup>**

Please use the order form below. Make checks payable to BUMC.

Send or bring your order to the church office.

### ORDER FORM FOR POINSETTIAS

I / We wish to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ poinsettias @\$8.00 each. Check Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory/ Honor/ Celebration of \_\_\_\_\_

(Please circle)

Leave my plants for giving to the sick or shut-in \_\_\_\_\_

Take my plants home after Christmas Eve service \_\_\_\_\_

### DONATIONS FOR PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

(To assist people in need)

I / We wish to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory / Honor/ Celebration of \_\_\_\_\_



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## Worship Schedule

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

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