

EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

COME JUST AS YOU ARE.



“A Future with Hope”

The United Methodist Church at New Brunswick is a multicultural community celebrating the diversity of God’s kingdom where everyone is welcome. Absolutely no one is excluded. Come just as you are.

We are committed to building relationships with Christ and heeding his call to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, preach the good news, teach the children and youth, and minister to the sick, the anxious, and the lost.

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 13, 2017

Please use this time to write your prayer requests.

PRAYER REQUESTS (**YELLOW** CARDS) ANNOUNCEMENTS(**GREEN** CARDS)
(Large print hymnals and hearing devices are available - see the ushers)

COMING TOGETHER IN GOD’S NAME

PRELUDE ‘Prelude No. 2’ Mendelssohn

LIGHTING OF CANDLES

***HYMN** ‘The Church’s One Foundation’ UMH (red) #545

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We are children of God and brothers and sisters to one another.

All: We are a family of faith.

One: But like the people of faith we find in the Bible,
we find family life to be a complex thing:

**All: Personality conflicts, disagreements,
and even jealousy affect our human relationships.**

One: But God still calls us to come together as His people.

**All: So we come to worship acknowledging all of our baggage,
yet grateful that God chooses us and works through us.**

***GATHERING PRAYER**

Compassionate God, we marvel at how open you are to us. You know us as we are. You understand all the ways we bring pain into our own lives. You see all the ways we bring pain into the lives of others. Yet you listen to us without judgment. You love us unconditionally. You accept us as beloved children.

Help us to be generous with ourselves. Help us to accept our own reality. Help us to love ourselves as you love us. And, then, may that love we learn from you, and extend to others, transform the relationships we have with our brothers and sisters. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & MISSIONAL MOMENT

WELCOME & SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN’S TIME Pastor Cyndi

HYMN ‘Jesus Loves Me’ UMH (red) #191 v.1

SHARING OF PRAYER CONCERNS

PRAYER HYMN 'Make Us One' TFWS (black) #2224

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** UMH (red) # 895
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

READING AND PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Seated, in unison)
Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON Genesis 25:19-34

SERMON "A Story of Division" Pastor Cyndi

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***RESPONSIVE HYMN** 'This is My Song' UMH #437

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS (please fill in and pass the red Attendance Pads)

OFFERTORY 'Finale from symphony No. 6' Mendelssohn

***DOXOLOGY** UMH (red) #94

SENDING FORTH TO SERVE GOD AS WE SERVE OTHERS

***HYMN** 'Let There Be Peace on Earth' UMH (red) #431

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

POSTLUDE 'Toccata Brevis' Richard Purvis
(Please remain seated & take this time to reflect on today's message & enjoy the Postlude.)

*Please stand in body or spirit *****Seating Periods

SERVING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Liturgist: Karen Cox **Prayers:**
Head Usher: Brian Kaye **Greeters:** Mary Jane & Nick Nickles
Coffee Hour Host: Georgiana and Kathy

ALTAR FLOWERS

Vase 1: In honor of George Dawson's 81st birthday given by Barbara Dawson
Vase 2: In honor of Vivian Nelson-Appiah's birthday given by Nicholas Appiah

GREETERS: Please note: when Alberta Earley calls asking or reminding you to be a greeter, her call will come from a cell phone registered to her daughter Gloria Betcher, from Florida

HOSPITALITY TIP OF THE WEEK:

Say Hello to Visitors- Introduce yourself to visitors in our worship service and help them feel welcome.

<u>ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP</u>	
<u>REPORT FROM LAST SUNDAY, August 6, 2017</u>	
Praise Service	22
Worship Attendance	118
Tithes (Current Expenses)	\$3,742.00
Building Fund	\$248.00
Future with Hope	\$97.00

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Bishop: Rev. John Schol **Raritan Valley District Superintendent:** Rev. Dr. Drew Dyson

Pastor: Rev. Cyndi Stouffer **Lay Leader:** Abena P.A. Busia

Music Minister: Alex Ashman **Diaconal Minister:** Sue Zahorbenski

Church Council Chair: Vivian Nelson-Appiah **Trustees Chair:** Rannetta Ogoo

Worship Chair: Rev. Doris Haley **Church Treasurer:** Nick Nickles

Certified Lay Minister: Dale Caldwell

Certified Lay Servants: Jide Akinosho, Abena P.A. Busia, Holly Paul (also LP), Vivian Nelson-Appiah, Steve Zahorbenski

Local Lay Servants: Tammy Peoples, Karen Cox, Desmond Crowther

Sermon Notes

And the Lord said to her,
“Two nations are in your womb and
two peoples born of you shall be divided;
the one shall be stronger than the other,
the elder shall serve the younger.”

~ Genesis 25:23

“A Story of Division”

PRAYER LIST:

HOMEBOUND: Aseye Agbotse-Fiavey, Helen Holman, Karen Miller, Linda Miller, Dorothea Ruckman, Vera Schlosser

RECOVERING AT HOME: Marilyn Kuna

BULLETIN SUPPLEMENT

August 13, 2017

THIS WEEK:

Sun.	Aug 13	9:15 AM	Praise Service	Sanctuary
Sun.	Aug 13	10:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Mon.	Aug 14	6:00 PM	Praise team meeting	Fellowship Hall
Tue.	Aug 15	7:30 PM	Trustees meeting	Fellowship Hall
Wed.	Aug 16	10:00 AM	Staff meeting	Church office
<i>Wed.</i>	<i>Aug 16</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>NA – Recovery is our Primary Purpose</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>
<i>Thu.</i>	<i>Aug 17</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>NA – Speak at Ease</i>	<i>Lower Fellowship Hall</i>
Thu.	Aug 17	7–8:00 PM	Wesleyan Ringers rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
Thu.	Aug 17	8–9:30 PM	Chancel Choir	Fellowship Hall
<i>Sat.</i>	<i>Aug 19</i>	<i>12:15 PM</i>	<i>AA meeting – Come and Get It</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>
<i>Sat.</i>	<i>Aug 19</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>NA – Real Deal</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>

NEXT WEEK:

Sun.	Aug 20	9:15 AM	Praise Service	Sanctuary
Sun.	Aug 20	10:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sun.	Aug 20	after worship	Outreach Committee budget meeting	Nursery
Tue.	Aug 22	7:00 PM	Worship Committee meeting	Church office
Wed.	Aug 23	7:30 PM	S.P.R.C. meeting	Church office
<i>Wed.</i>	<i>Aug 23</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>NA – Recovery is our Primary Purpose</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>
<i>Thu.</i>	<i>Aug 24</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>NA – Speak at Ease</i>	<i>Lower Fellowship Hall</i>
Thu.	Aug 24	7–8:00 PM	Wesleyan Ringers rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
Thu.	Aug 24	8–9:30 PM	Chancel Choir	Fellowship Hall
<i>Sat.</i>	<i>Aug 26</i>	<i>12:15 PM</i>	<i>AA meeting – Come and Get It</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>
<i>Sat.</i>	<i>Aug 26</i>	<i>7:00 PM</i>	<i>NA – Real Deal</i>	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>

COMMITTEE NEWS

HARVEST TEA MEETING: There will be a meeting of the Harvest Tea committee after Church on Sunday August 27th. – God Bless, Olive-Jean

COMMUNITY NEWS

ELIJAH’S PROMISE: Please remember to bring your non-perishables for Elijah’s Promise. **The food shelves need replenishing. – Outreach Committee**

NEW TUTORS NEEDED: If you like helping second grade students, and you are free on Monday afternoons from 3:15 PM to 4:15, please come join our tutors at the Lord Stirling School, just up George Street from our Church. We simply help the students with the work assigned by their teachers [reading, writing and math], while building relationships with them through the year. Please let us know if you are interested, as school will be starting all too soon. – Thanks, Lou Diemer, Carl and Carol Wilson, Maurice Cyrille, and Nick Nickles

LAST CALL FOR THE ANNUAL BACKPACK DRIVE: Today is the last day we are collecting school supplies to benefit students in the 17th Legislative District. Our goal is 25 backpacks with supplies. Your response has, once again, been wonderful. We will give a final tally next week. – Outreach Committee

INTERFAITH NETWORK OF CARE: Interfaith Network of Care provides ride service to doctors for anyone who needs a ride. See Fred Huber (or call him 732-735-7604) about this service. – Outreach Committee

OF SPECIAL NOTE

A NOTE OF THANKS: Thank you to my church family for your support with the passing of my mother. I felt your love through every card, word of comfort and prayer. **Karen Cox**

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Lahai and Eunice Garber on their wedding August 12th in North Carolina.

WORSHIP NEWS

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR AUGUST 20: Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2, 29-32; Matthew 15:10-28

July 2nd through September 3rd
Summer Praise Service at 9:15 AM
Summer Worship Service at 10:00 AM
11:00 AM worship resumes on September 10th