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Let's Talk About . . . *Hospitality!!*

Every church I know of says that they are friendly. If churches are so friendly, then, why do so many people who come to churches feel that they are on the outside looking in? The reality is that churches are generally friendly to each other, but not always to the new person who is coming for the first or second time. Friendliness, actually, is not a primary goal of the church as far as I am concerned. Faithfulness should be our primary concern, and one of the hallmarks of faithfulness is hospitality – welcoming the stranger, embracing those who are different from us, expanding the circle to include new persons in our midst.

Like many things, hospitality doesn't just happen! Hospitality is built on a conscious effort to be open and welcoming, to include and incorporate. Hospitality requires looking at the church with a new-comers eyes, and not just new comers to our church, but new-comers to the Christian faith as well. We make so many assumptions within congregation life:

- if you are interested in something, see so-and-so – identifying them only by their first name, no contact information, no additional details. We just assume that everyone knows him or her, and that everyone knows that this is an open invitation.
- we're meeting in the Asbury Room – where's that? Is it marked? Are there directions posted within the church?
- Representatives of the UMW and UMM heard a report at the Ad Council meeting on the latest correspondence from the CFA of the GNJAC (our alphabet soup communication method that even the most schooled United Methodist can find confusing)

Hospitality requires planning, energy, openness to the leading of the Spirit, and a desire to share the good news. It's not a committee's responsibility – it is a congregational responsibility, a part of our witness to the word. I am inviting you to be a part of a new focus on hospitality that enlists greeters, ushers, worship leaders, Sunday School leaders, communication people, and many others in creating an atmosphere of welcome and invitation. We will be utilizing a resource developed by the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection entitled, "Catch". We will be gathering for study/planning sessions on two Wednesday evenings in July: July 7th and July 28th (the first and the last), and then a follow up session in mid August. Our July meetings will be from 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the library. (Yes, we'll have refreshments as well). I invite everyone willing to share in the exciting new effort to join us for these gatherings, so that we might be better positioned to make a difference for Jesus Christ in the community.

I thank you in advance for making this a priority this summer. God has great things in store for our congregation and together we will truly make a difference.

In Christ,

Steve

Congratulations



David Guzman graduated from Butler High School

Nicole Rafferty and her dog Farina graduated magna cum laude from Rutgers with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science.

¡Felicidades a Manuel Vargas en su graduación del Curso de Predicador Laico y a Bryan Amaro & David Guzman por su graduación de cuarto año!

Cambios en el Ministerio Hispano efectivos en Julio 2010.

Estudio Bíblico – Miércoles 7:00-8:30 PM

Comunidad de Fe – Dos veces al mes, Viernes, 7:00-9:00 PM

Beginning July 7th, Spanish Bible Study will meet weekly on Wednesdays from 7:00 – 8:30 pm and the Community of Faith will meet every other week on Fridays, beginning July 16th, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm.

Servicio de Oración comenzando en Septiembre 2010.

Servicio de Oración – Dos veces al mes, Lunes 7:00-8:00 PM

Beginning in September, a Prayer Service will meet every other week on Monday's, from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

CALLING ALL MEN...

The next breakfast meeting of the Butler United Methodist Men will be Sunday, July 4th in Fellowship Hall. Breakfast will be served promptly at 8:00 AM – please join us!



HELPING HANDS

Our next *Helping Hands Day* will be Saturday, July 10th. Work will be planned both at the church and in the community, with something for everyone's ability. We will gather at 8:30am in Fellowship Hall for team assignments. If you know of a need either for someone in the community or at your own home, please call Jack Inglis, 973-838-1916 or Tracey Gleason, 973-492-1724.

Please sign me up for *HELPING HANDS*

I could use a hand with _____ I can offer a helping hand

I'd appreciate a ride

I can offer a ride

Name: _____ Phone: _____



COFFEE HOUSE ... Friday, July 9th ... 8:00 pm

Come enjoy a relaxing evening with friends, enjoying delicious refreshments and good music in the air-conditioned comfort of Fellowship Hall. Featuring solo guitarist, Peter Biedermann, the evening is one you don't want to miss. Tickets are \$10 each, (available during coffee hour and through the church office) and all proceeds will help sponsor this year's Red Bird Mission trip.

RED BIRD TEAM DEDICATION ... Sunday, July 11th

The members of this year's team who will be traveling to Kentucky will be dedicated during morning worship on July 11th, following which they will be sponsoring another **Red Bird Brunch** in Fellowship Hall.



The team has appreciated your support of the fund raisers this year, as we attempt to raise the funds necessary to purchase the supplies needed for the work we will be doing while in Kentucky. We again invite you to come enjoy the variety of breakfast foods and fellowship around the table, and show your continued support of this year's team. Tickets are only \$5 for adults, and \$4 for children under 10, and may be purchased during coffee hour on July 4th or at the door on the 11th.

Rita's Celebrity Scoops Fund Raiser – rescheduled...



On **Tuesday July 13th** – come and support the Red Bird Mission Team and share in the fun and fellowship at Rita's on Main Street in Butler – A percentage of all purchases during the hours of **6:00 to 9:00pm** on that evening will help support this year's trip.

Come Pray the Team on their Way

The Red Bird Mission Team will be leaving for Kentucky on Saturday morning, July 17th at 7:00 am. We invite to you come and to wish the team well and to pray with them as they begin their journey. We ask you to be in the lower parking lot by 6:45 a.m. so that we can leave promptly at 7:00.



As we prepare to embark on the 16th year of ministry to our youngest community members through Noah's Ark Christian Daycare and Preschool, I share with you, a portion of a letter received by our three-year-old class teacher on June 3, 2010.

"I also want to take this opportunity to thank you for all your help with Daniel throughout the year. You have definitely demonstrated to have all of the fruits of the Spirit described in **Galatians 5:22**. You have shown Daniel **love, joy**, with you he's felt **peace**, you've been **patient, kind, good** and **faithful** to him and all of your students. You've been so very **gentle** and you've always demonstrated **self control**. (however hard that may be to do sometimes.) Thanks again for who you are, you've made me feel like my smiley boy is cradled in the arms of JESUS in your care. What more could a mother ask for. Thank you!!!!"

Please continue to pray for the staff, children and families of Noah's Ark.

Shalom



NOAH'S ARK REGISTRATION - only a few spots remaining for September 2010. The 3 year old class is already full. If you are considering sending your 2 1/2 or 4 year old to Noah's Ark Christian Daycare and Preschool, please call 973-492-3103. Thanks be to God for your continuing prayers for this wonderful ministry!

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, 9:30-11:00am in the Library.

Each week is new discovery in Scripture. Join us for a relaxed and exciting morning in God's Word.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays beginning July 6, 2010 7:00 -9:00pm.

Come as your summer schedule permits

Crossing the Barriers *Communicating the Good News in your world.*

Led by Gerrie Cook. Wherever you are on your journey through the Bible, this study will help you share the Good News

ALL CHURCH PICNIC Saturday, July 31, 2010 11:30am-5:00pm ...

...at the beautiful lakeside of Star Lake Camp in Bloomingdale. Just a few minutes from home we enjoy a day of swimming, fishing, boating, horseshoes, basketball, picnicking and fellowship. The cost is \$7/per person. Please make a reservation and payment by Sunday, July 11, 2010. Bring meat to grill for your family and a salad or dessert to share. Don't miss this great day of relaxation and fellowship!!



July 2010



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 9:30am Faith & Fellowship 4-6pm VBS preparation	2 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1 pm Gleaners	3 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10am NA Meeting
4 8am UMM Breakfast 9:30am Worship, nursery 10:45am Coffee Hour 12pm Spanish Worship	5 Church Office and Gleaners CLOSED	6 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 7-9pm Bible Study	7 10-1pm Gleaners 7pm Spanish Bible Study 7pm "Catch" study & planning session	8 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 9:30am Faith & Fellowship 4-6pm VBS preparation	9 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1pm Gleaners 8pm Coffee House Fundraiser for Red Bird	10 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 8:30am <i>Helping Hands</i> 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10am NA Meeting
11 9:30am Worship, nursery Red Bird Team Dedication 11:00am Red Bird Brunch 12pm Spanish Worship	12 10-1pm Gleaners 11am Senior Worship/Lunch 7-9pm Gleaners	13 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 6-9pm Rita's fundraiser For Red Bird Mission 7-9pm Bible Study	14 10-1pm Gleaners 7pm Spanish Bible Study	15 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 9:30am Faith & Fellowship 4-6pm VBS preparation 7:30pm Wellspring	16 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1pm Gleaners 7pm Community of Faith	17 7am Red Bird Team leaves 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10am NA Meeting
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RED BIRD TEAM MEMBERS AS THEY TRAVEL AND SERVE IN KENTUCKY						
25 9:30am Worship, nursery 10:45am Coffee Hour 12pm Spanish Worship	26 10-1pm Gleaners 9-11am } <i>Loaves &</i> 7-9pm } <i>Fishes</i> 7-9pm Gleaners	27 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 7-9pm Bible Study	28 10-1pm Gleaners 7pm Spanish Bible Study 7pm "Catch" study & planning session	29 9:30am-12:30pm Gleaners 9:30am Faith & Fellowship	30 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1pm Gleaners 7pm Community of Faith	31 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10am NA Meeting 11:30am-5pm Church Picnic At Star Lake Camp

SPECIAL

Service

OPPORTUNITIES

USHERS

(Keith Worman 973-838-5538)

Youth
Sunday School
Families
Volunteers

GREETERS

July 4th Helen Guenter
July 11th Lin & Dan Hack
July 18th Eileen Weinbrecht &
Isabelle Butler
July 25th Rich & Gerrie Cook

SOUND TECHNICIAN

Karl Barton

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

**(Cecelia Joseph 973-838-0665)
Sandy Weigel 973-835-5544**

LAWN CARE

Between

July 11th & 17th Keith Worman
July 25th & 31st Charles Smith

July 4th OPEN
July 11th Red Bird Brunch
July 18th OPEN
July 25th Eileen Weinbrecht &
Isabelle Butler

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

HIGH SEAS EXPEDITION - Exploring the Mighty Love of GOD
AUGUST 23 through AUGUST 27, 2010. 9:30am -12:30pm
Celebration Picnic is Thursday AUGUST 26, 2010 6pm-8pm

Please fill out the enclosed Registration form and drop it off in the display box in the entry of Noah's Ark. There is a \$5 registration fee per child. All children beginning Kindergarten in September through 5th grade are invited to attend. All children 6th grade and older are invited to be CREW LEADERS!! Everyone's help is needed. If you are unable to attend but would like to help out, there is a supply list enclosed, any donations are greatly appreciated.

ALL HANDS ON DECK

Anyone interested in helping prepare decorations for VBS is invited to Fellowship Hall on Thursdays from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, July 8th, 15th & 22nd. Come when you can, leave when you must. Sing, Dance and Decorate!!

HELP FEED OUR VBS CREWS!

We're gathering a boatload of snack supplies to feed all the hungry kids who come to our High Seas Expedition VBS. Next time you're at the grocery store, drop a few of the items listed into your cart, then bring them to _____ the church kitchen

by this date: Sunday, August 8, 2010

Day 1

- 10 boxes of Pringles Baked Wheat Stix
- 6 (10ou) bags of bite-sized square pretzels
- 8 (42ou) bags of M&M's
- 3 (25ou) boxes of Honey Nut Cheerios cereal
- 7 (16ou) bags of miniature marshmallows

Day 2

- 16 (11.5) bags of bite-size blue corn chips
- 13 (16ou) tubs of chip dip
- 7 (8ou) mild cheddar cheese

Day 3

- _____ pans of prepared blue Jell-O (needs to be blue!)
- 8 (16ou) tubs of whipped topping—not Lite or squirt-on
- 3 (12ou) boxes of round vanilla wafers
- 5 (1lb) bags of gummy worms

Day 4

- 8 (13ou) boxes of chocolate graham cracker crumbs
- 8 (16ou) tubs of whipped topping—not Lite or squirt-on
- 20 (21ou) cans of extra-fruit cherry pie filling

Day 5

- _____ fresh fruit—red and green grapes, seedless watermelon, canteloupe, pineapple (fresh or canned)

Supplies:

- 100 5ou. paper cups
- 200 sandwich size ziplocks
- 100 blueplastic dessert plat
- 400 9ou.clear plastic-
wide cups
- 400 plastic spoons
- 400 long plastic coffee stir
ranch or french onion dip
- 35 heavy duty paper or
plastic dinner plates
- 33 (6ou) boxes jello
- 10 paper towel rolls
- 10 boxes hand wipes



REGISTRATION FORM

(One per child – please enclose \$5 registration fee)

Child's name: _____

Child's Age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone (_____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cell phone: _____

Home e-mail address: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____

Relationship to child: _____



Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

Home church: _____

Crew number or name (for church use only): _____



Loaves & Fishes

July will be *pasta & pasta sauce and cold cereals* month for *Loaves & Fishes*. Please place any donations in the box at the entrance to the Narthex.

The following items are **NEEDED** for the Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry:

- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Fruit
- Canned peas, carrots
- Mixed vegetables
- Canned tomatoes
- Boxed Cereals**
(hot & cold)
- Pancake Mixes
- Pancake Syrup
- Dried or Powdered Milk
- Peanut Butter
- Cooking Oil
- Pasta**
- Pasta Sauce**
- Boxed Potatoes
- Rice Side Dishes
- Bags of Rice
- Dried Beans – Red or Black
- Jelly – Strawberry & Grape
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Tissues
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo

At this time the food pantry has sufficient supply of canned beans. Thank you for your generosity,

Debby Smeilus, Coordinator

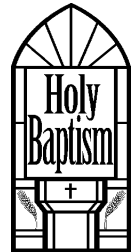
THANK YOU...

Dear Butler U.M. Church Family,
Allow us to take this opportunity to thank you for your hospitality on April 18th ... We, too, firmly believe that change begins with you. If there is something we may be able to assist you with in the future, please call. Again, our many thanks,

- Mt. View Rainbow #7

RECENT BAPTISM

David Neilson Esteves, Jr., son of David & Nicole Esteves, was baptized on Sunday, June 27th.



UP-DATING THE DIRECTORY

Grace Conger
P.O. Box 182
Pocono Pines, PA 18350
(temporary address – until 9/15/10)



SENIOR WORSHIP & LUNCH

Monday, June 12th
11:00am

Won't you join us for a time of worship and fellowship? Worship begins at 11:00 am in the sanctuary, with lunch immediately following in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited, just please let the church office know if you'll be staying for lunch (973) 838-2026, so we we'll know how many to prepare for.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
				Luke / San Lucas 9:57-62	Joshua / Josué 24:16-28	Romans / Romanos 24:13-23
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 Kings/1 Reyes 19:15-21 Galatians/Gálatas 5:1,13-25 Psalm/Salmos 44:1-8 Luke/San Lucas 9:51-62	Matthew / San Mateo 10:1-15	Romans / Romanos 1:1-7	John / San Juan 1:6-13	Colossians / Colosenses 1:9-23	Colossians / Colosenses 1:24-29	1 Peter / 1 Pedro 1:1-9
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1 Kings/1 Reyes 21:1-3,17-21 Galatians/Gálatas 6:7-18 Psalm/Salmos 5:1-8 Luke/San Lucas 10:1-12,17-20	Isaiah / Isaías 55:1-13	Isaiah / Isaías 1:10-17	Isaiah / Isaías 1:21-26	Romans / Romanos 15:1-13	Ephesians / Efesios 4:1-16	John / San Juan 17:20-26
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
2 Kings/2 Reyes 2:1,6-14 Colossians/Colosenses 1:1-14 Psalm/Salmos 139:1-12 Luke/San Lucas 10:25-37	Mark / San Marcos 9:1-8	James / Santiago 1:19-27	James / Santiago 4:1-10	Romans / Romanos 6:15-23	Philippians / Filipenses 2:12-18	John / San Juan 14:15-24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
2 Kings/2 Reyes 4:8-17 Colossians/Colosenses 1:21-29 Psalm/Salmos 139:13-18 Luke/San Lucas 10:38-42	Genesis / Génesis 22:1-14	1 Timothy / 1 Timoteo 6:11-19	Psalm / Salmos 68:1-10	John / San Juan 10:1-18	Matthew / San Mateo 7:1-12	1 Peter / 1 Pedro 5:1-11

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