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### **TABERNACLE TIMES**

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## *Musings from Mike*

### “The Road to Character”

Jesus said it over and over: ‘By their fruit (actions) you will know them.’

One part of what he is saying is that in the decisions, words, and actions of individuals and groups you will come to know what they value and what they are prepared (or not) to do about it.

In this week of seeing the curtain parting and getting to peer into the character (or lack of same) in the political world, the business world, and sadly in the devastating report of the church failing to protect children and youth in Pennsylvania in the world of our faith.

Out of all of it I believe God is calling us back to find and live a better story and a better character. The elements of that character have the following:

- My soul and life reaches its fullness in the service of something larger – the living God.
- My soul and character flourishes when it is touched by and touching the lives of others.
- My soul reaches its ultimate character when touched by the power of God’s Holy Spirit.

I have to confess to all of you that I am guilty of taking character and character development for granted. If there is anything the last few years has taught me is that we can’t take it for granted. We have to think about it, pray and study about it, and then practice passionately the ways that lead to a character that shines a light to others and that equips you for whatever comes in life.

I invite you and welcome you to rediscover and travel with me on the road to character.

Shalom,

*Pastor Mike*

## ***A MONTH OF SUNDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018***

In September the Spanish Language Service returns to 11:15 a.m. and during the month Pastor Mike will share a three part sermon series entitled: 'The Road to Character' – Faith and Shaping Who You Are'.

September 2<sup>nd</sup>: Communion Scripture: Genesis 2:4-17 Sermon: 'Good Work'

September 9<sup>th</sup>: The Road to Character I Scripture: Mark 12:1-12 & 38-44  
Sermon: 'Practicing Character'

September 16<sup>th</sup>: Baptism for Natalia Szproch / The Road to Character II  
Scripture: Hebrews 10:19-25  
Sermon: 'Faith is a Full-Contact Sport'

September 23<sup>rd</sup>: Guest Speaker

September 30<sup>th</sup>: Baptism for Emmett Galus / The Road to Character III  
Scripture: I Kings 19:4-18  
Sermon: 'Character Shaping Spirit'

## ***CHURCH CONFERENCE – Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>***

Church Conference is the Annual Meeting of the Church for the purpose of accounting for the ministry decisions and actions we have taken, to make decisions for the next year, and to dream in the power of the Spirit.

This year's Church Conference is the last that we will be sharing with Rev. Steve Bechtold as our District Superintendent. To celebrate that we are doing the following on the 21<sup>st</sup>:

- Inviting all of our members and friends to a covered dish dinner in Fellowship Hall beginning at 5 p.m. During and following dinner we will have a time of conversation about our current ministries and give ourselves a chance to dream about where God wants to lead us.
- At 6:30 p.m. all who wish to are welcome to the formal business part of the Church Conference which should take about a half an hour.

Keep an eye out for sign-up sheets, mark your calendar and plan on sharing this special evening together.



# SEPTEMBER 2018



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>2</u> 9:30am Worship, nursery 9:30am Hispanic Worship 10:45am Coffee Hour	<u>3</u> <b>LABOR DAY</b>  Church Office & Gleaners Closed	<u>4</u> 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 6:30pm Al Anon in Library 8:30pm Al Anon Dance In Fellowship Hall	<u>5</u> 10-1pm Gleaners 6:30pm Bible Study 7pm Prayer Time 7:15pm Zumba in Hall	<u>6</u> 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 7pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm AlaTeen in Youth Room	<u>7</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1 pm Gleaners	<u>1 &amp; 8</u> 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 9am Zumba/Fellowship Hall 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting
<u>9</u> 9:30am Worship, nursery 10:45am Coffee Hour 11:15am Hispanic Worship	<u>10</u> 10-1pm Gleaners 7-9pm Gleaners	<u>11</u> 9:30-4:00pm Gleaners 6:30pm Al Anon in Library 8:30pm Al Anon Dance In Fellowship Hall	<u>12</u> 10-1pm Gleaners 6:30pm Bible Study 7pm Prayer Time 7:15pm Zumba in Hall	<u>13</u> 9:30-4:00pm Gleaners 7pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm Al-Anon Study Group 7:30pm AlaTeen in Youth Room	<u>14</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1 pm Gleaners	<u>15</u> 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 9am Zumba/Fellowship Hall 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting
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<u>23</u> 9:30am Worship, nursery 10:45am Coffee Hour 11:15am Hispanic Worship	<u>24</u> 10-1pm Gleaners 7-9pm Gleaners 9-11am } <i>Loaves &amp;</i> 7-9pm } <i>Fishes</i> 7pm Naomi Circle	<u>25</u> 9:30-4:00pm Gleaners 6:30pm Al Anon in Library 8:30pm Al Anon Dance In Fellowship Hall	<u>26</u> 10-1pm Gleaners 6:30pm Bible Study 7pm Prayer Time 7:15pm Zumba in Hall	<u>27</u> 9:30-4:00pm Gleaners 7pm Spanish Bible Study 7:30pm Al-Anon Study Group 7:30pm AlaTeen in Youth Room	<u>28</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 10-1 pm Gleaners	<u>29</u> 8:30am Gleaners Devotions 9am Zumba/Fellowship Hall 9:30-12:30pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting
<u>30</u> 9:30am Worship, nursery 10:00am Sunday School 10:45am Coffee Hour 11:15am Hispanic Worship						

**SPECIAL**

# *Service*

**OPPORTUNITIES**

## USHERS

(Keith Worman 973-838-5538)  
(wormanke@aol.com)

Dan Hack, Captain  
Georgia Connell  
Debby Smeilus  
Debbie Pitt

## LITURGISTS

(Lin Hack 973-492-1505)  
(lin\_n\_dan@hotmail.com)

If you are willing to serve as a  
Worship leader for a Sunday morning  
worship service, please contact  
Lin Hack for details.

## COFFEE HOUR

Jill Thomas 973-879-6659  
jilliethomas@aol.com  
Sandy Weigel 973-835-5544

September 2<sup>nd</sup>: OPEN  
September 9<sup>th</sup>: Durren family  
September 16<sup>th</sup>: OPEN  
September 23<sup>rd</sup>: Alex Nafz  
September 30<sup>th</sup>: OPEN

## SOUND TECHNICIAN

(Dan Hack 973-492-1505)  
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September 2<sup>nd</sup>: Pat Inglis  
September 9<sup>th</sup>: Jeff Matthews  
September 16<sup>th</sup>: Pam Campbell  
September 23<sup>rd</sup>: Jeff Matthews  
September 30<sup>th</sup>: Pat Inglis

## ACOLYTES

(Alex Nafz 973-283-2668)  
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Ashley Campbell

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(Tim Campbell 973-768-2476)  
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Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Maurice & Dot  
Cailleateau, & Alison Bisanti  
Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Linda Meilan,  
Helen Guenter, Karen Bailey  
Sept 16<sup>th</sup> Janet Schaefer,  
Connie Anderson & Linda Bosland  
Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> Dawn Kruimer,  
Jean Bresett & Lauren Shepard  
Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Carroll Campbell,  
Vickie Boyd, Betty Greig



## Loaves & Fishes

Our supply closet could especially use personal items, such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, & toothbrushes, as well as paper items, such as tissues and toilet paper this month, but any of the items on the list can be used to help our families supplement their monthly food budget. Donations can be put in the cabinet at the entrance to the Narthex to help us meet the needs of this important ministry.

- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Fruit
- Mixed vegetables
- Canned beans
- Canned tomatoes
- Hot or Cold Cereals
- Pancake Mixes
- Pancake Syrup
- Dried or Powdered Milk
- Peanut Butter
- Cooking Oil
- Tomato Sauce
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Boxed Potatoes
- Stuffing
- Rice Side Dishes
- Bags of White Rice
- Soup
- Dried Beans – Red or Black
- Jelly – Strawberry & Grape
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper**
- Tissues**
- Napkins
- Toothpaste/Toothbrush**
- Soap**
- Shampoo**

Thank you for your generosity,  
*Debby Smeilus, Coordinator*

## CALLING ALL CRAFTERS AND SCRAPBOOKERS....

Before the holidays are upon us, let's get together in October for some scrapbooking, card making or crafts of your choice. This event will be at Butler United Methodist Church in Fellowship Hall on October 20th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. A light breakfast and lunch will be served. The cost will be \$35 for the day. The proceeds from this event will benefit the church.

See registration form in this issue of Tabernacle Times.



### **IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING ...**

The 2018 Christmas Bazaar is coming in December! This is

a church-wide sponsored event and we need your help!!! Right now we need gently used and new Christmas items, gift able items, handmade items, etc. Mark the items for "Christmas Bazaar" and bring them to the church office. We'll need your help to make this event successful. Watch for sign-up sheets which will be available in September for more details regarding the help that will be needed in sorting, pricing, setting up and helping that day. In the meantime, start sorting and saving what you can donate! If you have any questions, please ask Linda Meilan, Isabelle Butler or Dawn Kruimer.

# Scrapbooking/Card Making/Crafting Event

Come and be in fellowship with other scrappers/stampers/crafters  
before the craziness of the holidays are upon us!

**Saturday, October 20, 2018**

**Butler United Methodist Church-Fellowship Hall**

**Benefit: Butler United Methodist Church**

**9:00am – 5:00pm**

**Cost: \$35**



*Register Early!!  
Seating is limited*

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A light Breakfast, and Lunch will be provided.

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## Registration Form

**Deadline to register will be October 12<sup>th</sup> so we can make sure to have enough food for all. Thank you!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_ Electrical needs \_\_\_\_\_

### **Make checks payable to:**

**Butler United Methodist Church**, 5 Bartholdi Ave, Butler, NJ 07405 (cost \$35.00)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 John / San Juan 8:1-11
2 Job 42:1-6 James/Santiago 4L13-17; 5:7-11 Psalm/Salmos 27:7-14 Mark/San Marcos 9:38-50	3 1 Corinthians / 1 Corintios 4:1-7	4 1 Corinthians / 1 Corintios 4:8-13	5 1 Thessalonians / 1 Tesalonicenses 1:1-10	6 2 Thessalonians / 2 Tesalonicenses 1:1-4	7 Luke / San Lucas 12:35-40	8 Luke / San Lucas 12:41-48
9 Genesis/Génesis 2:18-24 Hebrews/Hebreos 1:1-4; 2:9-11 Psalm/Salmos 128 Mark/San Marcos 10:2-16	10 Matthew / San Mateo 10:40-42	11 Matthew / San Mateo 12:22-37	12 Matthew / San Mateo 12:46-50	13 Luke / San Lucas 18:1-8	14 Luke / San Lucas 18:9-14	15 Romans / Romanos 8:31-39
16 Genesis/Génesis 3:8-19 Hebrews/Hebreos 4:1-3, 9-13 Psalm/Salmos 90:1-12 Mark/San Marcos 10:17-30	17 Hebrews / Hebreos 11:1-16	18 Acts / Hechos 8:1-8	19 Acts / Hechos 11:19-26	20 Matthew / San Mateo 21:28-32	21 Luke / San Lucas 12:35-40	22 Luke / San Lucas 12:41-48
23 Isaiah/Isaías 53:7-12 Hebrews/Hebreos 4:14-16 Psalm/Salmos 35:17-28 Mark/San Marcos 10:35-45	24 Exodus / Éxodo 3:7-22	25 Jeremiah / Jeremías 32:16-24	26 Isaiah / Isaías 40:18-31	27 Romans / Romanos 4:13-25	28 Acts / Hechos 12:1-17	29 Hebrews / Hebreos 1:1-14
30 Jeremiah/Jeremías 31:7-9 Hebrews/Hebreos 5:1-6 Psalm/Salmos 126 Mark/San Marcos 10:46-52						



Please join us for one or more of these exciting opportunities to draw near to God reading through His love letter to you...

**Wednesday Night Bible Study** ... in the Library, 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Thursdays, 7:00 to 8:30pm – **Spanish Bible Study**

Fridays, 6:00 to 7:00am, **Men's Bible Study** in the Youth Room