A Midsummer Vacation



Sometimes, it feels like there are not enough hours in the day! Enough time to get it all done, to complete the tasks that are laid out in front of me. When the pressure and the pace of life starts to get me down, I often turn to the first couple of verses of Psalm 127. It is an awesome promise of rest of rest and restoration!

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain. It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil, for he gives sleep to his beloved.

Well, I will be seeking out some of that promised rest in the coming weeks. My family and I will be in Tennessee from Monday, July until Wednesday, August 6th. I will be away from my phone and will not be checking emails. Pastor Todd Lattig, of East Bangor UMC (a previous pastor of mine and a great person) will be available in the case of any pastoral emergencies. Please just call my church cellphone and I will leave his contact number on the voicemail.

In case you are wondering what I will be doing while I am away, I have included a picture from my trip last year, and I hope to be doing a lot of the same this year. God Bless.

Pastor John

This Sunday (July 27th)



OK... So this week I couldn't help myself. As I reflected on our three-week sermon series about the lives of the Old Testament Prophets, I felt like I left one question unanswered... Why was the life of an Old Testament prophet so hard?

This week, we will examine the life of the Old Testament Prophet Hosea and try to answer that question. While we are at it, I think that we will discover an awful lot about why our lives as Christians may not always be as easy as we hope they would be.

I hope that you will join us Sunday as we conclude (again) this powerful worship series!

There are **four** ways to participate in worship at Black Creek UMC.

Our service begins at 9:30.

- In person All are welcome, come as you are!
- On Facebook Live.
- Right at the top of our website, blackcreekumc.org.
- Livestreamed on our YouTube Channel. Just go to YouTube and type in @backpewbelievers and our channel will come right up! Don't forget to subscribe for new updates.

Summer Concert This Saturday!



Our Summer Concert series continues this Saturday with a performance by the Freeland St. Ann's Band. I hope you can join us for this awesome community event. As always, dinner is at 5:30 and music starts at 6:00! Rain or Shine!

Fair Foods Dinner:



Our Second Annual Fair Foods Dinner is less than a month and a half away! It is an all hands on deck type of event. If you are able to help with this major undertaking, please let Bud or Donna know. This should be a great time!!

Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, July 23rd 6:00PM - Fair Foods Dinner Meeting

Everything Below This Line Was in Last Week's Email.

If you are all caught up, you can stop reading now...

Our Summer Concert Series!



We only have a couple of concerts left in our 2025 Summer Concert Series. This Saturday, we have the Freeland St. Ann's Band coming to Black Creek. They were a big hit last year, and I hope that you will join us for this awesome event.

Our final concert of the summer will be an end of summer celebration as we welcome Poor Man's Gambit to Black Creek on August 30th! I hope to see you there!

Registration Our Big Golf Outing





Sponsorship Information for Our Golf Outing

For a \$100 sponsorship donation, in addition to supporting the good work of BCUMC, all sponsors will receive:

- A yard sign posted at a tee box during the event.
- · Recognition at our awards banquet the night of the event.
- Inclusion on our sponsorship list that will be given to all golfers.
- Recognition in our weekly bulletin at Black Creek United Methodist Church.
- A letter of receipt of your tax-deductible donation.

I hope that you will consider supporting the ministries of our church! Use the QR Code below to become a sponsor or just reach out to the church via phone or email!

