

A Quick Request...

“Evangelism”

When you read that word, my guess would be that there are all kinds of unpleasant associations that come to your mind...

But I believe as Christians we need to reclaim that word! It comes from a Greek root word: εὐαγγελίζω or to use a more familiar alphabet... **euaggelizó.**

That word can be translated simply as “to share the Good News.” As followers of a Risen Lord it is our job to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with this troubled world!

So I have a request... help BCUMC share the Good News! As you probably know, we have some awesome outdoor worship services coming up in October. Let’s get the word out!

Here are some ways that you can help...

- Promote the events on social media.
- Grab some invitation cards at the church and hand them out or post them in public places.
- Go old school... invite someone to worship!

The services are on October 4th, 11th, and 18th at 4:00PM. All details are below. Please help us share the Good News!!!



See Ya Sunday.

Pastor John

This Sunday (September 21st)



Lament and Hope, Part Two: Trust God, Psalm 79

This week, our two-week sermon series focusing on Psalms of Lament continues. We use a powerful scripture, Psalm 79, to try to sort out the emotions that maybe we have been feeling over the last few chaotic weeks in our troubled world. We also find some powerful reassurance that the most important thing that we can do, now and always, is to trust in the Goodness of God.

I hope that you will join us for the conclusion of this powerful and topical series where we as people of faith work to find our way forward in this troubled world.

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, www.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.

An Episcopal Response to Current Events

In the wake of the tragic shootings in the United States on September 10, 2025, many of our church leaders have spoken with compassion, conviction, and calls to action. I was particularly moved by the statement that was written by Bishop Héctor A. Burgos Núñez, of the Susquehanna & Upper New York Area of our United Methodist Church. I read this statement in church this past Sunday, and I would like to share it with all of you here as well. I encourage you to engage with these meaningful words and to feel free to share them with anyone who wants to know what we believe as United Methodists.

[From the Desk of Bishop Héctor: An urgent call to Peacemaking and Hope](#)

A Two-Part Pastoral Response to Current Events

For my personal response to the events of the past few weeks and increasingly bitter and divided state our nation and our world, I encourage you to check out my current two-sermon series focusing on two powerful Psalms of Lament; Psalms 14 and 79. Part One, subtitled *God Wins*, is currently available on our website.

Here is the link: [Sermons | Black Creek United Methodist Church](#)

I will be preaching Part Two, subtitled *Trust God*, this Sunday in church and on our livestream. That message will also be posted at the link above by 9:00AM Sunday morning.

These are hard times, but in the end, God wins, and we can always trust in Him!

Upcoming Meetings

Wednesday, September 17th 6:00PM – Fair Foods Dinner Wrapup and Chicken and Waffle Planning Meeting

Everything Below This Line Was in Last Week's Email. You can stop here if you are caught up!!

This Year's Chicken and Waffle Dinner is Coming Up!

Help us get the word out!!! All of the details are below. Cards and flyers are available at the church.



Christian Outreach Project

If you know any high school age students who would be interested in an awesome worship and community building experience, please let me know. The Christian Outreach Project is a one week camp where Methodist Youth from throughout our conference and the Greater New Jersey Conference work to help make home improvements for those in need.

A Community Announcement



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**JOIN ME MONDAYS
THIS
SEPTEMBER!**

Christ-Centered Yoga Classes

Now offering Two Monday Yoga Practices!

9 AM -Gentle Morning Flow:

Begin your week with intention, movement, and the loving presence of God. This gentle morning yoga practice invites you to awaken both body and spirit through breath-led movement, Scripture reflection, and centering prayer. Whether you're seeking peace, clarity, or simply a sacred space to start your day, this class offers a renewing refuge to rise in grace and move with God-led purpose.

6 PM -Sacred Stillness Evening Flow:

Unwind and reconnect in this gentle evening yoga practice designed to quiet the body, calm the mind, and open the heart to God's loving presence. This class blends gentle, restorative postures with Scripture meditation, (Lectio Divina) and prayer, helping you foster a peaceful, Christ-centered evening that nurtures body, mind, and Spirit.

What to Bring?

All you need to bring is
yourself and a mat!

Also if you have yoga blocks
and/or a blanket those can
be helpful as well.

Check out our new yoga space located in the Choir room!

**Contact me for
more information:**



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**Classes are
45 minutes /
\$10 a class**