

Who Will You Invite?



So... as we enter into the fall and I get back into the swing of the teaching routine, I can't help but think about one of our church events from the lazy, hazy days of summer... on July 4th to be exact.

A group from our church sat at our local rest stop on Route 81 giving away coffee and baked goods... and just talking to people. It was a lovely day, and I feel like we shared the Good News of Jesus Christ with some weary travelers.

And honestly, as I remember that event, I can't help but think about the importance of just talking to people; about our faith and our church... I can do all of the "pastoring" and outreach that I can, but most people come to church, and come to Christ, because someone they know asks them to.

So I only have one question.....

Who will you invite?

See Ya Sunday.

Pastor John

This Sunday (September 28th)



This week, I will be leading our worship service, but I won't be preaching the sermon. Instead, along with the rest of the congregation of Black Creek UMC, I will be doing one of the most important things we can do as followers of Jesus Christ; raising up another Christian.

Lay Servant Donna Burchess will be preaching at Black Creek for the first time, as she discerns the call that God has placed on her heart.

I hope that you will join us for this special Sunday.

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.

Liturgists Needed



Boy, that pulpit looks awfully empty, doesn't it...

We have an opening coming up for a liturgist during our church services. If you are not familiar with that term, liturgists read the scriptures and prayers during our worship services. My son Henry has done admirably for the month of September, but we are now looking for someone for October.

This is a great way to grow closer to God and to the scripture, and it is a great way for anyone to get involved at Black Creek UMC. If you might be interested, please let me know via email, phone call, or just let me know on Sunday morning.

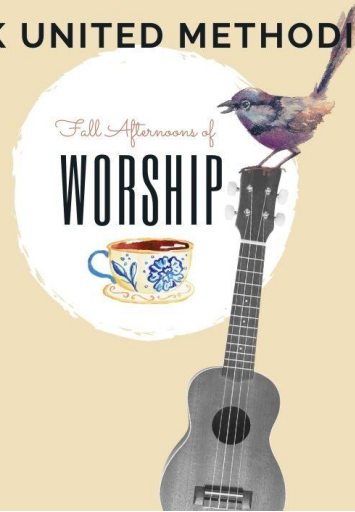
Who Will You Invite... Again

Our fall outdoor worship services are coming up in just about a week and a half and they are shaping up to be powerful worship experiences. I hope that you can make it! In addition, this is a great opportunity to introduce others to worship in a relaxed and informal setting.

Let's work to get the word out about this new ministry endeavor. Cards are available in the back of the church with details, but nothing works like a personal invitation!

BLACK CREEK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A NEW, FUN,
INFORMAL,
FAMILY-
FRIENDLY
WORSHIP
EXPERIENCE
FEATURING
POWERFUL
PREACHING,
LIVE MUSIC, AND
FREE COFFEE
AND HOT
CHOCOLATE.



OCTOBER 4TH
OCTOBER 11TH
OCTOBER 18TH

4:00PM - 5:00PM

IN OUR NEW
OUTDOOR
WORSHIP
SPACE!

Christmas Cantata



Rehearsals on Thursday Evenings from 6:00 - 7:00
October 16th - December 20th

PERFORMANCE
DECEMBER 21ST DURING
CHURCH

SEE PASTOR JOHN FOR MUSIC!

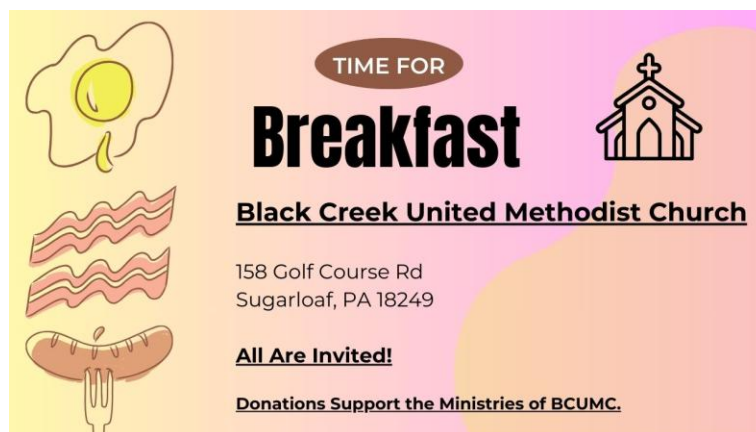
Choir rehearsals for our Christmas Cantata, *A Garland of Carols*, will begin on Thursday evenings beginning on October 16th. No experience or musical ability needed! If you would like to join us, please see Pastor John for music and a practice CD!

New Stickers and Keychains on our New Coffee Cart



Be sure to check out our new coffee cart at our outdoor worship services. In addition to coffee and hot chocolate, we have a bunch of new stickers and keychains with this new design! I think it really expresses who we are with very few words!

Mark Your Calendars Now



Our fall community breakfast is coming up on **November 9th**. Help us to spread the word. All funds that we receive at these breakfasts go directly to helping others in need in our community! The breakfast is from **11AM to 1PM**.

Upcoming Meeting



Tonight! Wednesday, September 24th 6:00PM – Yearly Event Planning Meeting. All are welcome!

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

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.

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.



**BLACK CREEK
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH**

Chicken and Waffle Dinner

DISCOVER WHY BLACK
CREEK UMC HAS BEEN
KNOWN FOR THIS EVENT
FOR DECADES!!

 October 25th

 3:00PM - 7:00PM

 158 Golf Course Road, Sugarloaf PA



 blackcreekumc.org 570-384-4087

**NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED!
DROP IN ANY TIME!**

A Community Announcement



SHEENA MAE YOGA, LLC

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:



973-234-7540



sheenamaeyoga@gmail.com



Classes are
45 minutes /
\$10 a class

These classes are up and running and growing every week. You can start any time... All ability levels are welcome. This is a wonderful chance to find peace and grow closer to Christ. – Pastor John

Another Community Announcement

**St. John Bosco
Annual Election Day
Pasta & Meatball Dinner
Eat-In or Take-Out**

**Tuesday, November 4th
3:00-7:00pm**

**\$15.00 per person
\$7.00 Children 10 and under**



Thank you for your support!

Saint John Bosco Church's GPS Location is:
573 State Route 93, Sugarloaf, PA 18249