

Taking a Moment After a Busy Season



Brothers and sisters, this has been a busy season at Black Creek United Methodist Church. Throughout Lent, we had special worship services and Bible studies, and this past week has been filled with the powerful emotions of Holy Week, ending with the celebration of the greatest victory that has ever been won, Christ's victory over sin and death on Easter morning. We will continue to celebrate that victory for the next several Sundays!

But in moments like these, I can't help but think of Mark Chapter 6. After an intense time of ministry, we read in verses 30 and 31 (NLT):

“The apostles returned to Jesus from their ministry tour and told him all they had done and taught. Then Jesus said, “Let's go off by ourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile.” He said this because there were so many people coming and going that Jesus and his apostles didn't even have time to eat.”

It is my prayer that you have some time this week to “go off by yourself to a quiet place and rest awhile.”

Happy Easter.
Pastor John

This Sunday at Black Creek UMC



This week in our church, we continue to celebrate the glory of Easter, the beauty and the power of the empty tomb!



In this week's message, we will hear the story of the Apostle Thomas, the man who missed out when Christ first appeared to his followers after His Resurrection; the man who would not believe that Christ was alive until he saw him with his own eyes.

Instead of attacking and denigrating Thomas for his doubt, we will celebrate that Thomas stayed with the other apostles despite his misgivings, and we will accept that there is always room for doubt in our faith family. This message, it speaks directly to each and every one of us who has ever felt shame or embarrassment because we have doubted the power of the Resurrection.

I hope that you will join us as we hear this life affirming message on the Second Sunday of the Easter Season!

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.

Church Council Meeting this Week



Our monthly Church Council Meeting is this **Thursday at 6:30**.

Food Pantry Distribution is **THIS** Week

The Black Creek Food Pantry is open **THIS** week to all residents of Black Creek Township. It is housed in the lower level of our church. Please help us share the word with anyone in our local community who could use the support. The food pantry is open Tuesday (April 7th) from 4PM to 6PM and Wednesday (April 8th) from 10:30AM to 2PM.