

Summer is Right Around the Corner



As I write this, it is just about 80 degrees, my windows are open, and my mind is starting to wander towards summer...

Maybe it is because I will finally be retired from my teaching job by then; but I think even more than that I am starting to think about all of the exciting events that will be happening at our church throughout July and August.

Our full schedule will be coming out shortly, but rest assured, there will be awesome ways to worship, to celebrate, to serve, and to reach out to our community in the name of Jesus Christ!

What a true blessing to be able to serve in His name.

Enjoy the beautiful week. God is Good.

Pastor John

This Sunday at Black Creek UMC



This week in our church, we continue our Easter worship series that focuses on the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the way that glorious event changed the lives of His Disciples forever, and the ways that it continues to change our lives, even today.



We will hear the story of the Emmaus Disciples in our Gospel reading; two of Jesus's disciples who decided after Christ's crucifixion to simply go home.

Of course, Jesus seeks them out, and he walks with them. In our sermon, we are reminded that Christ always walks with us, even when our circumstances keep us from feeling his presence.

We also celebrate that He made Himself known to his disciples through the simplest of elements, bread and wine, and He continues to make himself known to us every time we celebrate Holy Communion together.

I hope that you will join us as we hear this life affirming message on the Third 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.

Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed



We are looking for volunteers to organize coffee hour each month to spread the work of the church around... That means: making and preparing coffee around 8:30AM, preparing and plating all donations for coffee hour, and cleaning up after Coffee Hour. There is a signup sheet in the narthex. Please consider helping with this important mission of community and fellowship. See Pastor John with any questions!



Serving Our Neighbors

Our church continues to serve our neighbors experiencing homelessness on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Divine Providence Center in Hazleton. We provide dinner for the roughly twenty individuals who sleep there each night. We are looking for volunteers to cook and serve for the months of May, June, and July. If you are willing and able, please let Pastor John know!

Special Charge Conference



Our church will hold a special charge conference on April 26th immediately following our church service. The purpose of this charge conference will be to officially change Pastor John's appointment status from $\frac{3}{4}$ time to full time effective July 1st. As with all charge conferences, this is open to all members of the congregation.