

A Thank You from Pastor John and Family



As most of you know, my family and I were on vacation this past week. I wanted to say a quick thank you to everyone who made that vacation possible. From Wayne and June to Pastor Donna to Rick and Joann to everyone else that I can't think of at the moment, it takes a whole lot of help for the pastor of a busy church like Black Creek UMC to truly get away.

We did lots of exciting Smoky Mountain things, but some of the highlights for me were the simple moments, like playing board games with my family. I am happy to be back with all of you after a restful break. I hope you are finding some rest this summer as well.

God Bless,

Pastor John

This Sunday at Black Creek UMC



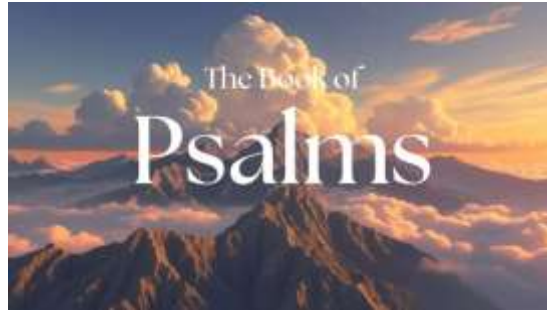
Praise Break: Part Two

Psalm 133

This week, we continue our late summer “Praise Break” where we draw inspiration from the Book of Psalms, the Bible’s very own hymnal. In these worship services, we simply are giving praise and honor to our God. In our message this Sunday, we celebrate that sometimes, incredibly powerful messages can be explained in very simple ways. We will dig deeply into Psalm 133, which is only three verses... much shorter than this little introduction!

The first verse of this awesome song is this: “How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity!” We will use this Psalm to examine how we can do that... live in unity, even in our troubled and divided world.

I hope you will join us for the conclusion of our “Praise Break”!



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.

Our Third Annual Fair Foods Dinner is Right Around the Corner!



It is time to dust off the potato suit because the Third Annual Black Creek UMC Fair Foods Dinner is right around the corner. This year's event is scheduled for September 19th. All details are on the flyer below.



If you would be willing to help with this all hands on deck event, please let Bud or Donna know. If you are unable to help, I hope that you will still stop by for an awesome meal and lots of fun!

... A Quick Apology

I wanted to apologize to anyone who joined our virtual worship service this past Sunday. Unfortunately, we had some audio issues and the sound quality was quite poor. I believe we have addressed the issue and should be back in business this Sunday!

If you would like to hear the message from this week, audio versions of all of our sermons are always available on our website. Just go to blackcreekumc.org and click on the "sermons" tab.

You can also find all of those messages directly by clicking on this link.

[Sermons | Black Creek United Methodist Church](#)

Again, my apologies.

Pastor John

Food Pantry Distribution is **THIS Week**

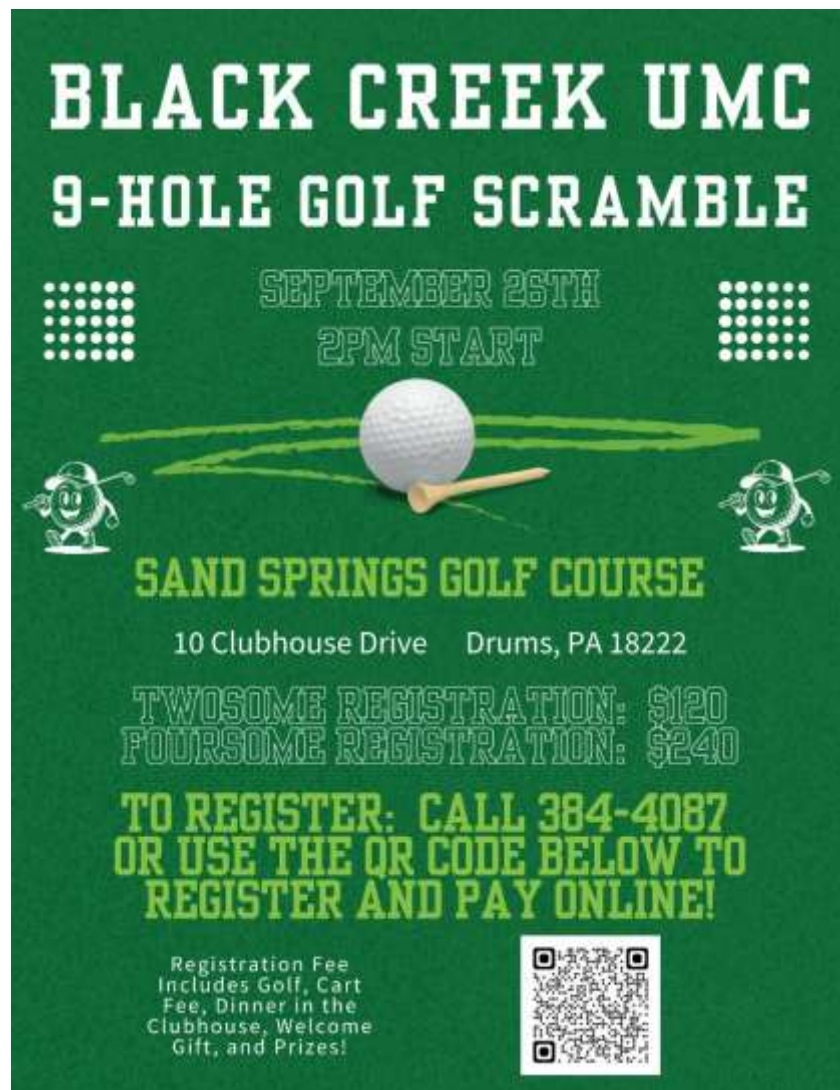


The Black Creek Food Pantry is open **THIS** week to all residents of Black Creek Township. It is housed in the lower level of our church. Please help us share the word with anyone in our local community who could use the support. The food pantry is open Tuesday (August 11th) from 4-6PM and Wednesday (August 12th) from 10:30AM to 2PM.

Announcements that were in Last Week's Email

Registration for Our 2026 Golf Tournament is Now Open!

Our 2026 Golf Tournament is all set and ready to go on **September 26th!** We will be doing things a little differently this year as this will be the first time we are golfing at Sand Springs Golf Course. All relevant information is on the flyer below. There are registration and sponsorship forms available at the church! This event is always a good time and it is also a great way to support the missions and ministries of Black Creek UMC! Please help us spread the word to golfers and potential sponsors!



Hot Dog Nights Continue This Week!



This Thursday night, you are invited to stop by our new outdoor pavilion for \$2 hot dogs and \$1 sodas. These are a great way for us to welcome our neighbors and enjoy some fellowship time with one another. We will have some tables set up in our pavilion, and you can also get takeout orders. I hope you will consider joining us for these awesome new community events!

Coffee With the Pastor Continues!



Tomorrow you can stop by in our new indoor fellowship for coffee with the pastor (and anyone else who shows up.) Who can turn down free coffee? Hope to see you there. These events will continue throughout the summer!

Office Hours at Black Creek



Summer Informal Worship Service



We have one more summer informal worship service on the schedule. This series is all about finding quiet and being still in our crazy world. If you are looking for a less formal way to worship, something a little bit more conversational and free-flowing, this might be something you want to check out!

Our Summer Concert Series Continues

We have two more awesome summer concerts coming up this summer. We are happy to welcome Poor Man's Gambit Duo on August 22nd and Doc Pappa and the Renegade Ramblers on August 29th. I hope you will join us for these end of summer events!





SUMMER CONCERT
 Poor Man's Gambit Duo
 Progressive and Traditional Irish Music

Light Dinner at 5:30
 Music 6:00 - 7:30
 August 22nd
 Rain or Shine
 Just Bring Your Favorite Lawn Chair






SUMMER CONCERT
 Doc Pappa and the Renegade
 Ramblers
 Bluegrass Standards and Originals!

August 29th
 Light Dinner at 5:30
 Music 6:00 - 7:30
 Rain or Shine
 Just Bring Your Favorite Lawn Chair

Community Announcements

Valley Interfaith Council



Please follow the **Valley Interfaith Council on Facebook** if you haven't yet. It is an ecumenical group of member congregations in the Conyngham/Sugarloaf/Drums area that promotes unity. Posts include events happening with each congregation to help grow faith community involvement, along with providing support to the Valley Food Pantry. If you are already a follower of the Facebook page, invite your friends to follow too.

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