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What's Happening at Bush Creek - July Issue of "The Bridge"



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***office@bushcreekchurch.org – Church office
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***Sunday School – 9:30 – 10:15 am
Worship – 10:30 am – 11:30 am***

***Interim Pastoral Team:
Pastor Linda Lambert
Pastor Bill Caputo***

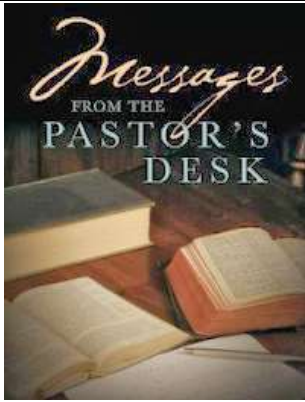
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***CENTRAL VISION FOR BUSH CREEK CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
Because of our commitment to Jesus Christ, we are a spiritual family who loves all people.***

Interim Pastoral Team Contact Info.:

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PASTOR PONDER – Pastor Linda Lambert

Jesus said, “A pupil is not above his/her teacher, but everyone, after they have been fully trained will be like his/her teacher”.
Luke 6:40

“Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly.” Colossians 3:16

A disciple of Jesus Christ is in training. We store up the Word of God in our hearts. "For the Word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." ... It is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart." Hebrews 4:12

Only the living Word of God, moving in and through us transforms us from sinners to saints. God's Word is living water and living bread. Disciples need the refreshing and restoring power.

We are all challenged to read and “hear” the Word of God by reading the New Testament in this year July 4, 2021 through July 4, 2022. Let's allow the Word to dwell in us. Remember grace and truth and time = spiritual maturity.

Let us pray for one another, encourage one another, and grow in our “Christ likeness” through endurance and the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope!

“For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope”. Romans 15:4





Christian Education:

1) **Young Adults Class** – The next scheduled class will be held on July 18. Please check bulletin and newsletter for dates. Regular classes will begin again in September. Please contact Mike or Kathie Tucker at mbtucker22@gmail.com for questions.

2) **Adult Sunday School** in the fellowship hall each week beginning 9:30 am (Art Frank).

3) **Children's Church Worship** – Please take note of the CCW schedule: **7/4 & 7/18**. Please encourage children to attend this worship experience that will be taught by Jan Stitley in the fellowship hall.

Bible Studies:

1) Wed. morning has been suspended until September. (Jean Hipkins)

2) Wed. evening in the sanctuary 6:30 – 7:30 pm – (Pastor Linda Lambert)

3) Thurs. evening Bible Study will end June 24 and resume in September. (Nancy Pastor)

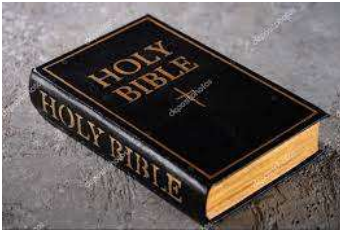
Commission meetings scheduled for July 12 to be held by Zoom or in person.

Congregational Prayer – The Prayer Warriors invite you to join them in prayer daily at the time of your choice. Please pray for each other, our families, our church, our county, and our country. If you would like to submit a prayer request to the Warriors, please direct to Pastor Bill Caputo @ pbilltcob@comcast.net. You may place hand written requests in the Pastors mailbox by the sanctuary door. Requests will be shared unless marked “confidential”. Prayer request forms are located on the radiator by the pastor's mailboxes. **All are welcome to attend the next Prayer Warrior meeting June 29 @ 7 pm.**

Thank you to all of our Flower Committee members for sharing their talents each month with flower arrangements on the altar/communion table. Flower Committee rep. for **July** is **Judy Regnier**. Please contact Judy if you would like to donate flowers for the altar any Sunday in July.



VBS will be held August 2, 3 & 4. If you can volunteer, please contact Chontelle Hockenbery, Director. c.hockenbery@verizon.net or 301-252-6308.



Sunday, July 4 – Freedom Celebration Sunday – Please bring your Bible with you to worship on July 4. We will invite you to hold up the Word of God, as our rule of faith and manner of living. We will also be renewing our commitment to Christ and our community of faith. We will pledge our allegiance to our Lord. If you do not have a Bible, please contact the church office as soon as possible so we can obtain a Bible for you.

Celebration of Life – Gladys Holsinger. *The Holsinger family invites you to join them in the celebration of the life of Gladys Holsinger on Saturday, July 10 beginning at noon in the sanctuary at Bush Creek. A meal will follow in the fellowship hall. Please see the sign-up at the program table so food arrangements can be made. Deadline to sign up is July 4. Thank you.*

Fairview Chapel – New Market. Pastor Wayne Hall (retired pastor from Locust Grove COB) will bring the message on July 11 - 7 pm.

Disaster Auction Booklet Patron Ad Sign Up. Please see the sign-up sheet on the program today to purchase a patron ad. All ads must be in and paid for by **July 18.**

Deacon Picnic Saturday, August 14 @ 4 pm at the Hipkins farm. Please RSVP to Jean Hipkins and discuss food to bring. Thank you – Art Frank – Deacon Chair

American Red Cross Blood Drives Dates for your calendar:

June 30, July 28, August 25 & September 29.

Women's Fellowship News: We will be holding a bazaar meeting on Wednesday, August 11th at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall. All are welcome to join us as we plan this fun fall event. The bazaar this year will be held on Saturday, November 6th. Thank you, The Bazaar Committee

The Fellowship Team will sponsor an Ice Cream Social to be held after worship on August 22. More details to follow soon. Please mark your calendar now and look forward to sharing some frozen goodies together.



Preaching:

07/04 – Pastor Linda
 07/11 – Pastor Linda
 07/18 – Pastor Bill
 07/25 – Pastor Bill

Worship Assistant:

Anna Mae Poole
 Nancy Pastor
 Bob Farmer
 Art Frank

Greeter(s):

Jean & Elwood Hipkins
 Lou Gloyd
 Bob Farmer
 Sam Weinberg



LOOKING AHEAD



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07/01 – 07/05 – Church office closed due to vac. and holiday
 07/04 – Freedom Celebration Sunday –
 Bring Your Bible to worship for a blessing
 07/05 – 07/10 – BDM trip to Ohio (Rick & Nancy Pastor & Lou Gloyd)
 07/10 – Holsinger family 10 am–5 pm - Sanctuary & fellowship hall reserved
 07/11 – Pastor Wayne Hall preaching Fairview Chapel, New Market 7 pm
 07/12 – Commission meetings either in person or Zoom
 07/17 – Kessell family fellowship hall and pavilion 10 am – 4 pm
 07/18 – Young Adult Sunday School Class Picnic pavilion (hall if rain)
 07/27 – Sanctuary, hall & pavilion reserved 5 – 7 pm
 07/28 – American Red Cross Blood Drive

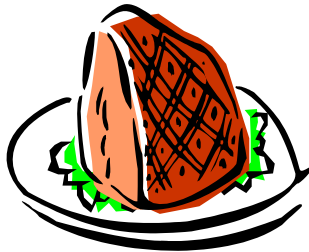
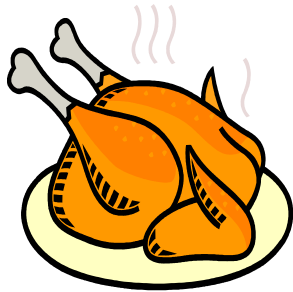
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08/02 – VBS – 5:30 – 6 pm meal & 6 – 8 program
 08/03 – VBS – 5:30 – 6 pm meal & 6 – 8 program
 08/04 – VBS – 5:30 – 6 pm meal & 6 – 8 program
 08/09 – Board meeting @ 7 pm
 08/11 – Bizarre meeting 10 am fellowship hall
 08/14 – Deacon picnic 4 pm @ Hipkins' farm
 08/14 – Good Family in fellowship hall 10 am – 6 pm
 08/22 – Ice Cream Social sponsored by Fellowship Team after worship
 08/25 – American Red Cross Blood Drive





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Turkey, Fried Oyster and Ham Dinner
Saturday, October 23
12 noon until 5 pm.
Mark your calendar now.
Volunteers will be needed.



Holiday Craft Bazaar in Fellowship Hall,
Saturday, November 6 from 8 am – 2:30
pm. Put your crafty skills to work now to
donate in November.

Brethren Disaster Ministries Auction will be held in
Westminster at the Ag. Center on Sat., Nov. 13. Be
thinking of what you can donate to this important
event to raise funds to benefit Brethren Disaster
Ministries.





Opportunities for Giving

Tithing - *Thank you* for tithing in praise and honor of our Lord and Savior. If viewing the worship service from your home, please feel free to send your love gift addressed to Bush Creek Church of the Brethren, 4821A Green Valley Rd., Attn: Financial Sec., Monrovia, Md. 21770.

The Greater Urbana Food Bank is accepting non-perishable food items. If you would like to contribute, please put donations in the container in the coat room. Financial support of the food bank is greatly appreciated as well as grocery store certificates. **The Food Bank is seeking assistance to construct a larger building to store food/supplies for families. They are in need of a project manager, excavator, cement workers, framers, roofers and more. Please contact Jo Ostby @ 240-529-4815. – Missions & Service Commission**

Giving opportunities for consideration are listed below. Please give prayerful thought to financial support to any of these programs by making a check payable to Bush Creek Church, and put a note in the memo line so your gift can be directed.

Brethren Disaster Ministries (BDM)
Brethren Volunteer Service (BVS)
Bridgewater College
Church World Service Blanket Program
Fahrney-Keedy Home & Village
Heifer International
Meat Canning
Mid-Atlantic District Disaster Auction (ads, donations of items, financial support)
Shepherd's Spring Outdoor Ministries





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

August 2, 3, & 4, 2021

5:30-6 pm Dinner

6:00 pm - 8 pm VBS

"FREE EVENT"

Music, Crafts, Games, Bible Stories, & Tons of Fun!!
Ages 4 to 5th grade (completed)

Please register @ office@bushcreekchurch.org

If you have any questions or concerns please call

Chontelle Hockenbery @ 301.252.6308

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