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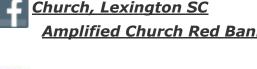
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### **Return Service Requested**



# **Red Bank United Methodist Church**



An excerpt from the book, "Beautiful Outlaw" by John Eldredge

Let me tell you, few things can mess you up as badly as trying to do your best. For the tender heart, the earnest heart, it is so discouraging to give all you have trying to do what you think Jesus would have you do, and find yourself falling short, sabotaging your own efforts at every turn. Discouragement and shame settle in like a long Seattle rain.

And this is what most Christians experience as the Christian life. Try harder; feel worse. I spoke of cunning traps that replace the simple priority of loving Jesus. Here is a very surprising one the trap of integrity. What I mean by this is when our attention turns to maintaining personal righteousness. This seems noble and right. Jesus told us to keep his commands. But this can be a trap because most Christians interpret this as "Try harder; do your best."

I find myself slipping back into this weekly. A handful of symptoms tip me off. Exhaustion, for one. I'll just find myself wrung out again. Or an unnamed internal distress; my insides all twisted up. Discouragement, that old nagging cloud of "I'm totally blowing it" back over me. Irritation with needy people. These symptoms—and a host of others—are the collateral damage that results from trying my best. They let me know I've fallen back to thinking that to love Jesus is to give my very best in living for him. And this is a sticky business. Because on the one hand, that's true—to love him is to obey. But out of what resources? From what fountain of inner strength?

I thought it was my faithfulness. My integrity. A willingness to sacrifice, to fight well. And of course we are involved; of course our choices matter. But didn't Jesus warn, "Apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5)? The good news is this—you were never meant to imitate Christ. Not if by that you mean doing your best to live as he did. It ought to come as a great relief. Something inside me says, Well—that's certainly been my experience. But without understanding that I was never meant to "do my best", I feel awful about it.

In a biography of Christ which is good in many aspects, I ran across this terrible snare. The author describes the mission of Jesus as, a spiritual revolution, the replacement of the unreformed law of Moses by a New Testament based on love and neighborliness, which could be embraced by all classes and all peoples. ... Life on earth was to be devoted to a self-transformation in which each human soul strove to become as like God as possible, a process made easier by the existence of his son made man, thus facilitating imitation.

It is an evil and crippling distortion. Jesus didn't start the Peace Corps. The secret of Christianity is something else altogether—the life of Christ in you. Allowing his life to become your life. His revolution is not self-transformation, but his transformation of us, from the inside out, as we receive his life and allow him to live through us. Vine, branch. Anything else is madness.





# Red Bank UMC Preschool



### Preschool Registration is open!

### Preschool Graduation is May 9th at 11am.

Days of operation are Monday Through Friday, beginning at 8:15am-12:00pm (drop-off begins at 8:15)

We offer Early Bird drop off that begins at 7:15am (Children are more than welcome to bring their breakfast) We offer a Lunch Bunch program from 12:00pm-2:00pm. (children must bring their own lunch that does not need to be refrigerated)

### Red Bank UMC Afterschool

Red Bank UMC offers an After-school program for

children grades PM 4k-7th grade. We have opening!



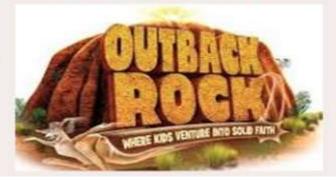
# Graduation Class Of 2024

- Graduation is right around the corner.
- All high school and college graduates please email Ashley Reynolds at children@rbumc.com
- With the following information regarding your graduate.
- The school they are graduating from, activities or awards information, upcoming goals, and 3 to 4 photos of the graduate.

Graduation Sunday will be June 2nd.

# Join us for VBS! As we go on a trek to discover God's love.

**Mark your Calendars** VBS is June 3rd to 5th, 2024 6:00PM to 8:30PM Optional dinner at 5:30PM Sign Up Now!



https://kideventpro.lifeway.com/myEvent/?id=68801



### **Memorials to the General Fund:**

In Memory of: Mary Lou Arant By: Walter & Deborah Moore

In Memory of: Mary Lou Arant By: Judy & Pete Dennis

### Memorials to the Building **Improvement Fund:**

In Memory of: Mary Lou Arant By: LHS Class of 1960

### **Memorial to the Choir Fund:**

In Memory of: Mary Lou Arant

By: Patsy Fetner

### Memorial to the Youth Fund:

In Memory of: Mr. Thebold By: Mr. & Mrs. Mike Kinzie



The Friendship Circle /UMW - Meets the 3rd Monday of each month in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm. Contact: Amanda Smith at 803-429-4131

**Searching Sisters** Bible Study class each Tuesday morning at 10 am. Come join this lively intensive Bible study, facilitated by Mrs. Nancy Mattes. Please bring your Bible. For more information, contact Robin Smith at 803-260-1555.

**The Prayer Stitchers** Quilts & shawls are for all church members and regular attendees. June Kinzie at 803-358-9438

Friends Helping Friends, Will meet on the 1st Friday on each month at **10am**, in room #10. For More Information contact Linda Wynn, llwynn@icloud.com- 843-559-5436.

The United Methodist Men's Club meet at 6:00pm on the 4th Monday of each month.



### Asbury Arms Bingo

We had our Asbury Arms Bingo event for the residents on April 18th. There were 20 attendees and a great day of fellowship was had by all. The residents especially wanted us to thank the congregations for their prayers, donations, and continued support!

Dave Kelly/Natalie Spence, co-Chairs





#### **OUR CHURCH SECURITY TEAM**

IS NOW ACCEPTING VOLUNTEERS!

Our Security Team Is An Important part of the Church We are all proud or these volunteers



PLEASE CONTACT ROBERT BRITTAIN FOR DETAILS RBRITTAIN@SC.RR.COM OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT: 803-359-4031

### Worship-Leaders-8:50am

- 05- Kathy Lybrand 12- Dave Kelly
- 19- Jimmy Spence
- 26- Kim Hutchins

### Greeters - 8:50am

- 05- Elaine Taylor & Kathy Lybrand
- 12- Waltér & Deb Moore 19- Paul & Peggy Jones
- 26- Rita Sox & Anna Barrier

### Ushers - 8:50am

Todd & Tracey Leaphart

### AV Team-8

Zach Smith

#### **Trustee of the Month**

Ronnie Taylor 803-422-0969 Ronnie.taylor1584 @gmail.com

### Servant Minister Schedule

Questions? Want to Volunteer? Contact the office at **803-359-4031** or email - office@rbumc.com 26- Ronnie Taylor

# May

### **Safety Team**

- 05- Larry Padgett, Jack Percifull, Joe Hart
- 12- Rob Bedenbaugh, Bob Blogg, Ashley Corley
- 19- Mackey Booth, Max Booth, Ronnie Taylor
- 26- Preston Horton, Tim White, Robert Brittain

### Acolytes - 8:50am

05-Catherine White 12-Catherine White 19-Catherine White 26-Catherine White

### Acolytes - 11:00am

05-OPEN 12-OPEN 19-OPEN 26-Will Rhoden

### Worship-Leaders-11:00am

- 05- Gay Hawkins
- 12- Rob Bedenbaugh
- 19- Allison Thompson

### Greeters - 11:00am

- 05- Joe & Bonnie Greer 12- Lori Swinson &
- Christian Brown 19- Linda Wvnn & Beverly McClure
- 26- Mamie McKeever & Dina Dudley

### Head Ushers - 11:00am

Mamie McKeever

### AV Team- 11am

- 05-Ed McDaniel 12- Sarah Barrett
- 19- Ed McDaniel
- 26-Sarah Barrett



In Glory to God, we place flowers on his altar

### May Altar Flowers Given By:

- 05- Virginia Berry
- 12– Mothers Class
- 19-Mrs. Gladys Phillips & Mrs. Paula Ash 26– Bob & Sheila Barrier & Barbi

# ANNIVERSARIES

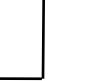
- 05 Kevin & Edie Key
- 06- Jenna & John Long
- 06 Tracy & Stephen **Taylor**
- 07– Preston & Penny Horton
- 20 Keith & Lisa Busbee
- 26 Glenn & Robin Smith
- 31- David & Megan Mosteller



### May Birthdays

- 01- Justin Rivers
- 03 Wayne Arant, II
- 04 Lonnie Winkler
- 05 Eric Chapman
- 05 Dima Busby
- 05 Bryson Cress
- 05 Brayden Cress
- 06 Ashley Reynolds
- 06 Andrea Snelgrove
- 08- Kimberly Goodwin
- 07- Penny Horton
- 10 Gail Faircloth
- 10 Lewis Boatwright
- 10 Rose Sease
- 11 Carla Gable
- 11 Chandler Chapman
- 12- Bonnie Greer
- 13 Mike Faircloth
- 14 Ashley Berry
- 14 Wally Harsey 15 - Gavin Huffines

- 15 Garry Ash
  - 15 Catherine White
    - 15- Christina White
    - 16 Vince Gunter 17 - Kyle Drennon
    - 17- Lewis Boatwright
    - 18 Robert Pace
    - 18 Ashley Medlin
    - 21 Emily Pace
  - 22- Michael Kinzie
  - 22- Ashley Corley
  - 23 Jerry Snelgrove
  - 24- Aligail Kennedy
  - 25 Deb Roof
  - 26 Alissa Brown
  - 28 Zach Huffines
  - 29 Clay Spence
  - 30- Gladys Phillips
  - 30 Gloria Clingan 30 - Bonny McCarty
  - 31- Megan Mosteller



Youth Small

Group 4-6pm

**Church Office** 

Closed





6:30pm

6pm

Sonshine

Confirmation

Class 6:30pm

Kids

Practice 6:30pm

\*Cub Scouts

6:30pm



### Tithes & Offerings:

Rec. YTD as of 03/31/2024	\$129,567
Spent YTD - 03/31/2024	\$119,127
Net received	\$ 10,440

### **General Funds**

Needed Each Week \$ 9,177

### **Building & Land Account: 03/31/2024**

Building Loan Balance \$125,489 **Building & Improvements** \$16.496

Land Purchase Fund \$38,422

Church Vision Plan - God calls us to go forth and make disciples for Christ.

As part of that we need room to grow. If you would like to specifically donate to this above and beyond your regular

tithing, please mark your contribution as: Land Purchase.

Thank you for believing in our future!

\*For your convenience Online Giving is

offered at: www.osvhub.com/rbumc



### Cub Scout Pack 518



The aroma of freshly popped popcorn and excitement permeated the fellowship hall this past Saturday as Pack 518 ran the 2024 Pinewood Derby. Cheers echoed as the cars built by each Scout whizzed down the aluminum track that stretched the length of the hall. There were many creative designs from the more traditional GT racer to a car shaped and painted like a Hershey's chocolate candy bar with a bite taken out of it. A new addition to the competition this year was an audience vote for the most creative design from each den. These cars were "built for looks not necessarily for speed"! The race competition was fierce as some heats were as close as 100th's of a second. Pack 518 is sending four den winners to race in the Indian Waters Council Pinewood Derby on May 4th. Besides the sheer fun of it, the Pinewood Derby teaches Cub Scouts creativity, physics, sportsmanship, and healthy competitiveness. Special thanks go to Randy Wise for making the popcorn and Tony Banco and Jason Harbaugh for bringing their classic cars to display in the parking lot. This added a special touch to race day. Pack 518 will finish up the scouting season in May. May 21st will be the last Pack meeting of the season. The Cub Scouts will mark this time with an end of year party. The Cub Scouts will place flags on the graves of Veterans at Southland Memorial Gardens on May 25th to pay respect to our fallen and departed Veterans as a part of the

Through the end of May the Pack will be selling "Scouting Adventure" discount cards for \$10 as a fundraiser. See a Scout to get yours.

Memorial Dav weekend.



Please Congratulate

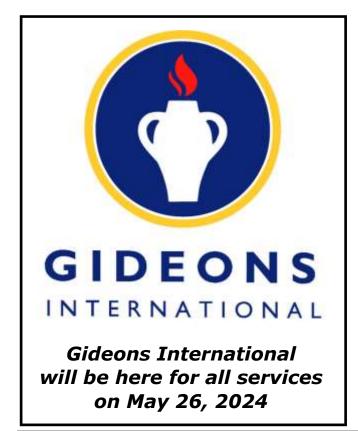
Charlotte White and

Connor Hart

on completing confirmation.



# AMPLIFIED CHURCH Join us Sundays at 10:00 am



### **Spring Fling Update:**

The Spring Fling Committee would like to report that this year's Spring Fling was a success despite the weather, and we reached many members in the community through this event. We raised \$1737 for the church through vendor fees, food truck donations and the Silent Auction. A HUGE Thank You to anyone that helped with this event through volunteering or donating items for the Silent Auction! This event would not have been possible without each of you! And a BIG Thank you to our wonderful Amplified Band with all the awesome praise music!!! Mark your calendars now for our Fall Festival on Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup>.



## **Youth's Night of Worship**



