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## Ministry for the week of February 9, 2025

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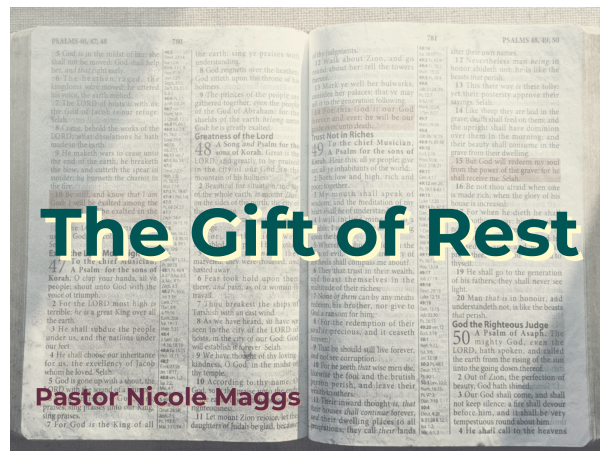


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732-291-0485



**9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - Sanctuary Worship In Person  
and Streaming Online 10:30**

Streaming online via [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/BeaconUMC)

For Bulletin, **Podcast** or more information visit <http://www.BeaconUMC.org>

**Worship Leader - Joe McCarron  
Greeter/Usher - Molokie Family**

Beacon Family and Friends,

*<sup>8</sup> Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. <sup>9</sup> Moses said to Joshua, "Choose some men for us and go out; fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." <sup>10</sup> So Joshua did as Moses told him and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. <sup>11</sup> Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed. <sup>12</sup> But Moses's hands grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on either side, so his hands were steady until the sun set. <sup>13</sup> And Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the sword.*

~Exodus 17:8-13 NRSVUE

In doing my devotions this week, I came across this passage from Exodus. While much of the Old Testament does not fully jive with how I see God in light of the New Testament, namely the war pieces, this is a beautiful reminder of how we are called to be in community with one another. When one person is not able to carry on, others step in to help.

This piece of scripture comes in the middle of the Israelites escaping slavery in Egypt. In the midst of experiencing a lack of food and water, they saw firsthand how God provides. Until they are attacked by the Amalekites, a consistent thorn in their sides. They are told to fight back, but Moses cannot keep up his role in the fight. When he tires, his people begin to suffer. His family and close friend see his exhaustion and step in to help, literally holding him up to allow him to keep up his role in the fight. With their help, the story of God's people continues.

In my sermon a few weeks ago, I mentioned that this concept is much like living in a household with others. When one is not able to function at 100%, the other picks up what they can't. We even talked about how in the church during a season where some need rest, how others will need to pick the pieces so that the church might continue to move forward in building up the kingdom of God.

In seasons of change, we burn out faster than other seasons. In these moments, it takes the whole of the community to love God, to love people, and to welcome all. Your leadership teams are diligently working to find ways to keep Beacon UMC a piece of the kingdom of God for years to come. They are

diligently working to discover the ways Beacon can not only build up the community within, but how to step out into the community outside our walls.

I sincerely thank them for their work. But they need your help. I invite you to think about the ways that you might use your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness, to lift up the kingdom of God here so that Beacon UMC might continue to discover and live into its role in the fight for love in the world.

Blessings friends,  
Pastor Nicole

## Pastor Nicole Jury Duty

John Wesley reminds us of our calling to pursue justice and ensure that all people have equal access to it. As followers of Christ, we are invited to live out this commitment in tangible ways. Here in the United States, one way we contribute to justice is by serving on a jury—a responsibility and privilege that helps uphold fairness for all. I have been summoned for **jury duty the week of February 3, 2025**, and during that time, my availability may be limited. I appreciate your understanding and prayers as I fulfill this civic duty.

## Pastor Nicole is away

I wanted to share with you that I'll be having surgery on February 14th and will need about two weeks for recovery. If all goes well, I look forward to returning to work on March 2nd. During this time, I will carry you all in my prayers, and I ask for yours as well. Your love and support mean so much to me, and I am deeply grateful. While I will not be answering emails, you are welcome to text or call and I will respond as I am able. For pastoral care during my time away, I've arranged for pastoral care coverage so that your needs will be met. Please don't hesitate to reach out to them if you need support or care.

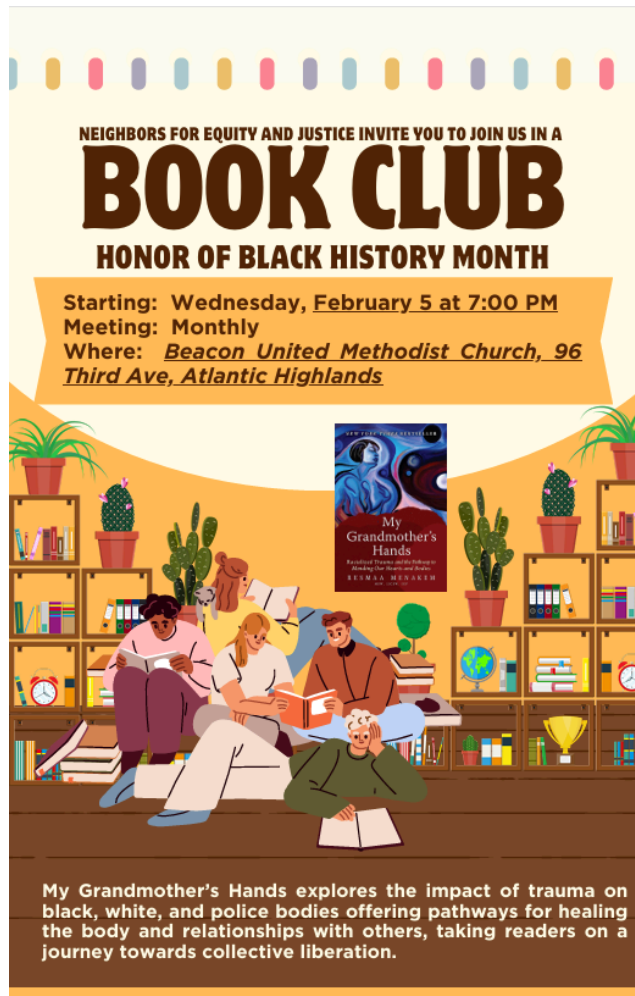
**February 14th–22nd:** Rev. Kevin Davis (856) 364-4194

**February 23rd–March 1st:** Rev. Cameron Overby (732) 747-0446,  
[pastorcam@umcredbank.org](mailto:pastorcam@umcredbank.org)

# Book Club

All are welcome. The first meeting will be reviewing the introduction—  
no advanced reading necessary.

Questions? Contact Carolyn Conover 310-850-1940 or  
carolynconover1@gmail.



## Open Door





The Open Door Craft Shop is  
collecting for Hurricane Relief in  
North Carolina and Tennessee.

**Items needed:**

New Coats and Gloves  
New Blankets  
New Sleeping Bags  
Non perishable Food  
Water  
Medical Supplies  
Hygiene Supplies  
Tyvek suits and Work gloves

Drop off Tuesdays 6-8 pm  
Beacon UMC, 96 Third Ave, Atlantic Highlands

For more info:  
Vicki: 917-693-6436  
Church office: 732-291-0485

## Socializer

Unfortunately we have reached the available spots for the Socializers event on February 19th ! If you are still interested in attending a “ Social Graces Tea” at Oasis, let me know! I’m sure we can set a date for another one!!

**Join The Socializers!!!!**



**Social Graces  
Tea Service**  
**Wed., Feb. 19, @ 2:00 p.m.**  
**\$20 sugg. donation**  
800 Sleepy Hollow Rd. Red Bank

Tea service will incl. Buffet service consists of a prix fixe menu that includes tea, scones with clotted cream and jam, desserts, and an assortment of three different sandwiches using farm fresh and in season ingredients.  
Gluten free options are available!

RSVP Chris Taylor 732-614-8190

## Book Club

Join in for a Lenten bible study March 6<sup>th</sup> through April 10<sup>th</sup>! In *The Third Day: Living the Resurrection*, Tom Berlin uses his gifts of storytelling and understanding the Scriptures to connect the reader to the experiences of several individuals around Jesus in his final days, focusing on new life and

redemption rather than loss. Join Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas as they feel the despair of losing Jesus and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection. This study traces events around these characters, along with Paul and the disciples at Emmaus, and how the resurrection transforms their lives.”

Join Pastor Nicole in this 6-week small group study and conversation!

[.Sign-up here](#)



ON THE THIRD DAY,  
HE ROSE AGAIN.

**Coming March 6th**

Thursdays at  
3 pm & 7 pm



< Sign-up Here!

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## Scholarship

### **Beacon United Methodist Church Sculthorp - Whitney - Marek Scholarship**

Applications located in the Narthex,  
online and in the newsletter.

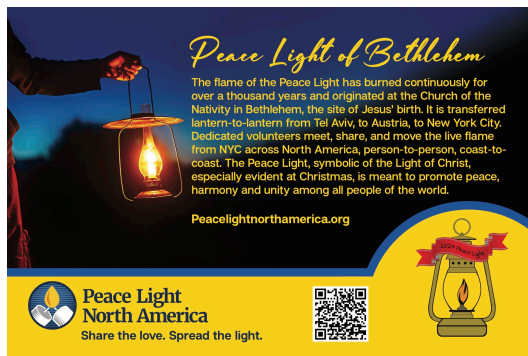
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Please email to  
[office@beaconumc.org](mailto:office@beaconumc.org)  
Or drop off in the office basket.

## Coffee & Conversation



## Peace Light



## Prayers in the Pews



**Join Pastor Nicole** in praying for this faith community! Join in Sundays at 8:15 am to pray over each pew and all those who enter the worship space.

## Church Calendar

### Please Join In Mission and Ministry

**Wednesday, Feb 5**

Open Door  
Book Club

9:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.

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|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Al Anon                               | 8:00 p.m.         |
| <b>Thursday, Feb 6</b>                |                   |
| Food Pantry                           | 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. |
| Bible Study                           | 3:00 p.m.         |
| Food Pantry                           | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  |
| Bible Study                           | 7:00 p.m.         |
| <b>Sunday, Feb 9</b>                  |                   |
| <b>Worship In Person &amp; Online</b> | <b>9:15 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Sunday School</b>                  | <b>9:15 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Monday, Feb 10</b>                 |                   |
| Girl Scouts                           | 3:00 p.m.         |
| AA Meeting                            | 7:00 p.m.         |
| <b>Tuesday, Feb 11</b>                |                   |
| Girl Scouts                           | 3:00 p.m.         |
| <b>Wednesday, Feb 12</b>              |                   |
| Open Door                             | 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. |
| Al Anon                               | 8:00 p.m.         |
| <b>Thursday, Feb 13</b>               |                   |
| Food Pantry                           | 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. |
| Bible Study                           | 3:00 p.m.         |
| Food Pantry                           | 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.  |
| Bible Study                           | 7:00 p.m.         |
| <b>Sunday, Feb 16</b>                 |                   |
| <b>Worship In Person &amp; Online</b> | <b>9:15 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Sunday School</b>                  | <b>9:15 a.m.</b>  |
| <b>Monday, Feb 17</b>                 |                   |
| Trustee Meeting                       | 6:00 p.m.         |
| AA Meeting                            | 7:00 p.m.         |



### **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS**

Pastor Nicole can generally be found in her office Monday through Thursday 9 am – 12 pm. She often gets called away so give her a call if you want to be sure she's there and available to chat!

Click here to sign up: <https://calendar.app.google/J9BFBmqRxE1W7ETf8> If none of these times work for you, send an e-mail at [pastornicolemaggs@gmail.com](mailto:pastornicolemaggs@gmail.com) or a text to (732) 359-2189 to find a different time.

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS - for the week of Feb 9

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday: 9 - 2:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9 - 2:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 9 - 2:00 p.m.  
Friday: Closed

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**We Pray For.....** Prayer for **Remay's husband, Tom**, who is recovering from surgery. Pray for **Linda** (a member of Open Door) who is having health issues. Prayers for **Maureen Sodon**, who is struggling with health issues. Prayers for **Suzanne**, who is battling cancer. Prayers for **Charlie, Grace Farrell's husband**, as he battles cancer. Prayers for the **victim families and community of New Orleans**.

**Our Maturing Disciples....** Barbara Brown, Connie Binder, Dave Hermanson, Edythe Daley, Janet Hofmann, and Bob Schoeffling.

**Our College Students...** Abigail Spears, Patrick Seeley, Megan Seeley, Christopher Carriera, Josh Winters, Rett Schnoor, Scott Melski. and Ellie Conover

**We Keep in Prayer:** Our family, our friends, neighbors, the church, the community, the world, and all God's children everywhere.

**\*\*Prayer warriors** are made up of 12 disciples . This team of disciples will pray from the privacy of their homes for any request.

**Contact the Office** if you have a request to share.

If you know someone is in the hospital or needs pastoral care, please contact **Pastor Nicole at 732-359-2189 or email [pastornicolemaggs@gmail.com](mailto:pastornicolemaggs@gmail.com)**

**Thank you for helping us care for all our members!**

# Helpful Links

- [United Methodists of Greater New Jersey](#)
- <https://tinyurl.com/pdjujy6eb> Newsletter
- [The Upper Room](#) devotionals.
- [Greater New Jersey Facebook Page](#)
- [UMC Global Ministry](#) - Connecting the church in mission
- [UMC Church and Society](#) - Exploring our calling for personal and social holiness for justice.
- [UMC Discipleship Ministries](#) - Resourcing for making disciples



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