



*Being  
United in Christ  
Teaching the Word  
Loving and Caring  
Empowering and Enabling Disciples  
Responding to Needs*

## **UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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### **TABERNACLE TIMES**

**\*\*\* APRIL 2021 \*\*\***



## *Musings from Mike*

### 'So This is What It Looked Like'

The day after peace treaties were signed and the soldiers went home.

A couple walked out of church on their wedding day and moved forward into the rest of their lives.

A young person stopped going to school and started walking into a career and vocation.

A family gathered around an empty chair and began to figure out what tomorrow would look like.

When Israel stood on the banks of the Jordan River with a new future ahead of them on the other side.

Our experience of the pandemic in our lives is so different today than it was a year ago. There is so much we have learned (some of which we could have done without). We faced big challenges together...and too often alone. Vaccines and the number of people getting them has us on the verge of new beginnings...

What will it look like? What would you like to do when you are vaccinated? What will the 'new normal' look like? I think there is an awful lot we don't know – so we will keep walking together and step by step we will live into this new life for all of us individually and together.

For now in worship, we will continue to wear masks and in consultation with leaders I will be suggesting times when we can begin to: have outdoor coffee after worship, have some events / fellowship for children and youth over the summer, and with God's grace begin to reopen more fully in September.

For each step of it I have to say that our guides will be good information from the authorities, conversations with each other, and the leading of God's grace.

Just like all the people who have a new tomorrow unfolding before them.

Shalom,

*Pastor Mike*

# Holy Week and Easter Services



Palm Sunday (March 28<sup>th</sup>) 9:30 a.m. Worship in person and online at 11 a.m. (Palms will be shared) Sermon: Mark 1:1-11 & Philippians 2:1-11 “A Real Reason to Cheer”

Maundy Thursday (April 1<sup>st</sup>) 7:30 p.m. Service of Communion and Remembrance of the Last Supper in person and livestreamed to the Church Facebook page.

Good Friday (April 2<sup>nd</sup>) Noon – 3 p.m. Sanctuary open for personal prayer and reflection. 7:30 p.m. Good Friday Service in person and livestreamed to the Church Facebook Page.

Easter Sunday (April 4<sup>th</sup>) To have room for people who would like to worship and to allow for some congregational singing Easter Services will be in Butler Park. Both services will be ‘stand-up’ worship but if you would like a chair, you are welcome to bring your own. Socially distanced spots will be marked in the park and we ask folks to make use of masks as we worship together.

6 a.m. Sunrise Service will feature Communion and Pastor Mike’s meditation. The service will be English only.

10 a.m. Easter Worship and Communion (In Spanish and English) will be shared in the park with Pastors Mike and Lourdes sharing the preaching.

In the event of rain the 6 a.m. service will be canceled and the 10 a.m. service will be live streamed remotely from the sanctuary.



This year’s offering will be designated for the Red Bird 2021 Trip. The gifts will help participants with the costs of transportation and building supplies for the trip. In addition, all funds over and above our trip costs will be given to Red Bird Mission to support the Work Camp Ministry.

You may make your Easter gifts with a check in the offering plate, via the mail to the church office (5 Bartholdi Ave. Butler, NJ), or by using the donate button on the Church website ([www.bumcnj.org](http://www.bumcnj.org)) and select ‘Red Bird Mission Trip’ on the giving options tab.



## WORSHIP AND PREACHING FOR APRIL AND MAY 2021

### APRIL

- 4<sup>th</sup> : Easter Sunday 6 & 10 a.m. in Butler Park (Bilingual Service at 10 a.m.)  
6:00 a.m. I Corinthians 15:1-10 'What We Share'  
10:00 a.m. Mark 16:1-8 'An Invitation'
- 11<sup>th</sup> : Exodus 20:13 & Matthew 5:21-22 & 43-45  
"The Tragedy of Violence, The Beauty of Mercy"
- 18<sup>th</sup> : Exodus 20:14 & Matthew 5:27-28  
"Faithfulness in an Age of Porn"
- 25<sup>th</sup> : Exodus 20:15 & Matthew 7:12 & 25:34-36  
"We Are All Thieves"

### MAY

- 2<sup>nd</sup> : Exodus 20:16 & James 1:26 & 3:6-10  
"The Power of Words" Communion
- 9<sup>th</sup> : Exodus 20:17 / Matthew 22:40 / I Timothy 4:6-10  
"Keeping Up My Likes"



## RED BIRD MISSION TRIP July 17 - 23, 2021 Sign-ups Continue

We are happy to say that we have 10 folks committing to the 2021 Red Bird Mission Trip. If you would like to sign up for the trip please make use of the enclosed registration form and return it to the church with a one half deposit for your trip (\$175). Your deposit is refundable until your final payment (\$175) on June 15<sup>th</sup> and we send our final group check to Red Bird Mission.



# Easter Story

## Word Search

S C B M N E J E S U S C H R I S T  
K A A P O D V G V A R E J O I C E  
J R V M S P R A Y E R W C B V F S  
Y N O I X I F I C U R C T R M L E  
L A P C O I E B Q O X B B N O O L  
I R E S U R R E C T I O N R E S T  
T R E P P U S T S A L Y E M B L S  
S H L U P V Y T K V F D M T E K O  
O C A R N E P A X R E S I H M R P  
C R M E P E N L D M A N A O I E A  
E U B I K G A A P I J R R R R V V  
T H X C H Y N T N H R S M N A O X  
N C N C A M I E O C T F Y S C S J  
E K E R K O S E W N E I D A L S U  
P U T O N I R N W R P Y A O E A D  
L E Z W R W M D R Q I T Y F O P A  
B S M N D I S C I P L E S C X G S

APOSTLES  
BETRAYAL  
CAVE  
CHURCH  
CROSS  
CROWN  
CRUCIFIXION  
DISCIPLES  
FAITH  
GOOD FRIDAY

JESUS CHRIST  
JUDAS  
LAMB  
LAST SUPPER  
LENT  
MARY  
MIRACLE  
PASSOVER  
PENANCE  
PENTECOST

PRAYER  
REDEMPTION  
REJOICE  
RESURRECTION  
RISEN  
SAVIOR  
SON  
THORNS  
TOMB





# APRIL 2021



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> <u>1</u> Church Office Closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7:30pm Maundy Thursday Service (in person & live streamed)	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <u>2</u> 6am Men's Bible Study Noon-3pm Sanctuary open For personal prayer 7:30pm Good Friday Service (in person & live streamed)	<u>3</u> 10-1:00pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting In Fellowship Hall
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> <u>4</u> 6am Sunrise Service in Park 10am Bilingual Service in Park (In event of rain, 6am service will be cancelled, 10am service will be live streamed remotely from the sanctuary)	<u>5</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 7-9pm Gleaners Open	<u>6</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 10am-3pm Blood Drive in Fellowship Hall	<u>7</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 1pm Zoom Support Group 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>8</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>9</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 9am-1pm Office Open	<u>10</u> 10-1:00pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting In Fellowship Hall
<u>11</u> 9:30am Worship / Online by 11 10am Youth Sunday School Class (in Person) 11:30am Spanish Worship (Zoom) 6pm Lent Study (in person)	<u>12</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 7-9pm Gleaners Open 7pm Zoom Lenten Study	<u>13</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7pm Noah's Ark Board Mtg	<u>14</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 1pm Zoom Support Group 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>15</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7-8pm Bell Choir #	<u>16</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 9am-1pm Office Open	<u>17</u> 10-1:00pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting In Fellowship Hall
<u>18</u> 9:30am Worship / Online by 11 10am Youth Sunday School Class (in Person) 11:30am Spanish Worship (Zoom) 6pm Lent Study (in person)	<u>19</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 7-9pm Gleaners Open 7pm Zoom Lenten Study	<u>20</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open	<u>21</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 1pm Zoom Support Group 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>22</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>23</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 9am-1pm Office Open	<u>24</u> 9am-12:30pm Loaves & Fishes 10-1:00pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting In Fellowship Hall
<u>25</u> 9:30am Worship / Online by 11 10am Youth Sunday School Class (in Person) 11:30am Spanish Worship (Zoom) 6pm Lent Study (in person)	<u>26</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 7-9pm Gleaners 7-9pm Loaves & Fishes 7pm Zoom Lenten Study	<u>27</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7pm Church Council (Zoom)	<u>28</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 1pm Zoom Support Group 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>29</u> Church office closed 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7-8pm Bell Choir	<u>30</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 9am-1pm Office Open	

**SPECIAL**

*Service*

**OPPORTUNITIES**

**SOUND TECHNICIAN**

**(Dan Hack 973-492-1505)  
(dannyparts@hotmail.com)**

April 2021 Dan Hack  
May 2021 Jim Gawley  
June 2021 Karl Barton

**VIDEO TECHNICIAN**

**(Pat Inglis 973-838-1916)  
(jpinglis@optonline.net)**

April 1<sup>st</sup> Pat Inglis  
April 2<sup>nd</sup> Pat Inglis  
April 4<sup>th</sup> In Butler Park  
April 11<sup>th</sup> Jeff Matthews  
April 18<sup>th</sup> Pam Campbell  
April 25<sup>th</sup> Pat Inglis  
  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Campbell  
May 9<sup>th</sup> Jeff Matthews  
May 16<sup>th</sup> Pat Inglis  
May 23<sup>rd</sup> Pam Campbell  
May 30<sup>th</sup> Jeff Matthews

**COUNTERS**

**(Tim Campbell 973-768-2476)  
(tjcamp13@optonline.net)**

April 4<sup>th</sup> Dawn Kruimer &  
Jean Bresett  
April 11<sup>th</sup> Jeff Matthews &  
Linda Bosland  
April 18<sup>th</sup> Linda Meilan &  
Karen Bailey  
April 25<sup>th</sup> Carroll Campbell &  
Tim Campbell  
  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> Dawn Kruimer &  
Jean Bresett  
May 9<sup>th</sup> Jeff Matthews &  
Linda Bosland  
May 16<sup>th</sup> Linda Meilan &  
Karen Bailey  
May 23<sup>rd</sup> Carroll Campbell &  
Tim Campbell  
May 30<sup>th</sup> Dawn Kruimer &  
Jean Bresett

# **RED BIRD MISSION**

July 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021



## **What Is It?**

*A week of intense and intentional Christian Community that comes alongside homeowners in the Red Bird Valley with open hands and open hearts.*



## **Why Do It?**

Clay, Pike, and Leslie Counties that are served by the Red Bird Mission are some of the poorest in the US and many homeowners need assistance to repair and improve their homes.

It is an amazing opportunity to participants to learn:

About another part of the country and its people.

To grow personally and spiritually.

To grow skills and experiences in the trades and working with other people in challenging settings.

Want to be part of a great adventure and be part of a great mission? Use the attached registration form and return it to the Church Office.



# Red Bird Mission Team Registration 2021

Name \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Hm) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group:    \_\_\_ Youth (14-17)    \_\_\_ Young Adult (18-25)    \_\_\_ Adult (25+)

T-shirt Size:    \_\_\_ Small                    \_\_\_ Medium                    \_\_\_ Large

                         \_\_\_ X-Large                    \_\_\_ XX-Large

*I understand that in signing up for the Red Bird Mission Trip that I commit myself to acting in accord with the highest standards to other participants on the trip and to all people we meet. In addition I understand that I am committing to participate fully in all parts of and events associated with the trip.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## ***For participants under 18:***

As parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby give my permission for my son/daughter to participate in the 2021 Red Bird Mission Trip to Beverly, Kentucky, July 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email/cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Information to help us ensure a good week for you at Red Bird

Red Bird is a challenging physical, emotional, spiritual, and community experience. We work hard. It is often hot. It is an experience that will carry you out of your comfort zone. We share sleeping quarters and bunk beds with each other and some days of Red Bird have a fair amount of riding in vans to get to destinations.

In order for us to help you have the best Red Bird experience possible we ask you to answer the following questions.

- Do you have dietary needs/limitations?

\_\_\_\_ Gluten Free      \_\_\_\_ Vegetarian      \_\_\_\_ Vegan      \_\_\_\_ Other

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- Do you have physical limitations that would affect your work or cabin assignments?
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- Are you taking over the counter or prescription medications?
- 

***Special note to parents and team leaders.*** Should a Red Bird participant who is a minor need assistance or supervision with taking needed meds or daily functioning, it is up to you and your group leaders to have a responsible adult who will provide that assistance to your participant.

- Do you have a special certification that would be helpful to the Red Bird Team?

\_\_\_\_ RN      \_\_\_\_ LPN      \_\_\_\_ EMT      \_\_\_\_ First Aid Cert.



## Loaves & Fishes

Can you help?? The supply closet could use replenishing of cleaning items this month, which are in **bold type below** but any of the items on the list can be used to help our families supplement their monthly food budget. Donations can be put in the bin in the lower parking lot, by the entrance for the church office.

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- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Fruit
- Mixed vegetables
- Canned beans
- (Red, black & cannelloni)
- Canned tomatoes
- Hot or Cold Cereals
- Pancake Mixes/Syrup
- Dried or Powdered Milk
- Peanut Butter
- Cooking Oil
- (Vegetable, olive oil, canola)
- Tomato Sauce
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Boxed Potatoes
- Stuffing
- Rice Side Dishes
- Bags of White Rice
- Soup
- Dried Beans – Red or Black
- Jelly – Strawberry & Grape
- Paper towels**
- Toilet paper**
- Tissues / Napkins
- Toothpaste/Toothbrush
- Soap / Shampoo**
- Bleach**
- Dish / Laundry Detergent**
- Cleaning Wipes**

Thank you for your generosity,  
*Debby Smeilus*, Coordinator

## Congratulations



## on the arrival of your baby boy

A son, Thomas Walters V, arrived on Saturday, March 13, 2021 to Tom & Cindy Walters. Proud grandparents are Tom & Pam Walters and Arelys & Gonzalo Constenio.

## Give Blood

Every 2 seconds  
someone in the U.S.  
needs blood  
**American Red Cross**



### Blood Drive

Butler United Methodist Church  
Fellowship Hall  
5 Bartholdi Ave.  
Butler, NJ 07405

**Tuesday, April 6, 2021**  
**10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Butler UMC to schedule an appointment.