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TABERNACLE TIMES

**** JANUARY 2022 ****

Peace
Love ♥
Laughter
FOR THE NEW YEAR
2022

Musings from Mike

'The Day That Always Comes...'

The day you graduate and leave school.

The day you leave one stage of life and enter a new one.

The day you leave one job for another.

And the day you retire.

I now have a date (June 30th) where the 42 year chapter of my life as an ordained minister of the Gospel will close, the chapter where I could write after my name: 'Lead Pastor of Butler UMC' will close, and the chapter of being 'Mike' and the founder of 'COB Boatworks' (COB = Cranky Old Bas...well, umm, Booger) will begin.

The last eleven years have been a great adventure and a gift and I can only hope that I have reflected back to you even a small portion of all that you have given me.

Some of you might be wondering, 'Why now?' The answer to that is, believe it or not, it's the right time. I have been seeing signs, both large and small, in my head and heart that were clearly to me whispers from God. Even in the face of Covid I have faith that we will all be in a place come June that will be better than it has been since March of 2020.

Most especially I have faith that God will be in the process of bringing a new voice, a new leader, a new pastor to this place and that together you all will find your way forward with them to the places God is calling you to be.

In between please know that you are welcome to share your thoughts and feelings with me and that I will do everything I can to express my thanks, gratitude, and hopes for your tomorrow.

Shalom,

Pastor Mike



WORSHIP AND PREACHING FOR JANUARY 2022

In January Pastor Mike will begin a 6 part series of sermons entitled: 'Surprising Ways Jesus Changed the World'. In it, you are invited to reflect on the values that Jesus brought to the world which changed things in a lasting way – that continue even today.

January 9th : Galatians 5:1-6; 13-26 'Freedom'

January 16th: Rev. Dan Gephardt (retired) will be preaching for Pastor Mike

January 23rd: Mr. Scott Lowe will be preaching for Pastor Mike.

January 30th: Mark 10:13-16 and Luke 2:41-52 'Children & Education'

The series will continue through the month of February.



To everyone in the music ministry (choir, bells, youth ensemble), the sound and visual teams, the folks hosting in the narthex, to everyone who decorated, tidied, and ensured that the sanctuary looked GREAT, to everyone who worshipped, prayed, and lent your presence and faith to others, most especially thank you to everyone who walked some extra steps so folks with mobility needs and guests could choose the best parking spaces – THANK YOU!

Also, many, many thanks to everyone for your generosity in the Christmas offering. We will be able to split \$2,300 between Loaves and Fishes and Disaster Relief ministries.

LOAVES AND FISHES HOLIDAY THANK YOU

To the couple of dozen people that participated in collecting, packing, and handing out food and Christmas gifts to 105+ households for both Thanksgiving and Christmas.

To everyone who donated food, and the amazing Christmas gifts that came in.

To everyone who remembered the teams and guests with prayer and best wishes.

To everyone who gave leadership, or had the vision to enable us to serve our guests like friends and not people in need.

We can only say with humble and full hearts: THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!!

Loaves and Fishes will be distributing again on Saturday, January 29th 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Monday, January 31st 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

COVID UPDATE

New Jersey leading the nation in the rate of Covid infections. For now, we are continuing to offer in person worship, but we are continuing and working to improve our livestream services. If you have any questions or concerns, please know that you are welcome and encouraged to worship from home.

Various ministry areas are consulting on the best course of action to offer and if you have questions, just contact the leader of that group. Church meetings will continue to be on line.

If you do come to the church building or worship please know:

- Masks are expected to be worn by everyone who is in the church building.
- Please be mindful to socially distance.
- The pews in the sanctuary will be taped so that seats may be socially distant during worship.
- If you test positive after attending a worship service or other event, please be in touch with the Church Office so that others who shared that event may be contacted and take precautions.
- We encourage people to be vaccinated and get booster shots as soon as they can.
- We are in prayer for you if you have been exposed and are isolating at home.
- Worship Services will be live streamed to the Butler UMC Facebook page: www.facebook.com/BUMCNJ

FINANCE UPDATE

First, a huge Thank You! to everyone for their faithful stewardship and strong efforts to make ministry happen here at Butler UMC. Because of you we met all of our commitments in 2021 and actually finished with some surplus that sets us up well for 2022.

Folks have been asking about giving updates and we wanted to share the following with you:

- Offering envelopes have been on order since October and there have been delays at the supplier. If we could ask you to place your gift in a plain envelope clearly marked with your name, we will ensure your gift is properly posted in our records. As soon as we receive the envelopes they will be distributed to you.
- For those practicing electronic giving, your giving amount continues as in 2021. If you would like to revise the amount please be in touch with Pat Inglis at: pat.inglis@bumcnj.com
- There will be stewardship follow up for 2022 later in January and early February.

PRAY FOR OUR NORTH CAROLINA MISSION TEAM

For the past few years we have had a rich and rewarding relationship with relief and rebuilding ministries in North Carolina addressing damage from previous hurricanes and floods. Continuing that relationship this week, a group of seven of our church members are currently traveling to Plymouth, NC on the Roanoke River to work with Carolina Relief Ministries.

Please keep the team members in your prayers ... Linda & Bill Bosland, Lourdes Calle, Jack & Pat Inglis, Michael McKay and Michael Pitt ... along with the leaders of Carolina Relief Ministries and the homeowners in the area. May they have a safe, productive week as they reach out to others in God's love.



JANUARY 2022



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>2</u> 9:30am Worship / Online by 11 Sunday School 11:30am Spanish Worship	<u>3</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 7-9pm Gleaners Open	<u>4</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7pm Al-Anon in Hall	<u>5</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 3pm Zoom Support Group	<u>6</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 10am-1pm Gleaners Open	<u>7</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 9am-1pm Office Open	<u>1</u> HAPPY NEW YEAR!! <u>8</u> 7:30am NC Mission Trip leaves 10-1:00pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting In Fellowship Hall
<u>9</u> 9:30am Worship / Online by 11 Sunday School 11:30am Spanish Worship	<u>10</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 7-9pm Gleaners Open 7pm Zumba in Hall	<u>11</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 10am-1pm Gleaners Open 7pm Al-Anon in Hall	<u>12</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 3pm Zoom Support Group 7pm Zumba	<u>13</u> 9am-1pm Office Open 10am-1pm Gleaners Open	<u>14</u> 6am Men's Bible Study 9am-Noon Gleaners Sorting 9am-1pm Office Open	<u>15</u> 10-1:00pm Gleaners 10 am NA Meeting In Fellowship Hall
* * * * * PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MISSION TEAM SERVING IN NORTH CAROLINA THIS WEEK * * * * *						
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RED BIRD MISSION 2022 July 16 – 22, 2022

Red Bird Mission is a week of intense and intentional Christian Community in the service of the people of Southeastern Kentucky. Butler UMC is one of several churches from the NJ and PA and it is a group that includes Adults and Youth.

Participants are asked to be 14 years old or have completed 8th grade. The trip leaves from Butler early in the morning of Saturday, July 16th. We spend a night in Abingdon, VA and then arrive at Red Bird on Sunday, July 17th. We work in the community Monday thru Thursday and then travel home on Friday, July 22nd.

Participants are asked to contribute \$350 toward the cost of their trip – one half at the time you sign up and one half by June 1st. There will be meetings to orient people for the trip and plan fund raisers.

Sign-ups in 2022 are electronic and may be found at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FQw0BnSVBFsleE7aNO3T7PmmlMwDFtSzYaqZgczvbf/edit>

Your sign up and deposit (please send a check made out to 'Butler UMC' and note 'Red Bird Trip' in the memo line) need to be in by March 15th 2022.

Thank you to all who donated poinsettias at Christmas to help beautify our sanctuary...

In Loving Memory of

Patty Nafz
Barbara Moulton
Eleanor & Bob Titus
Gloria & Bill Inglis
Peggy Jean Curran
Wally Titus
Bill Inglis
Anthony Basile
James W. Matthews
Our Mother Mildred Tintle
Our Sister Donna Tintle
Richard White
Jim & Blanche VanOrden
Tunis and Naomi White
Jim VanOrden Jr.
Roberta Vandernaald
Catherine Shupp
Loved Ones
Donna Tintle
Mildred Tintle
Harold Tintle
Iva Tintle
Harvey Conway
Fuauzes Conway
Our Loved Ones
Joan Moskalski
Agnes & Frank Cuccia
Carol Wikfors
Our Family Loved Ones
James W. Matthews
Millie Tintle
Donna Tintle
Maxine Smith
Donald Smith
William Wells
Doris & Ted Worman
Marie & Joe Comiciotta
Luca B. Ordish
Ruth Lafferty

Given By

The Nafz Family

Pat & Jack Inglis

Pam, Tim, Ash and Sydney
Debra & Jeffrey Matthews
Cary Tintle and Lori Shepard

Sharon White

Lea Shupp

Debbie Pitt
Don Tintle

Bob & Linda Corter

Karen & Greg Bailey
Steve Wikfors

Deb Matthews
Lori Shepard & Cary Tintle

Wendy Tupaczewski

Keith Worman

In Honor of

Our Children & Grandchildren
Given by Pat & Jack Inglis

The Campbell Family
Given by Pam & Tim Campbell

Our Father, Donald Tintle
Given by Cary Tintle &
Lori Shepard

Our Family
Given by Bob & Linda Corter

Barbara & Robert Bailey
Given by Karen & Greg Bailey

Donald Tintle
Given by Lori Shepard &
Cary Tintle

A Prayer for the New Year

God of Love,
You are with us in every transition and change.

As we enter into this new era with excitement
and even some anxiety,
we recall your deep compassion, presence,
and abounding love.

We thank you for the gifts,
talents and skills with which
you have blessed us.

We thank you for the experiences
that have brought us
to this moment.

We thank you for the work of others
that gives breadth and depth to our own work.

Be with us as we move forward,
rejoicing with you and supporting one another.

We ask this in your Holy Name. Amen



SPECIAL

Service

OPPORTUNITIES

SOUND TECHNICIAN

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

January	Dan Hack
February	Jim Gawley
March	Karl Barton

VIDEO TECHNICIAN

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

January 2 nd	Pat Inglis
January 9 th	Pam Campbell
January 16 th	Jeff Matthews
January 23 rd	Pam Campbell
January 30 th	Jeff Matthews

COUNTERS

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

January 2 nd	Carroll Campbell , Vickie Boyd & Betty Greig
January 9 th	Dawn Kruimer, Jean Bresett & Georgia Connell
January 16 th	Jeff Matthews, Linda Bosland & Janet Schaefer
January 23 rd	Linda Meilan & Karen Bailey
January 30 th	Carroll Campbell , Vickie Boyd & Betty Greig



Loaves & Fishes

Can you help?? The supply closet is quite low and could use replenishing this month. All items are low but the items which are in **bold type below** can especially 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.

Macaroni & Cheese

Canned Tuna

Canned Fruit

Canned vegetables

Canned beans

(Red, black & cannelloni)

Canned tomatoes

Cooking Oil

Hot or Cold Cereals

Pancake Mixes/Syrup

Dried or Powdered Milk

Peanut Butter

Ketchup, mustard, mayo

Tomato Products

Pasta

Pasta Sauce

Boxed Potatoes

Rice Side Dishes

Bags of White Rice

Soup

Dried Beans – Red or Black

Jelly – Strawberry & Grape

Snack foods

Paper towels

Toilet paper

Tissues / Napkins

Toothpaste/Toothbrush

Deodorant

Soap / Shampoo/Conditioner

Bleach

Dish / Laundry Detergent

Cleaning Wipes

Thank you for your generosity,
Debby Smeilus, Coordinator