Bly Lines

News, Notes and Revelations from St. John's Blymire's United Church of Christ

<u>September 2017</u>

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From the Pastor's Desk



Greetings to you and peace from God our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

I begin this month's message by asking you What items draw your attention, or, is there something you collect? Some people collect "dust catchers" in various shapes and forms. (I have a collection of Angels in the office and at home.... others collect frogs, maybe turtles, etc.) Even as a child and teenager, I had a collection.... I had a number of horse figurines in my bedroom. Then, when I was serving the churches in Schuylkill County, I was given any number of Cat figurines. And now, as I said, I have a collection of angels.

So, my figurine collections have changed with time, but there is one thing that still draws my attention and I just love to see in pictures but especially love to see in person, and that is a RAINBOW. Almost every time we have rain and then the sun comes out, I will look out the window to see if there is a rainbow. From childhood on, I have loved rainbows and have incorporated the rainbow concept into my life in a number of ways. I had done clown ministry for a few years. The face paint decoration I used included a rainbow on my cheek along with a rainbow striped suit and striped wig and my Clown name was "IRIS" which from Greek means "a rainbow or rainbow like appearance". When I served as a State Park Chaplain the summer of 1982 at Cowan's Gap State Park, one of the support committee members had a female cat that I adopted. I named her QUESHA (pronounced Keh-sha). How I came up with her name is by this process: I looked in the concordance for the word rainbow and saw the Hebrew word is quesheth. So, I feminized it to Quesha.

I have always loved rainbows and perhaps that is because it is the symbol God gave us to remind us of his promise that the earth will never again be destroyed by a flood. The rainbow is a reminder to believers of a time in the history of mankind when we had ventured so far away from God that not one righteous person beyond Noah and his family could be found. So, to give humankind a second chance, God covered the earth with water and humans got a second chance to keep God first in their life. How are we doing on that point? Not too well.

Now, we know that water will not destroy the earth ever again. Fire will be the element to destroy the earth the next time. It seems to me we are getting closer and closer to the possibility of fire destroying all that is. Think about how we hear about wildfires burning so much

of our land. As I write this we are even hearing about fire destroying part of southern France at the same time we have a number of wildfires in our west and mid-west. But beyond that, fire is consuming large buildings and claiming lots of lives. And, of course, we are all aware of the looming threat of nuclear bombs and the devastation caused when one of these missiles is fired at a given target.

We definitely live in tense times. And, perhaps we can understand if God feels pretty much the same way he felt when he called Noah to build the ark. Of course, we know there are righteous people living in our world today. But, are there enough? And, do those righteous do enough for God to keep the kingdom of God alive in our world? Hopefully we can truthfully say we do hear God saying to us now.... "well done, good and faithful servant!" If we cannot immediately say we know God is happy with our service, then maybe we need to tweak our service and our dedication. I think we are definitely in trying times and I am thankful I see many rainbows. But, we still have a lot to do for the glory of God and the message of God that our world today needs to hear! We, along with our many brothers and sisters in faith, serve a loving God and are to share God's love with one and all!

God Bless!

With love, Pastor Lou Ann



SPECIAL SERVICES in SEPTEMBER

Sept. 3 - Pentecost 13

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28 Sermon: "Labor For the Lord"

Special Music: Kevin and Sharon Cooley

Sept. 10 - Pentecost 14

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20 Sermon: "Steps 1, 2, 3"

Anthem: "We Sing So All Can Hear the Story" Price/Besig

Sept. 17 - Pentecost 15

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon: "A Lesson On Forgiveness" Anthem: "I've Been Redeemed" Blake

Sept. 24 - Pentecost 16

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Sermon: "Equal in God's Eyes"

Anthem: "Acclamation of Assurance" Martin

Sunday School for all ages will resume at 10:30 AM on September 10. We will be showing "The Shack", with a break for lunch that day.

Please join us.

SCHEDULE OF DUTIES for SEPTEMBER

GREETERS:

September 3 - Nancy Taylor

September 10 - Trudy Wise

September 17 - Barb Marshall

September 24 - David & Susan McDowell

GIFT COLLECTORS:

September 3 - Nelson & Marti Leader

September 10 - Trudy Wise

September 17 - Joel & Steph Frey

September 24 - Charlie Diehl

ACOLYTES:

September 3 - Sonja Ness

September 10 - Michele Leader

September 17 - Terry Doll

September 24 - Janie Montgomery

SOUND SYSTEM OPERATORS:

September 3 - Terry Doll

September 10 - Ed Adams

September 17 - Chase Matthews

September 24 - Wyatt Myers

CAMERA OPERATORS:

September 3 - Greg Ness

September 10 - John Sterling

September 17 - Todd Miller

September 24 - Terry Doll

LAY READERS:

September 3 - Nelson Leader

September 10 - Stephanie Frey

September 17 - Barb Marshall

September 24 - Jeri Jones

COFFEE SOCIAL HOSTS:

September 3 - To be announced

September 10 - To be announced

September 17 - To be announced

September 24 - To be announced

LIGHTING OPERATORS:

September 3 - Joel Frey

September 10 - Greg Ness

September 17 - Greg Ness

September 24 - Sterling Boyd

VIDEO OPERATORS:

September 3 - Sydney Brown

September 10 - Jeri Jones

September 17 - Judy Bishop

September 24 - Nelson Leader

ALTAR GUILD: Jean McDowell & Barb Adams

DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER: September 15

<u>SEPTEMBER</u> BIRTHDAYS



May God Bless You On Your Birthday!

- Brent Barley
 Kimberly Dilling
- 2. Connie Hays
- Susan Knaub
 Linda Eichelberger
- 4. Anjuli Shane
- 5. Debra Forbes
- 6. Beverly Troop
- 10. Eric John
 Orion ValentinoCharlton
 Timothy
 Luckenbaugh Jr.
- 12. Joyce Horning
- 14. Sally Bosley
 Braydon Picking
- 19. Carol Bair
- 22. Meagan Bowen
 Bodie Barley

- 23. James Sleeth
- 24. Beth March
- 26. Michele Leader
- 27. Madeline Heindel
 Shyanne Luckenbaugh
- 28. Joan Henry
- 30. Lou Ann Jones
 Aiden Bowen

CELEBRATING SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 2 - Emerson and Ruth Knaper - 73 years

Sept. 22 - Nicholas and Tina Innerst - 10 years

Sept. 23 - Gene and Trudy Wise - 55 years

Sept. 24 - Troy and Jane Picking - 23 years

Sept. 26 - Mike and Cindy Axe - 19 years

Sept. 27 - Burl and Carol Gingerich - 31 years

Sept. 30 - Jay and Carolyn Innerst - 61 years

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Freda Berry

The Haven at Springwood 2321 Freedom Way York, PA 17402 717-718-3615

Peggy Luckenbaugh

Room 704B Colonial Manor Nursing Home 970 Colonial Avenue York, PA 17403



Anita Spahr

36 West Main Street Dallastown, PA 17313 244-7392

Dale Wise

Room 106A Manorcare Kingston Court 2400 Kingston Court York, PA 17402



A1C Ness, Brandon 98950 East Harmony Lane Tucson, AZ 85748



- ... to **Barb Marshall and all her helpers** for setting up and manning booths to advertise our church at the Jacobus 4th of July Blast, Red Lion Street Fair and the Dallastown Carnival. Thanks in advance to those who will be helping at the Jacobus Labor Day celebration.
- ... to **Ida Michael** for getting all the wonderful groups and individuals to provide the special music this summer. Thanks also to all the musicians.
- to the Fun Team for organizing the food and film night in July.
- to the **Men's Group** for making the delicious chicken BBQ each month this summer and to all **those who donated baked goods** to be sold there as well. Thanks also to everyone who bought the dinners and other goodies.
- to everyone who attended and brought food for our church picnic on August 13. Special thanks to those who donated cakes for the cake walk.
- to **Pastor Lou Ann** for pulling double duty some of the weeks this summer. In addition to preaching, she also played the organ several times when Brenda was away on vacation.
- to everyone, especially Janie Montgomery, Ed and Judy Bishop, and my wife Lou Ann for all your help with the eclipse viewing program. Jeri Jones
- ... from Linda Eichelberger for the cards, calls, visits and prayers as she continues her recovery. She has been discharged from Johns Hopkins Hospital and is currently receiving treatments as an outpatient. Because she needs to go to the hospital daily, she and Rod will be staying at the address below until the treatments have ended. Her address is Hackerman Pratz Patient and Family Pavilion, 301 North Broadway, Room 308, Baltimore, MD 21231. Her phone number is 443-287-8171.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Undesignated General Fund

Red Brick Chapel

Cemetery

Month-2017	Income	Expense	Income	Expense	Income	Expense
January	\$13,069.96	\$14,011.17	\$503.43	\$181.75	\$354.55	\$850.00
February	\$10,907.93	\$5,404.56	\$3.09	\$211.14	\$0.29	\$0.00
March	\$11,915.46	\$13,831.65	\$1,153.48	\$423.97	\$0.32	\$251.56
April	\$9,693.50	\$9,902.05	\$528.42	\$293.05	\$40.30	\$376.81
May	\$11,958.80	\$8,938.88	\$1,003.57	\$100.58	\$0.27	\$947.00
June	\$8,679.72	\$13,211.83	\$353.54	\$284.53	\$0.19	\$2,515.00
July	\$11,233.38	\$8,194.28	\$3.64	\$144.18	\$6.56	\$2,121.58
August						
September						
October						
November						
December						
Total	\$77,458.75	\$73,494.42	\$3,549.17	\$1,639.20	\$402.48	\$7,061.97

Balance of Undesignated General Fund @ August 1, 2017

\$10,650.81

Balance of Red Brick Chapel Fund @ August 1, 2017 (Includes \$45,450.11 Endowment)

\$73,961.94

Balance of Cemetery Fund @ August 1, 2017 (Includes \$741,721.82 CD's, Trusts, UCC Foundation—transferred \$9000 from UCC Foundation to B B & T Bank)

\$752,202.29

Financial Assistance Given through Hand of Hope Fund - 2017

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	#		Total		Monthly		Available	
	Families		\$\$\$	D	onations	В	alance	
Beginning						\$	397.38	
January	1	\$	50.00	\$	84.27	\$	431.65	
February				\$	116.61	\$	548.26	
March				\$	71.58	\$	619.84	
April	1	\$	25.00	\$	115.87	\$	710.71	
May	3	\$	75.00	\$	20.02	\$	655.73	
June	3	\$	75.00	\$	139.95	\$	720.68	
July				\$	109.37	\$	830.05	
August								
September								
October								
November								
December								

Total 8 \$ 225.00 \$ 657.67



MEN'S GROUP

We invite you to join the men of Blymire on



Tuesday, September 12, at 7:00 PM at the church. Bring a friend to the meeting. As always we have an open discussion on joys and concerns. We will be discussing potential guest speakers for future meetings. Come join us for a time of sharing. REMEMBER ALL MEN ARE WELCOME.



FAITH KIDZ will be holding their first meeting of the season on Wednesday, Sept. 13, from 6:30-8:00 PM. We will be meeting each Wednesday thereafter until the middle of May.

We do Bible lessons each week, along with energy-burning activities. We share a snack each week after offering grace. Some of our activities include making craft items that our pastor takes to our residence bound members. We celebrate holidays by making things to take home. Each child's birthday is celebrated also. We have lots of FUN!!

All children ages 4 years-8th grade are invited to join us. This group is open to members of the community, as well as the church.



Our TEENS group is offered for 9th-12th grade students. These meetings are usually held on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of each month, from 6:30-8:30 PM. Our first meeting of this season, however, will be on the 2nd Sunday, September 10.

We enjoy group discussions on current topics and do community service projects. We share in retreat times and lots of FUN activities. We celebrate birthdays and holidays and share in life experiences. Teens from the community are welcome to participate.

SISTERS OF SERVICE

Please join the SOS on Monday, September 18, for a soup and sandwich supper and organizational meeting. We will begin our fellowship at 6:00 PM. Heather Matthews will lead devotions. All are welcome.



Please note that this year's bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 11. More details will be available in future bulletins and newsletters.



Our Women's Book Club will ROOK hold their September meetings on CLUB, Tuesdays, September 12, and 26, at 10:00 AM in the Gathering Room. We will be discussing Wishing You

Well by David Baldacci. New members are always welcome to join us.

Our adult choir rehearses each Wednesday evening and sings each Sunday morning from September through the first week of June. Our first rehearsal of the season will be



on August 30 at 7:30 PM. If you enjoy singing, please join us. We need your voice!!!



WE NEED YOU!!!!!! To VOLUNTEER!!!!!

We are in need of someone willing to work with Faith Kidz (Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00). BARB MARSHALL will be involved with this group for this year, but needs to

step down next year. We would like to have you work with the group now to see what they have doing as their format. Let BARB MARSHALL, JANIE MONTGOMERY or Pastor Lou Ann know if you are interested!

ALSO, JEAN McDOWELL would like to cut back to teaching the children's Sunday school class one Sunday a month, so we are looking for volunteers to share the teaching of the children's class..... We hope to get three or four people to volunteer to teach one Sunday a month!!!! Let Pastor Lou Ann know if you are willing to share the Children's Sunday School lessons!

APPLE DUMPLING FUNDRAISER

As a fundraiser for the

Fun Team, we will be selling Apple Dumplings from Mama D's Bakery at Eastern Market. The cost is \$3.50 for regular and \$4.00 for sugar free dumplings. There are no preservatives added. Order forms are available from Marti Leader or you can place an order on the sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway. Deadline for orders is Sunday, October 1, and they must be prepaid. Dumplings may be picked up at the church on Wednesday, October 18, from 4:00-5:30 PM.

PAINT PARTY with Julie Smith

Join us for fun and fellowship on Sunday, October 1, from 2:00-4:00 PM. If you

think you can't paint, you will be surprised what you can do in two hours. You will love your "masterpiece."

Julie is an art teacher and guides you through the process with ease. The cost for the class is \$25. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. Deadline for sign up is September 24.



On Saturday, September 9, from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM, the Men's Group will once again be selling their famous chicken BBQ. You will get a 1/2 chicken, baked potato, and roll and butter all for \$8.00. If you would like to place an order, please fill out the slip below and turn it in to the church office or call 244-0655.

Name	
Phone Number	
Number of Dinners	x \$8.00 =

CROP WALK

This year's annual CROP WALK will be held on Sunday, October 8. Walkers will meet at John Rudy Park at 1:30 PM for registration, with the walk beginning at 2:30 PM.



Emmanuel's Closet will receive a portion of the funds collected by our participants. If you would like to be a walker or sponsor a walker, please see Pastor Lou Ann. Thank you.

Chicken Potpie Dinner

On Saturday, October 21, from 5:00-7:00 PM we will once again be serving a delicious potpie dinner. The cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children ages 5-12, under 5 years free. To attend, you must buy a ticket in advance. Watch for ticket sales soon.

Crafty Chicks

We invite you to join us on Sunday, September 24, at 2:00 PM for our next Crafty Chicks class. Carol



Barnhart will teach us how to create bead bracelets. There is no fixed cost, however, you are asked to make a donation to the church.



On Sunday, October 22, from 2:00-4:00 PM, Lisa Deeter will teach us how to make 3-D Pennsylvania German Christmas ornaments called "Scherenchnitte" to add to our holiday

decorations. The name literally means scissors cut.

You will be given patterns and paper to make two ornaments, angels and a tree. If there is not enough time to finish both in class, you will have learned the technique to be able to finish at home. Lisa will also share patterns and show examples to make scherenschnitte holiday cards. While we are crafting she will be sharing some PA German Christmas history and stories with you. A traditional Christmas treat will be shared for snacking.

You will need to bring the following supplies with you: Fine point sharp scissors for paper cutting (like Fiskers Softgrip Touchpoints for fabric and paper, available at Walmart), X-acto knife, cutting mat.

The cost is \$25 and deadline to sign up is October 15.



September 2017

Healing Hearts Inspirations



We are drowning in information but starved for knowledge.

John Naisbitt



THE THINGS WE'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO TALK ABOUT

The things we're not 'supposed' to talk about have been weighing heavily on me lately. Today I'm going to talk about the ones that have been showing up for me, and I hope you will use this as an invitation to talk about your own.

Grief. I'm not supposed to talk about the fact that I still really miss my cat who passed away at the end of April. I'm certainly not supposed to talk about losses of loved ones that happened years in the past.

What's really true is that there's not a time limit on grief. We want to package it into stages or steps or give you bereavement leave, but grief isn't that neat and tidy. It comes in waves and the best thing you can do when a wave comes, is share it with someone. There's no cure for grief, but compassion is a great start.

Discontent. I'm not supposed to talk about the times when I'm unhappy in my career or in my marriage or in my friendships.

What's really true is that the places where I'm not content are the places where I need to grow... and that's OK. In fact, I welcome growth because although it can be painful, that's what life is about.

Racism. I'm definitely not supposed to talk about the fact that racism is alive and well in the US. What's really true is that I still don't know what to say a lot of the time, but I no longer want to use that as an excuse. I'm pushing myself to be a part of the conversation, to do more than pay lip service to my beliefs and to educate myself in places where my privilege has allowed me to remain ignorant.

Joy. Yes, joy. I'm not allowed to be too happy because that might make someone uncomfortable. What's really true is that I'm allowed to celebrate, to be overjoyed and to share that. My joy doesn't take away from anyone else's pain nor does it make it worse. When we mute our joy, we deny ourselves one of the most magical feelings in life. Lara Heacock



Join with people around the world by observing The International Day of Peace!

The International Day of Peace is observed around the world each year on September 21st. Established in 1981 by unanimous U.N. resolution, Peace Day provides a globally shared date for all humanity to commit to Peace above all differences.

A Minute of Silence

is planned at noon in each time zone, resulting in a "Peace Wave" around the world. Individuals, communities and nations are invited to participate in this shared and practical act of peacebuilding.



A WORK IN PROGRESS

Changing direction in life is not tragic—but losing passion in life is! Something happens along the way. Convictions to change the world downgrade to commitments to pay the bills. Rather than make a difference, we make a salary. Rather than look outward, we look inward. And we don't like what we see!

But God is not finished with you yet. Oh you may think he is. You may think you've peaked. You may think he's gotten someone else to do the job. If so, think again! The Bible says, "God began doing a good work in you, and I am sure he will continue it until it is finished when Jesus Christ comes again" (Philippians 1:6 NCV). May I spell out the message? God ain't finished with you yet!

Max Lucado

POSSIBILITIES

Life's filled
With possibilities
That challenge us each day
To take a chance,
Try something new,
See things a different way.
And it's not until we try
That we find out
What we can do,
So don't wait until tomorrow
To discover
Something new.

Gentle Wisdom





"Be still and know that I am God." With these words from Psalm 46, the Almighty issues us a profound invitation to rest, reflect and find eternal refuge in HIm. It's quite an irresistible invitation, really, to stop and have a personalized heart to heart visit with the Almighty. And the best part is that it's a Come As You Are party. He doesn't care if we're scared or lonely or sad and broken, He is our refuge.

Lisa Bowman

THE KNOTS PRAYER

Dear God:
Please untie the knots that are in my mind,
my heart my life.

Remove the have nots , the can nots and the do nots that I have in my mind

Erase all the will nots ,
and might nots
that may find a home in my heart .

Release me from the could nots and would nots that obstruct my life .

And most of all
Dear God;
I ask that you remove from my mind,
my heart and my life
all the "am nots"
that I have allowed to hold me back,
especially the thought,
that I am not good enough

Unknown Author

Miracles: You do not have to look for them. They are there, 24-7, beaming like radio waves all around you. Put up the antenna, turn up the volume - snap... crackle... this just in, every person you talk to is a chance to change the world.

Hugh Elliott

EMMANUEL'S CLOSET

September 2017

School Project

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to our school supply project. Because of your generosity, we were able to give 61 filled backpacks to our clients' c



61 filled backpacks to our clients' children to help them start the year right.

Cartridge Recycling

Don't forget to bring in your empty printer cartridges and place them in the box in the Emmanuel's

Closet bin in the Gathering Room. This year we were able get over a hundred dollars worth of free school supplies from Office Max and Staples by using the rewards earned from recycled cartridges.

New Food Coordinator

Joni Weiss will be stepping down from her duties as Food Coordinator for Emmanuel's Closet as of the end of August. We would like to thank Joni for her many hours of service over the past few years.

Amber Wagman of St. Paul's UCC has volunteered to assume the Food Coordinator responsibilities, but additional helpers are always needed. If you would be willing to help as a substitute when Amber is away or help sort when large donations come in, please see Tarry Ness or Sterling Boyd.

On Thursday, September 21, at 7:00 PM there will be a meeting at St. Paul's to welcome Amber and address any issues or concerns that anyone has about Emmanuel's. Volunteers are invited to attend.

THANKS FOR CARING!

E.C. Continuing Needs

Juice

Cereal

Peanut Butter/Jelly

Spaghetti Sauce

Boxed Dry Pastas

Helper Meals

Dessert Items

Condiment Items

Canned Tuna/Meats

Canned Broth

Canned Fruit/Vegetables

Coffee/Tea

Deodorant, Soap, Shampoo

Toothpaste, Toothbrushes

Toilet Paper, Tissues, Paper Towels

Dish Washing Liquid

Laundry Detergent

All-Purpose Cleaners

Baby Food

Diapers, baby wipes

Children's books/toys

Small household items

Please, NO Expired Food Items Clothing should be clean, in good repair and unstained.



Revelations for SEPTEMBER from "Bly Mire" Mouse

"Laughter is the best medicine" is a quote that we are all familiar with but does anyone know who said it? This is one of those lines that is used with a variety of twists and we cannot be certain who said it first. It is kind of like — which came first, the chicken or the egg? But, I can enlighten you a bit by sharing with you that Proverbs 17:22 states: "A cheerful heart is a good medicine, but a downcast spirit dries up the bones." I can't say that this definitely is the basis for "laughter is the best medicine" but it is close enough for me! Now, why am I

centering my thoughts on this? Well, we all like the jokes Jeri includes when he does the children's messages..... yes, I am there on the sidelines listening and watching along! So, I will offer a challenge! In each issue of our newsletter, I would like to offer a joke submitted by anyone of my readers! It doesn't matter if it is a well known joke or a new one you have made up yourself, just give it to Pastor Lou Ann and she will see that I get it for this column!

So, now I share with you the first installment of BLY'S HEALING HUMOR — How do you treat Avian Flu and Swine Flu? For Avian Flu you need TWEETment but for Swine Flu you need OINKment! (Hee-Hee!) Submitted by Mire, Bly's better half!

Again, for each monthly issue of the newsletter, I would like a joke or humorous story submitted by YOU!!!!! Who will be credited with the next dose of Healing Humor?????

From the Church

Mouse

WELCOME

Remember in the last issue I told you to mark your calendars for SEPTEMBER 10—the Sunday School Kick-off for 2017. We will show the movie "THE SHACK". But, during our worship service that day, we will also have JOSH BISHOP as a special guest musician. We always look forward to him sharing his amazing talent!!!!!

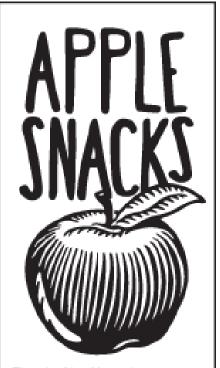
Also, a special THANK YOU to BARB MARSHALL and EVERYONE who helped with our stand at the Jacobus July 4 and Labor Day events, the Red Lion Street Fair and the Dallastown Carnival. We reach a number of people — especially children, with our community outreach. GOOD JOB!

I am also thankful to share that Linda Eichelberger is doing well with her treatment. She did have a bout with pneumonia a few weeks back but she is doing better. Now in phase three, she hopefully is seeing the days of residence at Johns Hopkins decreasing in number! GOD BLESS, LINDA!!!

I am also looking forward to joining with Crafty Chicks on September 24 to make Bead Bracelets! I just hope Carol can help me make one small enough for Mire and for all my girls! But, if you would prefer to paint, join in on the fun OCTOBER 1 at 2:00 p.m. for a PAINT PARTY!!!! Led by Julie Smith, we always have a good time and produce nice paintings!

And, are your taste buds looking for something really tasty????? We have an APPLE DUMPLING SALE coming up AND — a POT PIE DINNER!!!! Check the website and this newsletter for more details but — MARK YOUR CALENDARS! - Apple Dumpling order due October 1 and the Pot Pie Dinner by ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY — October 21. YUM! YUM! YUM!

Looks like we have a lot of activities coming up again. I thought this summer went awful fast, didn't you? But, JOIN US for all the fun and faithful happenings at Blymire's U.C.C.!



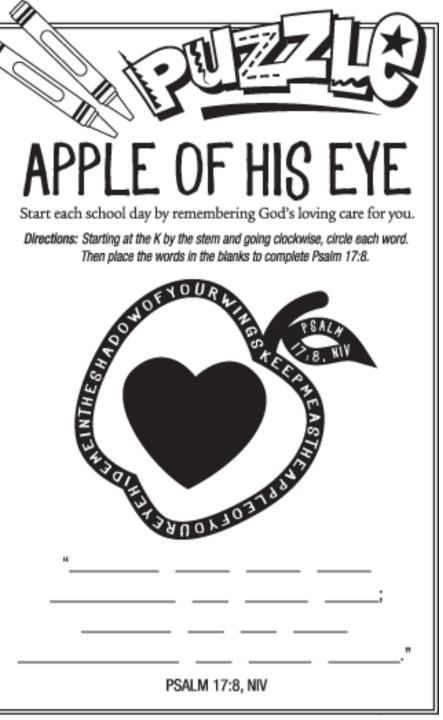
These healthy chips make a yummy back-to-school snack.

What you need:

- 4 apples, cored and cut into 1/8' rings
- Large bowl
- Spoon
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- · 2 teaspoons sugar
- Baking sheets (sprayed)

What you do:

- Place apple slices in the bowl. Add cinnamon and sugar. Stir so apples are coated evenly with the mixture.
- Place apple slices on the sprayed baking sheets in a single layer.
- Bake at 200 degrees for two to three hours, until chips are dry but still slightly soft.



Answer: "Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings." Psalm 17:8, NIV