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From the Pastor's Desk



Although I started my interim among you a week later than hoped and expected (as explained in last month's newsletter column), as I mentioned during worship on September 25th, I am privileged and honored and humbled to serve you as your interim pastor these next few months. There are a lot of fantastic activities going on here at Blymire's this fall (as explained throughout this newsletter). But even more, I am so happy to see your commitment to Christ and to each other in this family of faith, your cooperative and caring spirit that permeates all that you do, and the palpable energy that infuses this church. This really is a great congregation! I so appreciate the honor of serving as your interim pastor!

What we have here at Blymire's Church is wonderful. And as we begin these first couple of months with the interim ministry, I am asking you all to help us start where we're at and to build on that as we move forward in the third decade of the 21st century.

Just this past Sunday in the Sunday School class, as we were discussing the place of generosity in our Christian devotional lives, we started talking about what this might mean for us here at Blymire's Church with a hybrid of in-person and online worship and meeting/fellowship times, and how we can begin to befriend young people and their families in our area and build on those friendships to help us discern how we as a church can help meet their needs (perhaps by partnering with other churches and organizations to accomplish that).

You know, it is the same with our individual Christian lives as we continually commit and re-commit our lives to Jesus Christ. We start where we're at and build on that. We know that our salvation and sanctification is rooted in Jesus Christ and that Jesus wants to draw all people to Himself. One of my favorite Bible passages is Galatians 2:19-20: **"For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."** I am always "wowed" by that passage and similar scriptural passages. As we are drawn to Jesus, there is a forward movement in our spiritual lives as the Holy Spirit fills us with Jesus' nature, the Holy Spirit convicts us of things we should not have done and things we should yet do, the nature of Jesus in us allows us to be obedient to Him, and we then realize that there is a real cost and joy of discipleship to Jesus Christ.

As we move forward in these individual and congregational walks of faith of ours, I thank you folks for wearing name tags on Sundays. That has been really helpful to me as I continue to put your

names and faces together. And thanks to you folks who have signed up for the “cottage meetings”, or informal gatherings, where I will have a chance to get to know you better and to listen to your joys and concerns for our church. Please stay tuned as we will probably need to schedule more of these gatherings in October and November, and we will ask you to sign up for one of them. This is one of the first steps of our interim ministry together. As I have shared previously, all of our interim ministry will point to our answering the all-important questions: **Who are we as St. John’s Blymire’s United Church of Christ? Who are our neighbors? Who is God calling us to become as we journey into God’s future? What is our unique niche here in Dallastown?**

I will see you around this month of October.

God’s continued blessings on you, Pastor Rick

SPECIAL SERVICES in OCTOBER

Oct. 2 - 17th Sunday after Pentecost - World Communion Sunday - UCC Neighbors in Need Sunday

Sermon: “What does a prosthetic toe have to do with what Jesus is telling His disciples?”

Scripture: Luke 17:5-10

Theme: Faith can be a struggle, faith is an ongoing relationship with God, and faith is increased in our service.

Oct. 9 - 18th Sunday after Pentecost - UCC Access Sunday and the start of Disabilities Awareness Week

Sermon: “You don’t have to yell!”

Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Theme: Jesus loves those whom the world rejects and loves to show mercy to those who are hurting, thus wanting to bring us all to salvation.

Oct. 16 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost - UCC Children’s Sabbath Sunday UCC Laity Sunday

Sermon: “A pep talk for the Kingdom, or Realm, of God!”

Scripture: Luke 18:1-8

Theme: Courage and persistent prayer are necessary to advance God’s Kingdom.

Oct. 23 - 20th Sunday after Pentecost - World Communion Sunday -

Guest preacher: Rev. Curt Weber

Sermon: “If you want to walk on water, you’ve got to get out of the boat”

Scripture: Matthew 14:22-33

Theme: Not risk-taking, but obedience and faith.

Oct. 30 - 21st Sunday after Pentecost - Reformation/Reconciliation Sunday - Sunday before All Saints’ Day - UCC Higher Education Sunday

Sermon: “The Zacchaeus View—What’s God up to?”

Scripture: Luke 19:1-10

Theme: We often feel unacceptable; God loves and seeks us to save us, anyway.

OCTOBER
BIRTHDAYS



*May God Bless
You on Your
Birthday!*

1. Kayla Roelke
Michael Matthews
Annie Cowher
2. Adin Luckenbaugh
3. Timothy Luckenbaugh
4. Ethan John
8. Tarrence Ness
Barb Adams
Bronley Free
9. Kari March
10. Lucy Smith
12. Mary Innerst
17. Paul Leiphart
21. Shayne Boyd
22. Mike N. Knaub
Calvin Leader
23. Diana Myers
Marjorie Stringer
24. Lori Roelke
Zane Pope
Brian Bosley
26. Amber Roelke
27. Brenda Miller
31. Macklin Woerner
Jaron Picking

CELEBRATING OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 8 - Todd and Lisa Miller - 29 years
Oct. 19 - Frank & Sally Bosley - 59 years
Oct. 23 - Jeffrey and Lynz Leader - 18 years
Oct. 26 - John and Kathi Sterling - 9 years

FINANCIAL REPORT

Undesignated General Fund

Red Brick Chapel

Cemetery

Month-2022	Income	Expense	Income	Expense	Income	Expense
January	\$9,995.00	\$10,580.71	\$0.46	\$254.37	\$915.03	\$0.00
February	\$8,570.74	\$11,555.09	\$1,000.48	\$390.39	\$0.23	\$294.90
March	\$96,036.48	\$15,958.44	\$0.41	\$563.73	\$0.19	\$845.18
April	\$9,517.87	\$14,766.40	\$1,000.35	\$16,785.27	\$200.20	\$2,370.60
May	\$13,730.24	\$11,108.47	\$808.06	\$153.57	\$818.22	\$2,683.03
June	\$7,499.35	\$14,787.98	\$250.07	\$362.50	\$900.09	\$3,277.10
July	\$8,468.00	\$5,755.87	\$1000.07	\$132.08	\$7.20	\$2,188.88
August	\$10,506.24	\$7,061.85	\$1000.10	\$169.56	\$900.18	\$2,836.40
September						
October						
November						
December						
Total	\$164,323.92	\$91,574.81	\$5,060.00	\$18,811.47	\$3,741.34	\$14,496.09

Balance of Undesignated General Fund @ September 1, 2022

\$25,507.18

Balance of Red Brick Chapel Fund @ September 1, 2022

(Includes \$54,713.36 Endowment)

\$59,143.44

Balance of Cemetery Fund @ September 1, 2022

(Includes \$792,261.94 CD's, Trusts, UCC Foundation)

\$799,384.59

Financial Assistance Given through Hand of Hope Fund - 2022

	#	Total	Monthly	Available
	Families	\$\$\$	Donations	Balance
Beginning				\$ 162.74
January			\$ 80.00	\$ 242.74
February	1	\$ 25.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 252.74
March	1	\$ 25.00	\$ 11.00	\$ 238.74
April			\$ 59.00	\$ 297.74
May			\$ 35.20	\$ 332.94
June	3	\$ 75.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 269.94
July		\$ 200.00	\$ 1045.03	\$ 1114.97
August			\$ 12.00	\$ 1126.97
September				
October				
November				
December				
Total	5	\$ 325.00	\$ 1289.23	

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS and those in need of PRAYER

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



Keeping in our prayers
Dolores Barley
Jeanette Black
Cindie McKinsey
Ginny Weber
Friends battling cancer
Covid 19 patients

Linda Trone
Room 604
Colonial Manor Nursing Home
970 Colonial Avenue
York, PA 17403

Carolyn Innerst
Room 123
Senior Commons@Powder
Mill
1775 Powder Mill Road
York, PA 17403



Remember
and pray for
Our Members
in the
Military

A1C Ness, Brandon
6907 S. Camino de la Humanidad
Tucson, AZ 85756

Would you like to meet Pastor Rick more personally in a small group session?

Pastor Rick is hosting informal get-togethers, of 6 to 8 people each, at the church during the months of September and October. During those times he will have a chance to get to know you, members and friends of St. John's Blymire's UCC better. He will also listen to your first memories of St. John's Blymire's UCC, why you started to come and continue to come to church here, what you see as the true character of the church, why you are proud of the church, what challenges you think the church currently has, what styles of lay and pastoral leadership have worked best for you in the past, and what questions/concerns/joys/hopes you have for our church as we move ahead.

Sign-up sheets are on the table outside the sanctuary or you can call the church office and ask for a date and time slot from the following:

Monday, October 3 - 2:00 PM
Friday, October 14 - 11:00 AM
Sunday, October 16 - 11:00 AM
Sunday, October 30 - 11:00 AM

Other dates may be added later, so watch your bulletins for more information.

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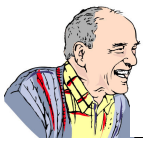
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SPECIAL SUNDAYS

We have two special Sundays coming up in October and November. The first is All Saints' Sunday, October 30, when we read the names of those who have passed away during the last year. We invite all family and friends to attend as we remember their loved ones.

The second special Sunday is Heritage Sunday, November 13. On that day we will honor and celebrate those who have been members of our church for 50 years or more. We will be sending out invitations in a few weeks, but please mark your calendars now and plan to attend if you are one of those members.



MEN'S GROUP

Please note that the originally scheduled meeting at the Jones



residence for October 11th has been changed. The Men's Group will now meet at the church at 7:00 PM for astronomy night. Kerry Smith of the York County Astronomical Society will attend and do a star watch in the parking lot. If skies are cloudy he will do an indoor program on radio astronomy.



Our next chicken BBQ will be held on Saturday, October 8, from 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM. You will get a 1/2 chicken, baked potato, applesauce, roll and butter all for \$10.00. To place an order, please call the church office at 244-0655. We sold out early nearly every month so far, so to be guaranteed a dinner, it is best to pre-order.

We are also planning to set up a bake sale table and would welcome donations of homemade cookies, cupcakes, candy, etc. Please put individual portions in baggies or plastic wrap. They may be dropped off at the church the day before or the morning of the BBQ. Thank you.

BOOK SALE

Our Book Sale continues, but has now been moved across the hall to the last room on the right. New books arrive each week, so if you haven't checked it out lately, now is the time.



CARD and GAME CLUB



We have started a group to play card and board games here at the church. Everyone is welcome, and if you don't know how to play certain games, there will be someone who can teach you. You can bring lunch or order in.

We will meet the second Wednesday of each month starting at 11:00 AM and playing until people are ready to stop.

If you have any questions, please call Janie Montgomery at (717) 891-3607 or Diana Myers at (717) 855-4752.

Volunteers are needed for our fall cemetery clean-up which will take place on Thursday, October 6, from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM. If you would like to help, please see Joel Frey or Sterling Boyd.



EXERCISE CLASSES

In addition to your spiritual health, this fall our church will be offering you two opportunities to improve your physical health as well.

The first is Chair Yoga/Gentle Yoga led by Tracey Smith. These classes will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday and Wednesday mornings. **Note: No classes on Wednesday, October 5 or Monday, October 10.**

The second is Healthy Steps in Motion sponsored by the York County Area Agency on Aging. These classes will be held at 1:00 PM on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, beginning October 4. For more information and how to register, check out the flyers on the table in the Gathering Room.



CIRCLE OF GRACE

A new women's ministry is being started here at the church. It will focus on fellowship, discussion, and sharing of joys and concerns. An organizational meeting will be held on Sunday, October 9, at 2:00 PM. All interested women are invited to attend. Future dates and times will be determined then.

HOMWOOD AUXILIARY

As autumn approaches, we begin to look forward to the holiday season and another successful Homewood Auxiliary Membership Drive. Thanks to you and your commitment to the residents of Homewood's retirement campuses, the Homewood Auxiliary continues to provide that extra special support that makes a difference in the lives of so many. Your continued commitment to the Auxiliary enriches the lives of each and every Homewood resident and means more than words can express.

With each membership donation of \$3.00 (individual), \$5.00 (family) you will receive a special Homewood pen. When Blymire's representative, Stephanie Frey, asks you to join, please say YES!

ASAPH CONCERT

On Sunday, October 23, from 5:00PM-7:00 PM Andy Stump will be presenting a fall concert here at our church to raise money for his ASAPH Teaching Ministry in Haiti. The concert will feature the ASAPH Blues Band, special duets, and ASAPH musicians, young and old. Andy will be sharing pictures and news from the troubled nation of Haiti.

Apples, pumpkins, hot chocolate and cider will be available for purchase.

If you have attended any of Andy's past concerts, you know you will experience a lively and uplifting night of music. Please join us and give your support to this very important ministry.



On Saturday, November 26, from 9:00AM-3:00PM we will be hosting a Christmas Marketplace here at our church.

It will feature craft vendors (**note: no more spaces available**), a craft supply sale, a book sale, and bake sale. Our Men's Group will be preparing lunch from 11:00AM-1:00PM. The menu will include chicken corn soup, sandwiches and drinks.

Come out and get your Christmas shopping done early this year.



Would you like to help your church without spending any extra money? You can do this by buying gift cards to use for everyday purchases. For every card sold we earn a profit from 1½% all the way to 16%, depending on the merchant.

To get your cards, just fill out an order form and attach a check or cash. Checks should be made payable to St. John's Blymire's UCC. You may drop the orders in the offering plate or place them on Wanda's desk in the office. Payment must be included with your order. Orders will be sent to the Great Lakes Scrip Center each Monday morning. You may pick up your gift cards from Sandy Innerst at church the following Sunday.

Cookie Walk

After doing your Christmas shopping at our Marketplace on November 26, we invite you to come back a few weeks later for your Christmas cookies. Our annual Cookie Walk will be held on Saturday, December 10, from 9:00 AM until noon (or sold out). A large selection of all types of homemade cookies will be available. Buy as many as you like, mix and match flavors, all for just \$12.00 per pound.

In order for this to be a success we need lots of cookies, so get out your cookbooks, mixing bowls and cookie sheets. Cookies may be dropped off at the church that week from 8:00AM—11:00AM on Wednesday, 8:00AM-1:30PM on Thursday and Friday, also Friday evening from 6:00-8:00PM. In addition to bakers, volunteers are also needed to help set up Friday evening and with the sales on Saturday morning. Any questions, call Marti Leader or Diana Myers.



This year our all church Christmas party will take place on Sunday, December 4, after our worship service. Watch for more details in upcoming bulletins and newsletters.

Christmas Services

This year's Christmas Eve service will be held at 7:00 PM in the main sanctuary. The choir will be presenting a cantata and Holy Communion will be served.

Since Christmas Day falls on a Sunday this year, we will be holding an abbreviated informal worship service at the usual 9:00AM, followed by refreshments featuring a birthday cake for Jesus.

Tree of Lights

As we did last year, we will be including a "Tree of Lights" as part of our Christmas Eve service. You may sponsor a light in memory of or in honor of someone or just as a year end gift to help support our church. Sponsorship forms can be found in the November newsletter or on the Welcome Table in the Gathering Room beginning in November.



EMMANUEL'S CLOSET

October 2022

Clothing and Household Room

Many of our clients have been asking for clothing and household goods, so we have decided to open up that room again beginning in January 2023.

While we were closed, we thoroughly cleaned that section and gave the items that we had in stock to other charitable organizations. Thus, we will be starting from scratch. We are now accepting the following items for our Clothing and Household room:

Stain free clothing (any size)

Toys

Books (kids, teens, adult)

Small household goods

We are also still accepting donations of food, cleaning products and toiletries. Items may be dropped off at Blymire's church on Sunday mornings or weekdays during office hours. They may also be taken directly to Emmanuel's Closet at St. Paul's UCC, Dallastown on Saturday mornings between 9:00AM-Noon. If you have a large quantity of donations, this would be the best option. Please DO NOT leave anything outside the doors at St. Paul's when no one is there. Thank you for helping your neighbors in this time of need.



Christmas Project

Because it worked out well the past few years, we have decided to continue the practice of giving \$50 in gift cards to each eligible child or teen rather than buying them specific gifts. In order to do this we are asking for cash donations in any amount to help purchase the cards. The cards will be given out to the parents on December 10 and December 17.

For both Thanksgiving and Christmas, we will also be giving out grocery gift cards to each family to be used to buy meat and other perishable items for holiday meals.

THANKS FOR CARING!

E.C. Continuing Needs

Juice

Cereal/Oatmeal

Peanut Butter/Jelly

Pancake Mix

Spaghetti Sauce

Boxed Dry Pastas

Helper Meals

Dessert Items

Condiment Items

Canned Tuna/Meats

Canned Fruit/Vegetables

Soap

Shampoo

Toilet Paper

Paper Towels

Dish Washing Liquid

Laundry Detergent

All-Purpose Cleaners

Please, NO Expired Food Items

Below is a list of items that we are especially in need of right now:

Peanut Butter/Jelly

Chili w/meat

Dinner kits (tacos, pizza, etc)

Hot cocoa mix

Beef Stew

Cookie Mix



HATE THE SIN, LOVE ~~THE SINNER~~ FIXED IT !

Sometimes your joy is the source
of your smile, but sometimes your
smile can be the source of your joy.

Thich Nhat Hanh



October 2022

WHAT'S IN YOUR BASKET ?

Do you face fifteen thousand problems? Before you count yourself out, turn and look at the One standing next to you! Christ can help you do the impossible. You simply need to give him what you have and watch him work.

John 6:11 says, "Jesus took the loaves..." This is the story of the day Jesus fed the five thousand men, plus women and children. He didn't have to use the loaves. He made manna fall for the Israelites. Instead, he chose to use the single basket of a small boy.

What's in your basket? All you have is a wimpy prayer? Give it. All you have is a meager skill? Use it. All you have is strength for one step? Take it. God used three nails and a crude cross to redeem humanity. If God can turn a basket into a buffet, don't you think he can do something with your five loaves and two fishes of faith? Remember, you are never alone.

Max Lucado



WATER TO WINE

A trooper pulls over a priest and immediately smells alcohol on his breath. The next thing he notices is an empty wine bottle lying on the passenger seat.

"Have you been drinking?" the officer asks.

"Just water," says the priest.

"Then why do I smell wine?"

The priest looks at the bottle and shouts, "Good Lord! He's done it again!"

TEN WAYS TO SHOW LOVE



1. Listen without interrupting. (Proverbs 18)
2. Speak without accusing. (James 1:19)
3. Give without sparing. (Proverbs 21:26)
4. Pray without ceasing. (Colossians 1:9)
5. Answer without arguing. (Proverbs 17:1)
6. Share without pretending. (Ephesians 4:15)
7. Enjoy without complaining. (Philippians 2:14)
8. Trust without wavering. (Corinthians 13:7)
9. Forgive without punishing. (Colossians 3:13)
10. Promise without forgetting. (Proverbs 13:12)

We can never untangle all the woes in other people's lives. We can't produce miracles overnight. But we can bring a cup of cool water to a thirsty soul, or a scoop of laughter to a lonely heart.

Barbara Johnson

I know a lot of people who feel that it's their duty to "fix" other people's lives. Whenever they see someone else in distress, they do their best to tell them what they need to do or how they need to think in order to make things better in their lives. They do this with the best of intentions, of course, but they also are doomed to failure most of the time because they don't keep in mind two basic principles of personal change: change comes from inside, and change comes only when we're ready for it.

If a friend of mine has problems, it's not up to me to solve those problems, is it? But I can help that friend deal with the problems and to deal with the way life tends to get more hectic while we're dealing with problems. We can't cause another person to get over his or her grief at the death of someone special, but we can give the person encouragement and support during the time of grief.

When I've been down, the people who have helped me the most have been those who simply were there for me, not the ones who offered solutions. Many people say things like "You shouldn't feel this way," which they see as a solution but which doesn't help my situation at all.

People who are hurting are indeed thirsty, and it's important that we just bring them the water, not what we believe to be the cure for their ills. Their cures can come only from themselves, no matter how good our intentions. Healers will tell you that they don't actually cure anything, but just give people the opportunity to heal themselves. Taking away the thirst can help someone deal with the deeper issues on their own.

Tom Walsh

MOMENT BY MOMENT

"Life is a big bunch of short moments. Every moment is different from another and each moment can make all the difference. Your life is not happy or unhappy, right or wrong, good or bad. The moments are. Focus today on the moments. Decide to make great things out of your short moments, for it is in the short moments where the smallest details can make a big difference.

A person's entire life, its course and even the most important decisions he or she will make can change radically because of one small detail. Devote your life then to building short moments with small details that will make big changes and a difference in the hearts of people who cross your path. One word alone, a word full of love, understanding, and light, can touch forever the life of another person. A warm and peaceful gesture, even with a supposed enemy, a stranger or someone who walks a completely different path to yours, can turn them to the Light, where they can find Me.

I'm not asking you for great missions. I'm asking you for small acts of Love in My name. Let people around you see Me in you, through your smiles, your hugs, your words, your looks and your light. Thank you for representing Me on Earth. I AM with you and within you, always."

DRINK, STEAL, SWEAR AND LIE

I met a man who has a motto he lives by everyday. He said to listen carefully and live by these four rules: Drink, Steal, Swear, & Lie. I was shaking my head 'no', but he then told me to listen while he explained:

1. "Drink" from the "everlasting cup" every day.
2. "Steal" a moment to help someone that is in worse shape than you are.
3. "Swear" that you will be a better person today than yesterday.
4. Last, but not least, when you "lie" down at night thank God for His many blessings!

Author Unknown

A MOM'S ODE TO FALL

The leaves are falling,
It's getting colder.
I think this means
That summer's over.

Goodbye beaches, shorts
Cute summer dresses.
Hello Gortex jackets
And after-school lessons.

Welcome back homework,
And football outside,
And constant requests
For mom-chauffeured rides.

And lovely fall holidays,
That drive you insane.
With meals and desserts
And constant weight gain.

But what's great about fall,
Despite all those bummers:
It's only 292 days
Until it's next summer.

NickMom Tv

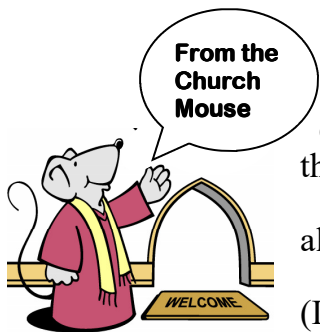
You look in the mirror and sometimes see a mess of a human being. But you don't see the lives you've touched or the people you've saved. You don't see all the love you've given freely, or the extraordinary memories you've made. You are a book of beautiful moments and feelings.

Let this moment be enough. Let all the moments, one by one, be enough. Wring the riches out of each and every one. Enjoy a rich full life of contentment, not stubbing your toe on the past, or flinging yourself into the future. Stay right here in the present with Me, and be thankful.



My six-year-old son was excited about his Halloween costume. "I'm going to be the Pope," he said. "Ian, you can't be the Pope," I said. "You're not Catholic. You're Lutheran." Ian hadn't thought about that. So he considered his alternatives. After a few minutes, he asked, "Is Dracula a Lutheran?"





Revelations for OCTOBER from “Bly Mire” Mouse

Last month I mentioned that Mire and I had just gotten back from our extended vacation and “travel bug”, and we were busy just catching up with things that we had missed during the summer.

This month, we can hardly catch our breath as we tried to keep up with all that’s going on at our church.

Our office administrator Wanda steadily steers our ship each week day (I overheard a lot of you saying how we missed her the week that she was on vacation!). Ed and Judy keep our building so clean and good-looking (We don’t dare to make any “mice messes” under their careful eyes!). Charlie continues to keep our church and cemetery grounds mowed and looking good! Sterling and Joel are around for almost any job that needs to be done around the church. Barb, Peggie, Nancy and many others have been busy putting our new library (now mostly with paperback books) together. Nelson and Brenda have been busy practicing with the choir (We don’t mind our evening peace being disturbed by their melodic music on Thursday evenings!). Marti has been doing so much coordinating FUN activities (with the help of folks like Sandy and Diana). Jeri and Nelson and so many others put together the Chicken Barbecues wonderfully (The smell of the chickens cooking outside make our mouths water!).

The other activities that have been going on this month keep us all hopping, such as the chair yoga, Healthy Steps in Motion, Card and Game Club, Men’s Group, Once Upon An Apron (that had over 50 people here!), outdoor Bluestone Concert (which also had over 50 people here!), and the upcoming OktoberFest.

It makes us almost dizzy keeping up with all the people who are coming and going around here. But it’s all good!

Just one more thing: We overheard Pastor Rick recently on a Zoom call with fellow interim pastors of the UCC Penn Central Conference. One of the interim pastors on the Zoom call mentioned four things that he always emphasizes during interim ministries. It struck us that these are things that Pastor Rick is asking us to do, as well. They are: Show Up, Wear Your Name Tags, Be Generous, Be Kind. Pretty simple, but important.

We look forward to continue to see you around here this fall at Blymire’s!

Love, Bly and Mire and the excited little ones



October Humor about two biblical characters:

Q. Who was the straightest man in the Bible?

A. Joseph. Pharaoh made a ruler out of him.

Q. What man in the Bible had no parents?

A. Joshua, the son of Nun.



Create some invisible art and then reveal the seasonal design.

What you need:

- Leaves
- White paper
- White crayon (label removed)
- Watercolor paints
- Water
- Paintbrush



What you do:

1. Gather leaves of different shapes and sizes. On a table, arrange them flat without overlaps. Set the paper over them.
2. Hold the crayon sideways and use the long edge to color over the leaves. You'll make an invisible rubbing of them.
3. Then paint over the paper with watercolors. The areas with crayon will resist the paint and reveal the hidden leaf designs.



God's character is evident through what he made.

Directions: Hold up the puzzle to a mirror. Then write the backward words correctly to complete Romans 1:20, NIV.

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Answer: creation, invisible, eternal, divine, clearly, understood, people, Romans