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Finding a New Rhythm in September...

“Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.”-Colossians 3:2

When was the last time that you looked up?
Was it yesterday, was it today?...
Hey, maybe it has been a while. And that's okay...
It happens to all of us.

The other morning after taking the dog for her morning walk, I couldn't believe the hazy sun that was rising in the sky. I am always so careful not to look directly into the sun, but this particular morning, I noticed that I could look right at it and my eyes weren't burning! I could stop and appreciate something that I don't usually get to see. And I was so glad that instead of rushing inside to get my daily work started, I decided instead to look up!

So often in our busy lives, it is the stuff of this world that we let define us. It is the stuff of this world that we let entangle our hearts. It is the stuff of this world that we let keep us in the weeds. But Jesus tells us to set our minds on things above, because when we set our minds on things above, we can see things in a brand-new way.

When we set our minds on things above, God can share with us his perfect peace, even if only for a moment, it is still a moment that we get to enjoy.

I am so blessed to be your pastor; I am so blessed to be on this journey with you. Let us together encourage each other to look up! And I encourage you to share with someone something God is showing you when you seek Him during your busy September days.

Peace and love in Jesus Christ, Pastor Sheena

Lectionary

01—September

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Psalms 45:1-2, 6-9 or Psalms 72 (UMH 795)

James 1:17-27

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

08—September

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Psalms 125 or Psalms 124 (UMH 846)

James 2:1-10 (11-13) 14-17

Mark 7:24-37

15—September

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 1:20-33

Psalms 19 (UMH 750)

James 3:1-12

Mark 8:28-38

22—September

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Proverbs 31:10-31

Psalms 1 (UMH 738)

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9:30-37

29—September

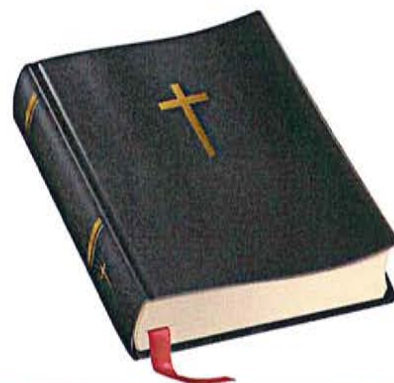
19th Sunday after Pentecost

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

Psalms 124 (UMH 846)

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:28-50



Valley Interfaith Council Prayer List

Please pray for the following in your daily devotions.

Kayla Baucum, Kaylee Barbush, Edie Boyer, Gretchen Brighthop, Irene and Robert Burger and Family, Pastor Tom Cvammen, Ron Eckrote, Collette Eskin, Pat Ferrari, Jennifer Flores, Food Pantry Families, Larry Generose, Diane Griffith, Irene Healey, Edie Larson, Madelyn Lawson, Christine Matthey, Joanne Mumie, Fred Polmounter, Carol Siewell, Karen Smith, Jacqueline Walker, Mary Nora Wallace, Marie Waschko, Jay Wetzel, COVID patients, our military personnel, as well as leaders of our country, the Ukraine/Russia situation, Israel/Gaza conflict, To Schults, Sandy Zamba, and Ryan Grill.

Please pray daily for your church, its leaders and staff, Pastor Sheena Mylecraine, the Red Bird Mission Clinic, the Red Bird Mission School, the Salvation Army, United Children's Homes, Hazleton Enlarged Ministry, Heartwood Center, Emmaus Road Travelers and Drivers and the Hazleton/Valley Mission Connection.

September Birthdays

09/07	Michael Fabrizio
09/10	Gary Skuba
09/11	Jessica Washick
09/13	Haley Yost
09/14	Heidi Klein
09/16	Billie Shaffer
09/21	Alexandria Lilley
09/22	Sally Kijanka
09/23	Carl Flaim
09/24	Thomas Wiley
09/28	Eamon Wiley
09/29	Robert Kalinchok
09/30	Scott Phillips

September Anniversaries

09/06	Dr. Robert and Rita Washick
09/12	Rodney and Jill Hawk
09/30	Jay and Julie Morgan



October Birthdays

08-Oct	Lindsay Washick
08-Oct	Rosemary Mandrick
12 Oct	Irene Healey
14-Oct	Jean Luchi
16-Oct	Carrie Wiley
16 Oct	Patsy Brutosky
17-Oct	Pat Foley
18 Oct	Alyssa Cara
19-Oct	Barry Jones
22-Oct	Sharon Farver
24-Oct	Vicky Wolfe
24-Oct	Jill Hawk
29 Oct	Willie Lingenfelter
30 Oct	Tammy McCauley
31 Oct	Wyatt Mumich

October Anniversaries

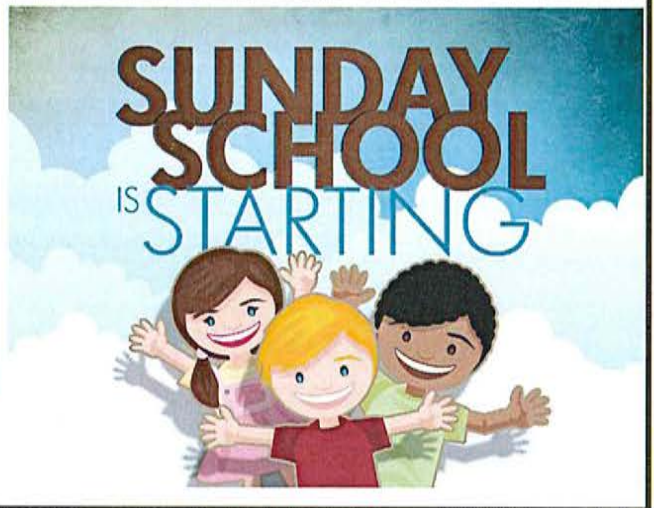
08 Oct	Roy and Lisa Schuetz
09 Oct	Jeff and Vicky Wolfe
19 Oct	Jonathan and Brittany DeBalko

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

JOIN US ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH AT 9:15 AM FOR THE START OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR!

OUR THEME FOR THE YEAR WILL BE SERVICE!

COME OUT TO MEET YOUR TEACHERS, MEET YOUR CLASSMATES AND TALK ABOUT SERVICE PROJECTS THAT YOU ARE INTERESTED IN! BRING A LIST FOR THE FIRST DAY ALONG WITH YOUR FAVORITE SNACK TO SHARE WITH EVERYONE. DRINKS WILL BE PROVIDED.



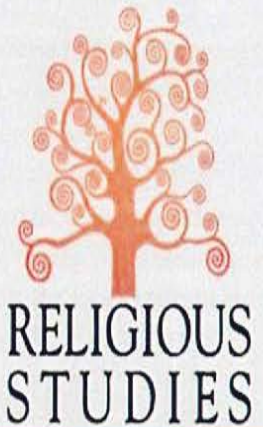
SISTERS

Sisters will begin again on September 10th at 10:00 am. They will begin a 6-week series on Women of Faith.

All are welcome to **join** them!

Religious Studies

Will begin again on Wednesday, September 4th at 10:00 am.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

We will begin meeting at the church once again on Thursday, September 05, 2024.

All are welcome to join us!

Lunch and Devotion

Join us on Tuesday, September 17th at noon for Lunch and Devotions!

The cost will be \$5.00

Bring a neighbor or invite a friend and come have lunch with us.



WORSHIP IN THE PARK

It was practically standing room only. The pavilion was packed, the service was awesome, communion was received. Pastor Sheena put a lot of thought into this service, she made special booklets, she played the guitar, the music was catchy. All in all, it was a great morning of worship. We couldn't have asked for a nicer day.

The Jacob Family surprised us by bringing a sheet cake to honor her father and mother who are celebrating their 46th wedding anniversary. The Jacobs are quite thrilled to have company from India. It was wonderful to have them join us!

As they usually say about Methodist, the food was plentiful and delicious. We had an entire picnic table with desserts and another table with delicious food. Hopefully, this is a tradition that will stay with us for many years to come.

Black Creek UMC
Conyngham UMC



BLUEGRASS MUSIC AND SCRIPTURE WORSHIP SERVICE

PASTORS SHEENA AND JOHN MYLECRAINE

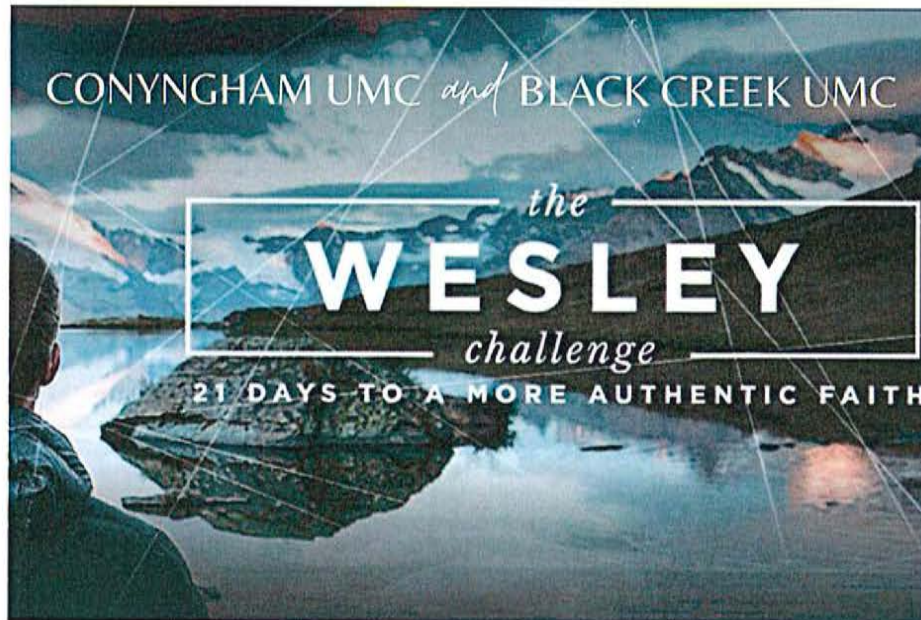
DOC PAPPA AND THE RENEGADE
RAMBLERS

OCTOBER 6TH
SUNDAY

10:00 AM
BLACK CREEK

JOIN US!

158 GOLF COURSE ROAD, SUGARLOAF PA 18249



JOIN OUR
**COMBINED FAITH
DEVELOPMENT STUDY**



OCTOBER 7 - CONYNGHAM UMC
OCTOBER 14 - BLACK CREEK UMC
OCTOBER 21 - CONGYNGHAM UMC
OCTOBER 28 - BLACK CREEK UMC

You are invited to join Pastors John and Sheena Mylecraine on a journey of spiritual growth in the Methodist Tradition. All sessions are from 7 - 8PM. All are welcome, come as you are!

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

September 01

Greeter: Rodney Hawk
Head Usher: Beverly Selby
Liturgist: Barry Jones
Acolyte: Malcolm Wiley

September 08

Greeter: Rodney Hawk
Head Usher: Beverly Selby
Liturgist: Osheen Jacob
Acolyte: Freddy Jacob

September 15

Greeter: Rodney Hawk
Head Usher: Beverly Selby
Liturgist: Kate Flaim
Acolyte: Eamon Wiley

September 22

Greeter: Rodney Hawk
Head Usher: Beverly Selby
Liturgist: Jessica Jacob
Acolyte: Hazel DeBalko

September 29

Greeter: Rodney Hawk
Head Usher: Beverly Selby
Liturgist: Sunday School Kids
Acolyte: Malcolm Wiley



Altar Flowers

For the month of September

09/01—The Cara Family has given a donation to the General Fund in Honor of Tamara's Birthday.

09/08—Rosemary and Charlie Mandrick will give a donation in memory of loved ones.

09/15—John and Debbie Cara have given a donation to the General Fund.

09/22—John and Debbie Cara have given a donation to the General Fund.

09/29—OPEN

July 29, 2024



Dear Missions Committee,

Our mission to serve those in need of food and other necessities is made possible by wonderful churches and community individuals. Your dedication to the food pantry is so heartwarming and appreciated. This \$160.20 is going to help out so much.

Blessings,
Your Valley Food Pantry Volunteers

Conyngham United Methodist Church

Thank you for your continued support in our local mission work. It would not be possible without you!

**In His Service,
Donna Burchess,
Director, HEM**

Received on 7/29/24 \$160.20 Ck #1874

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to take a moment to thank you for inviting me to join you at the Heartwood Center this past Sunday. Your church is truly doing the work of the Lord with that mission.

Thanks again.

Keep the Faith, share the Word!

Pastor John Mylecraine/Black Creek UMC

Community Events

Black Creek UMC Fair Foods Dinner on September 7th 11-6, rain or shine. Eat in or take out. Dinner highlights include famous chicken platter, baked potatoes, pulled pork sandwiched, sloppy joes, ham and bean soup, chicken corn soup, and five kinds of pies!

Annual Pumpkinfest at Christ Church United Church of Christ will take place on Saturday, September 7th from 10am-3pm. Tricky trays, homemade food, money tree raffle, bake sale, food basket raffle, flea market!

St. John Bosco Church presents Variety Show Broadway Bound, featuring classic and contemporary music from Broadway hits. **Friday, September 6, Saturday, September 7 at 7 PM and Sunday, September 8 at 3 PM.** Tickets are \$10 for general seating and are available at the door or call the parish office at 570-788-1997, Reserved seating is \$15.00 contact bvilushis1@gmail.com or call 570-954-8450.

Leilani Chesonis Concert on Sunday, September 15th at 2 PM. St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, 772 St. Johns Road, Saint Johns PA. Leilani is a vocalist and entertainer, who will perform uplifting, lively renditions of country classics, southern gospel and praise, etc. Something for everyone!

The Bereavement Ministry of St. John Bosco church, Conyngham, will provide the Fall Support Group Sessions in September that are open to all people who are grieving the death of a loved one and are having difficulty in their grief. The program consists of seven weekly sessions on **Monday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 PM** in the parish multi-purpose room, beginning on Monday, September 16, 2024. Registration is required to assure seating and materials. If interested, please call Marie (Bereavement Ministry) at (570) 455-3874 to register. Sessions are non-denominational.

Christ Lutheran Church Apple Fest will take place on **Saturday, October 19th from 8 AM until 3 PM.** Indoor/outdoor flea market, tricky trays, apple pies, dumplings, cake, bread pudding and sauce, bake sale, homemade foods.

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10:30am Worship Service	2 6:00pm Zumba 6:30pm Trustees Meeting	3 6:30pm Church Council Meeting	4 10:00am Religious Studies 6:30pm Church Health Team Meeting with Finance, Trustees, and Church Council	5 9:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry	6	7
8 9:15am Sunday School for all ages 10:30am Worship Service	9 6:00pm Zumba	10 10:00am Sisters	11 10:00am Religious Studies	12 10:00am Plastic Mat Ministry	13	14
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The Conyngham United Methodist Church

Inspiring People to Love and Serve God

Pastor:	Sheena Mylecraine
Lay Leader:	Kate Flaim
Secretary:	Heidi Klein

Vision Statement

Conyngham United Methodist Church is a Christ centered, warm and caring congregation which welcomes, nurtures, and equips people to follow Jesus Christ. As servants of the Gospel, we value the essentials of Holy Scripture, joyful praise, prayer and worship and developing personal faith in Jesus Christ. We accomplish this through a dynamic musical ministry, exciting youth programs, inspiring young adult and adult programs, fellowship of small groups, outreach to the community, strength through personal support, and the shared ministry of our laity and its pastor. We realize all this by being a church where God's Holy Word is a source of nourishment and strength.

**You are cordially invited to worship with us.
Our Worship Service begins at 10:30 am**

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