



Baldwin Community United Methodist Church

CHURCH TIMES



... makes the Presence of God Real!

SUMMER
2018

This is your story.

This is my story.

Most of all, this is God's story.

This is the greatest story ever told.

We Believe ...

A Disciple is a person who makes a choice to love God and then makes choices to love others.

We will ...

Love God, love others, and live authentically in this world.

We live ...

Forgiven means Forgiving others.

Loved means Loving others.

Praying means to be the answer to someone's prayer.

We have just finished reading *The Story*. We have enjoyed, struggled, and grown in the 31 weeks of reading through a large part of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. It was more Bible reading than many have ever done in their lives. Some of you who have read **all the way through the whole Bible knew what parts weren't covered and have said, "Oh, I wish they included this part."**

In growing with people in four small groups, I was blessed by seeing the discovery of a **fuller understanding of God's word in the discussions but also in the eyes and hearts of group members. We had a great time studying God's word and putting things in context,** as well as building koinonia (that is, fellowship). We shared our lives for these brief 31 weeks. We grew closer to God and closer to each other.

What do we do now?

1. I always recommend giving your copy of *The Story* to a friend. **It's an easy way to introduce someone to the Bible.**
2. **I'm sure as you were reading, you found parts that you wanted to read more about.** It might have been about a person or a certain time in salvation history. Paul Harvey **used to say, "And that is the rest of the story."** I have a master list of all the scriptures that make up each chapter in *The Story*. I would gladly make that available to anyone who wants it.
3. Keep growing. Think about how much you have grown in this past year. Start small, even five minutes a day will help you grow as a disciple.
4. Put it in your schedule to become a part of a small group. Some may take a break for the summer; others will continue. Check out the insert in the bulletin pertaining to **small groups and classes. It's a wonderful thing when God's Story becomes "Our" story.**

Blessings,
Pastor Brad

DISCIPLESHIP

Youth Group

Youth Mission Trip for a third year our youth and youth leaders will be joining forces with Red Bird Missions. Red Bird Work Camp has become very near and dear to our hearts. The past two years have been great experiences. The youth have grown in becoming disciples of God as well as in leadership skills. We have completed projects such as plastering, painting, hanging cabinets, flooring, and remodeling bathrooms to name a few. Every year it amazes me what these youth can do.

Our 2018 mission trip to Red Bird in Beverly, Kentucky will be Sunday, July 8th through Saturday, July 14th. This year the Youth Group will be taking 18 youth and 7 adult leaders. Prayers are always appreciated.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Jenn Pogany at jpogany@baldwincommunityumc.com or 412.334.4245

Preschool News

As the saying goes, "many hands make light work" definitely applied at our annual Preschool Open House on April 23, 2018. At the Open House, families were invited to see their child's classroom and enjoy an ice cream social. Serving ice cream to over 500 people can be quite a task. Church volunteers also were available to provide information about the church and the programs available. We even invited our families up to see the sanctuary. Volunteers came the weekend before to mulch and clean up outside. Our maintenance crew and youth cleaned windows, mopped, and swept, to help make the building ready for so many visitors.

Without all of you and your hard work this day would not have been the huge success that it has grown to be. From the bottom of my heart, a very big thank you to everyone!

P.R.A.Y. Awards

P.R.A.Y. Awards are an opportunity for all Girl and Boy Scouts to grow in their faith. This year the following scouts from our church participated in this program and received the following awards.

GOD and LIFE: Harrison Fleming, Paige Meriwether

GOD and FAMILY: Mackenzie Stout, Allison Gintner

GOD and CHURCH: Mika Diethorn, James Bathe

Four Star Award: Harrison Fleming, Paige Meriwether

WORSHIP

Summer Music at Baldwin Community U.M.C.

As we get into the best months of the year (warm and sunny), music at Baldwin will not take a vacation! The choir still needs more singers, and the month of June is the easiest time to be a member. Thursday evening rehearsals stop near the end of May and then shift to 10:15 a.m. on Sundays which makes it a great time for you to “try us out”!

Call Phil if you're interested!

In July and August, we depend on soloists, both vocal and instrumental. If you'd like to be programmed for a Sunday during the summer, call Phil at 412-302-8653. If you have “music in your heart” and “the spirit of the Lord,” we'd love to have you!

Come to Worship

SATURDAY WORSHIP

Saturdays 5:30 p.m. CHAPEL

EARLY WORSHIP

Sundays 8:00 a.m. SANCTUARY

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Sundays 9:30 a.m. SANCTUARY

CLASSIC WORSHIP

Sundays 11:00 a.m. SANCTUARY



UNITED METHODIST MEN

2018 Laity Memorial Educational Award

In appreciation and in recognition of their contributions to the life and history of Baldwin Community United Methodist Church, the men of BCUMC establish this annual post secondary award in memory of the Laity of this church. There may be only one or more recipients regardless of gender who are on the active roles of this church.

Past award recipients' possible consideration is based upon the volume of applications received. The awards shall be used to assist the educational development of the recipient regardless of his/her choice of vocational study.

All active members and clergy of this Church are eligible to submit the required nomination form. Forms are available in the church office or contact Jerry Rohland at jerz217@comcast.net, attention 2018 Laity Award. To be considered, applicants must submit a completed nominee and nominator form to the Methodist Men at the church office no later than Sunday, June 17, 2018.

BUSINESS

From the Church Office

UPDATING OUR MEMBERSHIP RECORDS

Have you moved, gotten married, had a child or had any other major life event? Did you let the church know of these events?

We are working on improving communication and you can help. Please take a few moments and fill out the information below and turn it into the church office or in the offering plate. This will allow us to verify that we have the correct information in our database for each household.

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____

Cell Number: _____

Spouse's Name _____

Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____

Cell Number: _____

Address: _____

City, State Zip: _____

Children's Names: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Birth: _____

***If you would like to include your children's cell numbers or email, please do.**

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

To anticipate the growth of our church family and strengthen the bond within our congregation, we welcome you to be a part of our upcoming photo directory. We need you to make our directory complete. The church directory is intended to be a resource for everyone to be able to contact each other. Every family photographed will receive a complimentary directory and an 8X10 portrait.

Photographing by Lifetouch will be on June 20th through June 23rd.

June 20th & 21st 2-9pm in Wesley Hall

June 22nd 2-9pm & June 23rd 10-5pm in the Parlor

Additional days will be added if needed.

You are able to schedule your photography session online at <http://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ycttysey/> or if you would like, contact Bonnie Deal to schedule.

If you have any further questions, please call Bonnie Deal, Coordinator at home (412-650-2776) or the Church office (412-882-9300).

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Our Counting Team is implementing a new procedure for crediting donations. This will make sure your donation is going where you like and you are receiving proper credit; please take a moment to review the following information. If you are donating to several funds, you can write one check but please designate on the envelope how much each fund should receive. When you are filling out your name on the envelopes, please include both first and last name **along with any suffix's to help with crediting the correct person.** Also, if you are not receiving offering envelopes and **would like to or are receiving envelopes and don't want them, please contact Elizabeth Meriwether at the church office.**

OUTREACH

Outreach Team Update

The Outreach team continues to assist the local community, regional, and international needs through your generous donations. We would like to thank the congregation at BCUMC for their continued support.

The College/Military Boxes were distributed and enjoyed. Thank you to everyone who contributed donations. The Outreach Team will be collecting items again in the fall for the College Students and care packages for the Military.

Daily Bread

Volunteers will be serving at the Daily Bread on Sunday, June 10, 2018. Please contact Liz Pollock at 412-308-6066 or you can email her at locksleys@yahoo.com. We will be requesting dessert items to be served. Please watch your bulletins for when & where to deliver the desserts.

Lord's Pantry

The Lords Pantry has served an average of 42 families over the last few months and will continue to serve needy families throughout the summer months. **The Lord's Pantry serves local families on the fourth Thursday of the month. Volunteers are needed on the Lord's Pantry Truck Unloading Day and on Pantry Day. Please check your bulletin every week to see what items are needed, and contact Susan Eyrolles to sign up for volunteering at seyrolles@baldwincommunityumc.com or by calling 412-882-9300 ext. 29.**

The Nyadire Connection

The Nyadire Connection Hearing Impaired Program has 27 children participating. There is a sponsorship program available. The Outreach Team along with other members of the congregation are sponsoring 3 children. Please contact Molly Michael, Mary Ann Belles, or the church office for more information about becoming a Hearing Impaired Sponsor.

FELLOWSHIP

Bus Trips 2018

Memphis and Nashville

Monday, August 20—25, 2018

This five day trip includes transportation, lodging, five breakfasts, three dinners plus hotel reception dinner, City Sightseeing Tour with Duck March at the Peabody Hotel, Sun Records guided studio tour, Graceland, Country **Music Hall of Fame, "Music City" guided sightseeing tour, "Hermitage," Grand Ole Opry Show, baggage handling, meal, guide, and driver gratuity and taxes.**

Deck the Halls

Thursday, November 29, 2018

This day trip includes transportation, guided city tour of Akron, Donzelles Green House, early dinner at Papa Joes, Stan Hywet Hall and gardens for Deck the Halls event, gift shop in Carriage House, meal, guide and driver gratuity and taxes.

For costs and more details on these exciting bus trips, pick up any of the trip forms located around the church or contact Elaine Lewis at 412-885-4560.

SILVER SEEKERS

Silver Seekers Watchers

The Church needs to enlist everyone in the congregation to be our eyes and ears. If you know that “Mary” who sits three rows from the front of the church on the right hand side hasn’t been to Church for a few weeks, the Silver Seekers or the Church Office would like to be aware. If people are unable to come to Church, whatever the reason may be, we want to be able to reach out and bring Church to them. If you know a senior member who has become ill, **had surgery, or maybe is no longer driving, please inform someone. We don’t want anyone to feel forgotten.** The Silver Seekers make phone calls, send cards, and provide spiritual visits to our senior Church members. Help us to lift the spirits of those who have come before us and who now need their Church to care for them. You can communicate information to any of the members of our Silver Seeker Team, the Church Office, or one of our Silver Seeker Watchers, who are available at each of the services.

The Silver Seeker Watchers

Silver Seeker Coordinator, Janise Daly, 412-897-8468

Saturday

5:30 p.m. service, Mimi Columbini

Sunday

8:00 a.m. service, Ed Kraft

9:30 a.m. service, Trish Riani

11:00 a.m. service, Bonnie Deal

Note from Dr. Bruce Bryce

Dear Friends at BCUMC,

I wanted to take the time to bring you all up-to-date as to mine and Anne’s health and situation.

I am mostly home bound. I am not even able to go up stairs. My body is weaker as the time passes. Family Hospice **helps me and supports Anne too. If it wasn’t for the constant care and love of an angel named Anne, I would have** been in a home long ago. She has maintained non-stop care, even when her health failed and she spent five days in the hospital herself. She has been recovering over all this time and is back to spoiling me. Oh God, I love her so!

Everyday I keep busy. I still write a devotional piece that is sent to the shut-ins of our church. It takes me longer to **put it together, type it into the computer, and edit it. But as long as I can “feed some of His sheep” I will do so. My** heart and soul are strong and send you my love. My body and mind are another story but still function; I guess when **they stop, you’ll hear about it.**

Thank you to the faithful brothers and sisters of the church who maintain a relationship and lift my spirits. God bless you all.

Dr. Bruce Bryce

MEMBERSHIP

Baldwin Church Family News

BAPTISMS

Evelyn Rose Ewing	August 20, 2017
William P. Ewing	August 20, 2017
Athena N. Gediohn	October 15, 2017
Benjamin B. King	November 5, 2017
Aiden C. Hoffman	November 19, 2017
Lucas S. Hudson	February 4, 2018
Sadie Anne Giel	March 4, 2018

DEATHS

Audrey R. Vondrey	Aug. 5, 2017
Edward McMurry	Aug. 21, 2017
Helen Mather	Aug. 22, 2017
Ruth E. Meyer	Sept. 1, 2017
Jean Hennessey	Sept. 7, 2017
Theodore Lau	Sept. 21, 2017
Robert D. Taylor	Dec. 8, 2017
Joyce Di Carlo	Dec. 13, 2017
Maxine Hilty	Dec. 15, 2017
Marilyn Zaugg	January 7, 2018
Evelyn K. Wilson	February 7, 2018
Dennis Wenzel	February 9, 2018
Charlie Brown	February 25, 2018
Nellie Reynolds	March 13, 2018

UNITED IN MARRIAGE

Allison Voelker & Nathan Woods	October 28, 2017
Kaitlyn Komp & Jordan Neel	February 8, 2018

NEW MEMBERS

Nicole Evanek was received on March 25, 2018 as an Associate Member of Baldwin Community. Nicole is married to Chad Evanek who is a member of this church. The couple resides in Pleasant Hills, and Nicole is currently employed as a Geologist with the U. S. Dept of Interior.

Kevin and Kristy Costanzo were received on March 25, 2018. They resides in Whitehall and are currently employed at Koppers and Hayes Design Group. Kevin and Kristy are transferring their membership from St. Marys, UMC and Johsonburg UMC.

New Member classes will start up again in the fall. If you have any questions about church membership, please contact Bonnie Deal, Visitor Coordinator at 412-427-7526 or bdeal@baldwincommunityumc.com.



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Fireworks Night

June 29, 2018

**This annual event is a great opportunity
for Baldwin Community U.M.C.
to join the community in celebration.**

**We will have food, music,
and the perfect spot for you and your family
to watch the fireworks at the end of the night.
For more information contact the church office.**

412-882-9300