# **Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green**

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Fri. 10 am - 2:30 pm Fri. 9:30 am - 11 am Sat. 10 am - 1:00 pm  $4^{th}$  Saturday 10:00 am - noon

# SUNDAY SPIRE

Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green THE LORD'S DAY September 30, 2018

#### WELCOME EVERYONE

Visitors may pick up THE SPIRE which tells you about our monthly ministries. We are a praying congregation. If you would like to share your joys and concerns, please fill out the prayer request form and hand it to an usher.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Ellen Smith, Joan Ingold, Beverly Monahan, Laurie Schuemann, Shereen James, Frank Truncali, Rev. Dr. Paul Boger, Rev. Rick Sommers

# CHAPEL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Chapel today are given by Ethelyn and Janice Fulton in loving memory of their friend and colleague in ministry Bruce Arlett, Sr.

# CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Attention Parents: Are you wondering what to tell your child when the Communion bread and cups are distributed during today's service? In the Presbyterian Church (USA), "baptized children who are being nurtured in the significance of the Lord's Supper" are welcome to participate in the meal. This is your decision, based on whether you feel your child is ready to participate with age-appropriate understanding. Please note: we serve grape juice and not wine. We hold the bread until all are served and then we all eat together. We drink the juice when we are served.

# **SERMON SERIES**

"God's Story, Our Story" is the title of a four-week sermon series by Pastor Boling. Reflecting on our church's story from different points of view and in light of God's story will prepare us to write a new chapter. This is part of Step Two of the 2018-2019 "Revitalization Initiative."

# **CONGREGATIONAL VITALITY SURVEYS**

Today immediately after worship, we will distribute Congregational Vitality Surveys and we ask that you remain for a few minutes after worship to complete them. These surveys are part of the Revitalization Initiative. PC(USA) Research Services will analyze the data and send us a summary report showing us how we measure ourselves on the seven marks of vitality.

# PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING: BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS

Today we will receive our annual Peacemaking Offering. Your gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the Church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice across the world. This year, Session has again designated the Greater Bloomfield Interfaith Partnership as the recipient of our 25% of the Peacemaking Offering. The Greater Bloomfield Interfaith Partnership is working with Church World Service to settle refugee families in Essex County, NJ. The balance will go to support the work of Presbyterian Ministries as it advocates for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. Please consider making a generous donation to promote peace in these troubled times.

# **GUEST PREACHER NEXT SUNDAY**

Pastor Boling will be away next weekend. Elder Allegra Hoots will be preaching.

# CALLING ALL BAKERS! CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Snickerdoodles, lemon bars, lots of different treats, if you'd kindly bake for us, we'd think you're "Oh, So Sweet." For the English Tea on Saturday, October 20. Drop off times are Friday, Oct. 19 between 7-9pm or Saturday, Oct. 20 between 9am-noon in the Parish House. Contact Eve Space 973-517-0153 or Mala Maharaj 201-640-2162.

We also need Card Table(s). If you have any that we can use from Oct.19–20, it would be appreciated. We pick up and return it. Contact Eve Space or Linda Rosania 201-306-2353.

#### TAKE THE BIBLE MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE

Last year many of you participated in the Bible Bookworm Challenge and together we read over 2,000 Bible selections to help our very hungry Bible Bookworm grow. This year, the Education Team invites you to sign up for the Bible Memory Verse Challenge:



Learn one Bible Verse by heart each week for twelve weeks. Check in each week to recite your memory verse.

Add a heart to the Bible display.

Our goal is to add 350 hearts, representing 350 memory verses, by December 2! If we reach our goal, we'll get a "heart of gold." Sign up today!

# THIS WEEK

Date	Time	Event	Location
Oct. 8	Church Office is closed for the Holiday		
Oct. 8	7:30pm	Book Club	History Room
Oct. 11	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal	The Chapel
Oct. 12	7:30pm	Prayer Triplets	History Room
Oct. 14	9:45am	Adult Education Class	Parlor
Oct. 14	10:45am	Worship Service	The Chapel
Oct. 14	11:45am	Youth Choir Rehearsal	Music Room
Oct. 14	Noon	Deacon's Meeting	Parlor