

THE WINDOW

Ordinary Time, representing life, growth, and hope. The color green signifies the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in the Church and the world, fostering spiritual growth and renewal



Dear Church,

Pastors Letter

As we enter into this beautiful season of autumn—a time of change, harvest, and thanksgiving—I find myself reflecting on the blessing of being part of the Body of Christ. Though I will be away for much of this month, I want to remind you that the church is built upon our the living Lord who is our foundation and the Spirit who knits us together in unity.

Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 12 that “the body is one, though it has many parts.” Each of us has a role to play in God’s mission in our churches. Whether through prayer, acts of service, encouraging one another, or simply showing up with joy and expectation, you are helping to accomplish God’s plan among us.

This month provides an opportunity to lean into our community. A season of celebration, children playing, and giving thanks. Your presence matters. Your gifts matter. And your faithfulness brings joy to the heart of God.

I encourage you this October to be especially intentional in engaging with the life of the church. Join in worship. Support the ministries that bless our community. Take time to check in on one another. When we live and serve in unity, we shine the light of Christ more brightly together than any of us could alone.

I am confident that God will continue to move mightily in and through you this month. May you find joy in knowing that you are part of something far greater than yourself: the mission of God unfolding right here, in our church and community.

With gratitude and hope,
Pastor Kurtis Himmelberger

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OUR SERVICES

NEW BLOOMFIELD

Worship: 9AM

and on FaceBook Live

Sunday School: 10:15AM

DELLVILLE

Sunday School: 9AM

Worship: 10:00AM

WALNUT GROVE

Worship: 11AM



OCTOBER 2025 MISSION FOCUS



UMC CAMP AND RETREAT MINISTRY

Our “Mission Focus” project for October is the “UMC Camp and Retreat Ministry.” Donations will be used to fund camper scholarships and the camping program in general. Some information about the program follows.

“At Susquehanna Conference United Methodist Camp and Retreat Ministry, we believe summer camp is extremely valuable to the spiritual, mental, and physical growth of children and youth. Every day at camp, Christian community is experienced, relationships are built, faith commitments are made, and tomorrow’s leaders are developed.”

The following benefits are given:

Grow in faith – Campers often remark that at camp they feel closer to God.

Spend their day being physically active – Camp is action!

Make true friends – Everyday, camp creates friendships.

Reconnect with nature – Camp get kids back outside.

Learn social skills – Camp builds teamwork.

Have time for unstructured play – At camp we play!

Grow more independent – Camp helps kids develop who they are.

Develop life-long skills – Camp expands every child’s abilities.

Unplug from technology – Camp is real!

Gain resiliency – Camp helps conquer fears.

Experience success and become more confident – Camp teaches kids that they can.



Our “Mission Focus” project for September was “Mission Central.” We thank all who have made donations. We also thank the Congregation for additional donations to the “Church Family in Need Program.”

As a reminder, NBUMC has several Mission Projects that accept donations each month. These include Dimes to Life Bank, Loose change for Neighborhood Center (collected by children on the last Sunday of each month), Shoe collection, and the Church Family in Need Fund.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1

GROWTH COMMITTEE

4:30PM

2

DELLVILLE ADMIN COUNCIL

4

FLEA MARKET 7AM

5

WORLD COMMUNION
SUNDAY

7

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
7PM

9

ADMIN COUNCIL 7PM

11

MEN’S GROUP BREAKFAST
8AM

NO IDLE HANDS 9:30AM

12

CROP WALK DELLVILLE

16

TRUSTEE’S MEETING 7PM

18

LIFE BANK

FALL FESTIVAL DELLVILLE

19

LAITY SUNDAY & CHILDREN’S
SABBATH REFRESHMENTS IN
OVERFLOW ROOM

ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2PM

25

FAMILY FUN DAY

28

SPRC AT DELLVILLE 6PM

29

MEN’S GROUP



Pockets of Opportunity

On October 5 and 12, we will have lessons on "The UMC Perspective on Church and State." We do not have POP on October 19 as we celebrate Laity Sunday and Children's Sabbath with refreshments in the Overflow Room. On October 26, Rev Miriam Nicholson will join us for Reformation Sunday.



Children's Sunday School Dime Jar

The children's Sunday school class will be collecting dimes and paper towels in October.

*It's that time
of year!*

Giant and Karns Gift Cards



Gifts cards of \$25, \$50 or \$100 available for purchase. You receive full face value and the church earns a 5% profit!

See Chris Morrow to purchase yours and use them for your shopping!

BIRTHDAYS

7 Marjorie Sheaffer-NB
9 Chris Morrow-NB
Suzanne Twilley-NB
11 Kathie Alvanitakis-WG
13 Dick Bird-NB
16 Molly Sawyer-NB
17 Kim Ney-NB
18 John Judy-NB
21 Heidi Cummins-WG
22 Wanda Parfitt-NB
23 Paula Saltzburg-NB
24 Judi Herrold-NB
27 Logan Smith-WG
Kevin Fitzpatrick-NB
David Saltzburg-NB
31 Thomas Group-WG
Kelli Group-WG



PRAYER CHAIN

JOANN BRINER (NB)

717-582-3538 OR

SHIRLEY REISINGER (WG)

717-589-7258

IF YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST



PULL TOGETHER

RECYCLE-PULL TABS (NON MAGNETIC)

MINISTRY TO HELP CHILDREN
AND FAMILIES STAYING AT THE
RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE IN
HERSHEY



On September 20, the Men's Group again hosted the Charge picnic. Please see the separate article about the event for more information.

The September Men's breakfast was held on September 27 at the home of Dick Messner, 1603 Linton Hill Road, Duncannon. Pancakes and Sausage and drinks were provided. It was great to spend time with Pastor Kurtis and hear his thoughts for the Men's Group. Thanks to all who attended.

The Men's Bible Study meets the fourth Wednesday of each month, at 6:30 PM in the Overflow Room of the New Bloomfield Church. The next meeting is October 28. The Men's Group Breakfasts are on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 8:00am. The next breakfast is October 11 at the Village Square Diner in Shermans Dale

If you have other activities for the Men's Group, please contact Dustin Saltzburg (717)275-6567, or Zeke Morrow (717)636-8173. All men of the Charge are welcome and encouraged to attend the planned activities.



The United Women in Faith will meet at the church on October 7 at 7p.m. We will be matching hats, gloves, and scarves. If you have any of those items, please bring them. Our November 4th meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. at the church

Charge NEWS



The Charge Picnic was held on Saturday, September 20, 2025, at the Dellville UMC Pavilion. We were blessed with pleasant weather and a large turnout (a new record of 76). The picnic was especially meaningful this year as it was an opportunity to meet and fellowship with Pastor Kurtis and his family.

Grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, rolls, and drinks were provided by the Charge Men's Group. An overwhelming number of covered dishes were brought by those in attendance. It was a great opportunity for the three Charge Congregations to join in a time of fellowship and wonderful food.

CHURCH CHARGE CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 19TH AT 2:00 P.M. AT MILLERSTOWN UMC

WORKING TOGETHER

The Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee(S/PPRC)charge meet periodically as needed. There are 10 members selected among the three churches. Each church has representatives who help make decisions concerning the pastor, finances, concerns from congregations, charge treasury and other decisions.

I just wanted to you all to know, this group of members are very knowledgeable, open discussions with any new suggestions, working together with each church helps us help each other, and following God's direction and prayer for sure. Everyone is very helpful in what ever we have to do. We're a team! As chairman of the S/PPRC, I am so proud of this committee. We also have The District Superintendant, Rev. Gary Weaver which helped us find our new paster. What a Gift from God! Thanks for your willingness to serve the Lord.

Members of the SPRC:

New Bloomfield-Dustin Saltzburg, Pat Apple, AshleyLenig, Paula Beaston
Walnut Grove-Kathy Group, Larry Reisinger
Dellville-
Dale Ebersole, Martha Ebersole, Carole Waltimeyer, Marsha Snyder

If you have any questions please relay to your S/PPRC committees.
Thank you all for serving!

**Pastor will be on
vacation from
October 3-25
Guest speakers will be
presenting the
message.**



Dellville

NEWS

Saturday, Oct. 18 Community Fall Festival at Dellville United Methodist Church, 806 Dellville Rd., Duncannon. YARD SALE starts at 8 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m. FESTIVAL starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m. Festival will include foods for sale featuring, soups, sandwiches, pies and other baked goods and homemade ice cream. There will be no apple butter this year. The following activities will be available for the young and young at heart. Painting pumpkins, face painting, pony rides and goats to pet, bounce house and rides on the aerial fire truck. The public is invited to attend and enjoy a time of fellowship and good food.

October mission project will be collected for an infant child that was a burn victim at the Perry County Fair. Parents are Jonathan and Libby Esh.



What: Ladies Bible Study Group
Where: Dellville UM Education Wing
When: 2nd & 4th Wed of each month
6:30 PM starting October 8th
Who: All Ladies age 18 and above
Why: The desire to learn and grow in the Word.
Contact: Lisa Hadik 717-712-3443
Pam Huss 717-512-7423

The community Crop Walk sponsored by the Council of Churches Sunday, October 12th at 1 PM at the Christ Reformed Church. If interested donations may be given to Cindy Fox.

**TRUNK
OR TREAT**

October 25th 5-7PM in
the parking lot.
The Contact is Sharon
Holman.



TEACHERS
Oct. 5 Lisa Hadik
Oct. 12 Linda Hutchison
Oct. 19 Ron Boggs
Oct. 26 Martha Ebersole

!!!!!! SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

SUSQUEHANNA CONFERENCE UWF 2025 ANNUAL DAY



PATHWAYS TO HOPE

Tricia has authored many published books and articles about seeking and opening ourselves to live in spirit-filled ways and has facilitated the mission of Spirit works. Tricia will lead us on a meaningful “walk” around the labyrinth, stopping along the way to feel the things that make for peace and hope.



Rev. Dr. Patricia Brown

***St. Paul UMC,
Chambersburg
Saturday,
Nov.8***

***8am registration
too early? Come
the night before
and see what we
have planned for
you!***



SPREAD JOY WITH JOIN HANDS MINISTRY BY

SPONSORING A
CHILD OR ELDER
IN OUR COMMUNITY
THIS
CHRISTMAS

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Join Hands Ministry is seeking an enthusiastic volunteer to assist with our Christmas program!

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