



# The Good Word

Brecksville United Methodist Church

*A Reconciling Congregation*

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## **Confirmation Sunday is May 20: One service at 10 am**

Confirmation is an important marker along our spiritual journey. At baptism, we are initiated into the new covenant in Jesus Christ and membership in the Church, Christ's body in the world. For many, this happens when they are very young. Confirmation is an opportunity to respond to God's grace, as acknowledged in baptism, and to promise to live as a person of faith.

Through confirmation, we learn that we are not alone on our journey of faith; others within this church and the greater Christian community support us and love us along the way. Our confirmation youth have had lots of support through the years with their parents, grandparents, Sunday school teachers and all of you. This year they have found themselves especially supported through our mentoring program. The list below highlights our six Confirmation candidates and their mentors who have met with them this year and discussed all types of matters of faith.

**Sam Eberhardt - Jenny Gee**  
**Lauren Scott - Dana Schwendeman**  
**Taylor Kwiatkowski - Kathy Louttit**  
**Emma Piorkowski - Bev Huber**  
**Hudson Schneider - Dean Rybak**  
**Emily Shijo - Leslie Phillips**

Our confirmations kids have spent this year being taught on Sundays by George Gee, Gail Huth, Mike Kubek and Janine Telischak.

*Join us in worship at 10 am and for cake and celebration at 11 am!*

## **Sundays in May**

May 6

**Communion Sunday**  
Services at 8:45 and 11:15

May 13

**UMW Sunday/Mother's Day**  
Services at 8:45 and 11:15

May 20

**Confirmation/Pentecost Sunday**  
One Service at 10:00  
Reception at 11:00

May 27

**Memorial Day Weekend**  
One service at 10 am



# SUNDAY

**8:45 Worship with Live Band**

10:00 Classes for All Ages

**11:15 Worship with Choir**

*Nursery care available all morning!*

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Our faith, lives and ministries take on new life when they are shared. Help us tell God's story as it unfolds in our church and community. Send news items and story ideas to the church office!



**Life would be easier if people showed as much patience at home as they do when they are fishing...**

*Rev. Clark Stein, Senior Pastor*

Read [Romans 8:24-30](#)

Peter Abrams was known as a man of serene disposition. Nobody in his town could recall his having lost his temper at any time during his 87 years. One man, who doubted the possibility that a person could be so unflappable, made a deal with the housekeeper, offering her money if she could provoke him to anger.



The housekeeper knew that Abrams was very fond of a comfortable, orderly bed, so she neglected to make his bed one day. The next morning, Abrams kindly reminded her of the undone chore. The next night, Abrams again found an unmade bed and the following morning, he again called it to her attention. She made a lame excuse, which he kindly accepted.

On the third morning, Abrams said, "You still have not made my bed; it is evident you are determined not to do it. Well, I suppose you find the job troublesome; but it is of little consequence, for I begin to be used to it already." Moved by such goodness of temper, the woman called off the deal and never again failed to make his bed as comfortable as possible!

Not everything can be the way that we like it all of the time, but criticism and harsh words rarely bring about a lasting and peaceful cooperation or fulfillment of our desires. Patience and kindness, on the other hand, often do.

Praying for the patience and kindness of fisherfolk...

Happy Spring,

*Pastor Clark*



*We're having a fiesta!*

Enjoy a taco buffet **Tuesday, May 8**  
**at noon** in Fellowship Hall.

It's **FREE** if you RSVP!

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**COFFEE HOUR**

Sunday Mornings  
at 10 am in the Parlor  
Stop in and visit!

### 3 Ways We're Improving Ministry at BUMC Together



There is a tremendous energy in the air. Church leaders met recently to discuss the feedback received from the church focus groups Rev. Dave Martin conducted with us in January. Pastor Clark lead a discussion which asked “Where is our church now, and where do we want it to be?” Together, the team identified three main areas of focus for both short and long term goals.

1. Grow our community of faith by **developing our welcoming ministry**. Prior to the meeting, everyone reviewed the book *[Becoming a Welcoming Church](#)* by Thom S. Rainer. This drove a lot of great discussion. While we think of our church as a welcoming place, are we as welcoming as we think we are? Or as we can be? Want a copy of the book? See Jenny!
2. **Increase passion for our church missions and ministry**. We'll find ways to amplify the ministries people are passionate about and to educate the congregation about ways to serve. By instituting a Missions Moment during worship, individuals involved in different projects will have the opportunity to teach others about their experiences.
3. **Re-connecting with those who have disconnected from the church**. While we're committed to reaching out into the community, we are also committed to taking care of those who are already here. When we notice that someone has stepped away, what can we do to reconnect with them? How can we continue to grow and develop disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world?

You can get involved in this process by attending the **Church Council Meeting** on **Thursday, May 17** at 7 pm in room 301. When you share your visions, dreams and hopes for the future, you join in God's mission of reaching the world with the love and Good News of Jesus Christ. Will we see you there?



#### We Love a Parade!

The Brecksville Memorial Parade is an opportunity to tell the community about the the bike ministry at Brecksville United Methodist Church! Ride your bike or walk along. We're ordering t-shirts to help us tell the story. The parade is Monday, May 28 and we'll gather at 9 am. Contact Jenny Gee for updates, details, and with your shirt size! 440-526-8938 or [education@brecksvilleumc.com](mailto:education@brecksvilleumc.com)

*At left, Carl Rossborough rides in the 2017 Parade*



#### Got Questions?

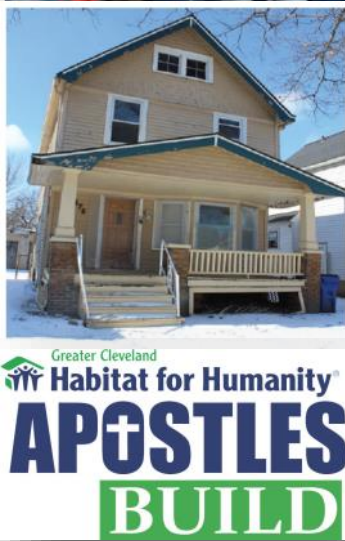
Some of us may have grown up feeling that it was wrong to have doubts or ask tough faith questions, but without pondering the tough stuff we cannot grow in our faith. If we hope to grow in our relationship with God we need to be able to ask ourselves what we believe and why we believe it. Join us as we take up where the “Ask” class left off and we delve into your most pressing faith questions. *This three week study will take place Sundays at 10 am, April 29—May 13.*



#### Graduation Sunday, June 3

Are you graduating from high school, college, graduate or professional school? Graduation Sunday is June 3, and we would like to share your accomplishment with your church family! To be included in the Graduation Bulletin, please e-mail or call the church office **before May 29**.

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## Building on Faith

*Above, left: The Team—Jeff Fesler, Scott Hastings, Jeff Hastings, Melanie Smith, Rev. Clark Stein, Jenny Gee, Dana Schwendeman and Leslie Miller.*

**(Cleveland, OH) - April 19.** What do you do when the calendar reads “April” but the weather forecast calls for snow? You bundle up and get to work! Especially when the work is with Apostles Build, a program within Habitat for Humanity which pulls together area churches to provide the financing and labor needed to rehabilitate a home for a partner family.

Our team of 8 traveled to West 97th street in Cleveland to lend a hand in preparing the house for Michelle and her two young sons. For them, home means structure and stability. Through Habitat, Michelle has the opportunity to become a homeowner in a neighborhood they’re familiar with which is close to the boys’ school. Michelle said that owning her own home will help her save, “No more rent increases every year. Soon it will be all mine—having family time and cookouts!”

Habitat’s fully-rehabbed homes are sold at no profit with zero percent interest mortgages, with minimal down payments and closing costs. Approved homeowners qualify for a monthly housing payment no more than 30% of their monthly income. Applicants must demonstrate a need for housing and the ability to pay their mortgage, must complete financial literacy classes, and must complete 250 hours of work with Habitat.

Other area churches participating this year include Church of St. Dominic, Church of the Holy Angels, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Old Stone Church, Plymouth Church UCC - Shaker Heights, St. Joseph Catholic Church - Strongsville, St. Mark Church West Park, Strongsville United Methodist Church, Church of the Covenant, Church Of The Western Reserve, St. Mary of the Falls Church, and Fairmount Presbyterian Church.

With Apostles Build, we’re putting our faith into action— going out into the community to serve others in the way that Jesus’ apostles served. What a blessing to be able to share God’s love by helping to fully rehab a house for Michelle and her boys!

### Want to get involved?

Our next work dates are

**July 28 and September 15**

We need 8 volunteers each day or you can sign up to provide lunch or take photographs. Sign up in the Parlor on Sunday or contact the office!



*Save the Date for this event at Edgewater. It’s a very family friendly, dog friendly, donut friendly good time.*



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### May UMW Meeting, Thursday, May 3

Come hear about the Community of St. Bridget, a lay led community served by Roman Catholic women priests. The morning starts at 9:30 am with a continental breakfast, followed by a presentation from Mary E. Collingwood at 10 am. Everyone is welcome!



### June UMW Field Trip, June 7

We're taking a ride on Lolly the Trolley, and stopping for lunch in Cleveland. The cost is \$21 for the ride, plus the cost of your lunch. Plan to attend and bring a friend! There will be a sign-up sheet in the parlor.

### A big THANK YOU!

The UMW Missions Fund exists so we can empower missions that help women and children locally, nationally and around the world. We're so thankful for your support of these projects:

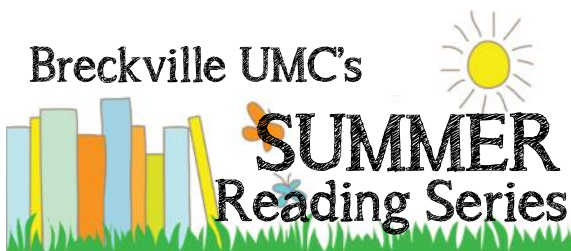
- Our Palm Sunday bake sale raised \$598. If you baked, or ate, any of the treats from the sale, we thank you!
- Our Acme receipt collection earned \$81.79. Not bad for collecting a few pieces of paper. Thank you, Acme shoppers!
- Donations to our Chili Cook Off allowed us to send a \$300 check to the Brookside Food center. It's such a fun event, and your donations will feed a lot of people. Thank you!



**Be a  
RAINBOW  
IN SOMEONE  
ELSE'S  
CLOUD.**

**"I need two things.  
Tampons and food.  
But if I can't have  
both, I can go with-  
out tampons."**

Donations to Brookside Center typically focus on necessities, but one necessity that's often overlooked are the products needed for feminine hygiene: pads, tampons and panty liners. We can help fill this need. This month, help fill the first floor Brookside bin with feminine hygiene items. This collection ends May 17!



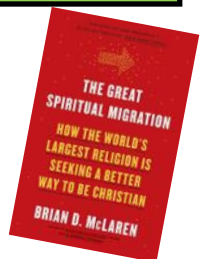
Warm weather is right around the corner and the hammock is just waiting to be hung between the oaks in the backyard. It's the perfect time to do some thought-provoking reading. Join Jenny and others as we read and discuss three great books (one each month this summer). Books are available for purchase or to borrow. Call or e-mail Jenny for all the latest details: [education@brecksvilleumc.com](mailto:education@brecksvilleumc.com).

### Friday, June 15 at 7 pm

*The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion is Seeking a New Way to Be Christian*  
by Brian McLaren

The Christian story is fundamentally about people on the move—outgrowing old, broken religious systems and embracing new, more redemptive ways of life. Brian McLaren suggests that it's time to move again. Drawing from his work as global activist, pastor, and public theologian, McLaren challenges readers to stop worrying, waiting, and indulging in nostalgia, and instead to embrace the powerful new understandings that are reshaping the church. This book explores profound shifts in spirituality, theological thinking, and missional activism for today's progressive Christian.

- **Book Two, July 22: *Simple Prayer: Learning to Speak to God with Ease*** by Charlie Dawes
- **Book Three, August 26: *Why Jesus?*** by William H. Willimon





Celebrate Mother's Day and Pentecost with  
**FLOWERS**  
 HELP SUPPORT THE YOUTH SERVICE PROJECT

Church youth are raising funds for their summer service trip. You can help by purchasing flowers through this sale. Questions? Contact the office at 440-526-8938 or [office@brecksvilleumc.com](mailto:office@brecksvilleumc.com)

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to BUMC. "Plant Sale" in memo line.  
 Total Enclosed = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Check\_\_\_\_\_ Cash\_\_\_\_\_



**ORDERS DUE SUNDAY MAY 6**

**HANGING BASKETS FOR MOTHER'S DAY MAY 13**

We're doing things a little differently for 2018. Kollman's greenhouse will handpick and design beautiful hanging baskets for our annual fundraiser. Pre-order your plants to pick up on Saturday, May 12. Additional baskets will be available for purchase on Mother's Day, May 13. Prefer to pick out your own plants? We will have vouchers for Kollman's (in Twinsburg) for sale on Mother's Day, too.

*Thank you for your support of the youth service project!*

**10" Grower's Choice Combo Basket:** # \_\_\_ Sun # \_\_\_ Shade  
**TOTAL # BASKETS = \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_**

**GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST MAY 20**

Let's fill the Sanctuary with red flowers as a symbol of the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost/ Confirmation Sunday, May 20. We invite you to celebrate loved ones or someone whose faithful Christian witness has been an inspiration to you. Take your plant home after services, or donate it to be planted in the church yard as a summer-long reminder of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

**Number of plants \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5 = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Info for the bulletin...**

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

From \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ I will take my plants home \_\_\_ I will donate for the garden

*Flowers not taken by Wednesday, May 23 will be planted.*

# YOUTH NEWS

## All Youth Dinner // Sunday, May 6 from 5—7 pm

Let's gather together in the Fellowship Hall for fun, food, and fellowship! Students in grades six through twelve are invited to join us and friends are always welcome. Special thanks to The Piorkowski Family for sponsoring our meal! Want to sponsor an All Youth Dinner in the 2018-2019 school year? Contact Dana for details!

## Midnight Madness All-Nighter

May 11-12 from 7 pm—10 am

Who's ready to kick off the summer with a night of non-stop fun? Join us in welcoming our friends from Christ UMC in New Comerstown as we eat lots of food, play lots of games, and take a fun field trip off-site! Friends are welcome, RSVP to Dana by May 6!



## Plant Sales Benefit Youth Service Project

You have until May 6 to order your hanging baskets for Mother's Day and Red Geraniums for Pentecost. Pre-ordered hanging baskets will be available for pick up on Saturday, May 12 from 10 am until 2 pm. Additional hanging baskets and gift cards to Kollman's Greenhouse (in Twinsburg) will be available for purchase on Mother's Day! Download an order form at [www.brecksvilleumc.com](http://www.brecksvilleumc.com).

## Middle School Party at The Brachna's // May 12 from 6—8 pm

The Brachna's invite anyone in grades six through eight to their home for a fun night of pizza and games! If the weather cooperates there will be lots of outdoor activities, maybe even a Nerf War! Wanna join the fun? RVSP so we know how many to expect before May 7!

## Summer Special Programming // May 27- September 2

Over the summer we take a break from our regular monthly and weekly events for fun, special programming! This gives us the awesome opportunity to experience God in new ways and create unique community with one another. In the insert in this issue of the Good Word you'll find a Summer Youth Programming Preview with information for youth events in June - August. We wish you a happy, healthy, and fun summer!



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Stay Connected! Contact Dana Schwendeman 440-526-8938 ext. 237  
or [youth@brecksvilleumc.com](mailto:youth@brecksvilleumc.com)

## SOLES 4 SOULS

WEARING OUT POVERTY\*

Bring your gently used shoes (of all kinds) to church through May 6 for our **SHOE DRIVE!**



## Change the World Day with Nehemiah Mission!

Saturday, May 19

8:30 am-4 pm

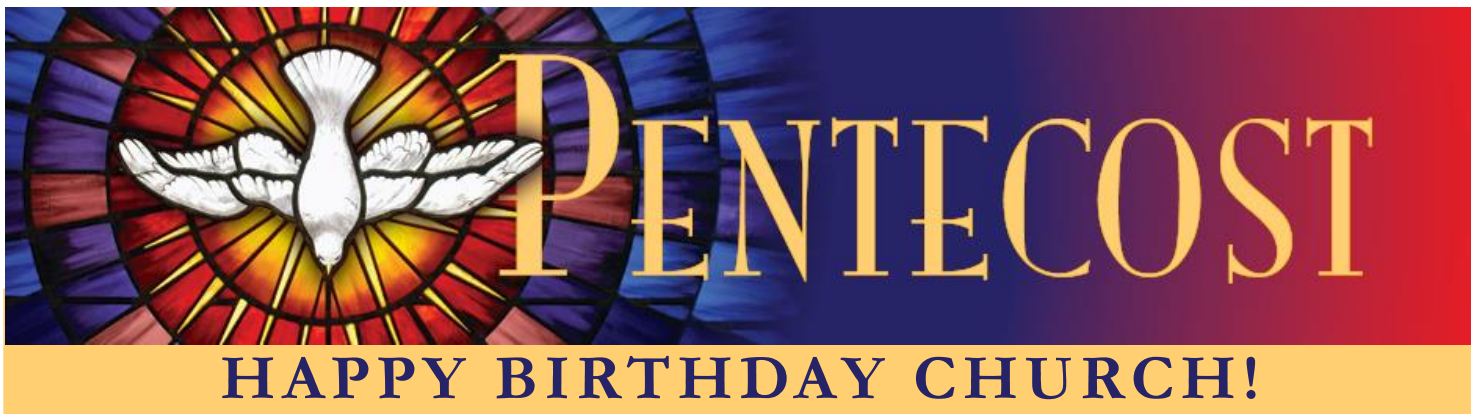
Come by yourself, bring a friend, or bring a group. This is a day about serving others and making a difference! If you're six years old or older, you're invited! (Anyone under 12 needs direct Parent/Guardian supervision.)

### Schedule for the day:

8:30 Arrival/Registration  
9:00 Start worksite projects  
12:00 Lunch at worksites Provided by The Nehemiah Mission  
3:30 Finish up at worksite projects  
4:00 Celebration worship  
4:30 Head home and tell everyone about the great day you had!

Your \$20 donation (per participant) helps cover the cost of lunch and supplies for work projects.

To register, please visit [www.nehemiahmission.org](http://www.nehemiahmission.org)



It is time to say Happy Birthday church! On Pentecost Sunday, we commemorate the coming of the Holy Spirit to the early followers of Jesus. Before the events of the first Pentecost, just weeks after Jesus' death and resurrection, there were followers of Jesus, but no movement that could be meaningfully called "the church."

The English word "Pentecost" is from the Greek *pentekostos*, which means "fifty." It comes from the ancient Christian expression *pentekoste hemera*, which means "fiftieth day." The early Christians borrowed the phrase from Greek-speaking Jews who used it to refer to an already existing Jewish holiday, the Festival of Weeks, or, more simply, Weeks (*Shavuot* in Hebrew). This name comes from an expression in Leviticus 23:16, which instructs people to count seven weeks or "fifty days" from the end of Passover to the beginning of the next holiday.

Shavuot was the second great feast in Israel's yearly cycle of holy days. It was originally a harvest festival similar to our Thanksgiving. Over time, it turned into a day to commemorate the giving of the law on Mt. Sinai. This day became especially significant for Christians because seven weeks after the resurrection of Jesus, during the Jewish celebration of Shavuot, the Holy Spirit was poured out upon his first followers, empowering them for their mission and gathering them together as a church.

The events of this day are recorded in the book of Acts. Chapter 2 begins, "And when the day of Pentecost had come, the first followers of Jesus were all together in one place." All of a sudden, a sound came from heaven, like a strong wind, filling the house where the people had gathered. Something like

tongues of fire rested on their heads. "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak".

The languages spoken by the early Christians were intelligible and were heard by thousands of Jewish pilgrims who had come to Jerusalem to celebrate Shavuot. The content of their miraculous messages had to do with God's mighty works. Many who heard these messages in their own languages were amazed. Others thought the Christians were drunk.

At some point, Peter stood up and preached his first sermon. He explained that Jesus had been raised and had poured out the Spirit in fulfillment of God's promise through the prophets. When the crowd asked what they should do, Peter urged them to turn their lives around and be baptized in the name of Jesus. Then they would be forgiven and would receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Acts reports that about 3,000 people were added to the church that day!

### **Join us as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday (May 20) at Brecksville UMC.**

The Sanctuary will be filled with red to symbolize the power and fire of the Spirit. Pastor's stole will be red, the paraments (or altar cloths) will be red, and we encourage the congregation to wear red! Beautiful red geraniums celebrating those whose faithful Christian witness has been an inspiration to us will adorn the altar. (*Have you ordered yours?*) We will also be confirming six young people on this special Pentecost Sunday! It is traditional to receive new members or confirm youth into the church as a way of commemorating the first "new members class" that joined the church after Peter's Pentecost sermon.

- Jenny Gee, Director of Education





# GOLF SCRAMBLE and Steak Roast

*A benefit for the Music/Worship Scholarship Fund*

**Saturday, June 16, 2018**

**BRIARWOOD GOLF CLUB**

2737 Edgerton Road, Broadview Hts, OH 44147

**12 pm Shotgun Start / Arrive by 11:30 am**

**\$75.00 Person**

**\$60.00 Youth 21 and Under**

**\$25 Dinner Only**

Steak Dinner after 18 holes.

Foursomes and Individuals welcome!

*Come enjoy a great day on the links with friends new and old!*

The love of the game and outdoors is only part of the reason to join us, as you'll be golfing to support our church's music scholarship fund! It's sure to be a day of fun. Join us for all or part of it!
















***Short of a foursome?***

Contact us and we'll help you find additional team members.  
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Register by May 31. Visit: [brecksvilleumc.com/golf](http://brecksvilleumc.com/golf)

Or complete the form below and send to BUMC Music Department, 65 Public Square, Brecksville OH 44141  
Call 440-526-8938 with any questions or E-mail [music@brecksvilleumc.com](mailto:music@brecksvilleumc.com)

## GOLF TEAM REGISTRATION

Golfer 1) _____	\$75/\$60			
Golfer 2) _____	\$75/\$60			
Golfer 3) _____	\$75/\$60			
Golfer 4) _____	\$75/\$60			
Dinner Only _____	\$25			

Checks Payable to BUMC ~ "Golf Outing" in memo line. Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### \$200 Dinner Sponsors

YES, I'll help sponsor the meal! (4 needed)

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YES, I'll sponsor a hole! (18 available)





# May

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <p>Ann &amp; Bill Rittman</p>		<b>1</b> 10 Staff Mtg 5 Middle School Youth Group	<b>2</b> 6:30 am Brkfast 2:30 Piano Guild Auditions 6:30 Evening Circle	 <b>3 National Day of Prayer</b> 9 District Finance Training 9:30 UMW 6:15 Bells 7:30 Choir 8:30 Men's Ensemble	<b>4</b> 9:30 May Friendship Day, Mediterranean Event Center, Bedford Heights	<b>5</b>
<b>6 Communion Sunday</b> <b>8:45 Worship</b> 10 Coffee & Classes <b>11:15 Worship</b> 5 All Youth Dinner	<b>7</b> 6 Cardio Kickboxing & Strength Training	<b>8</b> 10 Staff Mtg 12 Lunch Bunch 5 MS Youth 7 Music & Worship Bd	<b>9</b> 6:30 am Dawnbreakers Breakfast	 <b>10</b> 9:30 Asbury Bremeth Circle 6:15 Bells 7:30 Choir 8:30 Men's Ensemble	<b>11</b> 	<b>12</b> 10-12 Flower Pick Up 
<b>13 UMW Sunday</b> <b>8:45 Worship</b> 10 Coffee & Classes <b>11:15 Worship</b> 6:30 Ukulele Worship 7 High School Youth Group	<b>14</b> 6 Cardio Kickboxing & Strength Training	<b>15</b> 10 Knitting 10 Staff Mtg 5 MS Youth 7:30 Trustees	<b>16</b> 6:30 am Dawnbreakers Breakfast 8 Pie Production	 <b>17 Good Word Deadline</b> 8 Pie Production 9 District Admin Training Here 7 Church Council	<b>18</b> 6 Wedding Rehearsal  <i>Donations delivered to Brookside Food Center</i>	<b>19 Change the World Weekend</b>  1 Jackson/Gaunter Wedding
<b>20 Pentecost/ Confirmation Sunday</b> <b>10 One Worship Service Today!</b> 11 Confirmation Reception 12 Pie Production 6:30 Ukulele Worship 7 Last HS Youth Grp	<b>21</b> 8 Pie Production 6 Cardio Kickboxing 	<b>22</b> 10 Staff Mtg 5 MS Youth 7 Finance	<b>23</b> 6:30 am Dawnbreakers Breakfast	 <b>24 Aldersgate Day</b> 8 Pie Production	<b>25</b> 9:30 UMW Board Meeting	<b>26</b>
<b>27 Peace with Justice Sunday</b> <b>10 One Worship Service Today!</b>	<b>28 Church Office Closed</b>  	<b>29</b> 10 Staff Mtg	<b>30</b> 6:30 am Dawnbreakers Breakfast	<b>31</b>	 <p><b>Begins June 3!</b>            Services at 8:30 and 10 am</p>	



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**RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK**

**Open Doors.**

*Welcoming all of God's children.*

Brecksville United Methodist Church is called to the ministry of reconciliation. We embrace diversity as a gift. We celebrate our human family's diversity of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, faith history, economic status, marital status, physical and mental ability, and education. We affirm that all people are created in the image of God and as beloved children of God, all are worthy of God's love and grace. We welcome the full inclusion of all people in the life and ministries of Brecksville United Methodist Church as we journey toward reconciliation through Christ.



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We would love to serve your church and community at our camps.

The average American youth spends:

270 minutes watching TV a day<sup>1</sup>

4 minutes playing outside a day<sup>2</sup>

7.5 hours a day on electronics<sup>3</sup>

A week at camp provides:

10,080

minutes away to consider, to dream to believe that they are loved and created for a purpose.

[EOCSummercamps.org](http://EOCSummercamps.org)



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[EOCSummercamps.org](http://EOCSummercamps.org)



### **It's time to start thinking about VBS!**

We are so excited to be offering Vacation Bible School again this year! This year's Rolling River Rapids adventure includes music that makes you want to get up and dance, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, delicious snacks, great games and more.

### **Monday, July 9 through Friday, July 13**

**9 am - 12 pm each day**

For kids in Pre-school through Fifth Grade

Childcare available for little ones under 3 if you volunteer!

\$25 for the whole week.

Maximum cost is \$50 per family.

Parents who volunteer all week can sign their children up for \$10 each!

**Register Online:**

[rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/brecksvilleumc.com](http://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/brecksvilleumc.com)



**Volunteers are needed** to help make this awesome week a reality. We are expecting 100 children to participate again this year—we already have 53 registered!. What a wonderful sight it is to see them all up and dancing and praising God! Want to help make it happen?

- Help decorate
- Help with crafts
- Help with snacks
- Help shepherd the kids during VBS
- Teach during VBS

If you can help a little or a lot, we need you!  
Contact Jenny Gee to learn more: 440-526-8938  
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