# THE GOOD WORD

BRECKSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### Inhale...Exhale...

I once heard Bishop Dan Schwerin describe discipleship as breathing—inhaling the Spirit of God, taking in what we need, caring for ourselves spiritually, and then exhaling—going and doing—showing the love of God to others, caring for the least, the lost, and the lonely.

Just like you can't live by only inhaling, if you only care for yourself and your own spiritual needs, then it's not a full life of discipleship—you can't fully understand what it means to be loved by God and love as God loves if you don't love others.

Inhale... exhale. Filling ourselves with God's love... showing that love to others. You can't have one without the other.

This was from a sermon I preached back in January.

They say that most often, the preacher is preaching to themselves. And that was definitely the case with this sermon.

Ministry is one of the "service" professions. Like a doctor, nurse, therapist, or teacher, pastors spend much of their time exhaling: caring for others in their time of need. I'm with people when their loved one has just passed, when they've found out their spouse has been unfaithful, or when they just received bad news from their doctor. I've been with several people when they've taken their last breath in this life and woken up to meet Jesus face -to-face. I sit with people when they're asking the hard questions of faith, preparing for their wedding, or welcoming a new baby. Being a pastor is a beautiful and holy profession that I <u>love</u>.

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# HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY

SEEKING: HONEST QUESTIONS FOR DEEPER FAITH

#### PALM SUNDAY 4.2

WHERE ARE YOU HEADED?
Palm parade at the 10:30 worship service\*

#### **MAUNDY THUSDAY 4.6**

WILL YOU WASH MY FEET?
A service with Holy Communion at 7 pm\*

#### **GOOD FRIDAY 4.7**

WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?
A somber and moving worship service at 7 pm\*

## WHO ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

- Easter Sunrise on the lawn at 7 am
- Worship with Brass & Choir at 9\*
- Worship with Worship Band at 10:30\*

\*streaming live online



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And yet, I can't live by only exhaling.

I take my sabbath each week, doing my best to guard my time with God and my time of just being "me." And I spend time with God each morning, journaling, praying, and reading. But the work of ministry is never done, so I find my thoughts wandering to a situation going on at the church or wondering about how so-and-so is doing.

It's like when you get so engrossed with what you're doing that your body forgets to breathe adequately and so you find yourself taking a big, deep, sighing breath. Ever do that?

I do it all the time.

The "regular" breathing in of God's Spirit during my daily devotional time and weekly sabbath is good. And yet, because of the beautiful and holy (and hard) work of pastoral ministry, I now need to take a big, deep, sighing breath of God's Spirit.

That's what my spiritual renewal is going to be.

I'm going to listen for where God's still, small voice is leading, by beginning my renewal in silent retreat.

I'm going to remember that God is The Creator, (not me!), by spending lots of time in my garden.

I'm going to breathe deep, again and again, by hiking all over Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

I'm going to relish the gifts God has given me by spending time with family and friends.

I'm going to center on God's life-giving Spirit within me by attending a yoga and writing retreat.

Most of all, I'm going to rest in God's presence and "just breathe." That is my prayer for my spiritual renewal: "just breathe."

And it is my prayer for you, as well: "just breathe."

Know that just as I am called to be in ministry, so are you: you are a disciple of Jesus. And so, the ministry of Brecksville UMC will continue although I will be gone. You will continue to love God and love others... inhaling and exhaling.

I'm so grateful for our staff and leadership that are stepping up and stepping in to fill the gap while I'm gone. And I'm continually amazed at the heart and soul of this Church—this embodiment of Christ's love in the world.

I can't wait to hear all about the ways you've continued our mission to *create* safe spaces to grow with God and one another while I'm gone!

See you soon!

Rev. Heidi Welch, Senior Pastor





#### **Spiritual Renewal Leave**

FAQs—Frequently Asked Questions

What is spiritual renewal leave? Spiritual renewal leave is a time for pastors to step away from the day-to-day demands of pastoral leadership in order to rest, renew, and re-charge. It's an opportunity to intentionally dwell in God's presence through purposeful activity and rest. The



intent is to provide our pastor the opportunity to move forward in life and ministry with increased health spiritually, physically, and emotionally, in order to be a visionary spiritual leader.

When is Pastor Heidi's spiritual renewal leave? Pastor Heidi's spiritual renewal leave is 43 days: Monday, April 17 thru Monday, May 29. She returns to the office on Tuesday, May 30 and will be back in the pulpit on Sunday, June 4.

Who will handle pastoral emergencies while she is away? Revs. Peg and Ash Welch will be our pastors on call. They can be reached through the church office or through our pastoral emergency line: 440-290-6671. The Revs. Welch will also handle any funerals that arise during Pastor Heidi's leave.

Is renewal leave a vacation? While renewal leave is indeed time off, it is not considered a vacation. Renewal leave is a time that is set-apart for pastors to step away from their ministry setting in order to rest, renew, and re-charge. Pastor Heidi still has her typical amount of vacation days for the year. In the East Ohio Conference, appointed clergy have 4 weeks of vacation each appointive year, which runs from July to June.

Who can I contact with questions about the renewal leave? Prior to April 17, you can contact Pastor Heidi at heidi@brecksvilleumc.com or 440-526-8938. Alternatively, any time, you may contact Dave Brown, chairperson of SPRC, at dbrown6903@sbcglobal.net. You can also find answers to more frequently asked questions at <a href="mailto:BUMCLinks.com">BUMCLinks.com</a> (at the bottom of the "Honest Worship" section) or by requesting a printed copy from the office.

Questions answered include:

- Why did Pastor Heidi request renewal leave now?
- Who approved Pastor Heidi's renewal leave?
- What will Pastor Heidi do while she is away?
- Who will preach while Pastor Heidi is gone?
- How will the church operations and ministries function while Pastor Heidi is away?
- Can I contact Pastor Heidi while she's on renewal leave?
- Will we be paying Pastor Heidi while she is on renewal leave?

We are excited about this opportunity for Pastor Heidi to rest and renew and for the congregation to keep the spirit of Brecksville United Methodist Church strong and vibrant! May it help us continue to be an embodiment of Christ's love in the world!



#### **CLE Pride is June 3**

Save the date for this wonderful opportunity to share the message that God's love is for everyone! Brecksville UMC is a sponsor of the CLE Pride Parade. Want to be part of the joyful gathering? Reach out to inclusion@brecksvilleumc.com for details!

#### Calling all creative people!

If you're excited by the opportunity to create a t-shirt design that helps communicate our message of whole-hearted welcome, submit your ideas to inclusion@brecksvilleumc.com by April 30!

#### **Earth Day Brecksville**

Sunday, April 23 11 am—3 pm

Stop by the City's Horticulture Building on Stadium Drive after church to learn about how our community cares for God's creation! Our Bike Ministry will be there, along with other groups on hand to collect clothing, household goods, prescription glasses, single use plastic shopping bags and worn out American Flags.

#### **Finance Update**

We started off 2023 with a \$54,133 deficit. It's the third year in a row that we've budgeted a deficit, and our Finance Team and Church Council were appropriately concerned. At the same time, we have been motivated to work together with our church community to change this trend.

Now, we are three months into 2023, and we come to you with great news! *With your help*, since January, we've been able to reduce our deficit to \$24,454—that's almost a \$30,000 decrease! We have six new pledges, showing that each pledge matters!

And we have more good news! In April, we will welcome two new groups as renters: 24 Karrot Kitchen will be renting our kitchen three days per week, giving life to a wonderful and yet underutilized space in our church; and Consistent Canine Training will be teaching group dog training classes in Fellowship Hall on Thursdays from 5 to 6 pm.

Not only do these rental opportunities help reduce our deficit, they are also ways we can connect with the greater community and use this fantastic building throughout the week. Thank you for your continued support! - The Finance Team

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Jesus said, "Love your neighbor." What if he meant our actual, literal neighbor? Like, the people who live behind the 8 front doors closest to ours?

The Good Neighbor Experiment is a four week worship series beginning April 16. Together, we'll learn practical tools to forge more meaningful relationships with our literal neighbors by exploring the key ingredients of neighboring! How do we build real, meaningful relationships within our communities? Learn with us on Sunday mornings through inspiring messages and scripture at both the 8:30 and 10:30 am worship services.

**April 16—May 7:** Join Jenny Gee and friends during the 9:30 Joyful Gathering time to dive into Sunday's message together at adult (and teen) Sunday School.

When the series concludes, we'll begin three small group opportunities called LABS. These are not book studies! Each five week lab includes experiments to help you grow in your faith and your ability to be a good neighbor. Doing weekly experiments is the key to getting the most out of the Good Neighbor Experiment. **The Joy Lab begins May 14!** 

If this sounds like something you can get behind, sign up for updates, information and opportunities at BUMCLinks.com.





#### **Worship on the lawn returns Easter Sunday**

Join us as we welcome the rising sun at 7 am on Easter Sunday for our first Worship on the Lawn of 2023. Then join us on subsequent *Sundays at 8:30* this spring, summer and fall. Dress for the weather—blankets and lawn chairs welcome! In case of rain (or snow) we'll move inside to the Sanctuary. It's a unique way to commune with God in the open air, under the trees. All are welcome! Invite your friends!



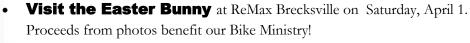


Each month this year, we are focusing our donation drive on a different area food pantry or organization. In April we are collecting for The Emergency Assistance Center in Northfield. They served 1210 people from 14 different zip codes in January and February and are seeing a surge in need. TEAC is on track to DOUBLE the number of clients served over just one year ago, as people receiving SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits have experienced a decrease in the amount they receive. The organization relies entirely on donations. Their most needed items in April are liquid dish soap, rice and pasta packets (such as Knorr), and 5T and 6T pull-up diapers.

Stay after church for the Missions & Community Engagement Meeting on Sunday, April 16 (11:30) and help decorate reusable shopping bags for our donation drives!



Adopt a Flower Bed! If you enjoy digging in the dirt, sign up to care for one of the beds on the church grounds! Email Trustees@brecksvilleumc.com



- Deliver Easter Flowers to the Home Bound. Contact the office or sign up on BUMCLinks.com to volunteer!
- **Bike Fix-It Day** will likely be Saturday April 29 from 9 to noon. Bike riding season is here and with your help, we can get spokes to folks with simple repairs and cleaning of donated bikes! Invite your friends!
- The Pearl Road Dinner April 30 will be a to-go event. Sign up to help at BUMCLinks.com





Pickup or download a copy of our Get Off Your Donkey Calendar for more!

#### **Church Considers SAS**

In the March *Good Word*, I shared about the work 10 of Brecksville UMC's leaders have done over the past year to learn about the Simplified Accountable Structure (SAS) a newer way to structure United Methodist Churches that anchors us securely in our God-given vision framework and enables us to address the challenges of the church's future, while staying in-line with United Methodist polity (The Book of Discipline).

After lots of discussions and prayer, this group of leaders voted to move forward with presenting this new leadership model to our church members as a way to structure Brecksville United Methodist Church for ministry in 2023 and beyond.

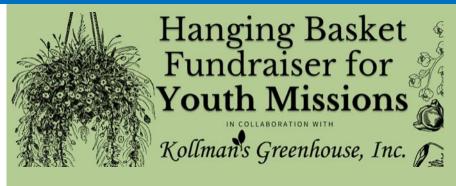
In order to properly discern this decision as a church community, we are offering two Town Halls in April:

- Sunday, 4/2 at 11:45 am (after 10:30 worship)
- Wednesday, 4/12 at 7 pm

The Town Halls are opportunities to learn about the Simplified Accountable Structure and what this change would mean for Brecksville United Methodist Church. We will share a short presentation about SAS and answer questions.

No decision to adopt a new model of leadership has been made. Our congregation's members will have a chance to make that decision with their vote at a Church Conference later this summer/fall, if that's where this time of discernment leads us.

We are also creating a "SAS Prayer Team" to intentionally bring God into our discernment process. If you would like to be a part of this team, please contact me, Pastor Heidi (pastor@brecksvilleumc.com).



The sale of hanging basket vouchers for Kollman's Greenhouse is part of our ongoing fundraising for Youth Summer Missions. The best part? You get to choose your own 10" hanging basket from the beautiful, wide selection right at the greenhouse (8935 Ravenna Rd) in Twinsburg! **To order**—Pick up a paper form at church or complete the form online at <u>BUMCLinks.com</u> before April 23. Vouchers will be available for pick up at church during regular office hours (9:15—2:15 Monday through Friday) or you can select to have your vouchers emailed to you to print at home. You have until May 26th to redeem your voucher at Kollman's Greenhouse.

We heard how beautiful and long-lasting the flowers were in 2022 and we hope the baskets from this year can bring just as much joy to your home. Every purchase goes directly to funding youth summer missions at Brecksville United Methodist. *Thank you for your continued support!* 

#### **Dana Schwendeman, Director of Youth Ministry**

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Key Ingredients of Neighboring: A study for adults and teens. Sundays at 9:30 in the Chapel, April 16—May 7. Jenny Gee leads a special class in tandem with *The Good Neighbor Experiment* worship series.

This four week learning series is designed for our church to experiment with neighboring. Over the

course of one month, we'll explore this idea of neighboring in worship, adult education settings, and even in youth group and children's ministry. It's a time of transition for churches in the world. There is a call for us to behave differently and to understand our identity differently—to turn church inside out. **Instead of being a place where people come, we must become a people who are sent.** Intrigued? Come explore The Key Ingredients of Neighboring together! Sign up at BUMCLinks.com for updates!





Perspectives: Caring for God's Creation is an East Ohio Conference event designed to inform you, our church, and our community how to respond to our current climate realities. Experts and local organizers will share perspectives & insight on how we can live into a more ecologically equitable and sustainable world for all.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 22

The whole Earth is God's creation. As people of faith, we have responsibility for how God's creation is used and can do this through acts of loving care and respect.

Learn more about the interesting speakers, break-out sessions, roundtable discussions and resources (including The Brecksville UMC Bike Ministry's table at the event) at the registration link. Jenny Gee will be driving to the event and invites you along. Connect with her at Jenny@brecksvilleumc.com. Register at <a href="BUMCLinks.com">BUMCLinks.com</a>. \$10 registration fee includes lunch. Childcare available by request.

#### **Help Keep VBS Affordable for ALL!**

The largest outreach event for BUMC's Education Department is Vacation Bible School. With costs on the rise, it's challenging to offer the same awesome programming while keeping costs down for working families. You can help by becoming a VBS Sponsor.

- SponsorSponsor
- Sponsor the Picnic Shelter for a Day: \$150
  - Sponsor 1 day of snack for all the children: \$80
  - Sponsor 1 day of Science Supplies for all Campers: \$45
  - Sponsor 1 week of craft supplies for a child: \$12
  - Sponsor a t-shirt for a child: \$10

Your donations will make an impact in our community! There is little in this world more awesome than seeing over 100 children singing praises to Jesus and learning how beloved they are in God's eyes. VBS truly is the best week of summer! Make you donation here: <a href="https://onrealm.org/BrecksvilleMethodist/give/VBSSponsor">https://onrealm.org/BrecksvilleMethodist/give/VBSSponsor</a>



At Brecksville UMC's Vacation Bible School, children will learn that everyone can make a difference in the world!

We will explore five examples of people in the Bible who brought about change in the world around them. These people asked hard questions, worked together to solve problems, reached across their differences, cared for all people and imagined a new and better world. We will see, as we too are grounded in God's love, that we can use our unique gifts to make a difference wherever we go!

We will again be meeting in person at the Oak Grove Picnic Shelter in Brecksville Reservation of the Cleveland Metroparks. It has been an awesome experience being outdoors in the wide open spaces of our park.

VBS will be the week of July 17-21 in the morning from 9:30 to 12:30 and is open to children, age 3 (and fully potty trained) to those entering 6th grade in the fall. Registration opens April 1 and will remain open until we reach capacity. Cost for the whole week is \$30 per child. If you would like to volunteer (all 5 days) your child(ren) can attend for free. Volunteers must agree to a background check and Child Protection Policy Training.

Register at BUMCLinks.com!

#### # DETERMINED SERVICE

# A SUMMER OF CONNECTION

Whether in high school, college or beginning your own entrepreneurial ventures, you may be looking for meaningful projects this summer. Want to develop a work portfolio? Yearning for opportunities to affirm your skills and talents? Looking for ways to serve and make a positive difference? We have ideas for you!

"WHAT DID YOU DO THIS SUMMER?"

### **explore your gifts**

- Teaching/Caring/Nurturing
- Story Telling/Creativity/Music
- · Environmentalism/Creation Care
- Creating Organization/Systems
- Mechanical ability
- Technical ability/Audio Visual
- Activism/Outreach

Use your unique gifts to serve God, neighbor, and the world!

### choose a project

BIKE REPAIR - FOOD BANK - TEACHING - VIDEOGRAPHY - WEB DESIGN - EVENT PLANNING - ADVOCACY - NUTRITION - ELDER CARE - DISABILITY MINISTRY - COMMUNITY OUTREACH - BOOK CLUBS - LIBRARY SCIENCE - ARCHIVES - MUSIC - HORITCULTURE - CREATION CARE - DESIGN YOUR OWN PROJECT - CHILD CARE - OUTREACH - ART - WEDDING PLANNING - SMALL GROUPS - MORE.....



# SUMMER + SERVICE = ABUNDANCE

Brecksville UMC's **SUMMER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE** includes a list of opportunities and ideas - ways you can reach out and serve this summer.

Build real-world experience while doing good!





Learn more and apply at BUMCLinks.com

Questions? Call Brecksville United Methodist Church

440-526-8938

info@brecksvilleumc.com



faith action

### **April 6 United Women in Faith Program Reveals Brecksville History**

UWF presents Cathie Clager, who will talk about the history of Brecksville "The Center of it All," on Thursday, April 6, at 10 am in the church parlor. Her talk will include geology, Native American tribes, and pioneer life in Brecksville. Fellowship and refreshments begin at 9:30 am.



#### **Asbury Bremeth**

Come enjoy the fellowship of Christian women on Thursday, April 13 at 10 am as we continue the study "Christianity's Family Tree." This month we're talking about our own beloved Methodism. Bring your own coffee or tea and join us at 9:30 a.m. to catch up with your friends before the study.

# Everyone is invited to attend these programs, so bring a friend and encourage others to attend!

#### **UWF Board Meeting**

Friday, April 28, at 9:30 am is our next board meeting. Send your report to Jaclyn@brecksvilleumc.com ahead of time to have copies made for participants if necessary.

#### **United Women in Faith Need Your Support**



Your gifts, in any amount, help us continue our work! Pledge cards are available at church. Plans for a Mother's Day bake sale (5/14) are also in the works! Your support, by baking, helping, or purchasing, will make this, our primary fundraiser, a success. Contact President, Kathy Sopka, for information about how you can help: (440) 821-5203.



Meet the newest member of our church staff, Ryan Lohr!

With fourteen years of experience working a wide range of media, from network news videography to producing live events, Ryan brings great skills and abilities to our communications team!

His mantra is always be willing to learn and always be willing to teach.

Ryan is an Akronite. When he isn't pushing buttons for work he enjoys thrifting, photography, hiking, and playing with his almost three year old son, Abbott.

Please give him a warm welcome on Sunday morning, or drop him a note at church or Ryan@brecksvilleumc.com



#### **Turn trash into care!**

"It's easy. It doesn't cost anything. And it makes a real difference!" That was Barb Harper's reply when asked why she collects pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House. (Pop tabs are the aluminum tabs from all kinds of cans: soda, some pet food, canned fruits, vegetables, etc.) The tabs are recycled to raise funds for programs supporting thousands of families whose children are receiving medical care throughout Northeast Ohio. You can help give families with a sick child what they need most—each other! Start collecting pop tabs and bring them to the donation bin in the coat room on the first floor anytime, and the Harpers will deliver them to Ronald McDonald House Cleveland!



#### **APRIL**

Care and Prayer!

Let's let these folks know they're loved this month!

Week of April 2

#### **Deanne Kloss**

7140 Morning Star Trl Sagamore Hills, OH 44067-2599

Week of April 9

#### **Sandy Crist**

9973 Gatewood Dr Brecksville, OH 44141-3643

Week of April 16

#### Robin Raybuck

2365 Barnsley Way Broadview Hts., OH 44147-3674

Week of April 23

#### **Nancy Kroenke**

487 Austin Drive #136 Barberton, OH 44203

Week of April 30

#### **Betty Monnin**

6611 Timberlane Dr Independence, OH 44131-6564

Contact the office to nominate someone for next month's list!



1 Beryl Burkle 1 Doug Holmes 2 Lauren Brinkmann 2 Leanne Davis 3 Greg Gambone 3 Sherry Klodnick 3 Julie Kubek 4 Matthew Agnew 4 Jessica Zhao Agostine 4 Brad Holmok 5 James Fredrick (Jr.) 5 Lianna Meyer 6 Stella McCrodden 7 Mark Moore 7 Claire Palmer 8 Derek Brinkmann 8 Morgan Parker 8 Dorothy Pliske 10 Donna Eilbeck 10 Alan Harper 10 Avery Petznick 10 Mandy Rozman 11 Hannah Winkler

12 Dale Beaver 12 Stacy Parker 13 Joel Bellone 13 Carri Kenney 13 Kathy Louttit 13 Alex McMaster 13 Payton Schneider 14 Andrew Fredrick 14 Matthew Gabor 14 Michael Houff 14 Ed Jones 14 Addie Magee 14 Vince Marotto 14 Mark Pace 14 Landon Winkler 15 Matt Nelson 16 Jim Neidinger 16 Janine Telischak 18 Gail Huth 18 Ken Wise 19 Stephanie Roberts 21 Judy Burroughs 21 Caitlin Dieringer

22 Quinn Barnum 22 Ralph Slifcak 24 Grayson Holztrager 24 Ryan Petznick 25 Tate Fowler 25 Ruth Holmes 25 Katie Kiss 26 Chase Boldt 26 Sara Louttit 27 Alison Donze 27 Becky Juniper 28 Nancy Kroenke 28 Matt Salsbury 28 Ethan Shah 28 Barb Toman 29 Mia Baker 29 Nell Taylor 29 Sheri Zakarowsky

30 Lynn Dorman

30 Jen Spieth

30 Bob Wuerth

30 Barbara Harper



Each week at Staff Meeting we celebrate "God Moments" and lift up prayers of thanks to God for the way lives are touched when we reach out to one another in service. People like Don and Cathy Krolikowski, who share their gifts so generously. They help lead the podcast class and serve on the welcome

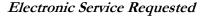
team together, and Don shares his talents as a photographer and web designer to help tell the story of our church to the world. We're thankful for you both! Have you noticed the church bells ringing before the 10:30 service on Sunday mornings, calling our community to worship? In our new member class, Randy Richards asked if he could do that. (Want to help? Randy can show you how!) Lynn Hobzek cares for others in so many ways, including by preparing communion elements one Sunday a month. Thank you, Lynn!



Gerry Beaver, a member of our church family since 1978, died February 28 at the age of 83. Please keep her husband, Dale, and their family in your prayers.

# **April 2023**

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#### **Church Office Hours**

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# 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.