

Good Tidings

The Newsletter of Brick Presbyterian Church

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We start with some words of thanks to all those who have shared messages from our pulpit during our worship services over these many months. We have continued to hear from a variety of preachers as the Word of God has been presented and we continue to move forward in faith, grateful that God has continued to provide.

We are pleased to share that the Rev. Jack Cherry, one of our guest preachers, has accepted the position of Regular Pulpit Supply to commence in the coming months as we continue our search for a pastor.

If you are thinking about sharing in the important role of discerning the direction for the future of Brick Presbyterian Church as a member of the Pastor Nominating Committee, now is your time to speak up! Please speak to any Session member if you would like to be considered for this important mission. You may refer to the back of the Sunday bulletin for those currently serving on Session.

As always, we covet your prayers and support as we continue to worship and serve our gracious Lord!

CALLED MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

There will be a special called meeting of the Congregation of Brick Presbyterian Church on **Sunday, July 13, 2025**, immediately following the worship service, in the FLC, for the purpose of approving the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC).



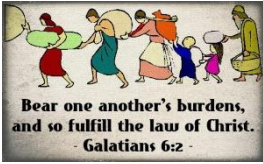
SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE

BPC will have an OUTDOOR worship service on Sunday, **August 17, at 10:00 a.m., at Cherry Quay Beach, Port Rd., Brick**. Directions will be available. Bring a lawn chair. In case of rain, an announcement will be made to move the service to the FLC.



The Worship committee is hosting the coffee hour for this service at Cherry Quay Beach, immediately following worship.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE



The BPC Food Pantry would like to thank all our donors for their continued support throughout the years. Your generosity has truly made a positive impact in the lives of our patrons. Our food pantry team continues to dedicate their time and talents to serve those facing hardships in our communities. We're blessed to have such a dedicated team (Beverly, Bill, Debbie, Judy, Lance, Mike, Sue, Victor and Yolanda, as well as our past and occasional volunteers) helping us serve others.

When people come to us, they sometimes willingly share their heartbreaking stories. Some are taking care of a sick loved one and struggle with medical bills. Others suffer from disabilities, unable to make enough to feed their families. Many are elderly and unable to afford living on social security income. Whatever the reason, we are there with smiles – willing to assist, comfort and offer hope. Most importantly, we demonstrate what it looks like to be representatives of Christ. Thank you all again for helping us continue this important mission.

With sincere gratitude and blessings,
Sandra Alho
Food Pantry Coordinator

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED



If you would like to donate food, our most requested items are:

Chicken Broth	Canned Beans	Cat Food
Beef Stew	Coffee (regular or instant)	Dog Food
Chili	Oatmeal	Pancake Mix
Mashed Potatoes	Crackers	Pancake Syrup
SpaghettiOs	Ramen Noodles	Corn Muffin Mix
Baked Beans	Jell-O	

"May God bless you and keep you." (Numbers 6:24)

SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE



Tuesday, July 29, 2025
1-6 p.m.
At BPC
Call/text Tracey Podolsky at 732-300-0886

FUNDRAISING

Ice Cream Social



Join us on August 28, 2025, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. for our annual Ice Cream Social.

Join us at Carvel on the corner of Drum Point Road and Brick Blvd. Last year we had such a wonderful time, not only having ice cream, but also enjoying so much fellowship. Please come and join us.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR ON-GOING FUNDRAISERS

Ink Cartridges Collection Is An On-Going Project



Bring them in and deposit them in the designated black trash can at the entry to the FLC.

Proceeds help with the cost of printing for the church committees for special events.

Hymnal Dedications and Memorial Bricks

Please remember our ongoing fundraisers – Hymnal Dedications and Memorial Bricks, both of which are available throughout the year. These two memorials are a wonderful way to remember or honor a loved one or to commemorate a special date or event!

Order forms can be found on the BPC website, or visit the fundraising table.



***** MEMORIAL BRICKS – NEW ORDERS *****



The Fundraising Committee is preparing to send in an order for memorial bricks. If you are considering dedicating a brick, please let us know promptly so your order can be included. Order forms can be found on the BPC website, or visit the fundraising table.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS **OF \$735 TO**



THE HEAT IS ON!



It's summertime and that means it's going to be hot, hot, hot!

Last year to save on the wear and tear on our “old, on-borrowed-time” sanctuary air conditioning system, we worshipped in the FLC during the summer months.

This summer we have new tenants (Pentecostal Church of God) who are renting our sanctuary for their weekly worship services from noon to 3:00 pm (when unfortunately the temperature will be even hotter). So, as the landlord, we need to ensure that the sanctuary is comfortable enough for them to worship there without forcing them to worship in the FLC.

Currently, through many of the recent successful fundraising events supported by our church, the revenue generating committee has \$7,500.00 available towards the purchase of a new sanctuary air conditioning system. Also, the church has received 2 donations totaling \$1,500.00 designated toward this capital improvement for a starting total of \$9,000.00, while the projected cost for a new system is between \$30,000.00 to \$35,000.00.

In addition to your regular offerings that are used to pay for the church's current expenses, we are prayerfully requesting if you can financially support additional donations toward the purchase of this new system.

If you can, please memo your check, e-donation, or regular pew envelope, “A/C System,” so that our financial secretary can designate these donations toward the purchase of this new system.

HANDS ON MISSION GROUP

Hi everyone!

We're on a roll—PRAYER SQUARES are popping up and available at Weatherhead & Young, Brick Hospital, and Shorrock Nursing Home... but we need more! Summer is here, so it's time to get those needles out and have fun knitting and crocheting our squares. Let's keep the momentum going!



If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Lori Evans, our coordinator.

BLUE CLAWS BALL GAME

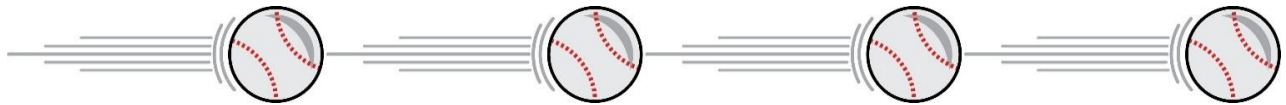
Ready for a night of fastballs, fun, and fellowship?

The Fellowship Committee has reserved a group of seats for Jersey Shore Blueclaws' Faith and Family Night game on **Thursday, August 7th at 7pm**. Family and friends are all welcome!



Tickets are \$13 each and will be on sale through July 17th. The supply is limited so mark your calendars and get your tickets! If interested in buying tickets, contact Michael Auriemma via email at michaelcauriemma@gmail.com, call or text 848-333-3625, or find him at church on Sunday!

See you at ShoreTown Ballpark!



STEWARDSHIP & BENEVOLENCE NEWS



"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

Ecclesiastes 3:1

How blessed are we to have Brick Presbyterian Church as our space to worship, fellowship and gather, knowing that our God is with us in every season!

Although the summer months often bring time to kick back and relax, there will still be plenty of activity on and around our church campus. Our Sunday worship services, church picnic, vacation Bible school, and Cherry Quay Beach service are just some of the great activities that will be taking place.

We encourage you to continue participating, praying, and offering your financial support as we enjoy what God has to offer us in the coming summer season!

The Stewardship and Benevolence Committee



Thank you for your love, support and kindness following Bill's death. I appreciate each and every one of you and miss you all!

Barbara (Bobbe) Biles

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

ROAD TRIP

VBS 2025

July 20-24 at Brick Presbyterian Church

Contact the church office for details.



RECOVERY AT BPC

AA Meetings in Fellowship Hall

Daily - 7 a.m.

Friday – 12 p.m., 8 p.m.

Saturday – 7 p.m.

NA Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Thursday - 6:30 p.m.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Memorial Brick orders due as soon as possible
- Deadline to buy BlueClaws tickets - 7/17
- VBS - 7/20-7/24
- Blood Drive - 7/29
- BlueClaws Ball Game - 8/7
- Outdoor Worship - 8/17
- Ice Cream Social - 8/28
- Blood Drive - 9/30



See the [Events tab](#) on the BPC web site for further details.



SPECIAL DAYS IN JULY & AUGUST



*Our Church Family Celebrates Our Staff
and Their Employment Anniversary*

Pat Loboda, Administrative Assistant,

will be starting her 10th year in July.

Congratulations, Pat!



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BPC ONLINE GIVING



Please go to www.brickpresby.com/give-now/, and click on the "GIVE NOW" button to make an online donation to Brick Presbyterian Church.





HELP NEEDED

Updated for Summer

Are you looking for another way to share your time and talents in praise of the Glory of God? The church needs volunteers because as the Bible states, "If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it." 1 Corinthians 12:26

*This column will list the current needs of various BPC groups and committees, as submitted by the group leaders. **Here are a few of the wonderful opportunities available at BPC –***

Worship Committee - Members are welcome to join in the work of providing meaningful Worship of God at BPC. A wide variety of responsibilities dedicated to Worship are shared among all committee members. Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 5:45 p.m. Contact Missy Brino at mbrino@comcast.net or 732-691-6209.

Bell Choir - Bell ringers are needed. **All ages are welcome – We'd love to have one or more of our talented young people join us!** Practices are held weekly on **Mondays at 5:00 p.m.**, and the Bells play during Worship on the 4th Sunday of each month. If interested in joining this music ministry, see Bonnie Luton or call the church office at 732-477-0676.

Hands On Mission Group/Outreach – Volunteers are wanted to work on some easy, fun, craft and sewing projects, such as teddy bears for Baptisms. Prayer squares (crochet or knit) which will be placed in the Brick Hospital Chapel, Shorrock Nursing Home, and Weatherhead & Young Funeral Home, are always needed. All projects may be done at home. Contact Coordinator Lori Evans at lmegolfer@gmail.com.

Fundraising Committee – Seeking new members to join our fun, energetic group. Are you interested? If so, contact Linda Kathenes (848-333-5119, JLin52@comcast.net) or Lynn Mizer (732-966-6240, lmizer@comcast.net).



If you are a group leader and need volunteers, simply email your info to bpcnewsletter111@gmail.com before the 15th of the month, to be included here next month.

"The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." Proverbs 11:25





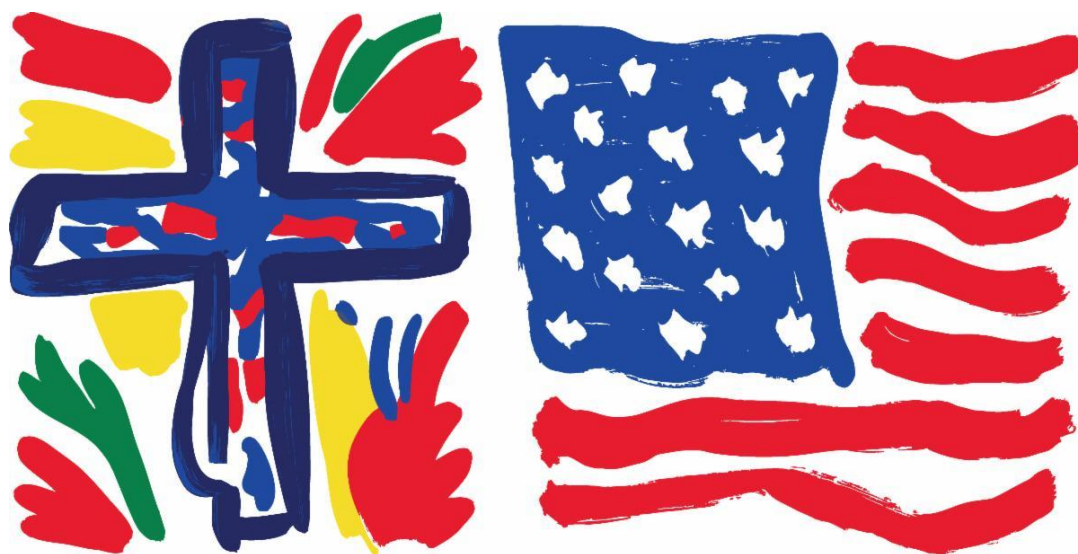
The Good Tidings newsletter is sent monthly to the BPC family via Constant Contact email. *If you know of any members not currently receiving Constant Contact mailers, please have them notify the church office with their email address so they can receive future mailings.*

The Good Tidings is also available in condensed PDF format (with no personal info) on the church website.

We will continue with worship services online as well as live-streaming in the Sanctuary – please join us! These services are also on our website in case you miss one and would like to go back and watch.

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