

The Cornerstone

The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Psalm 118:22-23

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***Blessed are
the Pure in Heart;
for They shall
see God.”***

Matthew 5:7

“Jesus once compared the Pharisees to whitewashed tombs, which are beautiful on the outside but full of death inside (Matt. 23:27). The Pharisees focused their attention on signs of outward purity—hand washing, ritual baths, and strict rules for the Sabbath—but God wants us to have pure hearts that overflow into pure lives. God promises us there will come a day when we who love Jesus stand before the Lord with pure hearts and see Him face to face (Rev. 22:4).”

I look forward to worshipping with you this Sunday as we explore our hearts, discover the ways in which we are able to see our God, and reflect on our practices that open our hearts to see God.



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See any UWIF member for your pass or stop in the church office.

2025 RED BANK CROP WALK

Sunday, October 19, 2025

CROP is a program of Church World Service that seeks to combat hunger within both the local community and world community. The 45th annual **Red Bank CROP Walk** will be held on **October 19th**.

A table is available during fellowship with resources and materials. If you would like to join this year's walk, walker envelopes can be picked up at the table if you choose not to register on-line.

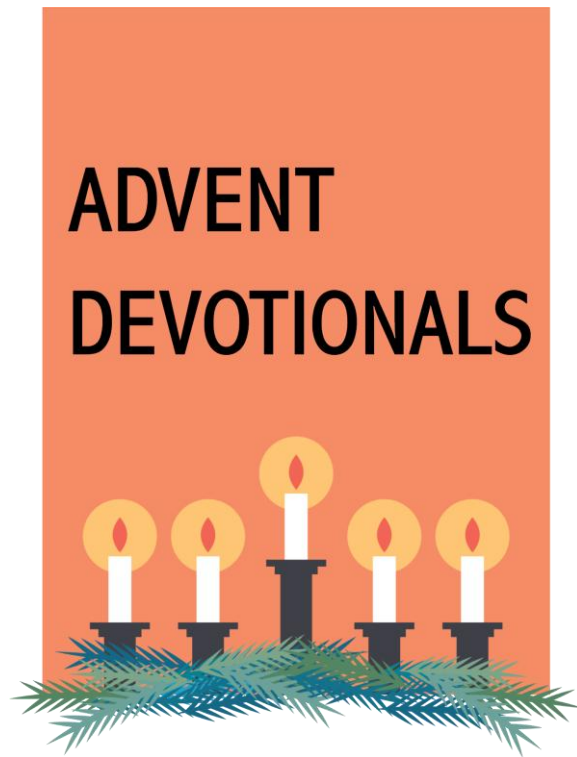
If you would like to donate to the walk, checks are made payable to **CWS/ Red Bank CROP Walk** and can be given to Jeff Danielson. On-line donations can be made at events.crophungerwalk.org website-click on the **Browse a full list of teams** button, click on **First United Methodist Church-Oakhurst** and follow the prompts.

Over the past 40-years, the congregation has been most generous in its support of the CROP walk ministry. On behalf of all the walkers throughout the decades, thank you for your steadfast support.

WALK. GIVE. CHANGE THE WORLD.

2025
CROP HUNGER WALKS

ENDING HUNGER
ONE STEP AT A TIME



It's not too early to get your mental wheels in motion! Advent will soon be here! Once again, we are soliciting contributions to our very personal advent booklet. It's not hard to do. Just a Bible verse, a short anecdote or some thoughts, poetry, favorite hymn-just about anything that might be inspiring.

How has God touched your life? Please give it some thought, and I am certain you could share your experience with your church family!

I am here to help! Diane Maher. 732-513-8413

Dianeserine07712@yahoo.com

Deadline for submissions: November 8



Saturday, January 24 – Saturday, January 31, 2026

**We are heading to West Virginia
to aid our neighbors in need.**

ALL are welcome to participate!!!

No skills needed – learn on the job.

**Every talent will be utilized...cooks, listeners, errand runners, and of course those
willing to paint, hammer, and learn something new. We don't yet know our
projects but we know the meaningful message of love we provide AND receive.**

Interested? Questions?

Contact Robyn Korsen robynpt21@comcast.net



18th Sunday after Pentecost
October 12, 2025

Counters: Kitty Amato, Peg Kuchen, Chip Stoll

Greeter: Jeff Ragle

Usher: Chip Stoll

Acolyte: Faye Snorton

Lay Reader: Nicola Mulligan

Fellowship Hosts:

Altar Flowers:

Given in loving memory of Pat Whitney's
birthday by Robin & Tommy.
Given in honor of the wedding anniversary of
Deanna & George Robson by Arlene & Buster
Stoll.



19th Sunday after Pentecost
October 19, 2025

Counters: Rand Danielson, Jane Gittines

Greeter: Melody Ragle

Usher: Mike Sheckler

Acolyte: Susan McRae

Lay Reader: Garry Smith

Fellowship Hosts: Jeff Danielson, Pamela Lynch

Altar Flowers:

Given in loving memory of Gail Danielson by
Ron, Jeff, Scott, & Russel.
Given in honor of Debbie Henderson's birthday
by her family.

Thank you
VOLUNTEERS!

The UWIF wishes to thank all who
planned, donated, baked, schlepped, arranged,
cleaned, tossed, haggled, lugged, packed, carried,
and spent hours of time in order to make the garage
sale a success! \$2264 was raised to be used in
mission work here and abroad! Thank you one and
all!

OCTOBER 12th



1:30 p.m.
in the field by the
playground. All well-
behaved animals, birds,
reptiles, and aquatic
creatures are welcome.
Spread the word!
THIS SUNDAY!



UP FOR GRABS

In Blair Chapel there are cushioned folding chairs
that are free for the taking. The chairs are being
replaced with a different kind of chair and before
discarding them they are being offered to all of you.
For more information or to set up a time to take
them, call the church office 732-531-1150.



Please join the Board of Trustees at their fall workday on October 25th. They will be sprucing up the church properties starting at 9 a.m. There is something for everyone to do no matter what your capability.



The Little Free Pantry

Please think of stocking shelf-stable milk, powdered milk, soup, stew, chili, whole grain cereal, toiletries, hygiene products, baby food, applesauce, canned beans, canned chicken, canned tuna, canned salmon, SPAM, canned ham, canned vegetables, olive oil, canola oil, crackers, dried herbs, spices, canned fruit, dried fruit, granola bars, instant mashed potatoes, meals in a box, nuts, pasta, peanut butter, & rice.

A good idea this week:
Yellow rice

Tsedalech Tesfaye, our World Vision Child from Ethiopia, is sponsored for the month of October by Robin Whitney and Tommy Vignola in loving memory of Pat & Jim Whitney.

**OUR OCTOBER COMMUNION OFFERING
BENEFITS
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**



Mercy Center Collection

Mercy Center is in need of the following items: cooking oil, Ramen noodles, canned pasta, rice (1 lb. bags), crackers, SPAM, salad dressing, mayonnaise, pancake mix, ketchup, sugar, corn, Hamburger Helper, canned fruit, pasta sauce, tomato sauce, cereal, seasonings, jelly, syrup, toothbrushes (single packs), toothpaste, deoderant, diapers, pull-ups (size 5 and up), bar soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, laundry detergent, & dish detergent.



SAVE THE DATE

October 26th

1:30 p.m.

St. John's United Methodist Church: Hazlet

All are invited to this very important business meeting of our church.



Our homebound: David Miller, Bev Itell, Virginia Haydu, Bob Sproat, Bertha Ahrens, Cary Carlisle, Priscilla Smith, Elaine Gould

Sunnyside Manor, Wall: Nancy Burt

In Hospital: Avery Fallon

Our church family worshipping at a distance: Barbara Novick, Jean Gillette, Laura Eble, Jack & Caroline Chesbro



Something to think about:

A bad attitude is like a flat tire. You'll never go anywhere unless you change it.

WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS



Oct. 12-Oct 18

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Psalm 66:1-12
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19



Java with Jill

Join Jill at the Blue Swan

Diner for coffee and conversation (or the drink of your preference).

This informal time of fellowship will be every 4th Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.

Mark your calendar: October 28th



Coffee Fellowship

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS NEEDED

Do you have what it takes
to be a fellowship host?
YES, YOU DO!

Please sign up in the upstairs kitchen. The very simple requirements to be a fellowship host are posted on the poster board. Or you may speak with Bonnie McNamara.



Puzzle!

Write a word that fits each definition. Then place the letters in the numbered boxes to read a Beatitude, one of the special statements Jesus shares in Matthew 5.

The color of coal

1 2 8 17 21

Flower with thorns

9 4 3

Woman's Sunday garment

7 23 6 5 24

Vegetable in a pod

14 10 16

A light for my _____

20 11 12

Electric fish

13 15

Dark green gem

18 19 22

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24		

Answers: black, rose, dress, pea, path, oil, emerald; Blessed are the peacemakers

