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Walk to Emmaus

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FACE TO FACE

The Garden State Walk to Emmaus is blessed to announce a new program, **Face to Face** that will be held in the spring of 2016. It is for anyone over the age of **60** and who may be physically unable to do the Walk to Emmaus weekend. This encounter will be held at

Beverly United Methodist Church. It will be held over 4 Saturdays from 9 - 3:30. April 16, 23, 30 and May 7, 2016. You will encounter The Risen Christ Face to Face in an experience in the Emmaus tradition. Lunch and refreshments will be served. Please see Debbie Campion for more information and for registration forms. There is a limited number of seats. Debbie went to Nashville to get internationally trained for this program by the Upper Room. There are only 14 communities around the world that are offering this exciting new program.

CHRYSALIS FLIGHT

A Chrysalis Flight is designed to help young men and women in their Christian development and strengthen their faith in God and Jesus Christ. The targeted age is 13 to 17 years old.

The Girls' flight will take place April 21- 24, 2016 and the Boys' flight will be May 19 -22, 2016. The follow up day, called Next Steps is scheduled for June 4, 2016.

Registration is now open. Please see Debbie or Bryan Campion for more information.

THE NEXT WALK TO EMMAUS WEEKENDS have been announced. The Mens' Walk is September 22-25, 2016. The Women's Walk is October 6-9, 2016. The follow up day, called Fourth Day is to be determined.

If you would like more information about the Walk or to fill out an application, please contact Bryan and Debbie Campion.

Methodist Hospital

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The **Women's Association of Methodist Hospital**, of which Epworth is a member, renders services to and raises funds for the hospital. The Association seeks to cultivate interest in supporting its' mission through its representatives in the Methodist Churches of Eastern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey.

The Association gathers **lap robes** and **tray favors** from these churches to be given directly to patients. Lap robes in no way support fundraising efforts of the Association as previously reported. They are delivered to patients in crisis by the hospital chaplaincy staff. Tray favors, small individual mementos, are placed on patients' meal trays as a love token, a reminder of Christ's love in troubled times.

The Association raises monies through **patron donations, memorial gifts, and monthly sales** in the hospital lobby that include a Christmas bazaar, Easter and Mother's Day plant and flower sales, gold and silver jewelry, books, electronics, handbags, and others. **Memorials** are inscribed in the chapel Memorial Book.

Through fundraising efforts the Association has, among other things, purchased a state-of-the art mammography machine and remodeled the open surgical suite visitors' lounge into private areas for families waiting for news of their loved ones' progress. This year's monies will go toward staffing a program designed to avoid readmission following discharge by a medically trained person assisting in the discharge process and the return home and monitoring the patient's progress for 30 days.

Open luncheon meetings are held at the hospital in the spring and fall. This year they are April 28 and September 22. If you are interested in attending, please contact Jo Malessa.

3:16 A Max Lucado Study

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THE NUMBERS OF HOPE

Beginning on **Wednesday, April 13 at 7pm**, a new study will be starting. We will be discussing this twenty-six word parade of hope: beginning with God, ending with life, and urging us to do the same. Brief enough to write on a napkin or memorize in a moment, yet solid enough to weather two thousand years of storms and questions. If you know nothing of the Bible, start here. If you know everything in the Bible, return here. We all need the reminder. The heart of the human problem is the heart of the human. And God's treatment is prescribed in John 3:16. This six week study will explore this verse and draw us deeper to experience God's love poured out in His Son. We hope you will consider being with us on Wednesday evenings.

Board Game & Mission Night

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APRIL 15 at 6 PM

At 6 pm we will join together in making utensil packets and placemats for Cathedral Kitchen in Camden. Then we will enjoy a night of fellowship as we play a variety of board games together. It is sure to be a night full of fun and laughter. Please bring a snack to share. For more information, please see Pastor Charlie or Tina.

Greeters Needed

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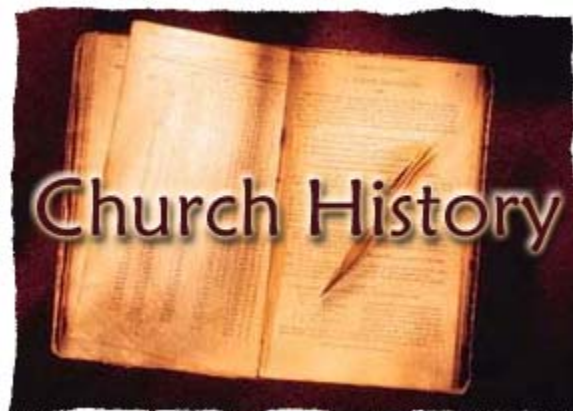


You are invited to volunteer to serve as a greeter for Sunday worship. This is a great way to get meet one another as we gather for worship. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Beyond serving in this special way, each of us should do our part to greet one another. Take some time to seek out someone you might not know and say hello. Let's work together to be a place where we welcome one another in the love of Christ.

History Committee Members Sought

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The History Committee has always been an important part of Epworth's fabric. Epworth's past is a story that needs to be preserved and retold. This important work can only be done by a group dedicated to this aspect of our ministry. We are looking to re-form this team and continue to build upon the

foundation laid by others before. If you have an interest in history and especially that of Epworth we ask that you talk with Pastor Charlie. The rich history of Epworth is waiting for you to discover the next story that needs to be told.

Epworth Online

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Epworth continues to build a strong internet presence. Today it is important that we are able to be present with you regardless of where you are. With this in mind we continue to update our website. When was the last time you visited palmyranjumc.org? Our website has an up-to-date calendar with all the upcoming events, information regarding our groups and Bible studies, links to other sites that you may find useful, and much about our various ministries.

It is also the place where you can go to see a [live stream](#) of our Sunday worship service. Next time you are away for whatever reason, you can still experience worship with us.

Our [Facebook](#) page shares information about upcoming activities. It is also a great place to share your photos or stories about Epworth.

Finally we share upcoming events and prayer requests through email. **Epworth Happenings** highlights upcoming events and lets you what is going in the life of the church. We also share information concerning ministries of Epworth. We hope you will take a quick look to see what is happening.

Our goal is to keep you connected to Epworth wherever you may be. If you have an idea on what we can do to improve our online presence please talk with Tina or Charlie.

Epworth Remembers...

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Tom Carmichael faithfully served Epworth for many years in a variety of ways. Most of us may remember Tom most for the cheerful greeting that he shared with us as we came to worship on Sunday mornings. His warm smile and firm handshake made one feel welcome and at home. Tom for many years worked with others to offer breakfast to the youth on Wednesday mornings during Lent. You could find him flipping pancakes for those thirty or more kids. It surely made a difference in those young people's lives. For a time Tom also played on the Epworth softball team. He was a faithful member of this church family and served this congregation with commitment and dedication.

Tom Carmichael has been recently remembered on the Memorial Endowment Plaque. This endowment was created to help Epworth remember those who have made a difference in our lives. You are invited to share the name of a loved one or someone that has left their mark upon your life. A suggested donation of \$100 will add their name to this growing endowment that will support the ministry of Epworth for years to come. Who do you know that needs to be remembered? Whose story needs to be told?