

# THE BEACON

The Broad Street United Methodist Church Newsletter

## The Pastor's Corner

### Stepping into August: A Month of New Beginnings and Abundant Promises



As we enter August, the eighth month of the year, we are reminded of its biblical significance. Eight symbolizes new beginnings and renewal. This time of year traditionally marks a period of harvest and abundance, aligning perfectly with the promises of renewal and revitalization in our spiritual journeys.

In the Hebrew calendar, August corresponds with the month of Tammuz, a period traditionally associated with vision. It is a poignant reminder that our ability to envision and strive towards a future filled with hope and promise is entirely a gift of God's grace and love. This grace affords us new beginnings as promised in His word, continuously renewing our spirit and purpose.

The Apostle Paul's words in 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 resonate deeply during this month: "Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." This passage encourages us to embrace spiritual renewal, focusing on the eternal rather than the temporal, which aligns with the essence of Tammuz's vision.

Moreover, the Beatitudes present us with eight behaviors or attitudes that encapsulate the essence of a life renewed by faith. These attitudes, which include being poor in spirit, merciful, pure in heart, and peacemakers, guide us in

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cultivating a spirit that is in harmony with God's kingdom. Embodying these beatitudes ensures our continuous renewal, keeping us aligned with God's divine plan.

As we step into August, let us do so with faith and strength, harvesting the abundance that this season offers while stepping into the promises God has laid out for us. Let this month reflect our willingness to embrace new beginnings, renew our commitments, and live out the attitudes that keep us spiritually rejuvenated. Through God's grace, we are given the vision and strength to see beyond our current circumstances, stepping into a future crafted by His divine promises.



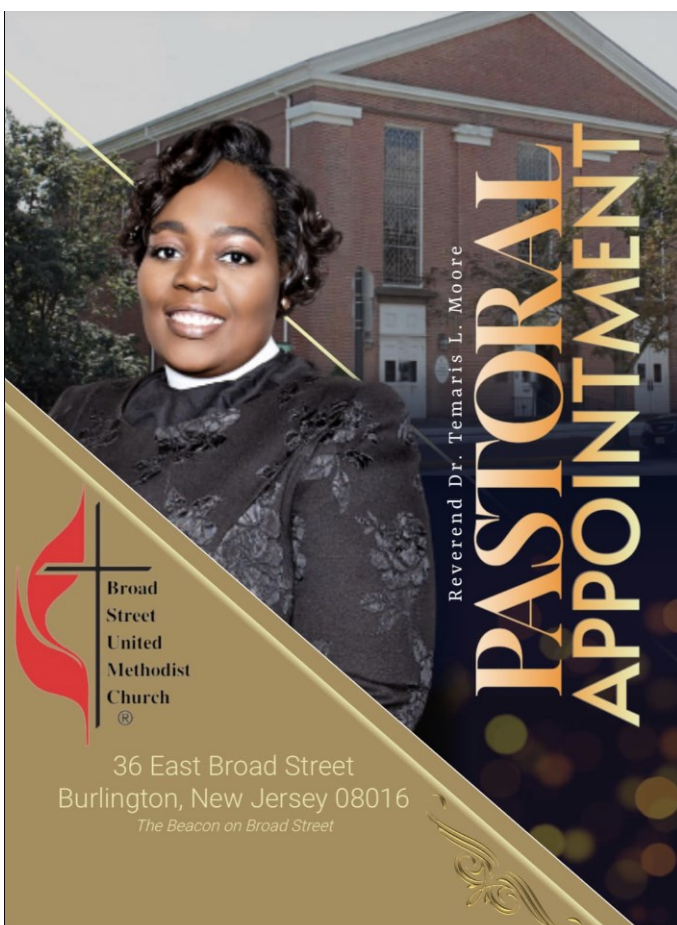
**BROAD STREET UMC**

**COMMUNION SUNDAY**

COME JOIN US FOR  
IN-PERSON WORSHIP SERVICES

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024 | AT 10:00AM**  
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Reverend Dr. Temaris L. Moore

**PASTORAL APPOINTMENT**

Broad Street United Methodist Church

36 East Broad Street  
Burlington, New Jersey 08016  
*The Beacon on Broad Street*

# Concert Wednesday, August 14th

Share the word—bring a friend!

**Roundtable Productions - Delaware Valley  
presents**



Join us for a session with Emily Byrne  
and the songbirds, sirens and showgirls that inspire her.

**Wednesday, August 14, 2024**

**7:00 - 9:00PM**

at the

**Broad Street United Methodist Church**

**36 E. Broad Street**

**Burlington, NJ 08016**

Tickets: Pre-ordered (pay at the door) - \$20

At the door (not pre-ordered) - \$25

Children and students with ID - \$10

Email [concerts@broadstumc.org](mailto:concerts@broadstumc.org) to reserve your tickets or use the QR code below.

All tickets are paid for at the door

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Zoom Link available upon request.



Please help us share the word about this concert. It is exciting to have musical performances with these well-known artists at Broad Street and we'd like to have a large audience come to hear them. Invite a friend to join you and attend the concert together. Pre-order your tickets to save. The first two concerts of this monthly concert series were terrific. We're in the air-conditioned chapel. Come make an evening of it and enjoy some wonderful and well-known music.

Read more about this month's performer, Emily Byrne, [here](#).





THE TWENTY THIRD PSALM  
Unknown Author  
(submitted by Marsha Danser)

The Lord is my Shepherd - That's Relationship!  
I shall not want - That's Supply!  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures - That's Rest!  
He leadeth me beside the still waters - That's Refreshment!  
He restoreth my soul - That's Healing!  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness - That's  
Guidance!  
For His name sake - That's Purpose!  
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death  
- That's Testing!  
I will fear no evil - That's Protection!  
For Thou art with me - That's Faithfulness!  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me - That's Discipline!  
Thou preparast a table before me in the presence of mine  
enemies - That's Hope!  
Thou anointest my head with oil - That's Consecration!  
My cup runneth over - That's Abundance!  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of  
my life - That's Blessing!  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord - That's Security!  
Forever - That's Eternity!





### **RALLY DAY**

Cindy Borgstrom and Marsha Danser

Here is something for your calendar!  
September 8, 2024 at 9:45 a.m.

Come and celebrate Rally Day with us at Broad Street! This is the Sunday when our summer hours officially end and fall hours are upon us.

Sunday School returns at 9:45 and Worship at 11:00 a.m.

Rally Day is a celebration for our Sunday School participants, children and adults. We will have some special events for all ages.....and let's not forget the refreshments!

Put this date on your calendar and we will see you there!



The members of the Girls of Grace are already planning for their annual Christmas Tea which will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2024. Tickets are available now. Get yours early! See any member of GOG for your tickets.

We are also collecting items for our annual yard sale which will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2024, which is the same weekend as the annual East Union Street Yard Sale. If you have items you would like to donate, please feel free to bring them to the church where we are collecting them upstairs in the last Sunday School room on the left at the end of the hall.

# Mark Your Calendars for these Upcoming Events



We have a lot of activities coming up this year. Mark your calendars now to be sure you don't miss any of them. Additions (such as meetings) will be added to the calendar as they are scheduled. You can find all of these and other activities at the church on the church calendar on the [website](#).

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| Wednesday<br>August 14, 2024           | <i>Sirens, Songbirds &amp; Showgirls</i> Concert 7:00PM        |
| Sunday<br>September 8, 2024            | Sunday School Rally Day 9:45 AM<br>Worship returns to 11:00 AM |
| Thursday<br>September 12, 2024         | Sanctuary Choir practice resumes in Lucas Hall 7:00PM          |
| Monday<br>September 16, 2024           | Deadline to order hoagies for the September sale               |
| Friday & Saturday<br>Sept. 20-21, 2024 | Girls of Grace Hoagie Sale                                     |
| Saturday<br>September 28, 2024         | Girls of Grace Annual Yard Sale                                |
| Saturday<br>October 19, 2024           | Set-up for Friends and Family luncheon 9:30AM                  |
| Sunday<br>October 20, 2024             | Friends and Family Sunday (lunch following worship)            |
| Monday<br>October 21, 2024             | Gerald Dickens returns with <i>A Christmas Carol</i>           |
| Saturday<br>November 23, 2024          | Decorate the church for Christmas 9:30AM (meet in sanctuary)   |
| Sunday<br>November 24, 2024            | Community Thanksgiving Service; time TBD                       |
| Wednesday<br>November 27, 2024         | Set-up for Thanksgiving Breakfast; time TBD                    |
| Thursday<br>November 28, 2024          | Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast in Lucas Hall 8:00AM             |
| Friday<br>December 6, 2024             | Set-up for Annual Christmas Tea                                |
| Saturday<br>December 7, 2024           | Annual Christmas Tea Noon-3:00PM (set-up 8:00AM)               |
| Sunday<br>December 15, 2024            | Sanctuary Choir Christmas Cantata during worship 11:00AM       |
| Sunday<br>December 15, 2024            | Advent Covered Dish Dinner Lucas Hall 4:00PM                   |
| Sunday<br>December 22, 2024            | Blue Christmas Service 7:00PM                                  |
| Tuesday<br>December 24, 2024           | Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 7:00PM                       |

Just a Thought for Those of Us Who Tend to Overdo It.....

You don't have to set yourself on fire to keep other people warm!

For more information about any of these stories or upcoming church activities, please visit our website:

[www.broadstumc.org](http://www.broadstumc.org)

Previous editions of this newsletter can be found at this [link](#).

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and on Instagram:

[https://www.instagram.com/bsumc\\_burlington/](https://www.instagram.com/bsumc_burlington/)

## BILL LUCAS

Next week will mark one year since we lost Bill Lucas and still a year later we continue to find things that Bill did for Broad Street that we were unaware of. Just one example of this occurred last Sunday when we ran out of toner for the copier and didn't have enough bulletins until some folks printed out extras at home and brought them in. We can't help but think that Bill would have been on top of this and made sure we didn't run out.



He continues to be thought of daily and missed greatly, not only by members of our church but by others who interacted with him as he represented our church.

We've lost quite a few long-term members of BSUMC over the past two years. Let's keep all of those families in prayer this month.



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