

## TIME TO BE THINKING ABOUT...CAMP

Go online at [www.brethrenwoods.org](http://www.brethrenwoods.org) and check out the camp schedule for this summer. BWCOB will pay the registration for a week of camp for each child who would like to have this wonderful experience. After you have registered, please be sure to let the church office know the dates your child will be attending.

This year's theme is **Power Up!**



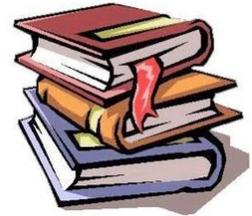
## TELLING THE STORY OF YOUR LIFE

How would you like to join together with others across the spectrum of age and life experience to reflect on your personal journey while writing your "spiritual autobiography"? During lent this year, Pastor Chris will be offering a course that will lead participants through a process of exploring our most meaningful life experiences, helping us to understand and sort out the factors that help define each of our own spiritual journeys, following the pattern laid out in Dan Wakefield's *The Story of Your Life*. The course will run the six weeks of lent on Tuesday evenings (7-8:30 p.m.) beginning February 24 and concluding on March 31. Childcare and transportation assistance is available. Because of the intense personal nature of this experience and the developmental process that builds from week to week, participants will be asked to make a commitment to confidentiality and to regular attendance for the length of the course, missing no more than 1 session over the duration. If interested, please sign up on the list in the greeting hall or contact Pastor Chris or the church office by **February 8**.

## PASTOR'S BOOK STUDY FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH

Pastor Chris invites you to join him for a three week book study on Wednesday afternoons, 2-3 pm, February 18 and March 4 and 18. We will be reading and discussing the 2014 book *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption* by Bryan Stevenson, the executive director of the Equal Justice Initiative in Montgomery, Alabama, and a professor of law at New York University Law School. Stevenson has won relief for dozens of condemned prisoners, argued five times before the Supreme Court, and won national acclaim for his work challenging bias against the poor and people of color. If you'd like to join the discussion, you may either obtain your own copy of the book; OR if you would prefer, sign up on the list in the church office by Sunday, February 8, to order through the church at a cost no greater than \$20. We will discuss the first five chapters at the February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. See you then!

## RECENT LIBRARY ADDITIONS



### Kindred Souls – Patricia MacLachlan

“Jake’s grandfather, Billy, hears the talk of birds, is eighty-eight years old, and is going to live forever. Even when Billy gets sick, Jake knows that everything will go on as always. But there’s one thing Billy wants: to rebuild the sod house where he grew up. Can Jake give him this one special thing?”

From beloved author Patricia MacLachlan comes a poignant story about what we do for the ones we love, and how the bonds that hold us together also allow us to let each other go.”

### Somewhere Safe With Somebody Good – Jan Karon

“After five hectic years of retirement from Lord’s Chapel, Father Tim Kavanagh and his wife, Cynthia, return to Mitford from a so-called pleasure trip to the land of his Irish ancestors.

While he is glad to be at home in Mitford, something is definitely missing from Father Tim’s life: a pulpit!

But when he’s offered one, he decides he doesn’t want it. Maybe he’s lost his passion.

Does Mitford still take care of its own?

Millions of fans will applaud the chance to spend time in the often comic and utterly human presence of Jan Karon’s characters. Indeed, they have never been more sympathetic, bighearted, and engaging.”

### Children of God Storybook Bible – Archbishop Desmond Tutu

“Archbishop Desmond Tutu retells more than fifty of his most beloved Bible stories, artfully highlighting God’s desire for all people to love one another and to find peace and forgiveness in their hearts. Many of the finest artists from around the world have been selected to illustrate the stories. In an attempt to create the first truly global Bible for children, the artists have been invited to portray the stories with the style and richness of their own culture. Their stunning color illustrations allow readers to experience the Bible stories as if they were there—with Adam and Even in the garden, with Noah on the ark, with Abraham in the desert, and with Jesus on the mountaintop. Every story shows how God works through history, and ends with a short prayer, personalizing the message for each reader. Archbishop Tutu’s wisdom, compassion, and sense of humor shine throughout as he reminds us that ‘we are all God’s children.’”

## A TIME CAPSULE LETTER FROM A FEW OF OUR YOUTH

*We are thankful for such a caring and loving community. For your many gifts in ministry that improve the world and God’s Kingdom, we are grateful. Your support and caring for our faith journey has molded and shaped us into the Christians we are today. Every little deed really does mean a lot to us. We also really admire how our church reaches out into the community to serve others for the glory of God. For all of you, we are thankful.*

*Peace to you all,*

*~ Libby Kreps & Adeline Hipps, (with Eric Landram)*

*July 3, 2014*

## GIRL SCOUT COOKIES FOR SALE

It’s the time of year when Girl Scout cookies are available. If you would like to place an order with one of the Girl Scouts in our congregation, the cookies will be available for pick up at the church. An email order can also be sent to Paula Neher ([rescue15@comcast.net](mailto:rescue15@comcast.net)) she’ll divide those e-orders between the Scouts. The Girl Scouts connected to our congregation include: Acadia Bowen, Madison Evick, Adeline Hipps, Olivia Horn, Addyson McNeal, Gena Day-Miller, Lilly Day-Miller, Andie Neher, Emma Nicholas, Eliana Teshome, Sofia Teshome

Cookie options are:

Thanks-a-Lot, Cranberry Citrus Crisps, Lemonade, Shortbread, Thin Mints, Peanut Butter Patties, Caramel DeLites, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Trios (gluten-free peanut butter, oatmeal, chocolate chip mixed)

## NOTES OF THANKS

*Thank you so much for the box of goodies! Happy Holidays!*  
~ **Allene Humes**  
(This note was inadvertently left out of our January Newsletter)

*Thank you to all who played a part when the Open Doors shelter was at BWCOB recently. Ellsworth Neff generously gave hours of time providing transportation for our guests. Another Voice significantly adapted their plans for the Alternative Christmas Fair, and a number of people were affected by not holding Wednesday Night Meals those weeks. The Bridgewater Childcare Center, Bridgewater Preschool, and Bridgewater Montessori School gave up the use of the social hall. Thank you to all of these and others who support this ministry with assistance and prayer.*  
~ **Wendy Carr**

*Thanks for celebrating with me on my 94th birthday. I appreciated your calls, cards and good wishes.*  
~ **Carl Lineweaver**

*Thank you for the prayers, cards, emails and phone calls following my recent surgeries. A caring church family is wonderful.*  
~ **Ann Anderson**

*Thank you to everyone who supported/participated in Angel Tree this past Christmas. A special thank you to Doris Harsh, Ada Longenecker, Shannon Puffenbarger, and Jeanie Eye/children for creating beautiful Christmas cards, which were given to each of the families.*  
~ **Jeannie Turner**

*Your thoughtfulness and kindness truly reflect the love of Christ. Thank you for caring. The prayers, emails and cards from our church really warmed my heart during my father's illness and death. With gratitude,*  
**Linda Alley & Robert**

## FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Saturday, February 21, at 6:30 p.m. will be the next Family Game Night. Board, card, and dice games will be played in the greeting hall while active games such as basketball, ping-pong, and cornhole will be played in the social hall. Drinks will be provided it.

Got a game to share? Bring it! Got a dish to share? Bring it! Got friends to bring along? Bring them! Only got yourself? Just come!

## WORSHIP SERVICES

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. on Sundays

### February 1—Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Preaching: *Pastor Jeff Carr*

Sermon: "Good Food Service"

Scriptures: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Mark 1:21-28;  
1 Corinthians 8:1-13

### February 8—Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Preaching: *Pastor Jeff Carr*

Sermon: "Rules to Live by..."

Mothers & Fathers Must Love Each Other"

Scripture: Exodus 20:14

### February 15—Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Preaching: *Pastor Chris Zepp*

Sermon: "Healing, Hope, and Wholeness"

Scriptures: 2<sup>nd</sup> Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Mark 1:40-45

### February 22—First Sunday in Lent

Preaching: *Pastor Jeff Carr*

Sermon: "Rules to Live by..."

Don't Take Anything Without Asking"

Scripture: Exodus 20:15

Bridgewater Home Auxiliary

## SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE LUNCH & SUPPER

Tuesday, February 17, in the social hall

Lunch: 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Supper: 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Menu:

Pancakes—Plain & Buckwheat  
Sausage Gravy & Chicken Gravy & Syrup  
Applesauce & Fruit Cup  
Tea & Coffee

Donations to the Bridgewater Home Auxiliary will benefit the Foundation's Resident Care Endowment Fund.

## DEACONS: MEAL AND MEETING

A Deacon meal and meeting is planned for Sunday, February 22, following Worship at 11. Francesco's Restaurant will provide the meal of pasta and salad. Please call or email the church office to let us know if you will be attending the meal so we're sure to order enough from Francesco's.