**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 28**

*also available on the church website, medfordumc.org*

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**THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR**

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**SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY**

Worship: 9:00 = 95; 10:30 = 67; Total = 162

WiFi: MUMC Guest; password = godsgrace  
App (Apple/Android): Medford UMC-NJ  
Sermon Podcast: medfordumc.buzzsprout.com  
YouTube Video Archive: Medford UMC Messages  
Instagram: medfordumc  
Facebook: facebook.com/medfordumc  
Our contemporary service is streamed on Facebook Live each week.  
When you’re in the building, please check in.

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**DOWNLOAD THE MUMC APP!** Last weekend, we launched our brand-new MUMC app (for both Apple and Android)! This new tool will bring together all things MUMC in one convenient place. Miss a sermon? Catch up with the video or audio from last week’s message. Read the latest news, announcements and events. Manage your recurring giving. And in time, we'll be bringing you small group resources and devotional guides. We're excited about all this new tool has to offer. Download and install it today - text “medfordapp” to 77977 to go directly to the download page, or search your app store for “Medford UMC.” And send us your feedback - you can do that right from the app!

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**MEDFORD UMC at NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, FREEDOM PARK:** Join us on Tuesday, August 6 between 6:00–9:00 pm to share the news about what’s happening at Medford UMC. We'll be inviting people to our Trunk or Treat in October with trunks decorated with Vacation Bible School and Canoe Carnival themes. Would you be willing to decorate a trunk with our Vacation Bible School decorations? It's always a fun evening and a great way to get acquainted with the community. Contact Pastor Kathleen to let her know you can help tell our story to Medford.

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**THE INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK NEEDS VOLUNTEERS:** As we did in May, on August 4th our IHN families will again return for a two week stay until August 18th. The first week we are hosting the hosts, St. Mary's of the Lakes, who are supporting the IHN families at our church. MUMC volunteers are especially needed for August 11th through August 18th. We will need drivers, food staples, meals prepped, dinner, evening and overnight hosts! Please help us to support the IHN families of Burlington County. Look for sign ups and more information to come. Please contact Bill or Barbara Carlson with any questions: carlsonb2@comcast.net or by phone: Bill, 609/273-5791, Barbara, 609/605-6362.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES COLLECTION:** Back to School already? Not quite - but “Back to School” is just around the corner and there are local children who can use our assistance in getting ready for that first day. We are asking for the church’s help with the following donations:

- Child-sized backpacks - preferably non-gender specific!
- Pencils - *non*-mechanical, boxes of 12
- Loose-leaf notebook paper (100-150 page packets)
- Binders – 1 inch, hardcover
- Folders – 3-hole punched
- Crayons – 24 count boxes
- Markers – 10-12 count boxes, washable
- Erasers – pink, rectangular (not pencil cap!)
- Yellow highlighters
- Glue sticks

A team of youth will be sorting the supplies and packing the backpacks. To make this easier, please put all supplies in a plastic shopping bag inside the back pack and **only** donate items from this list. If you are only donating supplies, that’s great too! Supplies and backpacks can be dropped off outside the sanctuary or in the FLC Lobby. Please make sure all donations are at the church by **Wednesday, August 21st**. Donations will be distributed to the children by the Neighborhood Center in Camden, the Christian Caring Center and IHCOC. Please join us in supporting these children! Please contact Chris Carl, cmctrumpet10700@gmail.com, 856/404-1706 with any questions.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:** Would you be willing to serve once or twice a year by preparing the communion elements on the first Sunday of the month? Sharing in Holy Communion is an essential part of our gathering together as a faith community. Instructions and training are provided. Please contact Lisa in the church office.
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP COFFEE HOSPITALITY TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED: We have transitioned to a new approach and need recruits to serve on either the 1st or 4th Sunday of the month. The duties include arriving 45 minutes early to turn on the coffee makers, make coffee, hot water, cut up the cakes, serve them and keep the counter supplied until after worship and then clean up and put things away. If you would like more information, please contact Lisa in the church office or Milt Eisenhardt, meisen1224@comcast.net; 856/298-6500. This is an important part of the ministry of welcome.

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WALKING GROUP FOR ALL AGES: Join us for reflection, prayer and connection as we take a meditative stroll in nature. Next date is Saturday, August 10. Contact Barbara Carlson at carlsonb2@comcast.net or at 609/518-9267 for more information.

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO HEAR MORE ABOUT? During the summer, Pastors Joe and Kathleen work to plan sermon series for the coming year. We’d love to get some input from all of you. What are some of the issues you struggle with? What are some of your questions about God and/or life in general? What would you like to understand better? Are there parts of the Bible that baffle you? Send any and all of your suggestions to Pastor Joe (joe@medfordumc.org) - we'll be planning now through mid-August.

SUMMER BOOK CLUB NEWS: On August 7 at 7:00 pm we will be lakeside at the home of Barb Frame to discuss the novel, Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton. This is the inspiring story of a Cuban-American woman who travels to Havana after the death of her beloved grandmother, where she discovers the roots of her identity - and unearths a family secret hidden since the revolution. We always welcome new readers! Any questions, please contact the church office or Patty Rosvold, pbrosvold179@verizon.net.

3rd - 8th GRADE SERVICE PROJECT & FUN NIGHT! . . . Wednesday, August 21st from 5:00 - 7:30 pm. We will gather in the FLC to sort Back to School supplies and backpack donations. Afterward we will have a pizza party, play games and shoot some hoops. This will be the first time we are welcoming our incoming 3rd grade youth. Details will be emailed to parents prior to the event. Questions can be directed to Bethany Carl at bethany@medfordumc.org.

6TH – 12TH GRADE TUBING ON THE DELAWARE TRIP . . . Monday, August 26th, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. SAVE THE DATE!! We hope you will bring a friend and join us for this tubing adventure. If you are interested, you must register for this event (cost is $25/person) by filling out the waiver form and handing it in (with payment) to Bethany or at the church office. Waiver forms will be emailed to families, but are also available in hard copy outside the sanctuary or in the FLC Lobby. We will be looking for interested adult volunteers to serve as drivers and join us on the river too! Questions can be directed to Bethany Carl, bethany@medfordumc.org.

KIDZ KORNER: Here at Medford UMC we welcome children at all our worship services. We have a childcare room for children from infant – kindergarten. The room is upstairs in the Family Life Center and is staffed each week by two fully trained, background checked, well qualified adults, from 8:45-11:45 am during the summer months. Just ask an usher or greeter if you need directions. In addition, in the back of the FLC during the contemporary worship there are tables and chairs set up with quiet activities for children who may get restless sitting within the congregation. Children are welcome to sit at the tables in our KIDZ KORNER and enjoy a more creative time in worship with books, coloring pages and activity sheets. Children may also bring their own quiet activities to use either in the KIDZ KORNER or in the congregation. Parents are reminded that they are still responsible for their children even when they are at the KIDZ KORNER – this is not an adult-supervised activity center. We welcome input from parents how to improve this worship experience for their whole family to spend time together worshipping God. Please speak with Pastor Kathleen, by sending an email or stopping by the office during the week.

GLENNA’S GLADIATORS: Medford UMC Book Club has formed a team, Glenna’s Gladiators, to join the walk to defeat ALS on Saturday, October 26 at Citizen’s Bank Park. Please join us as we honor the memory of our MUMC friends, Glenna Bishop and Diane O’Brien, by walking with us, donating to us or praying for us! Check out our team web page at www.alsa.org. For more information contact the church office or Patty Rosvold at pbrosvold179@verizon.net.

We would like to thank our church family for all their thoughtfulness at the death of our son-in-law, Gary Irwin. The prayers, calls and cards were so appreciated.

Our love, Nancy and John Schmidinger