

Baden United Methodist Church

GLEAM

Fall 2021



Mark your calendar for all these events.

September

- 5 Breakfast Brunch**
- 11 Church Work Day**
- 16 Silent Prayer Vigil**
- 25 Mission Barn Trip**

October

- 3 Breakfast Brunch**
- 3 First Responders Day**
- 10 Church Work Day**
- 31 Halloween Festival**

November

- 3 Charge Conference**
- 6 Church Work Day**
- 7 Breakfast Brunch**
- 7 All Saints Day**
- 18 Silent Prayer Vigil**
- 28 First Sunday of Advent**



*First Responders Sunday
October 3, 2021*

On October 3 Baden UMC will express their gratitude to the first responders that serve faithfully in our community. The police and fire departments, as well as the paramedics and ambulance personnel from Baden, Economy, Conway, and Ambridge, and their families will be invited to worship with us and join us in the Breakfast - Brunch following the worship service. During the service they will be recognized for their tireless contribution to our community. If you know of a first responder, please encourage them to attend.



One of Baden UMC's most vital and visible ministries to the community is the We Care Food Cupboard. Each month volunteers prepack bags of groceries which are picked up by participants in need of assistance.

Food and monetary donations are given by agencies, businesses, churches, and individuals. It has been amazing to see how God has continually provided the resources to meet the needs.

This fall We Care looks forward to the construction of the new ramp that will greatly facilitate the ease of processing and moving the groceries and food items. If you would like to serve, we are always looking for volunteers. Call Esther Hallas at 724-869-4739.

Salvation Army Volunteer Opportunity

Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21

Each month we go to the Salvation Army in Beaver Falls to help serve dinner. Anyone who would like to help can be involved. We will leave the church at 1:45 PM and return around 4:00 PM. You can even provide cookies for dessert, if you like.



Apple Dumpling Community Outreach

October 9 is the annual Fall Festival for Baden and the surrounding community. Baden UMC will be selling delicious homemade apple dumplings and cider at the event as a means of fundraising and outreach into the community.

Two days are scheduled for making apple dumplings in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall:

October 4 - 8 AM to 3:30 PM
October 8 - 8 AM to 2 PM



We need your help! There are many ways you can participate in the process regardless of baking talent. Contact Paula Hazelwood at 412-759-9830 for more information. We also will be accepting your pre-orders for apple dumplings through September 26.

More information is coming!





Children's Ministries

Hey Kids! Did you know that each Sunday we have a special children's lesson just for you? You don't want to miss it. Also, there will be more activities coming your way including Christmas play practice which will begin in November after church. Stay tuned for more information.

Parents - Don't forget to fill out a release form for each child to participate in children's ministry at Baden UMC. See Patty Meehan or contact the church office for a form.

Donations for the Homeless

As the weather begins to change there is a need for warmer clothes, jackets, and coats for the homeless in our community. Here are some additional things we are collecting.

- ___ Clothing - Fall and Winter
- ___ Lunch Boxes, Insulated bags
- ___ Shoes
- ___ Soap
- ___ Shampoo
- ___ Deodorant *
- ___ Razors
- ___ Shaving cream



Place your items in the bin in the entryway. Cash is welcomed to purchase specific needs. For questions contact Nemorio Ramirez at 724-709-3177.

* Much requested.

Breakfast Brunch

Oct. 3, Nov. 7,
Dec. 5 after
Service



Everyone is
welcome!

Following the Worship Service
Cost: Free Will Donation

All proceeds benefit the Capital Campaign



ORDER YOUR Poinsettias

Poinsettia Orders

Each year lovely Christmas Poinsettias are available to order in honor or in memory of your loved ones.

The plants are used to beautify the sanctuary and are available to be taken home after the Christmas Eve service.

This year the orders will be taken in the month of October. Red or white plants will be available in 6 ½" pots and will be wrapped in gold foil. At this time, the prices are not known but in October all the details and order forms will be available. All payments and orders will be due by, Sunday, October 31st.

More information will be coming soon!

Financial Update

Praise God that our church received another Paycheck Protection Program loan this year to help with COVID related shortfalls. We anticipate forgiveness for this loan as we had last year. The loan was a one-time boost for our church, and we are very grateful for it. Because of this loan, as of August 31, 2021 our profit and loss statement for the year now shows a loss of \$6,533, which is down from our last report. The Finance Committee is diligently planning the budget for 2022, and we ask for your prayers for God's guidance. We thank you for your continued faithful giving to all areas of the church.

The Finance Committee



Altar Flower Arrangements

If you would like to honor or remember a loved one by donating an altar arrangement on a specific Sunday sign up at the counter in the narthex and use the available envelope for your \$20 donation for the arrangement.

Thank you for your generosity.



Over 50 Creative Ways to Bless your Pastor

Make sure that you show your deep appreciation for those who cherish you and diligently work as ministers among you.

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FAITHFULLY PRAY

The best way to help your pastor is to faithfully and regularly pray for:

- Intimacy with God
- Marital love and unity
- Spiritual protection
- Divine guidance
- Emotional and physical well-being
- Parenting skills
- Genuine friendships
- Financial provisions
- Daily wisdom
- Personal encouragement
- Helpful mentors
- Effective ministry
- Time management
- Quality study and prayer times
- Helpful training and books
- Leadership skills

FONDNESS

- Let the pastor know how God is specifically using them to bless, help and teach you to follow God.
- Remember your pastor's birthday and anniversary with a card, gift or social media post.
- Show appreciation for your pastor's strengths and give grace in their weaknesses.

FREEDOM

- Give your pastor's spouse the freedom to be themselves and to find their own niche at the church.
- Let your pastor's children "be kids," care about them, and pray for them.

FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FUN

- Prepare a meal or baked goods for them (ask about favorite meals or certain foods to avoid).
- Give your pastor a gift card for restaurants, fast food or coffee shops.

- Give your pastor food from your garden, orchard, hunting or fishing trips.
- Invite your pastor and family to your home or a restaurant for a meal.
- Invite your pastor and family to go fishing, sailing, camping, hunting, to the gym, concerts, plays or sporting events. Offer to cover some or all of the costs.
- Offer your pastor's family sports, concert or event tickets.
- If you have a vacation home, timeshare, recreational vehicle or camping gear, offer to let your pastor use it.
- Share frequent flyer miles that can be used for conferences, vacation, mission trips or holiday travel.
- Offer your pastor the use of your dependable vehicle, SUV or minivan for a holiday family trip or vacation.

FREELY SHARE

Share your skills and time to help with any of the following items:

- Babysitting
- Auto maintenance and repair
- Home repairs, maintenance and projects
- Decorating, painting and wallpapering
- Haircuts and beauty treatments
- Medical, dental and chiropractic care
- Lawn and garden upkeep
- Legal, estate and financial services
- Tutoring or lessons for children

If needed, communicate in advance if there are any out-of-pocket costs the pastor will need to cover (e.g., parts for a car repair or materials for home repair).

FINANCES

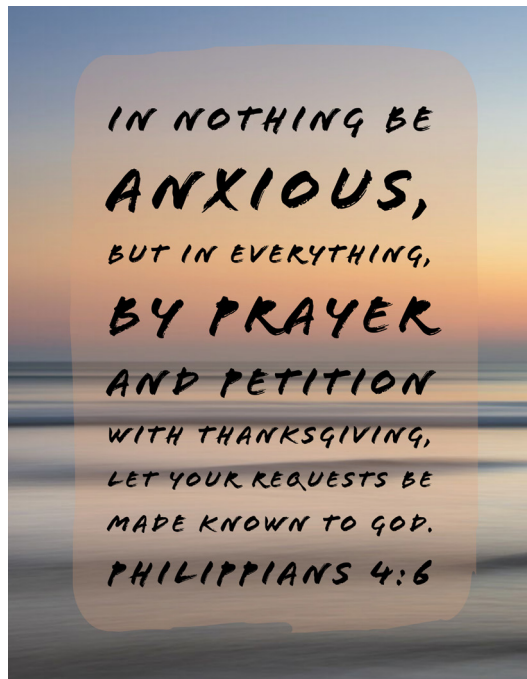
Faithfully give to your church, so your pastor can be properly compensated. Beyond the pastor's church salary, the Lord may prompt certain individuals to provide personal funding to help with any of the following items:

- Bless Your Pastor offering
- Marriage conference or retreat costs
- Christian camp fees
- Back to school fees, clothing or supplies
- Children's college tuition
- Mission trips
- Lessons or tutoring
- Family or couple's vacation or getaway
- Pastor's conference, seminar or training
- Seminary courses or sabbatical
- Student loan debt
- Retirement savings
- Medical expenses

PAY IT FORWARD

Most people have heard about "paying it forward." Do you know you can also pay it forward by passing along possessions you no longer use or need? Possible items could include appliances, furniture, musical equipment, clothing, sports equipment or electronics. Ask if the items you may have available are actually needed and wanted by the pastor's family. Also, be sure they are in good condition and will not need costly repairs.

Note: Please be prepared to graciously allow your pastor to decline anything that you offer. Also note that most items mentioned here are not normally tax-deductible to the giver, but are to be given out of gratefulness to God for what he has given to you to Bless Your Pastor.



Silent Prayer Vigil and Fellowship (SPVF)

SPVF is coming! What is it? It's a time dedicated to prayer and meditation by all members and non-members who desire to join together regularly for this purpose in a quiet setting.

Every other month we will meet in the Chapel and the Chapel Cafe' from 3:30 to 6:30 PM.

*September 16, 2021
January 20, 2022
May 19, 2022*

*November 18, 2021
March 17, 2022
July 21, 2022*

The Chapel will provide a quiet area to communicate with God for moments or hours. It's a time set aside to share your burdens and your blessings with God. Bibles and hymnals are available for your use.

The Chapel Cafe' will also be open as a place to visit quietly before or after prayer. This provides a place for sharing your thoughts, joys, and burdens with each other.

Our prayer is that this new program might pave the way for a closer relationship with our Father and with each other.

Questions: Contact Bill or Nancy VanDeCar

PRAYER REQUESTS

Those in need of urgent prayer

Kathy Young
Those with the COVID 19

Those in need of continued prayer

Judy Vidak
Jan Strojek
Bill McCartney
Stacey Craft
Joyce & Stan Dobrowski
Jack Chiocca
Betty Holcomb
Annette Smiley
Candace Harrelson
Jon Jones
Tommy Unsworth
Stephanie Kurch
Aria Trbovich
John Parkhurst
Peter Sinegal
Judi Davis
Dominic Trbovich
The Howell Family
Donna Brynczak
Nancy Heilig
Ed Hallas
Nicholas Grzegorek
Pastor Jim
Jason Hazelwood
Jim Giles
JoAnn Shaner
Sue Ramsey
Fred Zajac
Denise Miller

Those in the military

Lt. John Toolis
Mickey Futato
Luke Heilig
Kyle Mackey

Those who lost loved ones in the last 6 months

Families of :
Richard McCarriher
Erin Norman McLaney
Eleanor Lambert
Joanne Bodnar
Joan Buffington
George Cirka
Dee Ganter
Paul Kuniewicz
Jack Smith
Tim Kanouff
Roxie Costanza
Eutiquio Ramirez

Those in assisted living

Maggie Gall
Hazel Wozniak
Fred Ramsey
Ruth Gatehouse
Miriam Bennett
Bill Ickley
Norma Orlowski

Special requests

Healing of our Country
The Way Forward
Racial Unrest
GIFT Campaign
Health Care Workers

Those in college

Zoe Setzenfand
Emma Sovich
Tommy Holcomb
Carrie Freed
Jesse DiCicco
Allison Ramirez

Being mindful of our friends' and loved ones' privacy and personal choices, the church can only publish Prayer Requests when permission has been granted by the person. Urgent prayer requests will remain on the list for 4 weeks.

Help Us Stay Connected!

Help us keep up to date with what is happening in your family by informing us of address changes, prayer requests, or other information for the pastor and/or church office.

Email - BadenUMC@comcast.net

Phone - 724-869-2720

Facebook - [BadenUMC](https://www.facebook.com/BadenUMC)

Building and Grounds Update

The new roof on the “Education”/Fellowship Hall wing has been installed at the contracted price, \$41,261. We are currently raising funds to pay for this work. The Eaton Foundation loaned the congregation the funds to pay for the work. The Trustees paid \$10,000 out of their long-term investment account and the congregation has raised an additional \$18,553 as of August 31, 2021.

The long-awaited work on the parking area at 500 State Street is wrapping up. Since last reported:

- Fines have been added to the gravel and leveled. It will be rolled shortly.
- Bumper stops and the handicap parking signs have been installed.
- Two light poles and lights have been installed.
- Electric service pole has been installed along with the electrical panel.
- Yet to be completed by Duquesne Light: electric meter installed and service connected.

Two other major projects have begun in September.

1. A concrete ramp will be installed from the Fellowship Hall to the stage/Sunday School hall level. This ramp will provide handicapped accessibility to all levels of the church building as well as make the movement of food for the We Care Food Pantry much safer and more convenient. This project is being funded by both the GIFT campaign and the We Care Food Pantry. The building permit for this project has been acquired and we’re waiting for a start date from the contractor.
2. The street-level entryway to the sanctuary (northeast corner) will be modified with wider doors and automated door openers. New concrete sidewalk, retaining wall, drainage and handrails are part of this project. The building permit for this work is also “in-hand”. This project is being funded by the Eaton Foundation as a memorial to Doliver Pierce.

We want to thank you for your faithful giving toward these needed improvements and maintenance. Ultimately, our aim is to be an effective part of God’s kingdom on earth, providing a safe, accessible and functional place for God’s Word to be shared.

Sincerely in Christ,

The GIFT Committee and the Trustees

Three
WAYS to
GIVE
at
Baden UMC

Mail-In



Mail in your offering
directly to our church
office:

Baden UMC
420 Dippold Ave.
Baden, PA 15005

Online Giving



Visit online at
www.badenumc.org
or scan this QR code
with your smartphone.

Drop Off
or
In-Person



Visit the church office and
drop off your donation or use
the offering plate in the church
narthex at service times.

Save the Date:

October 31 6-8 PM

Halloween Festival!

Trunk or Treat, costume and pumpkin decorating contests, bonfire, candy, hotdogs, games, and lots of FUN!



SAFE
Sanctuaries®

For all volunteers who are required to have Safe Sanctuary clearances:

There is a *tentative* Safe Sanctuary training scheduled for October 26. Please plan to attend. More information will be coming.



With the hurricanes and floods that have come during the last few months UMCOR Hygiene Kit supplies need a boost. Would you be able to help by purchasing some of the items on the list below or donate money to help this need? See Rhonda Chiocca today for more information.

UMCOR Hygiene Kit

- ___ 1 Hand Towel : 15"x25" up to 17"x27" - Not kitchen or cleaning.
- ___ 1 Washcloth: Not kitchen, or cleaning, or microfiber towels.
- ___ 1 Comb - Must be sturdy with at least 6" of teeth, no pocket combs or picks.
- ___ 1 Toenail or fingernail clipper - No emery boards or metal nail files.
- ___ 1 Bath Soap, size 3 oz. or larger - No Ivory or Jergen's soap. Do not remove packaging.
- ___ 1 Adult Toothbrush: No multipacks, keep in packaging.
- ___ 10 Adhesive bandages 3/4" x 3 " size.
- ___ 1 gallon size resealable plastic bag.

Important Notes:

- All items must be new.
- Do not wash any of the items
- Do not include any personal notes, money, or additional materials in the kits.
- Contents of kits or the containers of kits should not be imprinted with cartoon characters, advertisements, or have camouflage print.
- Kit Value: \$12 per kit

Please bring to the church Narthex and deposit items in the green bin .

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