



Pastor's e-Note

Morristown United Methodist Church (August 8, 2018)

Happy and blessed summer day to you, friends. Hope this note finds you and your loved ones well.

I don't know about you, but I find myself saying, "It is hot today, but I am not complaining and I am taking in a lot more vitamin C from the sun." This change of attitude within me may have to do with my memory of the last cold winter season, which was too long for me, and my growing appreciation for a warmer weather this summer even when it is in the 90's. To those of you who love and prefer the cold winter weather, you have my admiration.

Developing an attitude of gratitude is essential in our daily life and faith journey. We can choose to focus on the negativities of life with an attitude of resentment and judgment. We have moments like that. But, that is not a good way of living a healthy life. Even when life gets tough and surrounds us with troubles and misfortunes, we can find God's grace to guide us. With Jesus on our side, we can move beyond our challenges and see the sunlight of hope and new life.

So, during this season, may I encourage you to spend more time looking up to the sky and take in more vitamin D while enjoying and appreciating the beauty and vibrancy of God's creation?

This coming Sunday, we will worship in our own cool sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. We will also celebrate Holy Communion (we didn't have it last Sunday on the Green, so we will do it this coming Sunday). If you are in town, we'd love to see you in worship. You are also invited to join the summer choir at 9:00 a.m.

The following Sunday, August 19th, we will have a joint worship on the Green at 10:00 a.m. with the Presbyterian Church and Bethel AME Church. In worship, our VBS team will present its special presentation through music. We will also celebrate the 175th anniversary of Bethel AMC Church. After worship, we will gather in our Fellowship Hall to enjoy a time of fellowship and celebrate the Bethel Church's landmark anniversary with a birthday cake. If you can, please bring your favorite finger food, cookies and/or goodies.

May the good Lord bless you and keep you all throughout this week. See you in Church.

In God's Vibrant Spirit,

Pastor Brandon