

Brunswick Reformed Church

3535 Grafton Road – Brunswick, OH 44212



Ministers:
The Congregation
Pastors:
Dan Toot
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Worship & Christian Education
Sunday 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.

www.b-r-c.org

Where the love of Jesus is transforming lives....

Welcome to Brunswick Reformed Church's worship celebrations. To make our mutual experience more enjoyable today please:

1. Relax - At BRC you can rest assured that you will not be embarrassed, singled out, or put on the spot.
2. Fill Out a Welcome Card - These can be dropped in the offering plate later. The information won't be misused, and will help us know who's been here. It's also a great way to drop a note to, or request a contact from, a staff member.
3. Ask for Prayer - If you have a prayer concern to share, pick up a prayer request form from the cart in back. Give completed forms to an usher or the pastor before the service begins.
4. Know There Are Options for Children –
 - The small room in the right rear corner has rocking chairs where little ones can be rocked, quieted or nursed.
 - We have an excellent nursery for ages 0-3 at the far end of our education wing.
5. Join Us for Fellowship - Coffee and juice are served in the fellowship area after each service. Join us and get acquainted. We do ask that you not take drinks into worship with you.
6. Do Not Feel Obligated to Give - If you are a first-time guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. This is a time when members and regular attendees honor God by giving to his work through this church. Let today be our gift to you.
7. "Give by Text" is available. Simply send a text to 330-239-8652 with the amount you would like to contribute.
8. BRC is on the web www.b-r-c.org

Who Is BRC? We are a member of the Reformed Church in America, a Protestant denomination that goes back to the Reformation period in Europe when the Church was "reformed" according to the Word of God.

We are a mixture of Christians from many denominational backgrounds, all seeking to grow in our spiritual maturity as we live by faith with Jesus as our forgiver and leader.

June 18, 2017

Welcome to worship.

Thank you to the worship team for leading us in worship through music.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Worship service

9:00 a.m.: "Christianity's Family Tree" meets in Room 8

9:00 a.m.: Middle School & High School Sunday school class meets in Room 10.

10:30 a.m.: Worship Service

10:45 a.m.: Children's Church for Pre-K through 3rd Grade (going into). Fourth grade and older are invited to remain in the worship service.

THIS WEEK:

Thursday: Worship Team rehearsal, 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Friday: Shining Stars meet at 1:30 p.m., studying Exodus

Saturday: Refit® from 9-10 a.m. in the Fellowship Area.

Next Sunday there will be a Greater Elders meeting at noon.

Our offering last Sunday totaled \$8783.25. (\$8452.04 needed for budget).

VBS 2017 is over!

Thank you to all the many volunteers who gave such dedicated service, to Dan & Kristin Toot and Jay & Cora Carroll, who gave leadership, and



to all of you who contributed with your finances, your time, your prayers and/or your material goods to make VBS another huge success for the over 170 students who were registered. You are appreciated!

Planning begins for VBS 2018!



Indians Game!

Would you like to go to the Indians game together at 1:00 pm., on June 25.?

Everyone is invited to come to the game, but we are promoting this as a Father's Day event! The group rate price will be \$15; See Pastor Jay to pay for tickets. Please write "Indians game" and the # of people on your welcome card if you want to go. The deadline to request tickets is today! We'll leave from the church at noon, carpooling as much as possible (it'll be your choice whether to eat before leaving or at the game!)

Heidelberg Catechism Question 120

Why did Christ command us to call God: "our Father"?

Answer. At the very beginning of our prayer Christ wants to kindle in us what is basic to our prayer – the childlike awe and trust that God through Christ has become our Father. Our fathers do not refuse us the things of this life; God our Father will even less refuse to give us what we ask in faith.

A Father's Day Message from Jesus – Luke 5:12-16

It's Father's Day & I wonder... if Jesus, when on earth, had written a Father's Day message in a card for His heavenly Father what would it have said?

What would Jesus thank His Heavenly Father for teaching/showing him?

Scripture doesn't declare it, but I believe Jesus would have said something like, "Thank you for teaching me not to be afraid to get my _____!"

God taught & modeled this very well as a heavenly Father! He spoke the world into existence, but He formed man from the dirt of the ground!

God, the Father, got His hands dirty at creation. He also was not afraid to get His hands dirty in the work of _____! Sin is messy! Like cleaning fish.

Scripture tells us that God is so Holy that He cannot look upon sin, but He still chooses to establish an everlasting covenant with sinners & attach His name with a people who often drag that name through the mud.

Man has plunged himself into ruin, but God in His grace purposed to raise him up out of the grave/mud/filth & cleanse him of all unrighteousness/sin!

God is willing to get His hands dirty & Jesus learned it well!

Jesus wasn't afraid to do what no one else would do, to touch the untouchable, to love the unlovable, to forgive the unforgivable!

In this passage this morning, we see Jesus' willingness to reach out to and _____ this diseased, rejected, & despised social outcast!

A person with leprosy was declared unclean! They had to shout it out in public, they had to dwell alone outside the city. They were the outcasts of society, & to touch a man with leprosy was to be declared unclean yourself!

Now, leprosy is not a prominent disease in our day but we do have diseases, addictions, disorders, & sins that lead to the rejection of many in our society

For this man, full of leprosy, he believed that Jesus could help him, but he was unsure if He _____! The same is true for many despised & rejected people today.

Many are looking for someone willing to reach out to them in their distress.

In this encounter w/Jesus, we see such a willingness, despite the consequences!

Jesus was willing to get His hands dirty, & be declared ceremonially unclean himself, all so that this broken man might have hope & experience _____!

Jesus could have easily followed suit with the culture and the times He was living in. He could have rebuked him, condemned him to the outskirts of town & been repulsed by him.

But Jesus followed in His Father's footsteps & reached out and touched this man, & instead of the dirt/disease of this man rubbing off on Jesus, Jesus' purity/power rubbed off on him & brought the healing this man needed.

You see, when we are willing to get our hands dirty with people, to reach out and touch them even in their filth, God is _____ & He can bring healing!

It's for this reason that there are ministries in prisons & strip clubs. That there are ministries to felons, alcoholics, drug addicts, sex addicts, etc.

Ministries like Love INC, the food pantry, the personal care pantry, Kids Hope, GFF, etc. They exist because people need to be touched with the healing touch of God, no matter who they are or what they've done.

This is at the very heart of the _____!

If God is truly a God of grace, if Jesus truly came for the sick/broken/sinner then we too need to be willing to get our hands dirty & reach out & touch the untouchables with the grace, mercy & love of God.

It's interesting that when Jesus healed this man of leprosy, He commanded him to **"go & show himself to the priest, & make an offering for his cleansing."**

Why did Jesus have him do this? Yes, b/c the Law of Moses commanded it, but also **"for a proof to them."** This needed to be publically declared! The healing of this diseased man was _____ to the power of God at work!

We may not be able to heal diseases by our touch, but we can bring about healing in the lives of those that the world rejects or declares unclean.

If the world needs proof of the validity of our faith, maybe the proof is found in our love for the unlovable & our willingness to get our hands dirty

Do people see Jesus in us? Do we follow in the _____ of our Father?

Prayer Concerns: CJ Sidwell is home again after suffering a heart attack. Continue faithful in prayer for those with ongoing health concerns: Wendell Blauser, Marie Buser, Rick Demeter, Margie Draiss, Sue Exoo, Jeanette Fagan, Nancy & Bob Hanwell, Zak Harbaugh, Flora Kostyak, Rose & Bob Murray, Eileen Raich, Gini Reinke, Dick Read, Gene Shuster, Milly Sutherland, Nancy Sutton, Ted Szenger, Mary Trzop and Dave Toom. Continue to pray for our military personnel.

Serving at BRC

Sunday, June 18

Greeters (9) - Gina Koch

(10:30) - Ilze Fultz

Nursery (9) - Steph Beck and others

(10:30) - Kristin Toot, Madison Haynes

Ushers (9) - Paul Buser, Mike Pasko

Assisting - Bob Jacobs, Dennis Parker

(10:30) - Steve Dickens, Pete Nixon

Assisting - Bob Besida, Eric Kramer

Hospitality Team - Bill & Nancy Sutton,

Guy & Candice Lenart, Deb Reichle

Elder - Earl Gentile,

Deacon - Cindy Toom

Sunday, June 25

Greeters (9) - Jim & Donna Gates

(10:30) - Carol Rounds

Nursery (9) - Steph Beck and others

(10:30)-Melissa Fazekas, Maddie Cook

Ushers (9)- Bob Jacobs, Dennis Parker

Assisting - Earl Holzheimer, Eric Raich

(10:30) - Bob Besida, Eric Kramer

Assisting - Kenny Wright, Mark Herbert

Hospitality Team - Bill & Nancy Sutton,

Betty Shuster, Cindy Toom

Elder - Kathy Rounds,

Deacon - Brian Coyne

Sunday, July 2

Greeters (9) - Mel & Renate Wilk

(10:30) - Patty Walker

Nursery (9) - Steph Beck and others

(10:30) -Renee Garapic, Alexis Metcalf

Ushers (9)-Earl Holzheimer, Eric Raich

Assisting - Rick Meyer, Paul Morgan

(10:30) - Kenny Wright, Mark Herbert

Assisting - Carol Rounds, Bonnie Ansel

Hospitality Team - Bill & Nancy Sutton,

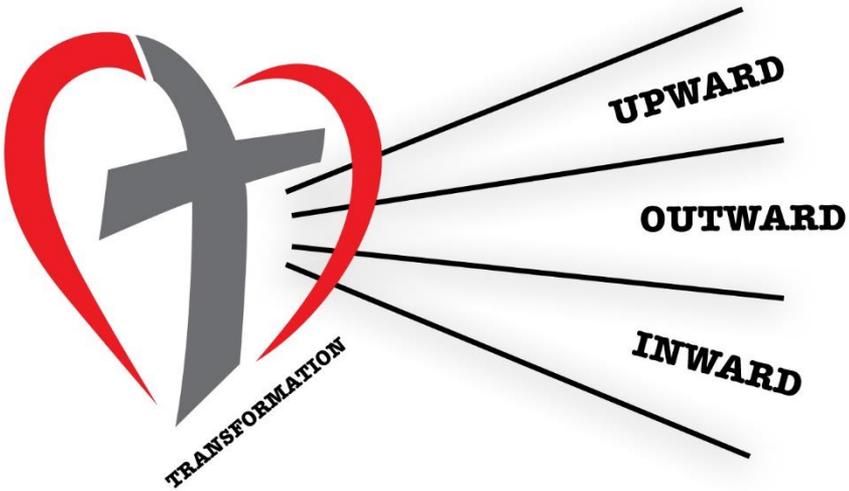
Sheryl Feeney, Patty Walker,

Kerri Reichenbach

Elder - Mark Herbert,

Deacon - Luke Carlisle

To get a cd of any of our sermons, simply write "cd" and the requested date on your Welcome Card. You'll find your requested cds on the shelf across from the kitchen. The sermon audio files, sermon outlines, study questions, verses and bulletins are available on the church website www.b-r-c.org.



We at BRC believe the love of Jesus brings transformation:

INWARD - As we experience the love of Jesus together in worship!

UPWARD - As we grow in grace and truth through small groups & Bible studies!

OUTWARD - As we participate together in the mission of Jesus by serving others and sharing our faith!