

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Homecoming Sunday

Sept 14, 2025 Beacon UMC, 10:00 a.m.

\* Congregation stands if able and comfortable. Readings in BOLD are to be read in unison
Readings on screen will appear in Italic for the leader and Bold for the congregation.

UMH – Red Hymnal FWS - Black Hymnal W&S – Green Hymnal

The service today will be live streaming on Facebook.

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

LIGHT OF CHRIST ENTERS OUR MIDST

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE AND LOVE

We invite you to turn to the person next to you and greet them saying,
“Peace be with you,” and responding, “And also with you.”

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God.
For God is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.
The Lord builds up the broken and gathers the scattered.
God heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
God determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power.
Come, let us worship God with joy!

\*SONG OF PRAISE Welcome W&S #3152

CENTERING PRAYER

Healing and merciful God, you gather us in from the places of
broken and scattered life. You know our wounds, our weariness,
our hidden griefs. In your presence there is renewal, and in your
grace, hope is born again. As we lift our voices in praise, lift our
hearts with your Spirit. Mend what is broken, strengthen what is
fragile, and teach us to trust Your steadfast love. Through Christ,
our Healer and Redeemer. Amen.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 147:1-6
For the Word of God in Scripture, within us and among us,
Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF PREPARATION As the Deer FWS #2025, 2x

SERMON Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho
“Healing and Wholeness: Healing the Wounded Heart”

SHARING OF JOYS AND PRAYER NEEDS
PASTORAL PRAYER WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

INVITATION TO OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY
\*DOXOLOGY UMH 95
Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)
Healing God, every gift we have comes from your hand. Thank
you for caring for us and for giving us enough to share. We bring
these offerings as signs of gratitude, and we ask that you would
use them to bring hope, comfort, and healing in your world. And
as you take these gifts, take our lives too—make us a blessing to
others, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*SONG OF DEDICATION One Bread, One Body UMH 620

\*SENDING FORTH (Responsively)
The Lord heals the brokenhearted.
God binds up our wounds with steadfast love.
The Lord calls each star by name.
And God calls us beloved children.
Great is our Lord, abundant in power.
Gentle is our Lord, rich in mercy.
Go forth, lifted up by God’s care.
We go in peace, to share healing and hope. Amen.

\*POSTUDE Let There Be Peace on Earth UMH #431, vs. 1

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Value Statement

We are a faith-centered community, ever growing in our discipleship. We
welcome and engage all with dignity and respect. We go out into the community
and spread our love of Christ through acts of kindness and compassion. We
celebrate and share Christ’s gift of unity and boundless love to all.

For your Information

Bathrooms are located below the Sanctuary or on the main floor in our
education building.. To access the bathrooms during the service you may
use the steps in the Narthex (located through the double doors behind
the pews), or exit the sanctuary on the front left. There are infant
changing tables in both bathrooms of the education building.

Children are always welcome in worship. To strengthen the faith of our
young disciples, there are worship activity bags at the entrances to the
sanctuary. We invite them to take a bag into worship and return the
bags before you leave. A quiet room is available in the back of the
worship space for parents and young disciples who might want a little
more space to move around during worship.



We Pray For....Prayers for Bruce Cohen, recently diagnosed with an
aggressive form of Leukemia. Prayers for the families and victims of 9/11.
Prayers for Marilyn's husband, John, Chris Taylor’s friend who is having a
cardiac procedure. Prayers for the Minneapolis families & community as
they grieve for those affected by the Catholic School shooting. Prayers for
Cheryl Seeley’s friend, Regina, who found out that she has thyroid cancer.
Prayers for Vinnie Whitehead (a beloved retired teacher from Hudson) is being
treated for Esophageal cancer.

Our Maturing Disciples.... Barbara Brown, Connie Binder, Eleanor
Ramming, and Bob Schoeffling.

Our College Students... Abigail Spears, Patrick Seeley, Megan Seeley,
Christopher Carriera, Josh Winters, Rett Schnoor, Scott Melski and Ellie
Conover.

We Keep in Prayer: Our family, our friends, neighbors, the church, the
community, the world, and all God's children everywhere.

\*\*The Prayer Team will pray for any request. If you or someone you know
is in the hospital or needs pastoral care, please contact Pastor Brandon.
Call or text at (973) 525-2888 or by email pastor@beaconumc.org

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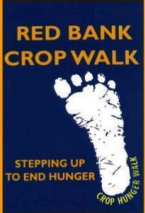
**Join in Mission and Ministry**

- Monday, Sept 15**  
Trustee Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
Recovery (AA) Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept 17**  
Open Door 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
Al Anon 8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept 18**  
Food Pantry 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
Food Pantry 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, Sept 21**  
Worship In Person & Online 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School kick off! 10:00 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School Class 11:00 a.m.
- Monday, Sept 22**  
Church Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Recovery Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**FALL SERMON SERIES**

God transforms dark places, mends wounded hearts, restores us through community, and sends us to bring renewal to others.  
**Sunday, Sept 21**





**Red Bank Crop Walk**  
**October 19, 2025**  
**Check in is at 1:00 p.m.**  
**Walk begins at 2:00 p.m.**

Join church members for the 5 mile walk!  
You can help by donating the core items- *rice, beans, peanut butter or soup.*  
Another way to donate is by *cash or check.*  
Questions? call Cheryl Seeley- 908-902-6467.

Form your own team and sign up online  
Instructions to form a team are attached, plus how to personalize.  
You can start here: [2025 Red Bank Crop Walk](#)

# The Peace Light

Keep the flame alive!  
Sponsor a peace light today!







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**Our Leadership Team Serving Us This Morning**

|                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Ministers.....                | The Congregation      |
| Pastor .....                  | Rev. Dr. Brandon Cho  |
| Administrative Assistant..... | Corinna Thuss         |
| Worship Musician.....         | Jude Duane            |
| Audio Visual Coordinator..... | James Ketley          |
| Custodian.....                | Maria Josephine Rojas |
| Worship Leader .....          | Maureen Sodon         |
| Usher/Greeters.....           | Sue & Walt McGrail    |

*Pastors Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00 - 1:00 p.m.*  
*Food Pantry Hours      Thursdays, 9:00 a.m.–Noon & 5 p.m.–7:00 p.m*  
*Office Hours      Tuesday-Thursday      9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m*  
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# Adult Sunday School Class

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In the Chapel

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