



THE VOICE

September 2024

“Why is September So Special?”



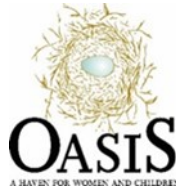
September is a great month for our church. It's when we have our annual golf outing, and as an avid golfer myself, I am very excited about this important and special ministry. I am thrilled for this event not only because I get to enjoy the game I love at Knoll West GC—a course that is considered one of the best in the area—but also because we will be doing something good while having fun: raising funds for two causes dear to our hearts—our church ministry and the work of the West Essex First Aid Squad.

This annual golf outing is also a cherished tradition of our church. For the last 18 years, we've held this event, providing the opportunity for people from all walks of life to come together for a common cause. This year, we plan to do it again for the 19th time. Considering that we will be doing this for the 19th time, I believe this event deserves the recognition of the title "tradition." Indeed, this golf outing has become a very special tradition of our church.

Traditions are special because they cannot be hurried or manufactured. Even though traditions are created by people, they also transcend individual efforts, needing time to mature—much like wine that enriches our lives and helps us experience the goodness of life. And just as good wine is not easy to make but requires a lot of work, so too do the traditions in our lives. When we reflect on our own lives, many of us may struggle to find a tradition we've celebrated continually for 19 years or more. This shows that, while we consider good traditions valuable and even essential to living a good life, they are not always easy to identify in our personal lives. In this sense, our annual golf outing is a special blessing that we should be thankful for, proud of, and committed to continuing for years to come. I extend my heartfelt thanks to all the players who participate in this outing year after year, as well as to those who prepare, support, and volunteer for the success of this event. They are like the "secret sauce" that makes this wonderful tradition possible, special, and enduring.

The game of golf is unique in that it requires the use of many different clubs. Before I started playing, I never understood why so many clubs were needed. In other sports I've played, you typically need only one main piece of equipment—a ball, bat, hoop, or racket. So, the concept of needing 14 clubs seemed foreign to me. This is one reason why golf is unlike any other sport and more fun and more challenging to master. To excel at golf, a player must master the use of every club in the bag, all 14 of them. No one club is more important than another; each has its own significance and function that differs from the others. For example, the driver is designed to hit the ball 300 yards, while the putter is meant to roll the ball 30 feet or less. But the long-hitting driver is no more important than a putter. Similarly, in our church, our families, and our annual golf outing, everyone is equally valuable and needed for all of us to succeed. Don't be a spectator of this wonderful and enduring tradition. Come, volunteer, participate, and experience the thrill and magic of this special event.

Pastor Park



Baby Items Drive for Oasis

Oasis, a haven for women and children in Paterson, NJ, needs baby items for new and expecting mothers. Please consider joining in our Outreach Mission to support women and children in our greater community.

We will collect baby items until October 1, 2024.

• Diapers	Baby clothes
• Pull-ups	Baby food
• Wipes	Baby wash & lotion
• Diaper Cream	Bibs & burp cloths
• Formula	Pacifiers & teething toys



September Prayer Circle Dates:

September 10th & September 24th

Chant and Prayer Circles

the second and fourth Tuesday of each month 10:00 AM (30-45 minutes)



Chant and Prayer Circles begin with a harp meditation to calm and focus our mind on the presence of God in our midst. Scripture, chant, silence, and prayer will then draw our circle closer together and grow the Light of God within us.

You must be pre-registered to attend this event. Payment must be received by Wednesday, September 11th to secure your spot.



An Afternoon of Tea and Company

*A fundraiser for **Cure Alzheimer's Fund***



*Enjoy an elegant afternoon of British tea,
sandwiches, scones, and other treats
Sunday, September 15th at 1 pm*

\$28 *Per Person*

*At The Caldwell United Methodist Church
8 Academy Road, Caldwell, NJ, 07006*

Items for sale, trivia, music, and prizes

Limited seating. Reserve a spot today!

Contact davewhelton72@gmail.com to reserve your spot

All checks should be made to **Cure Alzheimer's Fund**

September Birthdays

September 3	Lidia Ebbinghouser
September 7	Louise Woodcox
September 9	Cooper Jack Winkler
September 12	Brett Mitstifer
September 12	Tracy Plumstead
September 12	Bogdan Voca
September 17	Taylor Pierce
September 20	Rameeza Narine
September 24	Brandon Dolce
September 30	Ginny Carnrick

Tea & Coffee Social September 20th



Tea & Coffee Socials are hosted once a month by Dave & Rita Whetton as a time to share fellowship and conversation with our church family and neighbors. All are welcome.

Stop by any time between 9:30 am and 12:00 noon to enjoy a complimentary cup of tea or coffee and check out the array of fresh home baked goods as well as other items for sale.

All the proceeds from sales go to the church.

September Anniversaries

September 10, 1976 Howard & Amy Hansen

CALDWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

CUMC Men's Breakfast Fellowship

(a.k.a "Boys' Morning Out")

Saturday, Sept. 7 @ 9 AM
in the church Guyn Room



Girls' Night Out

September 17th at 6:30 pm

All women of the church are invited

Details to follow

Have questions? or to reserve your place - call Myrtle at 973-214-3437





Caldwell United Methodist Church

19th Annual Golf Outing

Tuesday, September 24 , 2024

In partnership with
the West Essex First Aid Squad
Knoll West Country Club
Parsippany, NJ

To register as a golfer or for information on
sponsorship opportunities contact Ken Ingra
at 201-410-1940

or keningra@optonline.net



Scan the QR code with your smartphone camera or visit caldwellchurch.org
to register for the golf outing.



Important Upcoming Event

Save the Date!

Pulled Pork Dinner

Saturday, October 19

5 to 7 pm

Details to Follow

Coming this Fall

THE HUB

**An After-School Program
for the students of
Grover Cleveland Middle School**

THE HUB will provide a safe and supportive space with adult supervision where students in 6th-8th grades can come spend time with their friends, receive help with schoolwork, enjoy sports, games or other fun activities, and simply relax after a long day at school.

**Tuesday & Thursday
afternoons from 3pm-5pm**

- ✓ Welcome & Acceptance
- ✓ Peer Connections
- ✓ Sports & Activities
- ✓ Snacks & Refreshments
- ✓ Free help with schoolwork provided by JCHS Key Club and National Honor Society students

**Registration is required and begins
August 1, 2024**



Scan the code with your smartphone camera or visit caldwellchurch.org/the-hub for registration information.

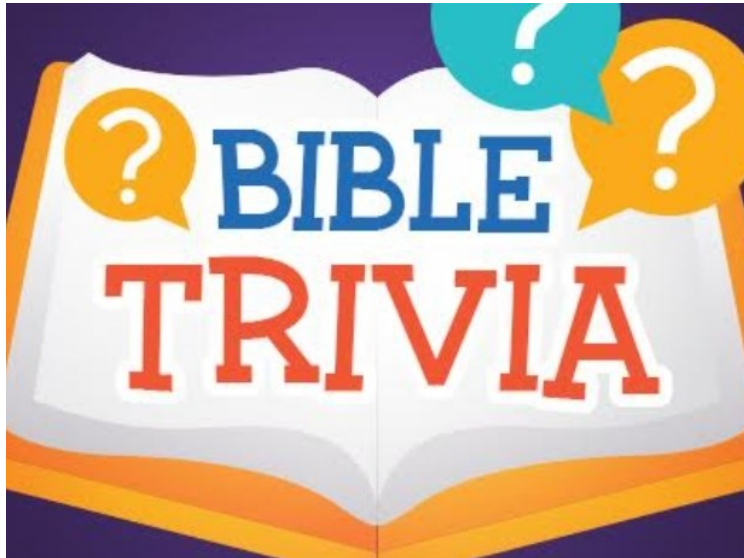
#HereUBelong

Grades
6th-8th

*New for
Fall 2024!*

*Just \$25
per semester!*





BIBLE TRIVIA: “They Did It First (2)”

Test your knowledge of the Bible by answering these questions. See how many you can answer correctly without looking at the answers.

1. Who was the first king of Israel?
2. Who were the first foreign missionaries?
3. Who was the first judge of Israel?
4. Who was the first disciple chosen by Jesus?
5. Who told the first lie?
6. Who was the first priest mentioned in Scripture?
7. What was the first animal out of the ark?
8. Where were the disciples first called Christians?
9. Who were the first twins?
10. Who built the first Jerusalem temple?
11. What is the first commandment with a promise attached to it?
12. Who was the first apostle to be martyred?

Answers:

1. Saul (1 Samuel 10:1) 2. Paul and Barnabas (Acts 13) 3. Othniel (Judges 3:9) 4. Simon Peter (John 1:42) 5. The serpent (Genesis 3:4) 6. Melchizedek (Genesis 14:18) 7. The raven (Genesis 8:7) 8. Antioch (Acts 11:26) 9. Jacob and Esau (Genesis 24:23-26) 10. Solomon (1 Kings 6) 11. “Honor your father and mother” (Deuteronomy 5:16; Ephesians 6:2-3). The promise is that the person will have a long life if he honors his parents. 12. James (Acts 12:1-2)

September



2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Worship 10 am communion	Labor Day					Men's Breakfast meeting 10 am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Worship 10 am		Prayer & Chant Circle 10 am Finance & Trustees meeting 7 pm				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Worship 10 am British Tea 1 pm		Girls' Night Out 6:30 pm			Tea & Coffee Social 9:30 am- 12:00 noon	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Worship 10 am		Prayer & Chant Circle 10 am Golf Outing all day event				
29	30					
Worship 10 am						



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Life is Better Together!

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HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE-LIFT at Academy Road Entrance

FRIEND US ON 



**Worship with us
Sundays at 10 am**

**Invite a friend or family
member to join
in worship**

