

# The Blawenburg Beacon

Newsletter for the members and friends of the Blawenburg Reformed Church

October 2015

#### The Pastor's Pen

"Every child born into the world is a new thought of God, an ever fresh and radiant possibility."

- Kate Douglas Wiggin

I love this quote from Kate Douglas Wiggin. It speaks of the gift children offer the world. With every new life, a new beginning, a new hope is born into the world too. This is a great reminder for me while I am changing diapers and chasing a toddler around the house! The Gospels teach us that Jesus loved chil-

dren. One day when his disciples were rebuking people for "bothering" Jesus by bringing their children to him for a blessing, Jesus opened his heart and hands to kids saying, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs" (Mark 10:14b).

As we prepare to launch a new worship gathering for children and their families on November I, how are we as a faith community opening our hearts and hands to children like Jesus did? It is no secret BRC's Sunday School and children's ministry has stalled the past few years. Though we have been well-meaning in our desire to welcome children, we have struggled to figure out how best to serve them and their parents. This is one of our biggest growth edges and learning curves.

But instead of throwing our hands in the air and merely wishing our situation was different, I wonder how we might go from wanting children and their families to be part of our church community to creating a space intentionally for them? There is a big difference between the two. Though we cannot change our situation overnight, I believe we can create stepping stones into a future with a revived children's ministry through offering new gatherings like the November I Family Worship. The pathway will become clearer the more we engage young families today with hospitality, warmth, and conversations.

It is no secret parents are facing a lot of pressure and challenges these days. It has never been easy raising children, but today's world presents unique opportunities and obstacles to parents who want to raise their children with a sense of morality, compassion, gratitude, and respect. As parents in our area search for a church home with these virtues, they want to know there is something on offer for their kids that they can believe in and support before signing up for membership. This is why this new family breakfast and worship service is an important step for us. It is a tangible opportunity for BRC to broaden its borders by offering community, education, fun, and friendship for our local parents as well as their kids.

Most likely you can trace your participation in church to a parent who brought you long before you could bring yourself. This is certainly true for me. When my single mom brought me to church when I was four to be baptized, she knew she needed a community of faith for encouragement and support. As the pastor made the sign of the cross on my forehead twenty seven years ago, that local church made a *promise* to nurture and support my life from childhood to adulthood as best they could. (continues)

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## **Covered in Prayers**

In mid-September Jean Skillman was the gracious recipient of a beautiful quilt made by Bernice VanNostrand with the help of Evelyn Cochran and Ginny Doremus. Jean has been residing at the Elms of Cranbury since August but has now moved to The Brookside (93 Manalapan Ave, Freehold, NJ 07728) as she continues therapy in hopes of returning home in November. She can be reached by phone at 732.252.1359.

Frank and Emma Tufano were also recipients of a prayer quilt this summer. They send the following message of gratitude:

"To our friends at Blawenburg Reformed Church. Frank and I were blessed to have received a beautiful 'comfort quilt.' Bernice said that it was shown at church, and I'm sure that you will agree with us that it was/is absolutely beautiful. We thank you for your prayers; it makes all the difference in Frank's recovery. It means a lot to us to be remembered after many years. Thank you."

If you're interested in joining the prayer quilt ministry contact Bernice at vns206@aol.com.

We commit our gifts to **HOSPITALITY** caring for those in our congregation and the greater community

We lift up prayers and best wishes for Andrew Long who married his beautiful bride, Kate Burgoon, on September 26 in Enid, OK. Andrew served as BRC's organist and music director, 2011-2012.





Kevin Weingart (grandson of Ginny Doremus, son of Joe and Dale Weingart) married his sweetheart Kelly on Friday, September 25. Pastor Travis officiated the ceremony. Blessings to the newlyweds!

From left to right: Joe Jr, Chris, bride Kelly, Kevin, and Corey Weingart, and Jessie Weingart (daughter of Sue and Scott)

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This is what I pray we cultivate with the family worship service beginning November I: A promise to do our best to bless the lives of the children in our community, and to support the efforts of their parents to nurture their kids in the faith and love of God. Throughout October I invite you to pray with me each day. Whenever you see a child while out and about on your daily tasks, take a moment and pray in your heart for that child, pray for his or her future, and for their parents, pray that they might come to know God's love, and pray for "an ever fresh and radiant possibility" that through our family worship service BRC might welcome and bless children in lesus's name.

Pastor Travis



"On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us!

Him the Father gave us!"

## October Schedule

Oct. 4 — Job 1:1, 2:1-10
World Communion Sunday
followed by Education Hour

Oct. 11 — Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Weekend Journey at noon Katie's Organ Recital at 2PM

Oct. 18 — Job 38:1-7, 34-41 CROP Walk after worship

Oct. 25 — Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Guest Preacher, TBA

Nov. I

Communion Sunday Inaugural Family Worship & Breakfast (more on page 4)

ALMA led special music at a Community Hymn Sing at Mt Airy Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 20!



We commit our gifts to WORSHIP gathering as a community to celebrate God's presence among us!

#### Voices Needed for Our Seasonal Choir!

Choir rehearsals for Advent and Christmas begin **Sunday, November 1**! As we did last spring, we'll rehearse **8:25 – 9:45 am** on Sunday mornings before the 10 am service. You are invited, and now is the time to let me know if you can join us!

In recent seasons, our choir has been all women — any men available to help us cover tenor and/or bass parts?

If you have friends who would enjoy a limited-time, seasonal choir experience (not attached to another church and/or choir!) they are most welcome, so long as they can attend rehearsals regularly. 7<sup>th</sup> graders and above (members & non-members) are also extremely welcome. Regular attendance is the sole requirement.

From the first rehearsals we'll work on music for Christmas Eve so please don't hold out until later to join us. We will sing in services throughout November and especially December as we are able, though not every week.

We also need handbell ringers for Christmas Eve!

Please let me know ASAP

- your willingness to sing or ring
- possible interest of friends with contact info and voice parts, if known
- specific dates you cannot be present (Sunday mornings, Christmas Eve)

It's important to know whether we can cover four voice parts (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass), how many copies of music to prepare, and to have a sense of numbers for the season, for given Sundays, and especially for Christmas Eve.

Thank you!

Katie Connolly Organist/Music Director

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Missed worship? View the online calendar (www.blawenburgchurch.org/calendar) to access worship bulletins, sermon audio, and life applications from each week!

## Sunday Education Hour with Sr. Carol of MCC

Join us after worship on Sunday, October 4 for a special education hour with Marble Church's resident Bible scholar. Sister Carol Perry. We will be live streaming a conversation or airing a video. Sister Carol's latest book, Waiting for Our Souls to Catch Up, was one of the top ten AARP book selections last year.

## **Tuesday Bible Study**

Our weekly Bible Study continues on Tuesday mornings at 10 AM in Cook Hall. Throughout the month of October we'll be reading through the book of Job. See page 3 for October schedule.

## Family Worship Service & Breakfast

On Sunday, November I we will be hosting our first family worship service, featuring childfriendly songs, scripture and prayer. Breakfast will be served to all families who attend, free of charge. The service and breakfast will begin at 8:32 AM in Cook Hall. We need your help to make this event a success! Please let Travis know if you can help with Breakfast, Worship or Hospitality.

## Faith in the Life Cycle

Throughout the year Travis will be hosting four education hours focusing on Faith in the Life Cycle. The first of this series will be November 8 and a special guest will lead a discussion about parenting and balancing life with small children.

## We commit our gifts to LIFE-LONG LEARNING providing spiritual growth opportunities for all ages.



## Visit from Al & Sue Schreuder!

We enjoyed fellowship and lunch on Sunday, September 27. and learned a lot about the Church in Chiapas thanks to our friends and partners in ministry.

Giving thanks for the work in Chiapas and blessing the Schreuders as they continue to serve God.



A big thank you to Don and Ethel Terhune for hosting the Schreuders during their stay in New Jersey, and for taking



them to NYC and Philly to tour the big cities. Thank you to Grace and Jotham Johnson for taking our guests on a tour of Princeton. And thank you to Evelyn Cochran and our amazing hospitality team for hosting a wonderful potluck lunch after the education hour.

## **Nuts & Bolts Workshop**

On Saturday, October 17, the Classis of Delaware-Raritan is offering workshops for consistory and congregants. All are invited to attend free of charge. Workshops include topics such as social media, art in worship, meaningful music, church finances, meaningful mission, and a recap General Synod 2015. For more information, see the community bulletin board in the basement of Cook Hall or view the flyer online at www.blawenburgchurch.org/event/nuts-and-bolts-workshop



## Blawenburg Village School



PO Box 153, Blawenburg, NJ 08504 609-466-6600 info@blawenburgvillageschool.com Karen Hill, Director

# The school year is off to a great start!

All classes have settled in nicely and are looking forward to the many upcoming events and new programs offered in October. Our Back to School Night will be Thursday, October 8th at 7:00 PM. BVS is selling Kids Stuff Coupon Books for \$25.00. Included in the book are coupons for many local establishments. Please contact Karen Hill (phone/email) for more info or to purchase a book. The Children and Worship program is starting this month. Students in all classes will participate in Bible Story with Mrs. Van Nostrand. Our music and movement program will also begin meeting weekly with Jen Lizzi to explore the wonders of music.

Tutoring @ BVS starts October I<sup>st</sup>. Individual and small group sessions are available for students pre-k through grade 4. One hour sessions are available Monday-Friday 4 to 7. Additional options for pre-K and kindergarten students Monday-Friday 9 to 11 and 1:30 to 3:30.

Parent/Child classes start October 5<sup>th</sup> (9:30-10:30). The program is designed for parents to experience the joy of learning alongside their little ones, ages 2

and under. We will be exploring music and movement, stories and art.

Starting October 12<sup>th</sup>, our Afternoon Enrichment program is expanding to include Soccer Shots! We look forward to experiencing weekly soccer sessions with their trained coaches.

On Friday, October 16th, we will be visiting Norz Hill Farm in Hillsborough. Our students will be learning about various farm animals, as well as enjoying a hayride to the pumpkin patch where they will pick their own pumpkin. Kid's Night Out is an event hosted and staffed by BVS teachers and designed especially for

kids ages 2-11. During each 3 hour event (5:30-8:30) children will be served dinner and dessert. They will participate in several crafts, watch a movie, and play games. Our first of several Kid's Nights will be October 16th. Children do not need to be registered students of BVS. All are welcome!

The month will end with our annual Trunk or Treat Halloween festivities on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30 AM.

There are limited openings available in some programs for the 2015-2016 school year. If interested, please call 609-466-6600 or send an email.



## **CROP Hunger Walk**

Hunger is not a game. Please join us as we walk together in the South Somerset County CROP Hunger Walk to raise awareness of and to contribute money to fight the root causes of hunger globally and to contribute peanut butter to the food bank to help hunger locally. Envelopes are in Cook Hall at fellowship for Walkers to use in collecting Sponsors' donations. If you can't walk with us, please sponsor a Walker and contribute peanut butter for us to take to the Walk. Consider donating what you might spend on dinner out for you and/or your family. Twenty-five percent of monies raised will be split between the Somerset County Food Bank Network and SHIP, the Samaritan Homeless Interim Program. We will meet again this year at South Branch Reformed Church at 870 River Road, Hillsborough, at 1:30 on Sunday, October 18th. Gracie and BRC friends will join 15 other faith and High School Interact groups in this five-mile, circular walk which will commence at 2:00 P.M. (If five miles is too far for you to walk, go as far as you can and return via the van provided which will circulate around the walk route. A phone number will be provided at registration to call for a ride

HELP
STOP
HUNGER

Peanut butter donations needed!

We commit our gifts to MISSIONS serving those in need both locally and around the world.





# CHURCH WORLD SERVICE Kits Complete!

Many thanks to Yuri for helping to organize and set up the tables in Cook Hall on September 19 with the items for the Church World Service school and baby kits. After church on Sunday, September 27 Diana, Hilde, Wendy, Sonya, and Barb P. put the kits together in a short amount of time. On Tuesday Barb R. helped Barb P. pack the kits for delivery to the drop-off site. Great teamwork! Thank you!



## **Bradsells Back in Oman**

We continue to prayerfully and financially support Ken and Marcia Bradsell as they enter their second year serving the Protestant Church in Oman. Visit www.rca.org/bradsells to read their most recent update!





## Time to Fill Boxes!

Our November Mission Focus is OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. If you are filling a shoe box individually or with your family, please return filled box by Sunday, November 15. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world at Christmas and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. This mission of Rev. Franklin Graham's Samaritan's Purse always comes early! These shoe box gifts reach children ages 2-14 in countries suffering from natural disasters, wars and endemic poverty. The boxes are fun to fill by yourself or with your children. You can find lots of fun and useful things in dollar stores. For ideas of what, and what not, to pack into your shoe box, see items listed here o r g o www.samaritanspurse.org, where you can also print out an insert form that will allow you to track your package to its destination. Flat. scored. decorated boxes are available and do not have to be wrapped; all you need to do is fold and fill! Then secure the lid with a rubber band only. Packing ideas and insert forms will be available later this month. We

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will sort and pack boxes on Sunday, November 15th to be delivered the following week. The Mission Team hopes you can support this outreach effort by packing a shoe box or two or by buying bulk items for several shoe boxes and then by joining us at coffee hour on November 15th.

DO NOT INCLUDE: Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

#### **GIFT IDEAS**

TOYS - small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES - pens, pencils and manual sharpener, crayons or markers, rubber stamps and ink pad sets, small writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS - toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, wash cloth, etc.

OTHER - Hard candy and lollipops (Please double bag all candy.), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries).

A PERSONAL NOTE - In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

## Save the date for Sinterklaas!

We will be hosting 'Sinterklaas' on December 6th. This is just a reminder to put up those preserves while harvest time is here, and also to begin making soups. Remember to label containers (due to allergies) with all: ingredients and put labels on the top of the containers. Also think of other 'crafty' projects to tackle! If you are making: items like knitted hats or Christmas decorations etc... please let Evelyn or Bernice know. This will help in organizing appropriate display space in their craft booth. Please think. too, about where you would like to volunteer. Your help will

be appreciated. Mark your calendars and anticipate a fun day to initiate the holidays. More information to follow in November's Beacon and church bulletins. Gracie Johnson will chair this event.

## Weekend Journey

By David Cochran, reprinted from the October Montgomery News

Three local landmarks will be open to visitors as a part of Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission's Weekend Journey through the Past on October 10 and 11. Blawenburg Reformed Church on Route 518 in Blawenburg, Bedensville School, located behind Orchard Hill Elementary School, and Amy Garret House in Rocky Hill will be open from 10 AM to 5 PM Saturday and from 12 PM to 4 PM Sunday. Blawenburg Reformed Church, which has been actively engaged in community ministry since 1832, will display artifacts from its past. The church and adjacent school are on the National and State Registers of Historic Places. The sanctuary has original pews with doors, original organ pipes, and unique Georgian architectural features. There will also be two special events in conjunction with the Weekend lourney. On Saturday at 2:00 PM, David Cochran, author of the church's history, will do a multimedia presentation entitled "Since 1832" about the church's past and its role in the historic Village οf Blawenburg. On Sunday at 2:00 PM, Kathleen Connolly, the organist and music director, will perform an organ recital entitled "About 1832." It will feature music from the period when the church was built.

The Bedensville Schoolhouse is a one-room schoolhouse built in 1853. The restoration of the building was the 1975-76 Township Bicentennial project. Volunteer artisans re-used every

We commit our gifts to **PROCLAMATION** spreading the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ.

sound beam and board. Missing pieces were reproduced using original elements for patterns. Each year over 450 local 3rd graders come to meet the School "Marm". During the Weekend Journey, docents will re-create school life 100 years ago. Visitors will be able to cipher on slate tablets, learn to use a quill pen and ink, use wooden reproduction toys and games, and browse a collection of 19th century schoolbooks

The Amy Garrett House at 62 Washington Street near the Mary Jacobs Library in Rocky Hill is believed to have been built by Benjamin Hatwick circa 1835. It is one of the earliest surviving buildings in Rocky Hill and still contains many of the original exterior and interior features. It has undergone restoration in recent years.

In its 10<sup>th</sup> year, the Weekend Journey has 30 participating sites and anticipates over 5,000 visitors. The program is free. You can get maps, descriptions, and other information on the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission's Weekend Journey through the Past website: www.co.somerset.nj.us/schistoryweekend/sites.htm.





## Out on the Town!

BRC and BVS participated in the Montgomery FunFest (Sept 13) and the Hopewell Harvest Fair (Sept 26). We met a lot of people in the community and premiered some new brochures!

Thanks to Karen Hill, the Cochrans, and everyone else who helped at these events!



We need your help to make the Weekend Journey successful!

Please talk to Dave Cochran if you're able to be a docent
and share some fun historical facts about our church!



## **Partners in Ministry**

We are grateful for our partnership with Marble Collegiate Church. Our education hour on Sunday, October 4 will feature a Bible Study by Sister Carol, and we are hoping to do more live streaming in the future. Later in the year we plan to partner with Marble to offer weekend builds with Habitat for Humanity. Marble is also organizing a trip to South Africa next summer and there will be spots available for members of BRC to join.

Our congregation is always invited to take part in worship and events at their historic church in NYC. Check out these events, and more!

We are trying to amp up our online presence so we can reach even more people with the love of Christ. We also want to keep you informed and give you ways of inviting others to come alongside us in the missions of our church.

Let's get connected!

#BlawenburgChurch
#BlawenburgYouthGroup
#BlawenburgVillageSchool



@traviswinckler

www.BlawenburgChurch.org we also want to hear your stories on our parish blog!

#### PROCLAMATION cont.

## **Open House New York**

Saturday, October 17 from 12:00 to 4:00pm Sunday, October 18 from 1:00 to 3:00pm

Marble is excited to once again open our doors as a part of Open House New York (http:// www.ohny.org/), a celebration of architecture and the city. Marble is a treasure worth exploring. Everyone is welcome to join us for a guided tour (on an as-needed basis) to learn about Marble's rich history. Selfguided tours are also encouraged. See our historic Sanctuary, our Labyrinth Room with an inlaid labyrinth, our lovely Chapel and listen to our New World Class Organ designed by Sebastian Glück.

Inaugural Organ Concert Tuesday, October 27 at 7:30 PM featuring organist, Ken Cowan. http://www.marblechurch.org/ worship/music/inauguralorganseries

## Ongoing events include...

Soul Purpose - Dr. Brown brings you to a deeper and more personal understanding of doctrine, and why that matters in our lives of faith and daily living. It's practical faith for the everyday. Feed your Soul. A new short video posted every week at http://www.marblechurch.org.

Jazz Revelation – weekly jazz worship service Sundays at 5 PM

Sign up for Marble's weekly newsletter! www.marblechurch.org.

## **Blue Pomegranate**

On September 17 Memorial Hall was filled with the sounds of Straight Jazz, a John Henry Goodman quartet, and the artwork of our neighbor and local conservationist, Clem Fiori.



Join us on the Third Thursday of this month, October 15, for more great music and art! And invite your friends!

We are grateful for the work of Alan Taback, creating a space for artists and lovers of the arts to come together for food and fellowship. Suggestions for artists/musicians? email Alan, coach93@aol.com

## **Supporting Local Events**

Check out the bulletin board in the basement of Cook Hall for information about upcoming events in and around Montgomery Township! And please feel free to share your own events and announcements!

## **Consistory Highlights**

Meeting of Monday, September 21, 2015 @7:30 PM in Cook Hall

**Attendance**: With the exception of one Deacon, all Consistory members were present. Also present were Sarah Hong, Recording Secretary, Steve Miller, Classis Minister for Congregational Care, and Rug Howard, Classis Minister for Pastoral Care.

- I. Welcome and Call to Order David Cochran
- **2. Devotions** Pastor Travis spoke of evangelization in the words of Pope Francis—that it is sharing the joyful, life-giving message of the gospel. How is our church turning to our community in a joyful, life-giving way? How willing are we to change to be more inclusive?
- **3. Conversation with Classis -** The Classis ministers made their three-year visit and asked the following questions: What things are you most joyous and pleased about? What is uplifting in the life of the church? What is Troubling at this time? How can Classis be praying for us? How do we live into strengths and partner with others in the community? They ended by pointing out that we do not want to focus on numbers but how we can change to reach others.
- **4. Financials** In the past two months we've needed to take more money from Raymond James than we'd like in order to pay bills. We've actually spent *less* than we budgeted for this year but have not received all of our pledges.
- **5. Communications** We pay an annual fee to the Montgomery News for an ad in the religion section which entitles us to print "free" articles. Look for our mission story in the October issue as well as an article about our Weekend Journey. We'll review needs for other media on a case-by-case basis.
- For publicity, look for brochures or postcards with the hook of "Looking forward".
- Sarah has set up a general news mailing list as well as a pastoral care email.
- She is also improving the website. Be sure to give her feedback!
- An improved sound system is on its way: two additional mics, four additional speakers downstairs, two speakers upstairs. Communications Team requested authorization to spend up to \$3400 for the upgrade (\$2000 from Maitland's memorial gifts, and ask congregation for the difference). Motion made, all in favor.
- **6.** Worship October sermon series will look at Job; how we come alongside people in their suffering. A recurring Family Worship Breakfast will get off the ground on November 1. We want to create an
- open door for parents with small children. Your help will be most appreciated.
- **7. Care** Travis would like to train and work with someone in the Care Ministry. Is this one of your gifts? Let Travis know if you are interested.
- **8. Life-Long Learning –** Do you have a passion for children and a sense of calling? We need help in attracting young families and creating a program to meet their needs. Do we have any natural-born teachers, with or without a formal teaching degree?
- **9. Missions** CWS school and baby kits are packed and ready for delivery in October to a drop-off point in Bloomfield. Final prep being made for the visit of Al and Sue Schreuder, missionaries from Mexico.
- **10. Personnel** This team will meet in the fall.
- II. BVS 37 children are enrolled; learn about fun and exciting activities in October Beacon; the boardwalk is finished and stained; with leftover money, Eagle Scout Michael will buy a toy for the play yard.
- 12. Troop 46—Jotham Johnson will be serving as the BRC representative for our Scout troop.
- 13. Weekend Journey—Still need a few more docents but Dave is grateful for everyone who has already volunteered. Saturday Multimedia Presentation by Dave Cochran @2PM titled "Since 1832" and Sunday Organ Recital by Katie Connolly @2PM titled "About 1832" featuring mid-1800 church music.
- **14. Amazon Smile** We are setting up an account on Amazon so that members of the congregation can choose to have a small percentage of each purchase they make donated to our church.
- 15. Closing prayer Pastor Travis
- 16. Next Meeting—October 19

## SARAH'S AUTUMN OFFICE HOURS

MON 8:30 to 12 TUES 8:30 to 4:30 WED OFF

**THUR** 8:30 to 1:30

**FRI** 8:30 to 12

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#### October 2015

## **Summary of Dates**

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#### Thursday, Oct 8

7 PM—BVS Back to School Night

## Saturday, Oct 10

10 to 5 PM—Weekend Journey (page 8)

2 PM—"Since 1832" Multimedia Presentation

#### Sunday, Oct 11

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## Saturday, Oct 17

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#### Sunday, Oct 18

1:30 PM—CROP Walk (page 6)

#### Monday, Oct 19

7:30 PM—Consistory Meeting

#### Friday, Oct 23

**Deadline for November Beacon Materials!** 

#### Friday, Oct 30

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@10AM in CH Library

**AA Meeting** Tuesdays @6:30PM in CH Basement



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## BLAWENBURG REFORMED CHURCH

In Service to the Risen Christ since 1832

BRC is a ministry partner of Marble Collegiate Church in NYC. To learn more visit www.marblechurch.org/blawenburgchurch

The Blawenburg Reformed Church is a covenant community of God's people united in Christ through the Holy Spirit. We commit our gifts to worship, hospitality, life-long learning, serving those in need, and proclaiming the good news of salvation in Jesus Christ.