

April 16, 2017
GUEST & MEMBER REGISTRY

I attended the 8:30 service _____
I attended the 11:00 service _____

Name _____
Name _____
Children _____
Children _____
Guest of _____

- _____ **First Time Visitor**
- _____ Attend, but Not a Member
- _____ **New Resident in Community**
- _____ Wish to Know More About the Church
- _____ Desire a Call
- _____ **Wish to Join the Church on Sunday,** _____
- _____ Member of this Church

****If you have any changes, please provide us with your current address, phone, and email addresses for your family.**

For Guest Information or Changes
Address _____

Phone _____
Cell phone _____
E-mail _____

All are Welcome Here!

If you would like to join BFUMC, please fill out the membership card located in the church pew or you may call the church office 770-945-7438.

*Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.*

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, April 16 Happy Easter!

- 8:30a Worship, Sanctuary
 - 9:30a Fellowship and Refreshments, Rm. 108
 - 9:45a Rise Worship, Worship Center, Rm. 110
 - 11:00a Worship, Sanctuary
- No Regular Evening Activities*

Monday, April 17

- 11:30a Staff Mtg., Bldg. 2090
 - 5:00p Ladies Strength Training, Rm. 110
- Due to renovations no Chancel Ringers until further notice*

Tuesday, April 18

- 9:00a YAH Atlanta Botanical Gardens in Gainesville
- 10:00a Knitting for Others, Rm. 313
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training, Rm. 110
- 6:00p Pack 589, Rm. 108, 302, 303, 307, 310, 311
- 7:00p Ladies Book Club, Rm. 108

Wednesday, April 19

- 1:00p Preschool Ballet, Rm. 110
- 7:00p No Chancel Choir, Rm. G5
- 7:00p Youth Bible Study, Rm. 109, 310, 311, 110
- 8:00p Youth Open Gym, Rm. 110

Thursday, April 20

- 1:30p Preschool Playball, Rm. 110
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training, Rm. 110
- 7:00p Bahamas Team Mtg., Rm. 312
- 6:45p Pack 1534, Rm. 108, 302, 303, 307, 310, 311

Friday, April 21

- 10:00a Carol Scott Circle, RM. 108
- 5:30p Confirmation Class Retreat to Lake Junaluska (returning on Sunday around 1:00p)

Saturday, April 22

- 9:00a-12:00p & 1:00-4:00p Tree Of Life Garden Party
Come Help us Plant the Garden
- 10:30a-2:15p Sack Kids Hunger, BFUMC Parking Lot



BUFORD FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Mission of the United Methodist Church

To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World



April 16, 2017

EASTER SUNDAY



WORSHIP PREVIEW

April 23
April 30

“Testify: Beyond Doubt”
“Testify: Hearts on Fire”

John 20:19-31
Luke 24: 13-35

FOCUS ON MISSIONS

For information on Missions listed below, please contact Suzanne Clegg at adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org

We had 33 donors give blood last Sunday in memory of Olivia Ouimet! Thanks to everyone who waited patiently to give. Our next Drive is Sunday, June 11th. Plan to give!



It's time to plant the Tree of Life Garden!

The garden provides food for the Sack Kids Hunger families as well as the North Gwinnett Co-Op. We'll meet to get the garden planted on Saturday, April 22nd at 9:00 a.m. Plan to have a hot dog with us at noon. We want the whole family to come and help! See Dwight Burgess to find out how you can help, or give him a call at 404-630-4106. It takes a lot of hands to accomplish this big job!



The Gina Carswell Memorial Food Drive will take place today and next Sunday April 23rd. Please bring a sack of non-perishable food, and drop off at the car parked by the parking lot side entrance on your way into morning service. The Co-Op has requested: peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, canned chicken, and coffee. **(NO cereal or tuna, please)**



The Bahamas Mission Team will hold a Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, April 23^{re}, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For a donation you can enjoy delicious hot pancakes, bacon and warm fellowship. Help support the team that will travel to St. Michael's Methodist Church July 1st to provide VBS and help improve homes at The All Saint's Camp.

Sack Kids Hunger!

Sack Kids Hunger needs microwave popcorn this month! Drop donations in the black crate in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall! We give out around 120 of these in our Sack Kids Hunger bags every Saturday.



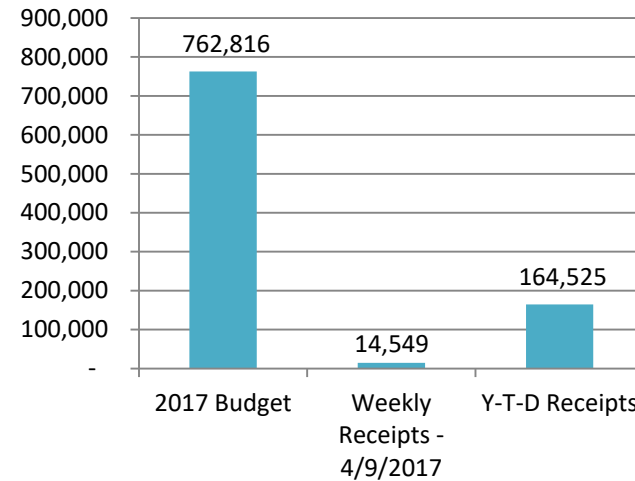
James Adair Custodian
Sylvia Beard Pianist
Rev. Jim Buckman Senior Pastor
Sandra Casper Financial Secretary
Suzanne Clegg Director of Adult Ministry
Tyler Garden Rise Worship Leader and Media Communications Director

Cindy LaTouf Office Manager
Leandre Majerus Director of Preschool
Hank Morgan Organist
Mark Ridings Director of Music and the Arts
Susan Rosenthal Director of Children & Family
Bradley Trammell Accompanist for Children and Youth
Micah Wright Director of Youth Ministry

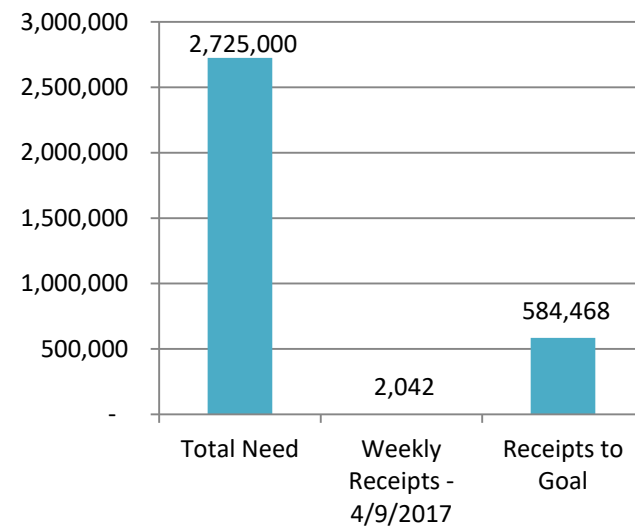
OUR FAITHFULNESS IN WORSHIP ATTENDANCE April 9, 2017

Total in Worship Services 291
Average Worship Attendance 269

OUR FAITHFULNESS TO THE 2017 GENERAL FUND BUDGET



OUR FAITHFULNESS TO THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: 8/1/2015 - 7/31/2020



“...but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be known to God.”

Philippians 4:6

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Your Name _____

If you would like us to send a note of encouragement, please provide the name and address of the person in need.

Yes, please send a note to _____

Our prayer volunteers and staff will be praying for your request. Confidential prayer requests will be given to the pastor only.

Confidential: Yes No

Request

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULTS



Today is the deadline to order a Church Name Tag! We will place an order April 17th. Use the green form found in the Narthex, and place it in the offering plate. A \$5.00 donation is appreciated, but not required.



We need volunteers to help us greet people as they arrive for the Directory photography session. If you can help, please let us know.

Contact Suzanne Clegg at 770-945-7438, or Sandra Burgess at slburg48@gmail.com Thanks!

WE NEED SOME ADDITIONAL STAFF MEMBERS!

Seeking a Special Needs Ministry Assistant:

God has blessed us with the wonderful opportunity to provide service to children with special needs. Buford First UMC is in need of one individual to help in this ministry and assist these children. This is a paid position. **A background in Special Needs is a plus but not required. Training will be provided on the specific needs of each child.**

Seeking a Assistant Sunshine Church Leader:

Romans 12:7 "If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well."
Buford First UMC is looking for someone who wants to assist in sharing God's love with our 3 & 4 year olds in Sunshine Church and Sunday school. This is a paid position.

If you are interested in either of these two positions or would like more information, please contact Susan Rosenthal at Director.Children@bufordfirstumc.org

YOUTH

Check us out at www.wakeministries.com for more information!

No WAKE Tonight! Happy Easter - He Is Risen!

Wednesday Night Bible Study meets this week at 7:00pm! Join us as we dive into the word of God!

YOUTH TACKY PROM

April 29th @ 8:00pm



**Graduation Banquet
April 30th at 12:15pm**

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Stephen Ministry: If you would like someone to pray with you over the phone, discuss concerns in your life, or just learn more about the Stephen Ministry please contact Stephen Minister, Celina Countess, 404-427-0356. Celina will be on call April 16th-April 22nd.



The Sanctuary flowers are given by Darla Hiltgen to celebrate Ken's 65th birthday on April 19th!

The rose on the altar is given to say, "Happy Birthday to Mary Elizabeth as she will celebrate her 17th birthday on April 17th!"

8:30 a.m. Worship

Greeters: Linda Chambers and DeeAnna and Joshua Page
Ushers/Acolytes: Ed Krauth and Joshua Page
Sound: John Alford
Nursery: Megan Ritter and Debbie Griffin

Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for light refreshments followed by Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. (Sponsored by the Beacon class)

11:00 a.m. Worship

Greeters: Donnie and Linda McQuaig and Harry and Martha Wilkins
Ushers: Mike Countess, David Crossett, Tommy Lingerfelt, Eric Lynskey
Acolytes: Emma Sawyer, Crucifer and Joe Miller, Light
Sound: Greg Jones
Nursery: Megan Ritter and Debbie Griffin
Sunshine Church: Lindsay Mattingly and Kelie White
Children's Church: Alena Best and Susan Rosenthal
Altar Guild: Runette Clure and Harla Samples

Children and Worship

*A nursery is provided for children 2 and under.
Our nursery is located on the second floor of the Christian Life Center.*

8:30 a.m. Children's Moment

Children are welcome to come to the altar for the Children's Moment. Following the Children's Sermon, children should return to sit with their family for the remainder of the worship service.

11:00 a.m. Sunshine Church & Children's Worship

*Preschoolers (3 years through Pre-K) meet in Rm. 203 during the service.
Children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade go to Rm. 201 after the Children's Sermon, and may be picked up there following the service.*

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 16, 2017

8:30 & 11:00 am

Easter Sunday | Liturgical color: White

Hearing devices, large print hymnals and bulletins are available in the narthex.

Please place your electronic devices on silent mode and refrain from flash photography during worship.

†Stand as you are able.

GATHERING

Gathering Music (11:00)

Sylvia Beard, Piano

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

†Greeting of Your Neighbor

PRAISING

Chiming of the Hour

Hank Morgan, Organist

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Prelude

“Praise the Lord” (Sigfrid Karg-Elert/arr. Rotermund)

Instruments

†Call to Worship

Psalm 118:14-20 (Hymnal, page 839)

(8:45) Joshua Page
(11:00) Mike Casper

†Hymn of Praise No. 302 (Verses 1-4)

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN

†Affirmation of Faith No. 881

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Mark Ridings

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†Gloria Patri No. 70

“Glory Be to the Father”

MEINEKE

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.***

Anthem

“Christ Is Alive” (arr. Hal Hopson)

Choir & Instruments

The text for this anthem can be found in hymn no. 318

Children’s Moment

Susan Rosenthal

†Hymn No. 327

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

DIADEMATA

PRAYING

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Buckman

Almighty God, through Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we, who celebrate the day of our Lord’s resurrection, may, by the renewing of your Spirit arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Time of Silent Prayer · Pastoral Prayer · The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

GIVING

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

“Resurrection!” (arr. Lloyd Larson)

Instruments

†Doxology No. 95

OLD 100th

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

†Prayer of Consecration

Rev. Buckman

LEARNING

†Reading of the Holy Scripture

John 20:1-18

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“This Joyful Eastertide” (arr. Shaw/Parker)

Chancel Choir

Sermon

“Keep Calm and Be Kind: Holding On”

Rev. Buckman

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship No. 304

“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

REGENT SQUARE

If you are joining the church today, please come forward during the final verse of the hymn.

†Benediction

Rev. Buckman

†Postlude

“Maestoso” (G.F. Handel)

Organist

*Chandler Dickerson & Kwanza Williams, Trumpets
Drew Bodney & Dwight Whitlock, Trombones · Christi Lenz, French Horn
Dick Atcheson, Percussion*