

October 31, 2021

GUEST & MEMBER REGISTRY

I attended the 9:00am service _____

I attended the 11:00am 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
- _____ I am a 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 _____

E-mail _____

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**.

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
The Church Office is Closed on Friday

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Buford, Georgia 30515
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Events of the Week

Sunday, October 31

9:00a Worship-Sanctuary
10:00a Sunday School
11:00a Worship-Sanctuary & Online
12:15p UMW Exec. Mtg.-Rm. 108
12:15p SKH Mtg.-Rm. 108
4:00p Youth Praise Band-Rm. 110
5:15p Youth Halloween Party-Rm. 108-110
5:30-7:00p G.L.O.W.-Rm. 201, 307, 110
No ESOL

Monday, November 1

11:30a Staff Luncheon Mtg.-Offsite
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
7:00p Chancel Ringers-Rm. G1
7:00-8:30p Troop 542/5542-Rm. 108, 305, 306, 308
No Jesus in the Gospels tonight

Tuesday, November 2

9:30a-12:30p Stonehedge Garden Club-Rm. 312
10:00a-2:00p KW-Rm. 108
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
6:15p-8:15p Troop 1843-Rm. G3
7:00-8:00p Pack 542 Den Mtg.-Rm. 108, 305, 306 & 308

Wednesday, November 3

10:00a Rip & Roll-Rm. 108
7:00p Chancel Choir-Sanctuary
7:00p S-Anon-Rm. 309
7:00p WNBS-Rm. 109

Thursday, November 4

8:30a-4:00p UMCOR Warehouse
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
6:30-8:00p Pack 1534 Den Mtg.-Rm. 108 & 110

Friday, November 5

8:00a-4:00p CCS-Rm. 107-108, 110, 202-204, 302-306, 308-311 & 313
7:00p-9:00a Youth Lock-In-Rm. 108-110

Saturday, November 6

10:30a-2:00p Sack Kids Hunger-Rm. 107 & BFUMC Parking Lot



BUFORD FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD



S.H.I.N.E.

SERVE – HOST – INSPIRE – NURTURE – EDUCATE

Shine the light of Jesus so that children, youth and adults grow in the knowledge and love of God through missions, evangelism, worship, nurture and Christian education.

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

October 31, 2021

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Extravagant Invitation: "Begging to Give"

Missions

Aldersgate Homes Offering: Aldersgate is an agency of the North Georgia Conference, serving persons 18 and older with developmental disabilities. They provide services to the developmentally disabled, their families, congregations, care givers, and communities. **TODAY is the deadline to give and support this important ministry!** Be sure to write "Aldersgate" on your gift.

Ghana Bandage Ministry Come help us RIP & ROLL on Wednesday, November 3rd.

Turkey donations are needed by November 7th. Help families at Thanksgiving. A \$25.00 donation will buy a turkey! Be sure to mark your gift "turkey".

Sack Kids Hunger Bring gently used coats or blankets. Place donations in the bin in the narthex.

Join the Mission Team Would you serve on the Mission Team in 2022? Come and help us plan and promote our church mission projects. Let Teresa Fowler, Mission Chair, know if you can help. teclarkmdpc@att.net

For more information, contact **Suzanne Clegg**, mission@bufordfirstumc.org

BFUMC Kids



9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Children's Moment

Children Pre-K to 5th grade are invited to join Ms. Susan for the Children's Moment and then depart to room 201 for Children's Church. We will do a Bible story, craft, and games. Parents may pick up their children in room 201 in the Christian Life Center at the end of each worship service.

On Communion Sunday: Children will return to the Sanctuary and be seated with their parents where they will receive Communion and remain for the rest of the worship service.

For more information, contact **Susan Rosenthal**, children.director@bufordfirstumc.org



Preschool News:

This week will be all about Fall and Letter H.

For more information, contact **Leandre Majerus**, preschool@bufordfirstumc.org

Attendance and Giving

October 24, 2021

Total in Worship Services	217
Average Worship Attendance	244

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Psalm 36:7

Offerings & Needs (Budget for 2021)

Needed for Mission, Ministry & Administration	\$775,000.00
Year to Date Received for 2021 Budget	\$564,933.95
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal ...	\$21,006.61
Amount given on 10-24-2021	\$10,534.00

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$1,818,766.07
Available Funds for Building Debt	\$342,186.85
Amount given on 10-24-2021	\$92,787.85

1. The amount needed by the last Sunday in 2021 should be an aggregate total of our financial needs including Conference Apportionments as well as all other needs.
2. The Amount Received should be the aggregate total of funds received for budgetary purposes.
3. The Consistent Weekly Need to reach the Yearly Goal will change each week depending upon the number of weeks left as offset by the gifts received.

Contribution Options

1. You may place your check in the offering plate or mail it to our Post Office Box 329, Buford, GA 30515.
2. You may set up online bill pay through your bank.
3. Give through our online giving on our website. We accept Electronic Fund Transfers from checking accounts, as well as debit and credit cards. (Please note that you will get full credit, but the church will not receive your full donation as the church is charged a fee for this transaction.)
4. Give By Text. You simply text the amount you wish to give to 770-628-0752. (Please note that you will get full credit, but the church will not receive your full donation as the church is charged a fee for this transaction.)
5. BFUMC Charitable Fund. It allows you to increase your giving and tax deduction by donating stocks, bonds, and mutual funds directly to the church. Another opportunity to give and reduce taxable income is for anyone over the age of 70.5, who is required to take annual minimum distributions out of their IRA, may designate all or part of that amount to our church.

Prayer Requests

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

Philippians 4:6

October 31, 2021

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

IN HONOR OF OUR MILITARY VETERANS

If you are a Veteran, Buford First UMC would like to invite you to come and enjoy lunch at the church.

For planning reasons, we do need to know if you plan to attend.

Please RSVP- Yes, I plan to attend the luncheon on November 11th at 12:00pm.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Worship Preview

November 7th Extravagant Invitation: **“When Nothing is Left to Give”** Mark 12:41-44

November 14th Brendan Rossell Smith preaching Genesis 4

Stephen Ministers for this week: 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 Deena Rindfusz (404-375-6248) or Celina Countess (404-427-0356).

Blessed by God's
Generosity,
Trusting in God's
Faithfulness

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in appreciation for all God's blessings.

9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Linda Chambers

Ushers/Acolytes: Cindy & Kenny Karr

Greeters: Amy Simonson & Pat Stanley

Sound: John Alford

Children's Church: Debbie Griffin, Jonathan Lenz, and Susan Rosenthal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Linda Chambers

Ushers/Acolytes: Linda & Donnie McQuaig

Greeters: Celina Countess & Larry Miller

Sound: John Marbury

Live-stream monitor: Stephanie Norton

Camera: Kevin Walch

Children's Church: Debbie Griffin, Jonathan Lenz, and Susan Rosenthal

Ministry Staff

James Adair Custodian
Sylvia Beard Pianist
Rev. Jim Buckman Senior Pastor
Suzanne Clegg Director of Missions
Celina Countess Director of Adult Ministry
Cindy LaTouf Office Manager
Gary Lenz Director of Music and the Arts

Leandre Majerus Director of Preschool
Hank Morgan Organist
DeeAnna Page Financial Secretary
Joshua Page Director of Student Ministry
Susan Rosenthal Director of Children & Family Ministry
Brendan Rossell Smith Director of Online Worship

Adult Ministry

WOMEN'S RETREAT. Today is the last day to sign up to stay overnight! You can still sign up for the day trip on Saturday. The church van will be available to transport from the Church for a \$3 gas fee. Let Celina Countess or Suzanne Clegg, mission@bufordfirstumc.org know if you want to ride!

THINKING AHEAD! It is the end of October, and we are nearing the Holidays. Here are some upcoming activities to consider at BFUMC that the Adult Ministry often participates in:

** Decorating for Advent (Preparing Sanctuary and Christmas Tree for Advent) November 21st at 12:00pm

** Annual UMW Christmas Brunch – December 11th from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

** Poinsettias (support Youth Mission Trips) and Angel Tree (supports local families with gifts at Christmas)

“YOUNG AT HEART” Join YAH for their November trip on **Sunday, November 14th** to the matinee of “The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge” at the Eagle Theatre in downtown Sugar Hill! Advance ticket purchase is required. Cost: \$15.00. Show time is 3:00-5:00 p.m. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. and we will meet at the theatre at 2:15 p.m. When you give your payment, let Debbie know if you need a ride – the # of people going will determine if we need the church van or if we can carpool from church. If people are interested, we could go out to dinner after the show.

Please **RSVP by Nov. 2nd** to Debbie Atcheson at 770-965-3729 or datcheson@gmail.com.

Payment due Nov 3rd.

LUNCH BUNCH will take a break during November & December due to Holiday activities.

For more information, contact Celina Countess, adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org

Youth Ministry

This Week:

Sunday Night Praise Band Practice at 4:00pm

Sunday Night Youth at 5:15pm & Halloween Party/COSTUME CONTEST!

Wednesday Night Bible Study at 7:00pm

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 5th—Church Lock In

Nov. 7th—Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

Nov 14th—Friendsgiving

Jan 1st-3rd—Ski Trip

Ski Trip 2022 registration is now OPEN! This is a great trip to start the year off right! We will have a blast on the slopes and great fellowship time! DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS NOVEMBER 7th!!

Trip Details:

January 1st-3rd

\$300 Skier (Ski/Snowboard Rental)

\$150 Non-Skier Package

Pumpkin Patch 2021 Results

We officially sold out of all of our pumpkins on Sunday October 24th! Thank you so much to everyone who worked shifts and also bought a pumpkin! **We made over \$6,800 in PROFIT!!** THANK YOU!!

For more information, contact Joshua Page, studentministry@bufordfirstumc.org



The Worship of God

October 31, 2021

9:00 & 11:00 am

23rd Sunday after Pentecost | Liturgical Color: Green

Hearing devices, large print hymnals and bulletins are available in the narthex.
If you have trouble hearing the sound, please alert an usher for help.

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

† *Stand as you are able.*

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

PRAISING

Chiming of the Hour

Hank Morgan, Organist

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

Gary Lenz, Leader

Prelude

“Festive Voluntary” (by Robert Lau)

Organist

†Call to Worship (p. 746)

Psalm 13:1-6

Linda Chambers

†Hymn of Praise No. 152

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God” (all)

FOREST GREEN

†Affirmation of Faith No. 881

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Leader

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.

Children’s Moment

Susan Rosenthal

PRAYING

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

Rev. Buckman

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

Organist

“What Shall I Render to the Lord” (Ronald Nelson, arr. David Cherwien)

†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

Message in Song

“Praise His Holy Name” (K. Hampton)

Chancel Choir

Sermon

Extravagant Invitation: **“Begging to Give”**
Scripture – 2 Corinthians 8:1-15

Rev. Buckman

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship No. 399 **“Take My Life, and Let It Be”** (all)

MESSIAH

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

†Benediction

Rev. Buckman

†Postlude

Recessional on “A Mighty Fortress” (by Michael Ryan)

Organist