

December 5, 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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Events of the Week

Sunday, December 5

- 9:00a Worship-Sanctuary
- 9:45-10:15a Fellowship & Coffee-Rm. 108
- 10:00a Sunday School
- 11:00a Worship-Sanctuary & Online
- 12:15p Church Board Mtg.-Rm. 108
- 4:00p Youth Praise Band-Rm. 110
- 5:15p SNY-Rm. 108-110
- 5:30-7:00p G.L.O.W.-Rm. 201, 307 & 110
- 5:30p Last ESOL-Rm. 303 & 304

Monday, December 6

- 11:30a Staff Mtg.-Rm. 312
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:30p Well Root-Rm. G3
- 7:00p Chancel Ringers-Rm. G1
- 7:00-8:30p Troop 542/5542-Rm. 108
- 7:00p Jesus in the Gospels -Rm. 312

Tuesday, December 7

- 11:00a Well Root-Rm. G3
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 7:00-8:00p Pack 542 Den Mtg.-Rm. 108, 305, 306 & 308

Wednesday, December 8

- 7:00p Chancel Choir-Sanctuary
- 7:00p S-Anon-Rm. 309
- 7:00p WNBS-Rm. 109

Thursday, December 9

- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1

Friday, December 10

- 8:00a-4:00p CCS-Rm. 107-108, 110, 202-204, 302-306, 308-311 & 313
- 10:00a Carol Scott Circle-Offsite
- 6:00p Children's Christmas P.J. & Movie Night-Rm. 108-110

Saturday, December 11

- 10:00a-12:00p UMW Christmas Brunch-Rm. 108
- 10:30a-2:00p Sack Kids Hunger-Rm. 107 & BFUMC Parking Lot

PRESCHOOL NEWSFLASH!

Our Preschool is looking for substitute teachers. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please have them email our Preschool Director, Leandre Majerus, preschool@bufordfirstumc.org.



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

December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent & Communion

Hometown Christmas: "From Get-Togethers to Togetherness"

Worship Preview

December 12th
December 19th

Hometown Christmas: **"Bah Humbug"**
Lessons and Carols: **"A Christmas Festival"**

Luke 4: 31-37
both services

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 Pat Stanley (404-406-9216) or Celina Countess (404-427-0356).

Happy
Anniversary

*The Sanctuary flowers are given by DeeAnna & Ray Page
to the Glory of God and in celebration of their
37th Wedding Anniversary.*

9:00 a.m. Worship

Acolytes: Lillie Fonville (*crucifier*) & Ava Ross Womack (*light*)
Liturgist: DeeAnna Page

Ushers: Mark Nichols & Herman Runyan
Greeters: Linda Chambers & Pat Stanley
Sound: John Alford

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

11:00 a.m. Worship

Acolytes: Michael Thomas (*crucifier*) & Charlie Redstrom (*light*)
Liturgist: Linda Chambers

Ushers: David Crossett & Eric Lynskey
Greeters: Susan Lynskey & Marsha Huckaby
Sound: Dave Reynolds
Live-stream monitor: Joe Adams
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

"ADVENT BIBLE STUDY" The Study is taught by Pastor Jim from December 1st – 22nd. Prepare your heart for the Advent Season by joining us either Wednesday mornings, 10:00am or Wednesday evenings, 7:00pm in room 301. [Register prior to the first class](#) by either calling the church office or contacting Celina Countess at the email listed below. [Please tell us which class you will attend when you register!](#)

"SENIOR HOMEBOUND Christmas Cards" Our Christmas Season is nearing which gives us opportunities to give our heart and spirit to each other. Reaching out to our Senior Adults in our BFUMC Homebound Ministry is a great way to send some extra love and holiday joy! These are church members that are either in assisted living facilities or living at home without mobile abilities. We invite you to consider sending a Christmas Card or Holiday card to a few people on our List. Please contact Donna Agee at dlha4sbbt@yahoo.com and she will provide you with a few names and addresses. **"It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you..."** Mother Teresa



"UMW CHRISTMAS BRUNCH" Come dressed in your Holiday attire and prepare to enjoy some Christmas Spirit at the UMW Christmas Brunch held on **Saturday, December 11th** from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall! All Ladies and their daughters age 12 and up are invited to bring a **Pot Luck Brunch Dish** to share. There is not a set program, just good old-fashion fun, laughter, and togetherness as we celebrate the Advent Season remembering the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

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
Wednesday Night Bible Study at 7:00pm

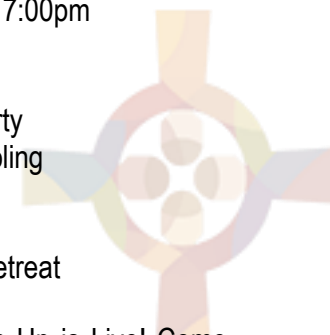
Upcoming Dates

Dec. 19th–Student Christmas Party
Dec. 21st–Bake & Take and Caroling
Jan. 1st–3rd–Ski Trip
Mar. 18th–20th–SLR
May 30th–June 3rd–PCB Beach Retreat

Spiritual Life Retreat (SLR) Sign Up is Live! Come and join us at Camp Glisson for a weekend of Worship and Fellowship with students from North GA Churches! March 18th to 20th 2022. Cost is \$155

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

About
the season of
Advent



The Worship of God

December 5, 2021

9:00 & 11:00 am

Second Sunday of Advent | Communion | Liturgical Color: White

Hearing devices and large print hymnals 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

“Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel” (arr. John Leavitt)

Organist

†Call to Worship (p. 212)

Psalms 24:1-10

(9:00) DeeAnna Page
(11:00) Linda Chambers

†Hymn of Praise No. 213

“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” (all)

TRURO

†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.

Lighting the Advent Candle of Love

(9:00) Page Family
(11:00) White Family

Leader: ...Let us pray

All: Loving God, guide us in confession of our sins. We know that in the greatness of your love, you have promised to forgive us. Cleanse us as we prepare our lives for the coming of Jesus again. This we ask in His name. Amen.

As we sing, the children are invited forward for the Children’s Moment

**A candle is burning, a candle of Love;
A candle to point us to heaven above.
A baby for Christmas, a wonderful birth;
For Jesus is bringing God’s love to our earth.**

(words - Sandra Dean; music - CRADLE HYMN by Wm. J. Kirkpatrick)

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

Two Pastorales on “Gabriel’s Message” (by Kevin J. Sadowski & Grimoaldo Macchia)

If you would like to make a donation to our Good Samaritan Fund you may place your offering in the offering plate as you depart the sanctuary. Be sure to mark it for the Good Samaritan Fund.

†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

“Sing We All Noel” (by Ruth Schram)

(9:00) ensemble
(11:00) Chancel Choir

Sermon

Rev. Buckman

Hometown Christmas: “**From Get-Togethers to Togetherness**”
Scripture – Luke 10:38-42

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (see insert)

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship No. 242 “Love Came Down at Christmas” (all)

GARTAN

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

†Benediction

Rev. Buckman

†Postlude

“Comfort, Comfort Ye, My People” (arr. Justi Heinrich Knecht)

Organist