

April 9, 2023

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, April 9



Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord!

9:00a Worship-Sanctuary
10:00a Sunday School
11:00a Worship-Sanctuary & Online
5:00-6:00p The Gathering-Rm. 110

No Other Evening Activities

Monday, April 10

11:30a Staff Mtg.-Rm. G3
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
5:00-8:00p Pickleball-Rm. 110
7:00p Disciple I-Rm. 312
7:00-8:30p Troop 542-Rm. 305, 306, 308

Tuesday, April 11

10:30a Effie Wood Circle-Rm. 108
11:00a Disciple I-Rm. 312
12:00p Meal to Children's Shelter
2:00p & 7:00p Grief Share-Rm. 311
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
5:00-8:00p Pickleball-Rm. 110
6:00-8:00p Pack 542-Rm. 108, 305, 306, 308
7:00p Young Adult Bible Study-Offsite

Wednesday, April 12

11:30a Lunch Bunch to Olive Garden
1:00-1:45p Preschool Ballet-Rm. 110
5:00-7:00p AA Mtg.-Rm. 305
5:00-8:00p Pickleball-Rm. 110
7:00p Chancel Choir-Sanctuary
7:00-9:00p S-Anon-Rm. 309

Thursday, April 13

1:00-1:30p Preschool Playball-Rm. 110
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1

Friday, April 14

8:00a-4:00p CCS-Rm. 108, 110, 202-204, 302-306, 308-311, 313
9:00a Gateway Shelter Project

Saturday, April 15

8:30a-2:30p Habitat Clean Up Project
9:00-11:30a Al-Anon Live & Let Live-Rm. 311
9:00a-5:00p Mental Health and First Aid Training for Youth-Rm. 108
10:30a-2:00p Sack Kids Hunger-Rm. 107 & 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

April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday

Closer: **“Stories Women Tell”**

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.

G.L.O.W. God lights our world...

During the Months of April – August, GLOW will be scheduled as follows:

Beginning at 5:00 p.m. – (The kids will attend the beginning music portion of The Gathering worship service)

5:30 p.m. – Susan will take the kids upstairs to room 201

5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Bible Story and Crafts

6:00 – 6:30 p.m. – Recreation

Susan will remain until 7:00 p.m. for kids who have siblings in youth.

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



Preschool News:



Happy Easter! This week we will talk all about pond life.



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

Student Ministry

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

We have 3 amazing scholarships for graduating high school seniors!

-Legacy Scholarship

-Florence Garner Scholarship

-Olivia Rae Ouimet Memorial Scholarship

We also, want to recognize you on Sunday May 7th! Please email Joshua Page for more info on recognition and to obtain scholarship info!!

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



Stay in the loop about youth events and happenings!
Join our Student Ministry Remind Group to stay up to date!
Text @bfumcsmp to 81010 for weekly updates and reminders!

Attendance and Giving

April 2, 2023

Total in Worship Services	308
Average Worship Attendance	306

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 2023)

Needed for Mission, Ministry & Administration	\$814,886.00
Year to Date Received for 2023 Budget	\$107,419.49
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal ...	\$16,524.78
Amount given on 04-02-2023	\$19,155.58

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$1,553,103.44
Available Funds for Building Debt	\$320,549.43
Amount given on 04-02-2023	\$1,302.50

1. The amount needed by the last Sunday in 2023 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 72, 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

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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

Worship Preview

April 16th
April 23rd

Closer: **“Reach Out and Touch”**
Closer: **“Walking With Jesus”**

John 20:19-31
Luke 24:27-35

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 Rindsusz (404-375-6248) or Pat Stanley (404-406-9216).

*Always In
Our
Hearts!*

The Sanctuary flowers are given by Susan, Mike, and Audree Rosenthal to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Kay Groves’ birthday today – beloved mother, grandmother, and friend.



Join us this evening for The Gathering worship service at 5:00pm. Today Rev. Buckman will bring the message.

9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Joyce Siegele
Acolytes/Ushers: Ken Hiltgen, Darla Hiltgen
Ushers: Mike Casper, Sandra Casper
Greeters: DeeAnna Page, Pat Stanley
Sound: Nora Lirette
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Heather White
Acolytes/Ushers: Eric Lynskey, David Lowry
Ushers: Donnie McQuaig, John Hladish
Greeters: Linda McQuaig, Marsha Huckaby
Sound: Dave Reynolds
Live-stream monitor: Joe Adams
Camera: Ian Simonson
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

Guest Musicians

Austin DeRosa, *trumpet*
Bryan Burns, *trumpet*

Chris Plummer, *trombone*
Vicki Pinson, *trombone*

Christi Lenz, *horn*
Dick Atcheson, *percussion*

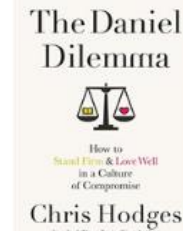
Ministry Staff

James Adair Custodian
Sylvia Beard Pianist
Rev. Jim Buckman Senior Pastor
Suzanne Clegg Director of Missions
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
Sydney Yancey Director of Adult Ministry

Adult Ministry

Lunch Bunch: This month, on Wednesday, **April 12th**, Lunch Bunch will go to Olive Garden at 11:30 AM. If you would like to attend, please let Marsha Huckaby (470-350-4065) know by Monday, April 10th.



Women’s Bible Study: The next Women's Bible Study will begin Thursday, April 20th at 10:30 AM. Lynda Knowles will lead this group through a 6-week study of The Daniel Dilemma by Chris Hodges. If you are interested in joining this group or would like more information, reach out to Lynda (lyndaknowles@charter.net).

New Member Class!: Inquire 101 is for those who have recently joined Buford First and those considering church membership. Rev. Buckman will share some about the United Methodist Church and our congregation. Participants will meet some of our church leaders and hear about church ministries. Our next session will be **Sunday, April 23rd at 5:00 PM in room 312**. Email Suzanne Clegg at mission@bufordfirstumc.org if you plan to attend this session.

For more information, contact Sydney Yancey, adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org

Missions

PLAN NOW to give Blood, Sunday April 16th This Blood Drive is in memory of Olivia Ouimet, daughter of Chris and Leigh. Olivia needed multiple transfusions as she battled Aplastic Anemia. After complications, she passed away on November 21, 2014. In her memory, and in honor of her 18th Birthday, please plan to donate! On April 16th the bus will be on Hill Street, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sack Kids Hunger Support our feeding ministry with a monetary donation in April. We have been feeding around 120 children every Saturday this year! Last Saturday we fed 180!! A gift of 25.00 provides for 9 sack lunches. Can you help us feed 9 children? Be sure to mark your gift “SKH”.

Hands On Mission Experiences:

Celebrate the resurrection by serving others. Here are 3 opportunities to help!

- **Gateway Shelter** - Painting an apartment for victims of domestic violence, Friday, April 14th, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Meet us at the church, bring a paint brush and your lunch.
- **Habitat** - Yard Clean Up in Sugar Hill, Saturday, April 15th, 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. This home is under a code violation and the homeowner needs help. If you can carry items to a dumpster, you have the skills needed. Volunteers must be 14 years old or older. **Let Suzanne Clegg know today if you can help!** She will send you a link so you can register online with Habitat.
- **Lydia’s Place** – Gutter and yard clean up for a home in Athens used for Foster Children who have aged out of the system, Friday, May 5th, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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

The Worship of God

April 9, 2023

9:00 & 11:00 am

Easter Sunday | 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

At this time, the children are invited to go to Children's Church.

PRAISING

Chiming of the Hour

Hank Morgan, Organist

Leader: Christ is risen! **All: Christ is risen, indeed!**

Gary Lenz, Leader

Choral Introit

“Crown Him, the Risen King!” (by Lloyd Larson)

Chancel Choir
brass, percussion, organ

†Call to Worship

An Easter Proclamation

(9:00) Joyce Siegele
(11:00) Heather White

Leader: Rejoice, all heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!

All: Exult, all creation around God's throne!

Leader: Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!

All: Sound the trumpet of salvation!

Leader: Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!

All: Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! He is risen, indeed!

†Hymn of Praise No. 302

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today” (v. 1-4)

EASTER HYMN
arr. Vaclav Nehlybel

†Affirmation of Faith No. 881

“The Apostles' Creed”

Rev. Buckman

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.

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

Chancel Ringers

“Glad Adoration” (by Cathy DeRousse) Adam Conner, clarinet

†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

“Go, Tell Mary and Martha” (arr. David Lantz III)

Chancel Choir

Sermon

Heart to Heart: **“Stories Women Tell”**

Rev. Buckman

Scripture – John 20:1-8

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship No. 310

“He Lives” (all)

ACKLEY

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

†Benediction

Rev. Buckman

**Please remain standing for the choral postlude.*

†Choral Postlude

“Hallelujah Chorus” (by G. F. Handel/Hal Hopson)

full ensemble