

**April 23, 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 23**

9:00a Worship-Sanctuary  
10:00a Sunday School  
11:00a Worship-Sanctuary & Online  
12:00p Confirmation Class & Mentors Lunch-Rm. 108  
5:00-6:00p The Gathering-Rm. 110  
5:00p GLOW-Rm. 201, 307  
5:00p Inquire 101-Rm. 312  
5:30-7:00p ESOL-Rm. 303 & 304  
6:00p Sunday Night Youth-Rm. 109

**Monday, April 24**

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 25**

10:00a Rip & Roll-Rm. 109  
10:00a-2:00p KW-Rm. 108  
11:00a Disciple I-Rm. 312  
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 26**

8:00-9:30a Preschool Pastries with Parents-Rm. 108  
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 27**

8:00-9:30a Preschool Pastries with Parents-Rm. 108  
10:30a-12:00p Women's Bible Study-Rm. 312  
1:00-1:30p Preschool Playball-Rm. 110  
3:30p Meal to My Sister's Place  
5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1  
6:00-7:30p Pack 1534-Rm. 108, 110, 305, 306

**Friday, April 28**

8:00a-4:00p CCS-Rm. 107, 108, 110, 306, 308, 309, 311  
5:00a-7:00p UMW Set up for Spring Brunch-Rm. 108

**Saturday, April 29**

9:00-11:30a Al-Anon Live & Let Live-Rm. 311  
10:00a-12:00p UMW Spring Brunch-Rm. 108

*All Women Are Welcome*

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 23, 2023**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

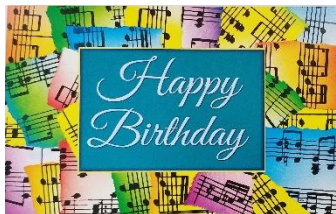
**Closer: "Walking With Jesus"**



## Worship Preview

April 30<sup>th</sup> Closer: **"Someone to Watch Over You"** John 10:1-10  
May 7<sup>th</sup> Closer: **"Living Stones"** 1 Peter 2:2-10

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



*The Sanctuary flowers are given by the Applebee family to the Glory of God and in celebration of Chuck Applebee's birthday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.*



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

### 9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Joan Burger  
Acolytes/Ushers: Celina Countess, Pat Taylor  
Ushers: Kenny Karr, Cindy Karr  
Greeter: DeeAnna Page  
Sound: Nora Lirette  
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

### 11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Rick Huckaby  
Acolytes/Ushers: Ken Stewart, Chris Simonson  
Ushers: Kevin Gohman, Eric Lynskey  
Greeters: Amy Simonson, Susan Lynskey  
Sound: Dave Reynolds  
Live-stream monitor: Joe Adams  
Camera: Brenden R. Smith  
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

## Ministry Staff

James Adair	Custodian	Leandre Majerus	Director of Preschool
Sylvia Beard	Pianist	Hank Morgan	Organist
Rev. Jim Buckman	Senior Pastor	DeeAnna Page	Financial Secretary
Suzanne Clegg	Director of Missions	Joshua Page	Director of Student Ministry
Cindy LaTouf	Office Manager	Susan Rosenthal	Director of Children & Family Ministry
Gary Lenz	Director of Music and the Arts	Brendan Rossell Smith	Director of Online Worship
		Sydney Yancey	Director of Adult Ministry

## Adult Ministry

**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 **Today Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 PM in room 312**. Email Suzanne Clegg at [mission@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:mission@bufordfirstumc.org) if you plan to attend this session.

**Women's Brunch:** This year's Women's Spring Brunch will be at 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. The theme for this year's brunch is "Jesus Loves the Little Children" with a focus on Matthew 19:14. Our speaker will be Sharon Brewer from Wellroot (formerly known as the UM Children's Home). Bring a brunch dish to share and a friend!

**April 30<sup>th</sup> is 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fellowship Time @ 10:00 AM:** Mark your calendars! Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> is our next 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Fellowship Event. Sunday school classes will not meet this day. Everyone is invited to come to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and time to gather with our church family and get to know our Bahamas Mission Trip Team.

For more information, contact Sydney Yancey, [adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org)

## Missions

**Rip and Roll** – Stop by Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 12 noon to help roll bandages. We meet in room 109, or ask Suzanne Clegg today for some strips to take home and roll.

**My Sister's Place:** We will be providing a meal for the residents of this shelter in Gainesville on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. The menu this time is chicken pot pie, veggie, salad, and dessert. We provide enough for 15 people. Please let Mary Susan Robertson know if you can help. [marysusan@essentialingredients.com](mailto:marysusan@essentialingredients.com)

**UMCOR Tornado Buckets:** In March, 5 volunteers went to the UMCOR warehouse to help prepare tornado buckets. We learned that 50 women's hygiene kits are urgently needed asap. The cost of each kit is \$24. Effie Wood Circle would like to collect monetary donations so that they can purchase the specific items in bulk. **Checks should be made out to Effie Wood Circle.** You can put a donation in the offering plate marked HYGEINE or give a donation to Lynda Knowles or Linda Chambers. Deadline to donate is April 30<sup>th</sup>!

**Yard Sale & Fish Fry**

**Bahamas Yard Sale Saturday is May 6<sup>th</sup>!** We will have a Church Yard Sale & Fish Fry to raise money for the Bahamas Mission Trip. If you can bring items for the sale, please drop them off Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> between 5:00-7:00 pm, or Saturday morning, May 6<sup>th</sup> between 8:00-9:00 am. Thank you!

**Thanks for the help!** Thanks to the 5 volunteers who helped with the Gateway painting project April 14<sup>th</sup>, and the 12 who signed up for the Habitat Project, April 15<sup>th</sup>. We accomplished so much in those 2 days. We have so many willing volunteers at BFUMC! Way to go church!

For more information, contact Suzanne Clegg, [mission@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:mission@bufordfirstumc.org)



# The Worship of God

April 23, 2023

9:00 & 11:00 am

3rd Sunday of Easter | 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

Organist

Processional on "O Sons & Daughters, Let Us Sing!" *(by Charles Callahan)*

† Call to Worship (p. 840)

**Psalm 118:21-24**

(9:00) Joan Burger  
(11:00) Rick Huckaby

† Hymn of Praise No. 304

**"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"** *(all)*

REGENT SQUARE

† 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

"Easter Chimes" *(by Lani Smith)*

† Doxology No. 95

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

*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

"Walk By Faith" *(by J.P. Williams & J. Raney)*

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

Sermon

Rev. Buckman

Closer: **"Walking With Jesus"**

*Scripture – Luke 24:27-35*

## SERVING

† Hymn of Discipleship No. 700

**"Abide With Me"** *(v. 1, 3, 5)*

EVENTIDE

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

† Benediction

Rev. Buckman

† Postlude

"Paeon" *(by Gordon Young)*

Organist