April 30, 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 <u>changes</u>, 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 <u>770-945-7438</u>.

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, April 30

9:00a Worship-Sanctuary No Sunday School Today

10:00a 5th Sunday Fellowship Breakfast

Everyone is welcome to the table!

 11:00a
 Worship-Sanctuary & Online

 12:15p
 Mission Comm. Mtg.-Rm. 309

 5:00-6:00p
 The Gathering-Rm. 110

 5:00p
 GLOW-Rm. 201, 307

 5:30-7:00p
 ESOL-Rm. 303 & 304

 6:00p
 Sunday Night Youth-Rm. 109

Monday, May 1

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, May 2

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

7:00p Young Adult Bible Study-Offsite

Wednesday, May 3

10:00a	Knitting for Others-Rm. 202
10:00a-12:00p	Rip & Roll-Rm. 108
1:00-1:45p	Preschool Ballet-Rm. 110
5:00-7:00p	AA MtgRm. 305
5:00-8:00p	Pickleball-Rm. 110
7:00p	Chancel Choir-Sanctuary
7:00-9:00p	S-Anon-Rm. 309

Thursday, May 4 National Day of Prayer

 10:30a-12:00p
 Women's Bible Study-Rm. 312

 1:00-1:30p
 Preschool Playball-Rm. 110

 5:00p
 Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1

 6:00-7:30p
 Pack 1534-Rm. 108, 110, 305, 306

 Florence Garner Circle will meet next week, May 11th

7:00p Evening of Prayer
On the front lawn of the church

Friday, May 5

8:30a-2:00p Lydia's Place-Yard Clean Up Project 5:00-7:00p Drop Off Yard Sale Items at the Church

Saturday, May 6 Bahamas Yard Sale & Fish Fry

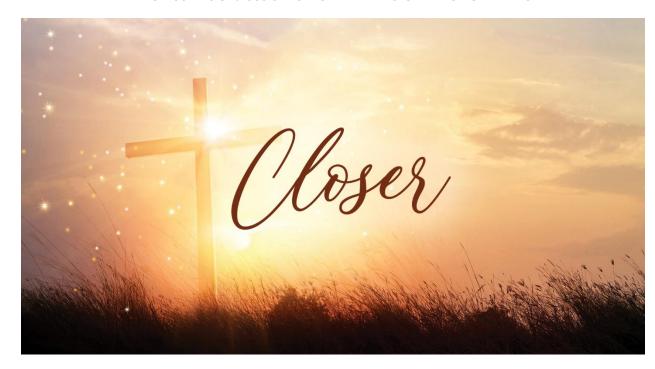
8:00-9:00a Drop Off Yard Sale Items at the Church

9:00-11:30a Al-Anon Live & Let Live-Rm. 311 9:00a-4:00p Yard Sale & Fish Frv

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



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 30, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Closer: "Someone To Watch Over You"

BFUMC Kids W W



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. Will do 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



Hard to believe we are in our last month of preschool!

We will be reviewing all of our academics we have learned this year.

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

Youth Ministry



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!

SAVE THE DATE FOR JUNE 2023 SUMMER DATES

WEEK OF 6/5-VBS
6/9-LOCK-IN AFTER VBS
6/12-BIG FOOT MUSEUM
6/14-BUFORD PARK PICNIC
6/18-ANDRETTI'S
(AFTER THE GATHERING)
6/21-6/25-GAP
6/28-TUBING

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

Attendance and Giving April 23, 2023

Total in Worship Services 290 Average Worship Attendance 317

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	\$213,580.83
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Go	oal\$16,702.92
Amount given on 04-23-2023	\$15,364.50
Building Fund	
Building Debt	\$1.549.991.19

Available Funds for Building Debt.....\$325,389.58 Amount given on 04-23-2023\$5.982.50

- 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.
- The Amount Received should be the aggregate total of funds received for budgetary purposes.
- 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

- 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

April 30, 2023

Name		
encouragement and address	nt, please p ss of the pe	send a note of provide the name erson in need.
		vill be praying for your
request. Cornidenti	pastor only.	
Confidential:	_Yes _	No
	Reques	t

Worship Preview

May 7th Closer: "Living Stones" 1 Peter 2:2-10
May 14th Closer: "The Air We Breathe" John 14:15-21

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 Pat Stanley (404-406-9216).

The Sanctuary flowers are given by
Deena and Jack Rindfusz
to the Glory of God and in
celebration of their 25th Wedding
Anniversary, May 5th.

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

9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Lara Franklin
Acolytes: Caraline Fonville (*crucifer*), Ava Waters (*light*)
Ushers: Mark Nichols, Herman Runyan, Mike Casper, Sandra Casper
Greeters: Linda Chambers, Cindy LaTouf
Sound: Christi Lenz
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: TBA

Acolytes: Noah Rogers (*crucifer*), Michael Thomas (*light*) Ushers: David Lowry, Sherry Hall, Dick Atcheson

Greeters: Butch Ballin Sound: John Alford Live-stream monitor: Adam Van Pelt Camera: Kevin Walch

Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

Ministry Staff

James Adair
Sylvia Beard
Rev. Jim Buckman
Suzanne Clegg
Cindy LaTouf
Gary Lenz
Custodian
Pianist
Senior Pastor
Director of Missions
Office Manager
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

Evening of Prayer: Thursday, May 4th is National Day of Prayer. We will be using this day as an opportunity to cry out to our God as a community. Join us for a time of lament, prayer, and hope as we lift up our heartbreaks and concerns to God together from 7:00pm to 8:00pm on May 4th on the front lawn of the church.

Homebound Ministry- New Carpool Ministry: Are you looking for a new ministry area to plug into? Would you be willing to pick someone up and bring them to church or take them home afterward? We have some folks in our church family who need help with transportation to and from church. If you would be interested in giving someone a ride weekly or even once a month, contact Sydney Yancey.

Church T-Shirts: We are now stocking youth sizes of our BFUMC T-shirts. Another order will be coming in soon which will include different designs for the summer. If you would like to purchase one, see Brad Thomas on Sunday mornings at the front desk of the CLC. You may also contact: Toni Pirkle (tonipirkle@gmail.com) or Tracey Yancey (tyancey@woodfruitticher.com) for more information and to order/purchase your T-shirts.

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

Missions

<u>UMCOR Tornado Buckets</u> 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 would like to collect monetary donations so that we 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 HYGIENE or give a donation to Lynda Knowles or Linda Chambers. <u>Today is the deadline to donate!</u>

Rip and Roll – Stop by Wednesday, May 3rd, 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.

<u>Bahamas Yard Sale Saturday is May 6th!</u> 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 5th between 5:00-7:00 pm, or Saturday morning, May 6th 8:00-9:00 am. Thank you!

Wesley Woods Mother's Day Offering: A word from the Pastor:

"For many Ministers and United Methodists, Wesley Woods has been a retirement home that provides care these people would not have had otherwise. Your generosity makes this possible. Your gift is truly life changing! Thank you for supporting our Mother's Day Offering for Wesley Woods." ~ Jim Buckman

Plan to give to this important ministry of the North Georgia Conference on Sunday, May 14th, Mother's Day.

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

The Worship of God

April 30, 2023 9:00 & 11:00 am

Fourth 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 Voluntary on "This Joyful Eastertide" (by Charles Callahan) Organist

(11:00) TBA

†Hymn of Praise No. 62

"All Creatures of Our God and King" (v. 1, 4, 5, 7) LASST UNS ERFREUEN

†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

"The Day of Resurrection - Choral & Arietta" (by Gerhard Krapf)

†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

"The Majesty and Glory of Your Name" (by T. Fettke & L. L. Johnson)

Chancel Choir

BRADBURY

Sermon

Rev. Buckman Closer: "Someone to Watch Over You"

Scripture – John 10:1–10

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship No. 381 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" (v. 1, 3, 4)

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

†Benediction Rev. Buckman

†Postlude "All Creatures of Our God & King" (arr. Robert A. Hobby) Organist