

**May 28, 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, May 28**

- 9:00a Worship-Sanctuary
  - 10:00a Sunday School
  - 11:00a Worship-Sanctuary & Online
- No Evening Worship Service Tonight & No GLOW**

**Monday, May 29**



*Church Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day*

- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:00-8:00p Pickleball-Rm. 110

**Tuesday, May 30**

- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:00-8:00p Pickleball-Rm. 110
- 7:00p Young Adult Bible Study-Offsite

**Wednesday, May 31**

- 9:00a-12:00p VBS Workday-Rm. 108 & 201
- 5:00-7:00p AA Mtg.-Rm. 305
- 7:00-8:30p Chancel Choir-Sanctuary
- 7:00-9:00p S-Anon-Rm. 309

**Thursday, June 1**

- 9:00a-12:00p VBS Workday-Rm. 108 & 201
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:00-8:00p Pickleball-Rm. 110
- 7:00p Florence Garner Circle-Offsite

**Friday, June 2**

- 9:00a-12:00p VBS Workday-Rm. 108 & 201

**Saturday, June 3**

- 9:00-11:30a Al-Anon Live & Let Live-Rm. 311
- 10:30a-2:00p Sack Kids Hunger-Rm. 107 & Parking Lot

**SUNDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>!**

Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> kicks off VBS by commissioning our VBS volunteers during The Gathering worship service that begins at 5:00pm. Our volunteers will be leading over 200 children on a journey where they will learn how God provides and helps them make their mission possible through following Jesus, helping others, working together, listening to God, and showing grace. The children will enjoy VBS from June 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> and our volunteers need your support! Come let them see you standing in support of their commitment to serving these children.



**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

**May 28, 2023**  
**Day of Pentecost**

**Closer: "He Has What We Need"**

## BFUMC Kids



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

Children Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:children.director@bufordfirstumc.org)



### Preschool News:



For more information, contact Leandre Majerus, [preschool@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:preschool@bufordfirstumc.org)

## Student Ministry



Stay in the loop about youth events and happenings!

Join our Student Ministry

Remind Group to stay up to date!

**Text @bfumcsm 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](mailto:Joshua@bufordfirstumc.org)

## Attendance and Giving

May 21, 2023

Total in Worship Services	297
Average Worship Attendance	312

*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 .....	\$273,350.99
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal ...	\$16,922.97
Amount given on 05-21-2023 .....	\$17,972.50

### Building Fund

Building Debt .....	\$1,543,086.66
Available Funds for Building Debt .....	\$324,394.51
Amount given on 05-21-2023 .....	\$14,457.50

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

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

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## Worship Preview

June 4<sup>th</sup> Summer In The Son: “**Summer Sharing**” Matthew 28:16-20  
June 11<sup>th</sup> Summer In The Son: “**Grilling Eggplant**” Matthew 9:9-13

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 Sherry Seabrook to the Glory of God and in celebration of her husband, Bill, who has a birthday on Wednesday, the 31<sup>st</sup>.*

### 9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Joan Burger  
Acolytes/Ushers: Ken Hiltgen, Darla Hiltgen  
Ushers: Mike Casper, Sandra Casper  
Greeters: Jack & Julia Griffis  
Sound: Nora Lirette  
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

### 11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Heather White  
Acolytes/Ushers: Dick Atcheson, John Hladish  
Ushers: Sherry Hall  
Greeters: Dianne Beaumont, Marsha Huckaby  
Sound: John Alford  
Live-stream monitor: Barry Walker  
Camera: Brendan 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



**Church Cookout & VBS Celebration:** We will be having a church wide cookout Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm following The Gathering worship service. We will celebrate a great week of VBS and kick-off the summer. Join us for free food, fun, and fellowship and consider bringing a friend!

**Young Adult Small Group:** If you are a college/grad school student or young professional looking for community, this is the group for you. We will have monthly meet-ups (ex: Top Golf on June 16<sup>th</sup>) and other meetings throughout the summer. If you are interested or would like more information about this group, reach out to Sydney Yancey.

**Homebound Ministry:** The goal of this ministry area is to support our older church members who are not able to attend church as much as they used to or are living in long term care facility. Volunteers in this ministry can offer a wide variety of things for these older members of our church family. You may enjoy writing cards, making visits, or giving them rides to and from church. If you would like to support this ministry in anyway, reach out to Sydney.

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

## Missions

**Sack Kids Hunger:** Please keep our sack lunch ministry and the children we serve in your prayers as we head into the summer months. Many families struggle with hunger when school is out. Donations of capri sun juice bags or grape jam really help. A collection bin is in the CLC Lobby!

**Rip and Roll** – Stop by Wednesday June 14<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am – 12 noon to help roll bandages. These bandages are shipped to the Baptist Medical Center in Ghana. We will meet in room 108 in the CLC, or you can ask Suzanne Clegg today for some strips to take home and roll.

**Blood Drive June 11<sup>th</sup>:** On Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, the LifeSouth Bus will be on Hill St. from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. We hope the extended time will enable more to give! Please plan to stop by the bus and donate. The blood supply always dwindles in the summer months, so donations are especially helpful!

**English Class:** We celebrated with the English Class students May 7<sup>th</sup> as the session finished up and the summer break is here. Students were asked to share a little about themselves with the group. One student, a grandmother of 2, is from Venezuela where she was a schoolteacher. With tears in her eyes, she thanked her teacher, Darla Hiltgen, and said that she had received the greatest gift from Darla- learning a new language. It was such a special moment.

Others expressed the same sentiment. It was a very meaningful celebration. It was evident that God had worked through this ministry to touch lives.

Please consider supporting our ESL class! We need more help in the classroom. See Suzanne to find out how you can be an assistant to one of our teachers when we start back August 6<sup>th</sup>. You don't have to commit to every week. The classes are Sundays from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

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

# The Worship of God

May 28, 2023

9:00 & 11:00 am

Day of Pentecost | Liturgical Color: Red

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

Susan Rosenthal

## 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

Memorial Day Tribute

“Freedom Is Not Free” (by Kelly Strong)

Gary Lenz

Prelude

“In Memoriam” (by Lani Smith)

Organist

†Call to Worship (p. 827)

**Psalm 104:24-35**

(9:00) Joan Burger  
(11:00) Heather White

†Hymn of Praise No. 539

**“O Spirit of the Living God”** (v. 1, 2, 4)

MARION

†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

Sydney Yancey

**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.**

Come Down, O Love Divine arr. Lyndell Leatherman

## GIVING

Gathering of Tithes and Offerings

Organist

“Come Down, O Love Divine” (arr. Lyndell Leatherman)

†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

Gary Lenz

## LEARNING

Message in Song

“Come, Holy Spirit, Come!” (by D. Lantz, III)  
Dick Atcheson, percussion

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

Sermon

Joshua Page

Closer: **“He Has What We Need”**  
*Scripture – John 7: 37-39*

## SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship No. 334

**“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”** (all)

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

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

†Benediction

Joshua Page

†Postlude

“Come, Creator Spirit” (by David Lasky)

Organist