September 10, 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, September 10

3:30-5:00p

5:00p

9:00a	Worship-Sanctuary
10:00a	Sunday School
11:00a	Worship-Sanctuary & Online
12:15p	Church Board MtgRm. 312

Mats for Homeless-Rm. 108 Get Fired Up for Jesus Pep Rally & The Gathering worship service-Rm. 110

GLOW-Rm. 201, 307, 110 5:30p 5:30-7:00p ESOL-Rm. 303 & 304 Sunday Night Youth-Rm. 109 6:00p

Monday, September 11

11:30a Staff Mtg.-Rm. G3

Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1 5:00p

5:00-7:00p AA Mtg.-Rm. 304 5:00-7:30p Pickleball-Rm. 110 7:00p Chancel Ringers-Rm. G1 7:00-8:30p Troop 542-Rm. 305, 306, 308

Tuesday, September 12

Effie Wood Circle-Rm. 108 10:00a-12:00p 12:00p Meal to Children's Shelter 2:00-4:00p & 7:00-9:00p Grief Share-Rm. 311 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1

Pickleball-Rm. 110 5:00-7:30p

6:00p Youth Bible Study-Rm. 109

Pack 542-Rm. 108, 305, 306, 308, 309 7:00-8:30p

Wednesday, September 13

11:30a Lunch Bunch to Dominick's-Buford

1:00-1:45p Preschool Ballet-Rm. 110

5:00-7:00p AA Mtg.-Rm. 304 Chancel Choir-Sanctuary 7:00p

S-Anon-Rm. 309 7:00-9:00p

Thursday, September 14

10:30a-12:00p & 6:00-7:30p Invitation to John-Rm. 312

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

5:00-7:30p Pickleball-Rm. 110

Pack 1534-Rm. 108, 110, 305, 306 6:30-8:30p

Friday, September 15

8:00a-4:00p CCS-Rm. 107-108, 110, 202-204, 302-313

10:00a Carol Scott Circle-Rm. 201

Saturday, September 16

9:00-11:30a Al-Anon Live & Let Live-Rm. 311

10:30a-2:00p Sack Kids Hunger-Rm. 107 & Parking Lot Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall Reserved 2:00-5:00p

Looking Ahead – The BUMM's Fellowship Breakfast is next Sunday, September 17th at 8:00AM. All men are welcome!



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

> > **September 10, 2023** 15th Sunday after Pentecost

It's Not Fair: "Fight Like a Christian"



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 - G.L.O.W. Schedule for September

September 10th – Get Fired Up for Jesus Pep Rally 5:00 p.m. in the Gym. Then at 5:30 p.m. the kids will go to music with Mr. Gary.

September 17th, 24th - G.L.O.W. 5:30-7:00 p.m.

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



We are having a wonderful time getting to know our new little friends and we are learning the rules and routines of the classroom. We will begin our letter of the week with the letter A. We are also starting Chapel with Ms. Susan!

For more information, contact Leandre Majerus, 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 @bfumcsmp to 81010 for weekly updates and reminders!

JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY & SUNDAY NIGHT!

Tuesday Night Bible Study from 6:00p till 7:00p

Sunday Night Worship @5:00p

Sunday Night Youth from 6:00p till 7:00p

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

Attendance and Giving September 3, 2023

Total in Worship Services Average Worship Attendance 313

205

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	\$456,598.93
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal	\$21,075.71
Amount given on 09-03-2023	\$12.576.08

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$1,528,215.56
Available Funds for Building Debt	
Amount given on 09-03-2023	

- 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

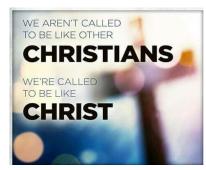
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Confidential:	_Yes _	No
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Worship Preview

September 17th It's Not Fair: "**Math of Forgiveness**" Matthew 18:21-35 September 24th It's Not Fair: "**A Fair Wage**" Matthew 20:1-16

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 to the Glory of God and in honor of our Golden Seniors. We are so very thankful and truly blessed by your steadfast faith and witness.

Join us this evening for The Gathering worship service at 5:00pm. Today Rev. Buckman will bring the message. "Get Fired Up For Jesus"

9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Joan Burger
Ushers/Acolytes: Ken & Darla Hiltgen
Ushers: Ed Krauth, Herman Runyan
Greeters: Linda Chambers, Cindy LaTouf
Sound: Nora Lirette
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Lenna Applebee
Ushers/Acolytes: Chris Simonson
Ushers: Donnie McQuaig, Marty Richards
Greeters: Dianne Beaumont, Marsha Huckaby
Sound: Dave Reynolds
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



This Sunday, the flowers are given in honor of our Golden Seniors. These are our church family members who are age 85 and older. We honor them because they are an integral part of Buford First UMC. They are the hands and feet of Jesus Christ in our community and our church. If you are one of our Golden Seniors, thank you so much for bringing forth your time, talents,

gifts, and service to this church family so that we can serve people and partner with God in making disciples. You have brought and continue to bring your unique gifts and talents and we are a better church family for having you with us. Thank you!

Women's Retreat: We will be having our annual Fall Women's Retreat November 3rd – 5th at Christwalk in the Valley Retreat Center in Clarkesville, GA. We will have food, fellowship, guided Bible Study sessions, and more! If you cannot stay the whole weekend but still want to join the fun, we will have a group just attending for the day that Saturday the 4th. The cost is \$107 for the whole weekend or \$20 for just the day on Saturday. Sign up with your \$25 deposit today!



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

Missions

New Ministry! - Mats for Homeless: BFUMC has a new ministry of crocheting plastic grocery sacks into thick mats for the homeless. Our training session will be today-Sunday, September 10th from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will have the supplies you need, but bring a 15 mm crochet hook if you can. Kathryn Rodriguez and Linda Chambers will lead the session.

<u>Wellroot Offering</u>: We will take a special offering for Wellroot on Sunday, September 17th. This is the new name of the United Methodist Children's Home Ministry, and provides programs to support Foster Care, Transitional and Independent Living, and Family Housing. Plan now to give!



Our annual Great Day of Service will be Saturday, September 30th. Register with the form in the Narthex, or on the church website! Plan now to help with one of many projects on the list! Projects include: North Gwinnett Co-Op, The Gateway Shelter, Cat Rangers, Sack Kids Hunger, Bake and Take, Church Grounds, Rip and Roll, Sanctuary clean up, and Music Ministry.

<u>Pray for our Missionaries!</u> Currently we support the Germans as they seek to share Christ in Montenegro. They have served with Campus Crusade 7 years now! Are you planning to go on a mission trip sometime? We want to help those in our church who are called into mission! A simple application is all you need to apply for help. See Suzanne to get the application.

<u>Sack Kids Hunger:</u> We are looking for help with this important ministry! See Pam Billingsley if you are willing to serve as a team member.

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

The Worship of God

September 10, 2023 9:00 & 11:00 am

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost | Liturgical Color: Green

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 "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" (arr. Paul Manz) Organist

(11:00) Lenna Applebee

†Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 73 "O Worship the King" (all) LYONS

†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 "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" (arr. James Biery) Organist

†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 "Lord, Build Our House" (by Schram) (9:00) ensemble

(11:00) Chancel Choir

Sermon Rev. Jim Buckman

It's Not Fair: "Fight Like a Christian" Scripture – Matthew 18:15-20

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 632 "Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether" (all) UNION SEMINARY

†Benediction Rev. Buckman

†Postlude "Entrée" (by Franz Joseph Haydn) Organist