

October 1, 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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Buford, Georgia 30515
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Events of the Week

The Pumpkin Patch is Open!
Saturday & Sunday 10:00 AM–8:00 PM
Monday – Friday 12:00–8:00 PM

Sunday, October 1

- 9:00a Worship-Sanctuary
- 10:00a Sunday School
- 11:00a Worship-Sanctuary & Online
- 5:30-7:00p ESOL-Rm. 303 & 304
- 5:30p GLOW-Rm. 201, 307, 110
- 6:00p Sunday Night Youth-Rm. 109

Monday, October 2

- 11:30a Staff Meeting Luncheon Offsite
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:00-7:00p AA Mtg.-Rm. 304
- 5:00-7:30p Pickleball-Rm. 110
- 7:00- 8:00p Chancel Ringers-G1 stage
- 7:00-8:30p Troop 542-Rm. 305, 306, 308

Tuesday, October 3

- 9:30a-12:00p Stonehedge Garden Club-Rm. 312
- 2:00-4:00p & 7:00-9:00p Grief Share-Rm. 311
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:00-7:30p Pickleball-Rm. 110
- 6:00p Youth Bible Study-Rm. 109
- 6:00p Church Board Planning Mtg.-Rm. 312
- 7:00-8:30p Pack 542-Rm. 108, 305, 306, 308, 309

Wednesday, October 4

- 10:00a Knitting for Others-Rm. 201
- 10:00a Rip & Roll-Rm. 108
- 1:00-1:45p Preschool Ballet-Rm. 110
- 5:00-7:00p AA Mtg.-Rm. 304
- 6:30-8:30p Chancel Choir-Sanctuary
- 7:00-9:00p S-Anon-Rm. 309

Thursday, October 5 - Preschool out for Fall Break

- 10:30a-12:00p & 6:00-7:30p Invitation to John-Rm. 312
- 5:00p Ladies Strength Training-Rm. G1
- 5:00-7:30p Pickleball-Rm. 110
- 6:00p Wedding Rehearsal-Sanctuary

Friday, October 6

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

Saturday, October 7

- 9:00-11:30a Al-Anon Live & Let Live-Rm. 311
- 10:30a-2:00p Sack Kids Hunger-Rm. 107 & Parking Lot
- 3:00p Wedding-Sanctuary

Looking Ahead: The next Church Board meeting will be next Sunday, October 8th at 12:15 p.m. in room 312.



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

October 1, 2023

18th Sunday after Pentecost | World Communion Sunday

Enemies of Gratitude: “Nostalgia”

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

October 1st, 15th, 22nd, and 29th - G.L.O.W. 5:30-7:00 p.m.

No G.L.O.W. on October 8th - Fall Break

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



Preschool News:

This week we are on Letter D. The petting zoo will visit as we are learning all about farm animals. Our color of the month is orange.

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

Student Ministry

THE PATCH IS OPEN!

Saturday & Sunday 10:00AM-8:00PM

Monday - Friday 12:00-8:00PM



If you would like to help the youth sell pumpkins, please contact Joshua Page to sign up to work a shift in the patch!

If you are not able to work a shift, come support the youth by purchasing pumpkins!

We appreciate your support!

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

JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY & SUNDAY NIGHT!

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

Sunday Night Worship @5:00p

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

Attendance and Giving September 24, 2023

Total in Worship Services	246
Average Worship Attendance	308

*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	\$488,347.03
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal ...	\$23,324.21
Amount given on 09-24-2023.....	\$10,621.00

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$1,523,450.00
Available Funds for Building Debt.....	\$324,378.68
Amount given on 09-24-2023	\$6,444.50

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

October 8th Enemies of Gratitude: “Worry” Philippians 4:1-9
October 15th Enemies of Gratitude: “Entitlement” Matthew 22:1-14

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 Shawn Buckman to the Glory of God and in loving honor of her husband, Jim Buckman to help celebrate his birthday, October 3rd.

9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Karl Siegele
Acolytes: Lukas Waters (*crucifer*), Ava Waters (*light*)
Ushers: Darla & Ken Hiltgen, Herman Runyan, Ed Krauth
Greeters: Deena & Jack Rindfusz
Sound: Christi Lenz
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Niki Redstrom
Acolytes: Michael Thomas (*crucifer*), Charlie Redstrom (*light*)
Ushers: Eric Lynskey, Brad Thomas, David Lowry, Kevin Gohman
Greeters: Susan Lynskey, Linda McQuaig
Sound: Dave Reynolds
Live-stream monitor: Joe Adams
Camera: Kevin Walch
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

Ministry Staff

James Adair	Church Host	DeeAnna Page	Financial Secretary
Rev. Jim Buckman	Senior Pastor	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 Outreach
Leandre Majerus	Director of Preschool	Sydney Yancey	Director of Adult Ministry
Hank Morgan	Organist		

Adult Ministry

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, November 4th. The cost is \$107 for the whole weekend or \$20 for just the day on Saturday. Sign up with your \$25 deposit today!

Young at Heart: RSVP to Debbie (770-965-3729 or djatcheson@gmail.com) if you are going to the Living Christmas Tree on December 7th. Enjoy the wonderful music of Christmas time plus the Christ child story. This event will truly get you in the mood for a wonderful holiday. Event date is Thursday December 7th. Van will load at 5:00 pm and return around 10:00 pm. Dinner will be on your own at Poor Richard's restaurant.



Volunteers Needed: Church Board- Would you like to take a more direct role in shaping the vision and direction of our church? Then you should consider joining the church board! If you are interested, reach out to Pastor Jim for more information.

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

Missions

Great Day of Service: Thanks to the 80 plus volunteers who served on our Great Day of Service! We sent teams into the community, and several teams stayed here to clean, rip and roll, pack sacks, and more. Many of these missions need volunteers all year long. Let us know if you want to help.

Pray for our Missionaries: Currently we support the Germans as they seek to share Christ in Montenegro. They have served with Campus Crusade 7 years now! Send a note of encouragement!



**Bjelopoliska br 9
Tolosi, Podgorica 8100
Montenegro**

Be sure to use a Global Stamp. Get one from Sydney today!

Wellroot Offering: Thank you for being generous in your gifts to Wellroot. We raised over \$1,800.00 for ministry with Foster Families in our area.

Sack Kids Hunger: We have given away 4,470 sack lunches in 2023! Thank you for helping feed children in our community. We cannot keep this ministry going without faithful volunteers. Currently we need a volunteer to partner with Donnie McQuaig every 4th Saturday each month. Can you serve Saturday, November 25th? Please let Pam Billingsley know. Her cell number is 404-429-4356.

English Class: is going very well, with an average of 17 students a week. Workbooks are \$25.00 each. Would you be willing to sponsor a student? Please give and mark it “ESL.” Thank you!

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

The Worship of God

October 1, 2023

9:00 & 11:00 am

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost | World Communion 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

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

“Listen, God Is Calling” a traditional Kenyan/Tanzanian song (*arr. Anne Krentz Organ*)

†Call to Worship (p. 816)

Psalm 96:10-13

(9:00) Karl Siegele
(11:00) Niki Redstrom

†Hymn of Praise UMH No. 158 **“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”** (*all*)

SPANISH HYMN

†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

Offertory

“Communion” (Elevation) (*by Luis Urteaga*)

Organist

If you would like to make a donation to our “Good Samaritan Fund” you may place your offering in the offering plate or on the altar rail. Be sure to mark it for the “Good Samaritan Fund”.

†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

Sermon

Enemies of Gratitude: **“Nostalgia”**
Scripture – Exodus 17:1-17

Rev. Buckman

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (*see insert*)

“Bread of the World” (*by Dennis Eliot*)

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

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship
UMH No. 159

“Lift High the Cross” (*all*)

CRUCIFER

†Benediction

Rev. Buckman

†Postlude

“Sortie” (*by Léon Roques*)

Organist