

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 & November

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

November 5th, 12th, 26th - G.L.O.W. 5:30-7:00 p.m.

No GLOW on November 19th – Join us for the Chrismon Workshop at 6:00p in room 108.

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



Preschool News:

We are talking all about pumpkins this week! We love visiting the patch in the front of the church. We will work on Letter F. Also, Cassie and Leon, therapy dogs, will make their first visit of the school year this week.

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 @bfumcsm to 81010 for weekly updates and reminders!

JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY & SUNDAY NIGHT!

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

Sunday Night Youth
From 5:30–7:00p

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

Attendance and Giving

October 8, 2023

Total in Worship Services	194
Average Worship Attendance	302

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	\$514,601.75
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal ...	\$25,023.69
Amount given on 10-08-2023.....	\$13,148.50

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$1,517,393.85
Available Funds for Building Debt.....	\$314,724.54
Amount given on 10-08-2023	\$1,042.50

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

October 15, 2023

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 22nd

Enemies of Gratitude: “**Greed**”

Matthew 22:15-22

October 29th

Enemies of Gratitude: “**Disappointment**”

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Commitment Sunday

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 Bobby Veal to the Glory of God and in honor of Donnie and Linda McQuaig, Brad and Michael Thomas, and Marty Richards for all their love and support.

9:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Joyce Siegele
Acolytes: Lillie Fonville (*crucifer*), Caraline Fonville (*light*)
Ushers: Cindy & Kenny Karr, Mike & Sandra Casper
Greeters: Linda Chambers, Cindy LaTouf
Sound: Christi Lenz
Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00 a.m. Worship

Liturgist: Diane Shepherd
Acolytes: Noah Rogers (*crucifer*), Jacob Van Pelt (*light*)
Ushers: Ken Stewart, Brad Thomas, Kevin Gohman
Greeters: Dianne Beaumont, Marsha Huckaby
Sound: Volunteer
Live-stream monitor: Adam Van Pelt
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

Sunday Night Fellowship



Women's Small Group starts this Sunday, October 15th. We are offering a new women's small group at 5:30 PM in room 312 (We will host a men's group as well if there is enough interest!). We plan to do short Bible studies, book studies, or whatever the group decides will be most helpful for learning more about Christ and ourselves while growing in our faith together! This is a great opportunity for those who aren't able to come to Sunday School on Sunday mornings and/or are looking for a smaller group of people to grow in faith with. Sydney Yancey will be facilitating this group so reach out to her if you are interested or have any questions (email address can be found below or call/text 770-880-6905).



Walking Group: If you would prefer something a little different from a small group but are still looking for a new fellowship opportunity, consider the walking group! This group will meet in the CLC Lobby at 5:30 PM and then head out to walk together in Buford. Amy Simonson will be heading up this group! Reach out to her if you are interested or have any questions (mamie97@comcast.net or 404-307-9097).

Both groups will begin and end at the same time as GLOW and Youth so drop off the kids and join a group!

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

Missions

Blood Drive Today! The Life South bus will be here from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. TODAY. Just drop by and give!

Aldersgate Homes Offering is October 22nd! Aldersgate is an agency of the UMC, serving persons with developmental disabilities. Established in 1991, they partner with United Methodist Churches and other individuals, groups, and organizations to provide services to the developmentally disabled, their families, congregations, care givers, and communities.

Turkey Time! Are you willing to donate \$25.00 so a family in Buford can have a Thanksgiving Turkey? The Sack Kids Hunger Ministry partners with Buford First Baptist to help provide turkeys and other food items to families in the area. Please give by October 31st. Thank you!



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Bring in your lightly used coats and blankets!

We are collecting gently used coats, jackets, sweaters, and blankets to give to our SKH families in November. A collection bin is in the CLC Lobby.

Sack Kids Hunger is in need of creamy peanut butter and grape jam!
A collection bin for these donations can be found in the CLC lobby.

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

The Worship of God

October 15, 2023

9:00 & 11:00 am

Twentieth 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 "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord" (*arr. John A. Behnke*) Organist

† Call to Worship (p. 785) **Psalm 51:1-5** (9:00) Joyce Siegele
(11:00) Diane Shepherd

† Hymn of Praise
UMH No. 365 "Grace Greater Than Our Sin" (*v. 1, 2, 4*) MOODY

† 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

PRAISING

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
"White's Air, an American folk tune" (*arr. Dr. William Churchill Hammond*) 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 "The Wedding Banquet" (*arr. G. W. Lenz*) (9:00) ensemble
(11:00) Chancel Choir

Sermon Rev. Jim Buckman
Enemies of Gratitude: "Entitlement"
Scripture – Matthew 22:1-14

SERVING

† Hymn of Discipleship
UMH No. 348 "Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling" (*v. 1, 4*) THOMPSON

† Benediction Rev. Buckman

† Postlude "Wedding March" (*arr. Sigurd Snåre*) Organist