

April 28, 2024

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 8:30am – 5:00pm
The Church Office is Closed on Friday

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Buford, Georgia 30515-0329
770-945-7438 (Church Office)
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Events of the Week

Sunday, April 28

9:00am Traditional Worship
10:00am Confirmation Class (304)
10:00am Sunday School (109, 201, CLC 3rd Floor)
11:00am Korean Worship (306)
11:00am Traditional Worship
12:15pm Senior Banquet (107, 108)
5:30pm ESOL (303, 304)
5:30pm Sunday Night Youth (109)
5:30pm Sunday Walking Group
6:00pm G.L.O.W. Oh Jonah Premier (108)

Monday, April 29

11:30am Staff Meeting (G3)
5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
5:00pm Pickleball (110)
5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
7:00pm Scout(B) Troop 542 (305, 306, 308)

Tuesday, April 30

5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
6:00pm Youth Bible Study (109)
7:00pm Scout(C) Pack 542 (108,305,306,308,309,106)

Wednesday, May 1

10:00am Knitting for Others (202)
1:00pm Recital: Preschool Ballet (110)
5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
6:30pm Open Gym (110)
7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
7:30pm S-Anon (309)

Thursday, May 2

12:00pm Preschool Ice Cream Social (107, 108)
5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
5:00pm Pickleball (110)
6:30pm Scout(C) Pack 1534 (108,110,305,306,106)

Friday, May 3

8:00am-4:00pm CCS (107-108, 110, 202-204, 302-313)
4:00pm CCS Graduation Practice (Sanctuary)
6:00pm Women's Game Night (107, 108)

Saturday, May 4

9:00am Mother's Day Painting (108)
9:00am Pickleball (110)
9:30am Al-Anon (311)
10:00am Sack Kids Hunger (parking lot)
6:00pm Music with Mr. Browne (Sanctuary)

Online Calendar

bit.ly/bfumc-calendar -or->



BUFORD FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PO BOX 329, BUFORD, GA 30515-0329

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD



WORSHIP PASSIONATELY - SERVE AUTHENTICALLY - DEMONSTRATE UNWAVERING HOSPITALITY

Our mission is to empower all people to experience the transformative love of Jesus Christ through service, tradition, and education.

Our vision is to serve as a diverse community of faithful people who worship passionately, serve authentically, and demonstrate unwavering hospitality.

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

Been There: "Break the Anger Cycle"



9:00 and 11:00am 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.

VBS: Space is filling up quickly! Register now at bufordfirstumc.org!

G.L.O.W. God Lights Our World - G.L.O.W. Schedule for April

Today is our last G.L.O.W. with our Movie Premiere of "Oh Jonah" – Starring the G.L.O.W. kids.
Tonight at 6:00pm in Fellowship Hall

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



We will be reviewing everything we have learned this year until our last week of school! So hard to believe we are almost done!

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

Student Ministry

Mother's Day Painting Activity

Let's Celebrate Mom! Save the Date! Come on out to our Mother/Son-Mother/Daughter painting lunch! We will be here at the church fellowshiping and painting with mom! We will be led by a local artist! **The cost is \$40 per family, which includes painting and a light lunch!**

When? May 4 starting at 10:30am!

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

Attendance and Giving

April 21, 2024

Total in Worship Services	230
Average Worship Attendance	257

*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 2024)

Needed for Mission, Ministry & Administration	\$768,178.00
Year to Date Received for 2024 Budget	\$221,606.37
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal...\$14,771.99	
Amount given on April 21, 2024.....	\$12,634.00

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$1,477,296.72
Available Funds for Building Debt.....	\$378,166.13
Amount given on April 21, 2024.....	\$5,807.50

1. The amount needed by the last Sunday in 2024 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:
PO Box 329, Buford, GA 30515-0329.
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.) bit.ly/bfumc-give
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

Request

Worship Preview

May 5 Been There: **“When the Past Still Hurts”** Matthew 27:26-31
May 12 *Mother’s Day* Spirit Life: **“The Presence of the Holy Spirit”** 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 Shawn & Annie Desai
to the Glory of God,
and in celebration of Wayne & Betsy Whitehill’s
50th wedding anniversary.*



Signup online to give Sunday flowers in memory of someone special or in celebration of a significant event. bit.ly/bfumc-flowers or scan the QR.

9:00am Worship

Acolytes/Ushers: Kenny Karr, Cindy Karr
Ushers: Mike Casper, Sandra Casper
Greeters: Amy Reed, David Reed
Sound: Nora Lirette
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00am Worship

Acolytes/Ushers: Dick Atcheson, John Hladish
Ushers: Sherry W. Hall, David Lowry
Greeters: Dianne Beaumont, Marsha Huckaby
Sound: John Alford
Live-stream monitor: Adam Van Pelt
Camera: Rebecca Stewart
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

Ministry Staff

Rev. Jim Buckman	Senior Pastor	DeeAnna Page	Financial Secretary
Roy Foster	Office Manager	Joshua Page	Director of Student Ministry
Gary Lenz	Director of Music & the Arts	Susan Rosenthal	Director of Children & Family Ministry
Leandre Majerus	Director of Preschool	Brendan Rossell Smith	Director of Outreach
Hank Morgan	Organist	Sydney Yancey	Director of Adult Ministry

Adult Ministry

Women’s Circle News: The Florence Garner Circle will be hosting a [Ladies Game Night](#) on Friday, [May 3 at 6:00pm](#) in the CLC Fellowship Hall (108). All ladies are welcome. Bring a friend, your favorite game, and a snack to share. The next meeting of the Florence Garner Circle will be [on May 7 at 6:30pm](#) in the Children’s Church Classroom in the CLC (room 201). For our programming we will continue our book study of "Bad Girls of the Bible" by Liz Curtis Higgs. We will discuss Chapter 2, *Bored to Distraction: Potiphar’s Wife*. After our book discussion we will have a short business meeting. All ladies are welcome. Please contact Christi Lenz (christi.lenz1@gmail.com) for more information.

The Church’s Website & Social Media: Visit the church’s website online at bufordfirstumc.org. Here you can access our online giving platform, information about our various ministry areas, a new digital calendar that is updated regularly throughout the month, and more! Instagram- [@bufordfirstumc](#) Facebook- Buford First UMC. [Do you get the church’s weekly email newsletters? If not write your name and email address on the tear-off portion of your bulletin and place it in the offering plate or email Sydney Yancey!](#)

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

Missions

Summer Hands-On Missions Opportunity - UMCOR Disaster Recovery Efforts in Griffin, GA.

In February of this year, our church sent a team for a day-long mission trip to Griffin, Georgia to help with the local recovery efforts that UMCOR has been leading since the tornadoes that heavily impacted the area in the last few years. We will be sending another team this summer, July 19 and 20. We will be doing more light construction/home repairs and staying at a local church though you do not have to stay in Griffin overnight on the 19th to participate. Anyone 13 years old or older can participate. [If you are interested, please reach out to Brendan Rossell Smith at \[outreach@bufordfirstumc.org\]\(mailto:outreach@bufordfirstumc.org\) and let him know you would like to come.](#)

Meal to Gwinnett Children’s Shelter: Each month our church provides a meal for the Gwinnett Children’s Shelter and we need help with our May meal. The menu is lasagna, salad, rolls and dessert for 40 people. You pick an item to bring to church by 12:00pm on the second Tuesday of the month. If you would like to sign up to contribute an item to the meal, call Pam Billingsley (404-429-4356).

Sack Kids Hunger: SKH is in need of donations of grape jam and creamy peanut butter. There is a donation bin for these items in the CLC lobby!

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

The Worship of God

April 28, 2024

9:00 & 11:00am

Fifth 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

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 Procession on "O Sons & Daughters, Let Us Sing!" (arr. C. Callahan) Organist

PRAISING

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Jim Buckman

†Hymn of Praise
UMH 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
(11:00) Recognition of our High School & College Graduates Rev. Buckman

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 "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" (arr. H. S. Livingston, Jr.) 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 "God Has Work for Us To Do" (by M. Miller) (9:00am) ensemble (11:00am) Chancel Choir
Sermon Brendan Rossell Smith
Been There: **"Break the Anger Cycle"**
Scripture – Mark 3:1-6

SERVING

†Hymn of Discipleship
UMH No. 413 **"A Charge to Keep I Have"** (all) BOYLSTON
†Benediction Rev. Buckman
†Postlude "All Creatures of Our God and King" (arr. B. W. Sanders) Organist