# May 12, 2024

### **GUEST & MEMBER REGISTRY**

I attende	d the 9:00am service d the 11:00am service
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 <u>changes</u>, 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

PO Box 329
Buford, Georgia 30515-0329
770-945-7438 (Church Office)
770-945-4161 (Preschool Office)
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# **Events of the Week**

#### Sunday, May 12

9:00am Worship – Sanctuary 10:00am Confirmation Class (304)

10:00am Sunday School (109, 201, CLC 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

11:00am Worship - Sanctuary & Online

11:00am Korean Worship (306) 5:30pm Sunday Walking Group

#### Monday, May 13

#### NO PICKLEBALL

11:30am Staff Meeting (G3)

5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1) 5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)

7:00pm Scout(B) Troop 542 (305, 306, 308)

#### Tuesday, May 14

10:30am Effie Wood Circle

11:00am Preschool Graduation (110) 5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)

#### Wednesday, May 15

CALENDAR INFO DUE

10:00am Knitting for Others (202)
10:30am Thrift Shop Volunteers (offsite)
5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)

7:30pm S-Anon (309)

#### Thursday, May 16

#### NO PICKLEBALL

4:00pm Scout(C) Pack 1524 Banquet (107, 108, 110)

5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)

#### Friday, May 17

**VBS REGISTRATION - LAST DAY** 

#### Saturday, May 18

8:00am-12:00pm Buford Road Race (streets closed)

9:00am Pickleball (110)

9:30am Al-Anon Live & Let Live (311)

10:30am-2:00pm Sack Kids Hunger (107 & Parking Lot)

4:30pm Conner Grad Party (108)

#### **Looking Ahead:**

May 19 – BUMM Fellowship Breakfast: 8:00am (107, 108) May 19 – Confirmation Luncheon: 12:15pm (107, 108)

#### **Online Calendar**

bit.lv/bfumc-calendar -or→





MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD



# SPIRIT LIFE

Living in God's Spirit

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.

May 12, 2024

Seventh Sunday of Easter | Ascension Sunday | Mother's Day

Been There: "The Presence of the Holy Spirit"



#### 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 registration will close on May 17. Space is limited, register now to make sure you get a spot! Volunteers are still needed in all areas. Register at bufordfirstumc.org.



Please congratulate this year's Graduates! We are so proud of our PreK Kids! Our last day of school is May 15.

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

# **Student Ministry**

# TO THE MOTHERS OF OUR YOUTH

Happy Mother's Day!



Please join us after the 11:00am service next week as we celebrate our confirmation class joining the church! Lunch is provided for all!

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

## **Attendance and Giving** May 5, 2024

Total in Worship Services 225 Average Worship Attendance 254

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	\$768,170.00
Year to Date Received for 2024 Budget	\$254,233.15
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal.	\$14,683.91
Amount given on May 5, 2024	\$22,409.50
Building Fund	
Building Debt	\$1,477,296.72
Building Debt Available Funds for Building Debt	. , ,

- 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.

#### MAIL CANNOT BE DELIVERED TO OUR STREET ADDRESS

- 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**

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**\$700.470.00** 

"...but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be known to God." Philippians 4:6

# May 12, 2024

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 19 Pentecost May 26

Spirit Life: "The Power of the Holy Spirit" Spirit Life: "The Piloting of the Holy Spirit"

Romans 8:12-17

Acts 1:4-8

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 DeeAnna Page to the Glory of God, and in Memory of our sweet Mother, Ruby Mathis, from her loving family.



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: Deena Rindfusz, Jack Rindfusz Sound: Nora Lirette

Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

### 11:00am Worship

Acolytes/Ushers: Mark Redstrom, Ken Stewart Ushers: Donnie McQuaig, Marty Richards Greeters: Susan Lynskey, Linda McQuaig Sound: John Alford

Live-stream monitor: Joe Adams Camera: Rebecca Stewart

Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

# **Ministry Staff**

Rev. Jim Buckman Senior Pastor Hank Morgan Organist

Roy Foster Office Manager Gary Lenz Director of Music & the Arts Leandre Maierus Director of Preschool

DeeAnna Page Financial Secretary Joshua Page Director of Student Ministry Susan Rosenthal Director of Children & Family Ministry Brendan Rossell Smith Director of Outreach Sydney Yancey Director of Adult Ministry

# **Adult Ministry**

Women's Circle News: Effie Wood will meet on May 14 at 10:30am. There is a change in the location. The Circle will meet in the Beacon Classroom (301), instead of the Fellowship Hall. The program will be about the Biblical character, Abigail. Not sure who she is? Then join us and find out as Linda McQuaig shares Abigail's story.

Confirmation Sunday - Church-wide luncheon to celebrate our confirmands! Join us on Sunday, May 19. The confirmands will conclude their confirmation journey when they join the church during the 11:00am worship service and then to celebrate them as a church family, we will have lunch in the Fellowship Hall at 12:15pm. The meal will be provided. The menu will be chicken tenders and sides. All are welcome!

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**

Mark Your Calendars! Hands-on Missions Family Night. Join us in the Fellowship Hall (108) on Thursday, June 27 at 6:00pm. All ages are welcome! Bring your family for a fun night of food, fellowship, and service. We will have pizza and an ice cream sundae bar! We will be working on projects for our Homeless Mat Making ministry and Sack Kids Hunger. No prior experience needed, and we will have something for every age to do. This is a free event - all we ask is that you bring a jar of creamy peanut butter or grape jam for Sack Kids Hunger!

#### 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 or older can participate. If you are interested, please reach out to Brendan Rossell Smith at outreach@bufordfirstumc.org and let him know you would like to come.

Sack Kids Hunger: SKH needs 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

May 12, 2024 9:00 & 11:00am

Seventh 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

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

Hank Morgan, Organist

Gary Lenz, Leader

All: And also with you.

Prelude "Lift High the Cross" (arr. William H. Bates) Organist

# **PRAISING**

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Jim Buckman

(11:00) Recognition of the "Woman of the Year" Jean Ann Crites

†Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 312 "Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise" (all) LLANFAIR

†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 Meditation on "Lift High the Cross" (by Charles Callahan)

Organist

**OLD 100th** 

†Doxology No. 95

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

# <u>LEARNING</u>

Message In Song "Thy Perfect Love" (by K. Lee Scott)

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

Sermon Rev. Buckman

Been There: "The Presence of the Holy Spirit"

Scripture – John 14:15-21

# **SERVING**

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 331 "Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us" (all) FOR THE BREAD

†Benediction Rev. Buckman

†Postlude

Trumpet Tune on "Lift High the Cross" (by Janet Linker) Organist