

September 15, 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 are new or your contact information has
changed, please let us know:**

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

*If you would like to join BFUMC, please fill out the
membership card located in the church pew, or call
or email the church office.*

Church Office

770-945-7438 ~ office@bufordfirstumc.org

Monday – Thursday 8:30am – 5:00pm

(Closed on Friday)

Preschool Office

770-945-4161 ~ preschool@bufordfirstumc.org

Mailing Address

PO Box 329, Buford, GA 30515-0329

Online

bufordfirstumc.org

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Events of the Week

Sunday, Sept 15

- 8:00am Buford UM Men's Fellowship Breakfast (108)
- 9:00am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
- 10:00am Sunday School (109, 201, CLC 3rd Floor)
- 11:00am Korean Worship (306)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary & Online
- 12:15pm Taste of El Salvador (108)
- 5:30pm ESOL **Inglés Tieng Anh** (303, 304)
- 5:30pm G.L.O.W. (110, 201, 307)
- 5:30pm Sunday Night Youth (107, 108, 109)
- 5:30pm Sunday Walking Group
- 5:30pm Women's Small Group (311)

Monday, Sept 16

CALENDAR INFO DUE

- 11:30am Staff Meeting (G3)
- 5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
- 5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
- 6:30pm Scouting Pack 1534 (108, 110, 303, 309)
- 7:00pm Chancel Ringers (G1)
- 7:00pm Security/Safety Task Force (312)

Tuesday, Sept 17

- 9:00am Young at Heart (offsite)
- 2:00pm Grief Share (311)
- 5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
- 6:30pm Romans Bible Study (312)
- 6:30pm Scouting Pack 589 (108)

Wednesday, Sept 18

- 10:00am 1 Corinthians Bible Study (312)
- 10:00am Knitting for Others (202)
- 10:30am Thrift Shop Volunteers (offsite)
- 1:00pm Preschool Ballet (110)
- 1:30pm Pack SKH Meals (107)
- 5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
- 6:30pm Open Gym (110)
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- 7:30pm S-Anon (309)

Thursday, Sept 19

- 1:00pm Preschool Playball (110)
- 5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)

Friday, Sept 20

- 8:00am-4:00pm CC Home School (CLC)
- 10:00am Carol Scott Circle (201)

Saturday, Sept 21

- 9:30am AI-Anon Live & Let Live (311)
- 10:30am-2:00pm Sack Kids Hunger (107 & Parking Lot)
- 6:30pm Middle School Small Group (offsite)

Sunday, Sept 22

- 12:15pm Acolyte Training (Sanctuary)
- 12:15pm Church Board (312)

Online Calendar

bit.ly/bfumc-cal



**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.*

September 15, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

We Are the Church: "The Miracle You Need Most"

BFUMC Kids



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.

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

ABC Preschool News:

This week Spanish and Music starts with Brendan and Gary, we are so excited! We will be talking all about our friends and working on the letter B.

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

Student Ministry



Great Day of Service

Our annual Great Day of Service will be Saturday, September 28. The youth will be going to one of the GAP clients that we help during the summer. Register with the form in the narthex or by emailing Sydney Yancey at adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org.

Youth programming

- Sunday School: come fellowship with other youth at 10:00am in the youth room in the CLC.
- Sunday Night Fellowship: Join us for dinner at 5:30pm and then we will have bible study and activities.
- Saturday, September 21: Middle School Small group. We will be meeting at 6:30pm at Lola's Mexican Restaurant. Both Middle School youth and parents are invited.
- Pumpkins have been ordered! They will get here September 25.

For more information, contact Brendan Smith, studentministry@bufordfirstumc.org

Attendance and Giving September 8, 2024

Total in Worship Services	266
Average Worship Attendance	242

*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
Year to Date Received for 2024 Budget	\$ 470,336
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal.....	\$ 17,519
Amount given on September 8, 2024.....	\$ 9,983

Building Fund

Building Debt.....	\$ 1,453,586
Available Funds for Building Debt.....	\$ 379,342
Amount given on September 8, 2024.....	\$ 831

1. By the last Sunday of 2024, we need to have enough money to cover all our financial needs, including Conference Apportionments and everything else.
2. The amount we receive should be the total of all funds collected for our budget.
3. The Weekly Consistent amount we need to meet our yearly goal will change each week based on how many weeks are left and how much we've already 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 setup online bill pay through your bank.
3. Donate through our website. You can use checking accounts (EFT), debit cards, or credit cards. (Please note that you'll get full credit for your donation, but the church will receive a bit less because of transaction fees.) bit.ly/bfumc-give
4. Donate by texting the amount you want to give to 770-628-0752. (Please note that you'll get full credit for your donation, but the church will receive a bit less because of transaction fees.)
5. BFUMC Charitable Fund. It allows you to increase your giving and tax deduction (consult your tax advisor) 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

Sept. 22 We Are the Church: **“Letting Go of Loneliness”** Genesis 2:18-23
 Sept. 29 We Are the Church: **“Gifted To Love”** Ephesians 4:11-16

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 recognition of our
Golden Seniors.*



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: William Womack (*crucifer*), Ava Ross Womack (*light*)
 Ushers: Ken Hiltgen, Darla Hiltgen, Ed Krauth, Scott Leazer
 Greeters: Jack Griffis, Julia Griffis
 Liturgist: Bill Ogles
 Sound: Nora Lirette
 Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00am Worship

Acolytes: Hans Failmezger (*crucifer*), Jacob Van Pelt (*light*)
 Ushers: Mark Redstrom, Ken Stewart, Donnie McQuaig, Marty Richards
 Greeters: Susan Lynskey, Linda McQuaig
 Liturgist: Rick Huckaby
 Sound: Dave Reynolds
 Live-stream monitor: Adam Van Pelt
 Camera: Kevin Walch
 Children's Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

Ministry Staff

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

Adult Ministry

Sunday Night Women's Group TONIGHT at 5:30pm

This group is comprised of women from many different life stages, from moms with kindergarteners to grandmothers and ladies without kids. All ladies are welcome and if you can come one week but can't come for a few after that, no worries! Jump in when you can. We meet every Sunday night when G.L.O.W. and Youth Group are also meeting. We do not follow a specific study book or go through a book of the Bible chronologically. Instead, each week is its own stand-alone topical Bible study where we look at multiple pieces of scripture that are connected to that week's topic. Join us tonight at 5:30pm in room 311 of the CLC.

Women's Circle News

Carol Scott Circle will meet on Friday, September 20, at 10:00am in Room 201. All ladies are invited to join the group. Carrie Walton from The Brightside Cafe will be speaking to us and refreshments will be served. The Brightside Café is a project of local people to provide a place for those with special needs & abilities to build confidence success and belonging. The cafe will serve coffee and smoothies and will be located on Main St. in Buford. Come hear about their amazing progress. If you have any further questions, please contact Sherryl Robertson at skrobertson53@gmail.com.

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

Missions

Wellroot Offering NEXT SUNDAY - Wellroot Offering NEXT SUNDAY

Great Day of Service: Our annual Great Day of Service will be **Saturday, September 28**. Register with the form in the narthex, or by emailing Sydney. Plan now to help with one of many projects on the list including Bake & Take (visiting our homebound members), Sanctuary cleanup, working at the Gateway Shelter and more!

Knitting For Others: This group knits and crochets items for Sack Kids Hunger and various other non-profits in the area. **They are running low on yarn** so if you would like to donate some, there is a donation basket for this in the lobby of the CLC!

El Salvador Mission Trip Summer 2025: We will be taking a team to El Salvador next summer in the first week in July, to build a home for a family in need and do other outreach work. If you are interested in joining the group, have more questions, or would like to support this mission in some way, contact Brendan at outreach@bufordfirstumc.org.

Sack Kids Hunger Needs: We need volunteers to help pack sacks on Wednesdays, 1:30-3:00pm. If you are interested in helping in this ministry area, reach out to Pam Billingsley (404-429-4356).

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

The Worship of God

September 15, 2024

9:00 & 11:00am

Seventeenth 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

Chiming of the Hour

Hank Morgan, Organist

Prelude

“Praise Him! Praise Him!” (arr. Charles Callahan)

Organist

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

PRAISING

† Call to Worship (p. 739)

Psalm 2:7-12

(9:00am) Bill Ogles
(11:00am) Rick Huckaby

† Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 374

“Standing On the Promises” (v. 1, 2, 4)

PROMISES

† 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

Hymn of Preparation

UMH No. 381

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” (v. 1, 4)

BRADBURY

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

“The Church” (by Robert J. Powell)

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, Work a Miracle” (by P. Choplin)

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

Sermon

We Are the Church: **“The Miracle You Need Most”**
Scripture – Mark 2:1-5

Rev. Buckman

SERVING

† Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 672

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” (v. 1, 3)

GOD BE WITH YOU

† Benediction

Rev. Buckman

† Postlude

“Vital Spark of Heav’nly Flame” (arr. Herbert Colvin)

Organist