

April 13, 2025

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 info has changed:

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

FACILITY CONCERNS

facility@bufordfirstumc.org

MAILING ADDRESS

PO Box 329, Buford, GA 30515-0329

(MAIL CANNOT BE DELIVERED TO OUR STREET ADDRESS)

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Events of the Week

SUNDAY 4/13	Palm Sunday
9:00 AM BLOOD DRIVE (UNTIL 4:00PM)	
9:00 AM METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)	
10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL (109, 201, CLC 3RD FLOOR)	
11:00 AM PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 110 GYM)	
11:00 AM KOREAN METHODIST WORSHIP (306)	
11:00 AM METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY & ONLINE)	
2:00 PM PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (108 FH, 109, 110 GYM, 202, 203)	
5:30 PM ESOL [LEARN ENGLISH] (303.304)	
5:30 PM SUNDAY WALKING GROUP	
5:30 PM WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP (311)	
MONDAY 4/14	
11:30 AM STAFF MEETING (G3)	
5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)	
5:30 PM AA 5:30@MAIN ST. GROUP (304)	
6:00 PM VBS TRAINING 1 (108 FH)	
6:30 PM CHANCEL CHOIR & CHANCEL RINGERS (SANCTUARY)	
7:00 PM SCOUTING TROOP 542 (305, 306, 308)	
TUESDAY 4/15	
10:00 AM YOUNG-AT-HEART (OFFSITE)	
5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)	
5:00 PM PICKLEBALL / OPEN GYM (110 GYM)	
6:30 PM CUB SCOUT PACK 589 (108 FH)	
WEDNESDAY 4/16	
10:00 AM KNITTING FOR OTHERS (202)	
10:00 AM LENTEN BIBLE STUDY (312)	
10:30 AM THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS (OFFSITE)	
1:00 PM PRESCHOOL BALLET (110 GYM)	
1:30 PM PACK SKH MEALS (107)	
5:30 PM AA 5:30@MAIN ST. GROUP (304)	
6:30 PM CHANCEL CHOIR (SANCTUARY)	
7:00 PM SPANISH BIBLE STUDY (303)	
7:00 PM S-ANON (309)	
THURSDAY 4/17	Maundy Thursday
1:00 PM PRESCHOOL PLAYBALL (110 GYM)	
5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)	
5:00 PM PICKLEBALL / OPEN GYM (110 GYM)	
6:30 PM PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 202, 203, 22)	
7:30 PM PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)	
FRIDAY 4/18	Good Friday
10:00 AM CAROL SCOTT CIRCLE (201)	
5:00 PM EGG HUNT SETUP (108 FH, 110 GYM)	
7:00 PM METHODIST TENEBRAE WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)	
SATURDAY 4/19	
8:00 AM CITY OF BUFORD ROAD RACE (STREETS CLOSED)	
10:00 AM SACK KIDS HUNGER (107, PARKING LOT)	
12:00 PM EASTER EGG HUNT (108 FH, 110 GYM)	
SUNDAY 4/20	Easter
9:00 AM METHODIST EASTER WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)	
11:00 AM PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 110 GYM)	
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ONLINE CALENDAR	
https://bit.ly/bfumcalendar	>>>






BUFORD FIRST

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PO BOX 329, BUFORD, GA 30515-0329

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD



COMING

ALIVE

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.

April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday

Coming Alive: “Betrayed With A Kiss”



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



We will be talking about Easter and making beautiful Easter crafts.
What an accomplishment it was to finish all of our letters! We will be reviewing from now until the end of the school year. We hope you all have a blessed Easter.

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

Student Ministry



GRADUATE RECOGNITION:

If you or your child are graduating from high school, or any form of higher education, we want to recognize their efforts and their accomplishments. Please contact me to let me know that you have someone who is graduating that needs to be recognized. If you cannot find me in person, you can email me at the address below.

Looking Ahead:

- April 20: No Youth programming. *Easter Sunday!*
- May 4: Last Youth Sunday Night Fellowship
- May 17: BBQ Fundraiser
- May 18: Graduate Recognition Sunday

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

Attendance and Giving
April 6, 2025

Total in Worship Services	219
Average Worship Attendance	249

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 2025)

Needed for Mission, Ministry & Administration	\$ 803,285
Year to Date Received for 2025 Budget	\$ 244,199
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal	\$ 14,335
Amount Received on April 6, 2025	\$ 28,228

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$ 1,404,525
Available Funds for Building Debt	\$ 447,490
Amount Received on April 6, 2025	\$ 1,397

1. The amount needed by the last Sunday of the year is the combined total of our financial needs of Conference Apportionments as well as all other needs.
2. The Amount Received should be the complete total of funds contributed for budgetary purposes.
3. The Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal will change each week based on the number of weeks left in the year, offset by all financial 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 setup online bill pay through your bank.
3. Give online through 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 a transaction fee is subtracted from the amount the church receives.)
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 a transaction fee is subtracted from the amount the church receives.)
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

Apr. 18 Good Friday 7pm Tenebrae Service: “**Lamentations of the Lamb**”
Apr. 20 Coming Alive: “**He Lives**” Luke 24:1-12
Apr. 27 Coming Alive: “**Now I Am Really Alive**” John 20:19-23

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 celebration of
Billy Cochran & Barry Walker’s 17th Anniversary.

Give Sunday flowers in memory of someone special, or in celebration of a significant event, over the next 12 months.

- 3 WAYS TO SIGN UP**
1 VISIT <https://rebrand.ly/bfumcflowers>
2 SCAN the QR code → → → →
3 CALL the church office at 770-945-7438



Birthdays, Memorials and Honorariums: <https://bit.ly/bfumc-bmh>

9:00am Worship

Acolytes/Ushers: Ken Hiltgen, Darla Hiltgen
Ushers: Bill Ogles, Celina Countess
Greeters: Deena Rindfusz, Jack Rindfusz
Liturgist: Pat Stanley
Sound: Nora Lirette
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00am Worship

Acolytes/Ushers: Dick Atcheson, John Hladish
Ushers: Sherry Hall, David Lowry
Greeters: Linda Chambers, Marsha Huckaby
Liturgist: Karen Rears
Sound: John Alford
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

Ladies Spring Brunch: The theme this year is "Georgia on My Mind". Our wonderful guest speaker is Angie Brooks from *My Sister's Place*. All ladies are encouraged to join us on [Saturday, April 26 at 10:00am](#). We'll vote for our favorite decorated table with cash or checks. All proceeds will go to *My Sister's Place*. Bring a dish to share and invite a friend!

Pickleball Open Gym has started back up! Whether you are a beginner or have been playing for a while, this is a great opportunity to meet new people and have some fun. Drop in to the gym anytime on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 5:00 and 8:00pm. To stay in the loop about Pickleball Open Gym, find out who is playing, and more, join our Pickleball Open Gym GroupMe Group Message by visiting this link online: <https://bit.ly/bfumc-gym>

BBQ Fundraiser & Bake Sale for Mission Trip - May 17 11:00am to 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall (108). Join us for a time of food, fun, and fellowship as we raise funds for the team going to El Salvador to serve the community of [San José Villanueva](#) this summer! **Cost is \$15 a plate** and includes pulled pork, corn on the cob, green beans, and potato salad. Only 150 plates will be sold so reach out to Brendan or Sydney about buying your plate ticket today!

Women’s Circle News: All ladies are welcome to join the Carol Scott Circle on Friday, April 18 @ 10:00am in Room 201. One of our local artists, Darlene Lynskey, will be leading us in a Spring Craft. You may be leaving with a little paint on your fingers. 😊 Please join us for food, fellowship, and fun! Contact Becky Grant (BeckyGrantRN@gmail.com) with any questions. Hope you can join us!

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

Missions

Volunteers Needed for Community Outreach Event - Moms Night Out for moms of special needs individuals: On [Saturday, April 26 at 6:00pm](#) we will be having a *Moms Night Out* event for mothers of kids and adults with special needs. We will be providing childcare here at the church and then the moms will have their night of fun and respite right down the road at Brightside Café. If you would like to volunteer for this event OR you know a family who would like to participate, please reach out to Sydney.

Collect your aluminum pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities! We will be collecting aluminum soda can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House recycling initiative through June 6. Start saving your pop tabs now! About RMHC: "We believe when a child is sick, the entire family needs comfort and support ... By staying at a Ronald McDonald House, parents can be more rested which enables them to better communicate with their child’s medical team and keep up with complicated treatment plans when needed." What happens to the soda can tabs? When RMHC receives a large amount of pop tabs, they are taken to a recycling center and the money raised is used to help support two Ronald McDonald House operations: the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile, and the Ronald McDonald Family Room.

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

April 13, 2025		9:00am & 11:00am		Children’s Moment		Susan Rosenthal	
Palm Sunday Liturgical Color: Purple							
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.							
Chiming of the Hour				Hank Morgan, Organist			
Prelude		“March Triumphant into Jerusalem” (by Robert W. Thygerson)			Organist		
Welcome and Announcements				Rev. Jim Buckman			
✝Call to Worship (p. 840)		Psalm 118:25-29		(9:00am) Pat Stanley (11:00am) Karen Rears			
✝Hymn of Praise UMH No. 278		“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” (all)			ELLACOMBE		
✝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.							

Hymn of Preparation UMH No. 277		“Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” (all)		STORIES OF JESUS	
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.					
Gathering of Tithes and Offerings				Organist	
“O Sacred Head” (arr. Roger C. Wilson)					
✝Doxology No. 95				OLD 100 th	
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	
✝Scripture Reading		Luke 22:47-53		Rev. Buckman	
Message in Song		"Forsaken in the Garden" (by John Purifoy)		(9:00am) ensemble (11:00am) Chancel Choir	
Sermon		Coming Alive: “Betrayed With A Kiss”			Rev. Buckman
✝Hymn of Discipleship UMH No. 301		“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross” (v. 1, 4) NEAR THE CROSS			
✝Benediction				Rev. Buckman	
Postlude		“Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands” (arr. Paul Soulek)			Organist