

May 4, 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
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ONLINE
bufordfirstumc.org facebook.com/bufordfirstumc
instagram.com/bufordfirstumc
youtube.com/@bufordfirstunitedmethodist8610

Events of the Week

SUNDAY 5/4
9:00 AM METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)
10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL (108 FH, 109, CLC 3RD FLOOR)
11:00 AM FPC PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 110 GYM)
11:00 AM KOREAN METHODIST WORSHIP (306)
11:00 AM METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY & ONLINE)
12:15 PM CHURCH BOARD (312)
12:15 PM EL SALVADOR MISSION TRIP MEETING (201)
1:00 PM GIRL SCOUTS TROOP 23198 (305)
2:00 PM FPC PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (108 FH, 109, 110 GYM, 202, 203)
5:30 PM ESOL CELEBRATION MEAL (G3)
5:30 PM SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH (107, 108 FH, 109)
5:30 PM WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP (311)
5:30 PM SUNDAY WALKING GROUP
MONDAY 5/5
11:30 AM STAFF MEETING (G3)
5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)
5:30 PM AA 5:30@MAIN ST. GROUP (304)
6:30 PM CUB SCOUTS PACK 1534 (108 FH, 110 GYM, 303, 309)
7:00 PM SCOUTING TROOP 542 (305, 306, 308)
TUESDAY 5/6
10:00 AM PRAYER MEETING (ADAMS)
5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)
5:00 PM PICKLEBALL / OPEN GYM (110 GYM)
WEDNESDAY 5/7
10:00 AM KNITTING FOR OTHERS (202)
12:00 PM PRESCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL (108 FH)
1:00 PM PRESCHOOL BALLET RECITAL (110 GYM)
1:30 PM PACK SKH MEALS (107)
5:30 PM AA 5:30@MAIN ST. GROUP (304)
7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR (SANCTUARY)
7:00 PM SPANISH BIBLE STUDY (303)
7:00 PM S-ANON (309)
THURSDAY 5/8
12:00 PM PRESCHOOL ICE CREAM SOCIAL (108 FH)
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 FPC PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 202, 203, 23)
7:30 PM FPC PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)
SATURDAY 5/10
10:00 AM SACK KIDS HUNGER (107, PARKING LOT)
LOOKING AHEAD
5/11 - MOTHER'S DAY
5/12 - VBS LAST REGISTRATION DAY VBS TRAINING: 6:00 PM (108 FH)
5/14 - PRESCHOOL GRADUATION: 10:00 AM (110 GYM)
5/16 - CAROL SCOTT CIRCLE: 10:00 AM (5 SPOT CAFÉ)
5/17 - BBQ FUNDRAISER & BAKE SALE FOR MISSION TRIP: 11:00 AM (108 FH)
5/18 - GRADUATION RECOGNITION - SENIOR BANQUET: 12:15 PM (312)
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



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 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter | Communion

“Breakfast On The Beach”



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 we will be reviewing everything we learned this year. We will host an Ice Cream Social for our families and have our ballet recital.

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

Student Ministry



LAST YOUTH SUNDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP TONIGHT!

- Sunday School: Come fellowship with other youth at 10:00 am in the youth room (109) in the CLC.
- Sunday Night Fellowship: Join us for dinner at 5:30 pm, followed by a Bible study and activities.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION:

If you or your child is 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 who needs to be recognized. If you cannot find me in person, you can email me at the address below.

LOOKING AHEAD: May 11: Mother’s Day! May 17: BBQ Fundraiser
 May 18: Graduate Recognition Sunday

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

Attendance and Giving
April 27, 2025

Total in Worship Services	192
Average Worship Attendance	255

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	\$ 289,835
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal	\$ 14,262
Amount Received on April 27, 2025	\$ 15,039

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$ 1,404,525
Available Funds for Building Debt	\$ 461,006
Amount Received on April 27, 2025	\$ 1,472

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

May 11
May 18

“You Better Listen To Her”
“What is the Father’s Will for You?”

John 10:22-30
Luke 2:41-52

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 Terri Miller to the Glory of God, and in memory “of the bestest boy ever”, Diesel.

The rose on the altar is given by Bobby & Estelle Dobbs to the Glory of God, and in celebration of their 65th Wedding Anniversary on May 7.

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

9:00am Worship

Acolytes: Alayna Davis (*crucifer*), Caraline Fonville (*light*)
Ushers: Ed Krauth, Herman Runyan, Bill Ogles, Celina Countess
Greeters: Jean Hudson, Cindy LaTouf
Liturgist: Karl Siegele
Sound: Nora Lirette
Children’s Church: Jonathan Lenz and Susan Rosenthal

11:00am Worship

Acolytes: Jacob Van Pelt (*crucifer*), Kylie Summers (*light*)
Ushers: Eric Lynskey, Kevin Gohman, Jim Failmezger, Dave Webster
Greeters: Marsha Huckaby, Linda Chambers
Liturgist: Lenna Applebee
Sound: Dave Reynolds
Live-stream monitor: Joe Adams
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

Women’s Circle News:

All ladies are welcome to join the **Effie Wood Circle** on May 13, at 10:30am to hear the director of *Home of Hope* speak about the organization's work and how to get involved in helping them with their mission.

All ladies are invited to join the **Carol Scott Circle** for our next meeting on Friday, May 16! Plan to join us at 10:00am at *The 5 Spot Cafe* (940 Gainesville Highway). Great food and fellowship! Please RSVP to Becky Grant, so we can give the restaurant an accurate headcount. (BeckyGrantRN@gmail.com) Hope to see you there!

Men’s Breakfast:

The next Buford United Methodist Men (BUMM) breakfast will be Sunday, May 18 at 8:00am in the Fellowship Hall (108).

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>.

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

Missions

The Knitting for Others group:

“We would like to thank all of you that donated yarn and/or finances to our group. With our new supplies we are busy making hats, scarves and lap blankets. Thanks to all - the Knitting for Others group.” If you knit or crochet or want to learn how, we meet at 10:00am on the first and third Wednesday in the nursery.

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!

Sack Kids Hunger Needs:

We need grape jam donations and 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		
May 4, 2025	9:00am & 11:00am	
Third Sunday of Easter Communion 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.		
<i>Please place your electronic devices on silent mode and refrain from flash photography during worship.</i>		
† Stand as you are able.		
Chiming of the Hour	Hank Morgan, Organist	
Prelude	“The Day of Resurrection - Chorale” (by Gerhard Krapf)	Organist
Welcome and Announcements	Rev. Jim Buckman	
†Call to Worship (p. 840)	Psalm 118:21-24	(9:00) Karl Siegele (11:00) Lenna Applebee
†Hymn of Praise UMH No. 304	“Easter People” (all)	REGENT SQUARE
†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	

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	
“Morning Has Broken” (arr. Wilbur Held)		
<i>If you would like to make a donation to our “Good Samaritan Fund” to help people in the community, you may place your offering in the offering plate or on the altar rail. Be sure to mark it for the “Good Samaritan Fund”.</i>		
†Doxology No. 95	OLD 100 th	
<i>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.</i>		
†Prayer of Consecration	Rev. Buckman	
†Scripture Reading	John 21: 1-9	Rev. Buckman
Message in Song	“Do You Know Your Shepherd’s Voice?” (by Suzanne Lord) (9:00am) ensemble (11:00am) Chancel Choir	
Sermon	“Breakfast on the Beach”	Rev. Buckman
The Sacrament of Holy Communion (see insert)		
“O Sons & Daughters, Let Us Sing” (arr. Bruce Brolsma)		Organist
†Hymn of Discipleship UMH No. 438	“Forth in Thy Name, O Lord” (all)	DUKE STREET
†Benediction	Rev. Buckman	
Postlude	“The Day of Resurrection - Final Flourish” (by Gerhard Krapf)	Organist