



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.

August 3, 2025

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost | Communion

Prayer, Plenty & Prestige: *“Needing To Downsize”*



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.

Nursery: A nursery is provided for children age 3 and under in room 202 of the Christian Life Center.

For more information, contact [Susan Rosenthal, children.director@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:children.director@bufordfirstumc.org)

ABC Preschool News:



For more information, contact [Leandre Majerus, preschool@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:preschool@bufordfirstumc.org)

Student Ministry



YOUTH UPDATE:

As a reminder, confirmation has started already! All youth will attend the confirmation classes, as those who have already been confirmed will serve as youth peer mentors for the confirmands. This will help everyone learn more!

YOUTH PROGRAMMING WILL START BACK UP ON SEPTEMBER 7 !

For more information, contact [Brendan Rossell Smith, studentministry@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:studentministry@bufordfirstumc.org)

Missions

BOOM - Boomers On Outreach Mission - A mission week designed for adults 60+ in the mountains of Western North Carolina. Pastor Jim is leading a team heading to the Hinton Center September 28 - October 3. The cost is \$425.00 per person and includes 13 meals, project materials, programming, worship, and 5 nights lodging. For more information, contact Pastor Jim. The last day to sign up is Wednesday, August 13.

Great Day of Service: Our annual Great Day of Service will be Saturday, September 27. Plan now to help with one of many projects on the list including Bake & Take, Sanctuary cleanup, or serving at one of our many local mission partners! Register by filling out the form in the narthex and placing it in the offering plate or by emailing Sydney at adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org!

ESOL: Our church offers a free English class to the community on Sunday nights from August 10 to November 30 at 5:30pm in the CLC. Please pray for this ministry and share this information with anyone you may know who would benefit from this ministry! If you would like to learn more about how you can help with this ministry, contact Sydney.

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

Adult Ministry

Young at Heart: Join the Young at Heart on Tuesday, August 19 at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall for dinner. We will also hear about this year's event schedule and vote on next year's events. Dinner is \$5 per person. RSVP with Debbie Atcheson (770-965-3729 or djatcheson@gmail.com) by August 10.

Fall Bible Studies: There are two Bible study options to choose from this Fall. For each Bible study, we will be going through the first half of the book in the Fall and then the second half of the book starting in January.

- Revelation (Part 1)
 - Facilitator: Brendan
 - Tuesdays @ 6pm in the CLC Media Room (312)
 - Dates: 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21
- Daniel (Part 1)
 - Facilitator: Pastor Jim
 - Wednesdays @ 10am in the CLC Media Room (312)
 - Dates: 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22

Fall Women's Retreat: Join us for this year's Fall Women's Retreat! We are headed back to Christwalk in the Valley in Clarkesville, GA. The dates are November 14-16 but if you can't come for the whole weekend, you can join us for the day on Saturday, November 15. The cost is \$135 for the whole weekend, or \$30 for just the day on Saturday. Deposit to save your spot for the whole weekend is \$35. All beds are single twin beds. If you have any questions, would like more information, or would like to sign up for the retreat, email Sydney.

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

The Worship of God

August 3, 2025

9:00am & 11:00am

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost | 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.

***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

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

Organist

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

†Call to Worship (p. 805)

Psalm 84:1-4

(9:00) DeeAnna Page
(11:00) Niki Redstrom

†Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 57

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing” (v. 1-5, 7)

AZMON

†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

Summer Medley - Tell Me the Story of Jesus, I'll Live for Him, Look for the Beautiful

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".

†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

†Scripture Reading

Luke 12:13-21

Rev. Buckman

Message In Song

"Grace" (arr. Mark Hayes)

Lenna, Chuck & Jonathan Applebee, Jean Ann Crites

Sermon

Prayer, Plenty & Prestige: **"Needing To Downsize"**

Rev. Buckman

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (see insert)

Organist

"The Beautiful Garden of Prayer" (arr. David H. Hegarty)

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 613

"O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread" (all)

LAND OF REST

Benediction

Rev. Buckman

Postlude

Recessional on "Azmon" (by Edward L. Good)

Organist

Worship Preview

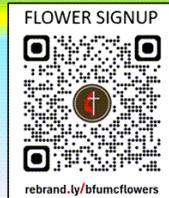
August 10
August 17

Prayer, Plenty & Prestige: **“Prepare For The Unexpected”** Luke 12: 35-40
Joshua Page preaching

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 Eric & Robin Fonville to the Glory of God, and in celebration of their 20th Wedding Anniversary.



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

9:00am Worship

Acolytes – William Womack (*crucifer*), Ava Ross Womack (*light*)

Ushers – Ed Krauth, Herman Runyan

Celina Countess, Mike Stebnicki

Children's Church – Jonathan Lenz, Sarah Van Pelt

Communion Servers – Pat Stanley, Mike Casper, Josh Page

Greeters – Jean Hudson, Jack Rindfusz

Sound – Nora Lirette

Liturgist – DeeAnna Page

Nursery

11:00am Worship

Acolytes – Hans Failmezger (*crucifer*), Jacob Van Pelt (*light*)

Ushers – Eric Lynskey, Dave Webster

Jim Failmezger, Kevin Gohman

Live-stream monitor – Adam Van Pelt

Children's Church – Jonathan Lenz, Sarah Van Pelt

Greeters – Linda McQuaig, Susan Lynskey

Sound – Dave Reynolds

Camera – Kevin Walch

Liturgist – Niki Redstrom

Nursery

Ministry Staff

Senior Pastor | Rev. Jim Buckman

Director of Adult Ministry | Sydney Yancey

Director of Children & Family Ministry | Susan Rosenthal

Director of Student & Outreach Ministries | Brendan Rossell Smith

Interim Director of Music & the Arts | Jean Ann Crites

Director of Preschool | Leandre Majerus

Facility Manager | Will Rogers

Financial Secretary | DeeAnna Page

Office Manager | Roy Foster

Organist | Hank Morgan

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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)

ONLINE

bufordfirstumc.org

facebook.com/bufordfirstumc

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Events of the Week

SUNDAY 8/3

- 9:00 AM UNITED METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)
- 10:00 AM CONFIRMATION CLASS (304)
- 10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL (109, 201, CLC 3RD FLOOR)
- 11:00 AM FPC PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 110 GYM, 23 CHOIR)
- 11:00 AM KOREAN UNITED METHODIST WORSHIP (306)
- 11:00 AM UNITED METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY & ONLINE)
- 2:00 PM FPC PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (108 FH, 109, 110 GYM, 23, 202, 203)
- 5:30 PM SUNDAY WALKING GROUP

MONDAY 8/4

- 11:30 AM STAFF MEETING (G3)
- 5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)
- 5:30 PM AA 5:30@MAIN ST. GROUP (304)

TUESDAY 8/5

- PICKLEBALL OPEN GYM - CHECK GROUPME (110 GYM)
- 5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)
- 7:00 PM AA SOBER DADS (304)

WEDNESDAY 8/6

- 10:00 AM KNITTING FOR OTHERS (202)
- 1:30 PM PACK SKH MEALS (107)
- 5:30 PM AA 5:30@MAIN ST. GROUP (304)
- 7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR (SANCTUARY)
- 7:30 PM S-ANON (309)

THURSDAY 8/7

- PICKLEBALL OPEN GYM - CHECK GROUPME (110 GYM)
- 5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)
- 6:30 PM FPC PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 202, 203, 23)
- 7:30 PM FPC PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)

FRIDAY 8/8

- 6:30 PM WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP (OFFSITE)

SATURDAY 8/9

- 10:00 AM SACK KIDS HUNGER (107, PARKING LOT)

SUNDAY 8/10

- BLESSINGS OF THE BAGS (BOTH SERVICES)
- 10:00 AM CONFIRMATION CLASS (304)
- 12:15 PM CHURCH BOARD (312)
- 5:30 PM ESOL (303, 304)

ONLINE CALENDAR



FLOWER SIGNUP



BIRTHDAYS

