



# 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 14, 2025**

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

***Home Field Advantage: "Laying the Foundation"***



## Children's Moment

**Children Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> 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:

*It is so great to be back to school and hear little voices in the hallways.*

*We are talking this week about our friends and family.*

*This week we learn about the letter B. Our color of the month is red.*

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

## Student Ministry



*Sunday Night Youth Fellowship Today!*

*All youth are welcome*

*Join us at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall*

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

## Missions

**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. There are forms to sign up in the Narthex. Email Sydney for more information!

**Sack Kids Hunger:** Fall cleaning time is here! Many people are starting to clean out closets and reorganize. If this is you and you have gently used coats or blankets you would like to give away, consider donating them to Sack Kids Hunger! We will collect these items in a bin in the CLC Lobby in September and October and then give out the items at to local families through SKH in November.

**Knitting for Others** is a hands-on, needle-work group that knits and crochets blankets for various charitable organizations and church members who are hospitalized or homebound. Come knit with us on the first and fourth Thursday of each month from 10:00am to 12-noon. Please contact Sydney Yancey (adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org) for more information.

**For more information, contact Sydney Yancey, [mission@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:mission@bufordfirstumc.org)**

## Adult Ministry

### **United Methodist Women (UMW) Circle News**

**Carol Scott Circle:** Join this circle in the Fellowship Hall, Friday **September 19**. At 10:00am we will have a short circle business session. At **11:00am the whole church is invited** to join us for refreshments and a program about advanced directives and plan-in-a-can, given by Sydney Yancey. RSVP to Jean Ann Crites (music@bufordfirstumc.org) by September 17.

**Florence Garner Circle** is hosting a Ladies Game Night on Friday, **September 26** at 6:00pm. Bring a snack to share and your favorite game if you would like. All ladies welcome! Invite a friend!

**Pizza with the Pastor:** Are you new to the church? Have you recently joined, are visiting, or been visiting for a while but want to learn more about United Methodism or about our church leadership? Please consider joining Pastor Jim for *Pizza with the Pastor* in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00pm on September 21. This is an opportunity to join together for a meal, meet new people, and get to know Pastor Jim and the church better.

**Pickleball Open Gym:** 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 (room 110) 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](mailto:adultministry@bufordfirstumc.org)**

# The Worship of God

September 14, 2025

9:00am & 11:00am

Fourteenth 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.*

Chiming of the Hour

Hank Morgan, Organist

Prelude

Organist

**“Sunshine in My Soul”** *arr. Harold DeCou*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

†Call to Worship (p. 854)

**Psalm 139:1-6**

(9:00) Joyce Siegele  
(11:00) Linda McQuaig

†Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 660

**“God Is Here”** vs 1 & 4

Abbot's Leigh

†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”**

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***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.***

Commissioning of Preschool Teachers (11:00)

Rev. Buckman

*Leandre Majerus- Director  
Emma Rogers -2 year olds  
Heather Turpin - 2 year olds  
Elaine Nelson - 3 year olds*

**BFUMC Preschool Staff**  
*Jackie Musser- 3 year olds  
Shannen Drake - 3 year olds  
Taylor Bladow- 3 year olds  
Jannah Shackelford- 3 year olds*

*Haley Chambers - PreK  
Megan Ritter - PreK  
Miranda Patton - PreK  
Emily Stroud – PreK*

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

PaceMakers Quartet

**"I'll Walk Them Golden Stairs" by Culley Holt**

†Doxology No. 95

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

***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

Matthew 7:24-27

Rev. Buckman

Message In Song

**"Rise Up, O Children of God" by Mark Patterson**

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

Sermon

**Prayer, Plenty & Prestige: "Laying the Foundation"**

Rev. Buckman

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 368

**"My Hope Is Built" vs. 1 & 4**

The Solid Rock

Benediction

Rev. Buckman

Postlude

**"It Is Morning in My Heart / Heavenly Sunlight " by Ackley and Cook**

Organist

# Worship Preview

September 21  
September 28

Home Field Advantage: "A Winning Culture"  
Home Field Advantage: "Protecting the Home Turf"

Deuteronomy 6:4-9  
Mark 4:35-41

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 Preschool Teachers.*

Give Sunday flowers  
in memory of someone special,  
or in celebration of a significant event.

### 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

<u>Acolytes</u> – Melissa Stebnicki ( <i>crucifer</i> ), Mike Stebnicki ( <i>light</i> )	<u>Greeters</u> – Bill Ogles, Jack Rindfusz
<u>Ushers</u> – Mike Stebnicki, Melissa Stebnicki Celina Countess, Karl Siegele	<u>Sound</u> – Nora Lirette
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Jonathan Lenz, Susan Rosenthal	<u>Liturgist</u> – Joyce Siegele

## 11:00am Worship

<u>Acolytes</u> – John Hladish ( <i>crucifer</i> ), Dick Atcheson ( <i>light</i> )	<u>Greeters</u> – Linda Chambers, Terry Ellis
<u>Ushers</u> – Dick Atcheson, John Hladish Eric Lynskey	<u>Sound</u> – Dave Reynolds
<u>Live-stream monitor</u> – Adam Van Pelt	<u>Camera</u> – Kevin Walch
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Jonathan Lenz, Susan Rosenthal	<u>Liturgist</u> – Linda McQuaig

## 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



# September 14, 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)

### ONLINE

bufordfirstumc.org  
facebook.com/bufordfirstumc  
instagram.com/bufordfirstumc  
youtube.com/@bufordfirstunitedmethodist8610

# Events of the Week

## SUNDAY 9/14

9:00 AM UNITED METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY)  
9:15 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH (201)  
10:00 AM CONFIRMATION CLASS (304)  
10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL (109, 201, CLC 3RD FLOOR)  
11:00 AM KOREAN UNITED METHODIST WORSHIP (306)  
11:00 AM UNITED METHODIST WORSHIP (SANCTUARY & ONLINE)  
PRESCHOOL TEACHER COMMISSIONING  
11:00 AM FPC PENTECOSTAL PREPARATION (108 FH, 110 GYM, 23 CHOIR)  
12:15 PM CHURCH BOARD (312)  
2:00 PM FPC PENTECOSTAL WORSHIP (108 FH, 109, 110 GYM, 23, 202, 203)  
5:30 PM ESOL (LEARN ENGLISH) (303, 304)  
5:30 PM G.L.O.W. (107, 108 FH, 109)  
5:30 PM SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH (107, 108 FH, 109)  
5:30 PM SUNDAY WALKING GROUP  
5:30 PM WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP (311)

## MONDAY 9/15

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 CHANCEL RINGERS (G1)  
7:00 PM SCOUTING TROOP 542 (305, 306, 308)

## TUESDAY 9/16

PICKLEBALL OPEN GYM - CHECK GROUPME (110 GYM)  
5:00 PM LADIES STRENGTH TRAINING (G1)  
6:00 PM BIBLE STUDY: REVELATION (312)  
6:30 PM CUB SCOUTS PACK 589 (108 FH)  
7:00 PM AA SOBER DADS (304)

## WEDNESDAY 9/17

10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY: DANIEL (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 COMMUNITY DINNER (107, 108 FH)  
7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR (SANCTUARY)  
7:00 PM SPANISH BIBLE STUDY (303)  
7:30 PM S-ANON (309)

## THURSDAY 9/18

PICKLEBALL OPEN GYM - CHECK GROUPME (110 GYM)  
1:00 PM PRESCHOOL BALLET (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 9/19

10:00 AM CAROL SCOTT CIRCLE (108 FH)  
5:00 PM BSA PTO PACKS SACKS (107, 108 FH)  
5:00 PM WEDDING REHEARSAL (SANCTUARY, 109, 201)

## SATURDAY 9/20

10:00 AM SACK KIDS HUNGER (107, PARKING LOT)  
4:00 PM WEDDING (SANCTUARY, 109, 201)

## SUNDAY 9/21

8:00 AM BUMM FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST (107, 108 FH)  
1:00 PM GIRL SCOUTS TROOP 23198 (305)  
5:00 PM PIZZA WITH THE PASTOR (107, 108 FH)

### ONLINE CALENDAR



### FLOWER SIGNUP



### BIRTHDAYS

