



# 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.*

**November 23, 2025**

Christ the King Sunday

Five On Five: **“Witness”**



## 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 so that they can receive Communion and then 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)**



Happy Thanksgiving from the Ladies at BFUMC Preschool. We are so thankful and blessed. We hope you enjoy the wonderful holiday with your loved ones.

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

## Student Ministry



- **Friendsgiving:** Friendsgiving is tonight at 5:30pm! All youth and families with children are invited. Please join us!
- **Family Christmas Service:** This year, our family Christmas service will be on December 14. Join us for some fellowship, good food, and music as we continue to prepare during the time of Advent for the coming of our Lord. Join us from 5:30-7:30pm. **This will be our last 2025 Sunday meeting.**
- **Confirmation Schedule:** Just as a reminder, we will take a break on November 30 and meet back on December 7.

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

# Missions

## Christmas Missions Projects

**Skim the Missions opportunities below and begin reflecting on how you may want to serve this Advent/Christmas Season!**

**Angel Tree:** Every Christmas Season, the Florence Garner Circle sponsors the Angel Tree Project. This is a mission opportunity to support families in the community who need help providing Christmas gifts for their children. There will be two Angel Trees again this year - a small one in the Narthex, and the main tree in the CLC Lobby. Both trees will have angels. To participate in this project, you can take one of the paper angels from the tree, purchase the gifts listed on the angel, and then return the gifts to the church under the tree wrapped with the angel attached. The trees will go up at the end of the month and there will be plenty of angels!

**Alternative Christmas:** Purchase a Christmas gift in the form of a contribution to a mission's ministry. When you purchase a gift, you receive a card describing the gift you have given in someone's honor! You can make your gift purchase in the CLC lobby on **11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21** (after each service).

**Annual Community Christmas Meal:** **Saturday, December 20.** We need volunteers to help as we feed members of our community! We need folks to help cook, assemble meals, and deliver them. The Sign-up Genius (sign-up) list to serve on this project will be available soon!

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

## Adult Ministry

**Advent Bible Study:** Pastor Jim will be leading an Advent Bible Study with the theme of Hope Wednesdays in December (**12/3, 12/10, 12/17**) at 10:00am in room 312 of the CLC. There is no cost and no book required to participate in this study. Reach out to Sydney if you would like to attend the study or have any questions.

**Young at Heart:** Northwinds Symphonic Band Holiday Concert - Friday, **December 5.** This is a favorite Young at Heart outing, and the players appreciate our attendance. Come and enjoy an evening of holiday music that will surely get you in the mood for Christmas. The concert is held at Gainesville First Baptist Church Banquet Hall. Cost: \$2 for gas. There will be a love offering for the band. We will be leaving the church at 5:00pm. and returning around 10:00pm. Dinner (prior to the concert) will be at your own cost at Longstreet Cafeteria in Gainesville, Ga. RSVP to Debbie Aatcheson ([djatcheson@gmail.com](mailto:djatcheson@gmail.com) or 770-965-3729) by Monday, December 1.

**Christmas Brunch:** Ladies of all ages are invited to our annual Ladies Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 13, at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to share and your favorite Christmas coffee mug. Invite your mom, daughter, friend and neighbors to share in food, fellowship, and fun. You might even win a prize!

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

# The Worship of God

November 23, 2025

9:00am & 11:00am

Christ the King Sunday | 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

Organist

**Procession on "Crown Him with Many Crowns"** *by Charles Callahan*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

† Call to Worship

**"A Greeting for Christ the King Sunday"**

(9:00) Darla Hiltgen  
(11:00) Linda McQuaig

Leader: "I am the Alpha and the Omega,"; says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

**All: Blessing and honor and glory and might be unto the Lamb!**

Leader: Worthy is Christ who has ransomed us by his blood from every tribe and tongue and nation, and made his people a kingdom, and priests to our God.

**All: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!**  
Amen.

† Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 64

**"Holy, Holy, Holy"** vs 1, 2 & 4

NICAEA

† 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

**“A Carol of Thanksgiving”** *by Russell Schulz-Widmar*

†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 5:13-16

Rev. Buckman

Message In Song

**“Make Me a Channel of Thy Peace”** *by Sebastian Temple* (9:00) Ensemble  
(11:00) Chancel Choir

Sermon

Five On Five: **“Witness”**

Rev. Buckman

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 389

**“Freely, Freely”** *all*

FREELY, FREELY

Benediction

Rev. Buckman

Postlude

**“Now Thank We All Our God”** *arr. Robert A. Hobby*

Organist

# Worship Preview

November 30  
December 7

Thrill of Hope: **“The Promise of Hope”**  
Thrill of Hope: **“The Peace of Hope”**

Genesis 22:15-18  
Isaiah 11:1-3a

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 Marti Hladish to the Glory of God, and to celebrate the eightieth birthday of John Hladish*



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

## 9:00am Worship

<u>Acolytes</u> – Kenny Karr ( <i>crucifer</i> ), Cindy Karr ( <i>light</i> )	<u>Greeters</u> – Amy Reed, David Reed
<u>Ushers</u> – Kenny Karr, Cindy Karr Bill Ogles, Mike Stebnicki	<u>Sound</u> – Nora Lirette
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Jonathan Lenz, Susan Rosenthal	<u>Liturgist</u> – Darla Hiltgen

## 11:00am Worship

<u>Acolytes</u> – Michael Thomas ( <i>crucifer</i> ), Charlie Redstrom ( <i>light</i> )	<u>Greeters</u> – Linda Chambers, Sally Lord
<u>Ushers</u> – Brad Thomas, Michael Thomas Mark Redstrom, Charlie Redstrom	<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



**November 23, 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

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**Events of the Week**

SUNDAY 11/23

- 9:00am United Methodist Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:00am Confirmation Class (304)
- 10:00am Sunday School (109, 201, CLC 3rd Floor)
- 11:00am FPC Pentecostal Preparation (108 FH, 110 Gym, 23)
- 11:00am Korean United Methodist Worship (306)
- 11:00am United Methodist Worship (Sanctuary, Online)
- 12:10pm Hanging of the Greens (Sanctuary)
- 2:00pm FPC Pentecostal Worship (108 FH, 109, 110 Gym, 202, 203, 23)
- 5:30pm ESOL (303, 304)
- 5:30pm G.L.O.W., Youth, Women’s Small Group Friendsgiving (107, 108 Fellowship Hall)

MONDAY 11/24

- Preschool: Break - No School
- 11:30am Staff Meeting (G3)
- 5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
- 5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
- 7:00pm Chancel Ringers

TUESDAY 11/25

- Preschool: Break - No School
- Pickleball Open Gym (groupeme)
- 5:00pm Ladies Strength Training (G1)
- 7:00pm AA Sober Dads (304)

WEDNESDAY 11/26

- Preschool: Break - No School
- 5:30pm AA 5:30@Main St. (304)
- 7:00pm Spanish Bible Study (303)
- 7:30pm S-Anon (309)

THURSDAY 11/27



- 6:30pm FPC Pentecostal Preparation (Sanctuary, 108 FH, 202, 203, 23)
- 7:30pm FPC Pentecostal Worship (Sanctuary, 108 FH, 202, 203)

FRIDAY 11/28

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED  
Preschool: Break - No School

SATURDAY 11/29

- 10:00am Sack Kids Hunger (107, Parking Lot)
- 10:30am Al-Anon The Flip Side AFG (304)

SUNDAY 11/30

- Blood Drive
- 9:00am United Methodist Worship (Sanctuary)
- 10:00am Sunday School (109, 201, CLC 3rd Floor)
- 11:00am FPC Pentecostal Preparation (108 FH, 110 Gym, 23)
- 11:00am Korean United Methodist Worship (306)
- 11:00am United Methodist Worship (Sanctuary, Online)
- 2:00pm FPC Pentecostal Worship (108 FH, 109, 110 Gym, 202, 203, 23)
- 5:30pm ESOL Celebration (G3)



**CALENDAR**

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