



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.

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Testify: ***“Look Who Is Coming”***



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 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

ABC Preschool News:



We are learning about zoo animals this week and making animal crafts. We will work on the Letter P. Therapy dogs Cassie and Leon will visit us.

For more information, contact Leandre Majerus, 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

Missions

The Carol Scott Circle is sponsoring our annual *Diaper Drive*. We are collecting all size diapers, pull-ups, and wipes during the month of January. These will be distributed to both the North Gwinnett Co-Op and Wellroot Family Services (formerly the United Methodist Children's Home). There is a donation box in the CLC lobby. *Please help if you can!*

Sack Kids Hunger Needs: We need creamy peanut butter and grape jam donations as well as individually packaged microwavable mac and cheese cups. If you are interested in helping in this ministry area, reach out to Pam Billingsley (404-429-4356).

ESOL: Our church offers a free English class to the community on Sunday nights starting in late January 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.

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 third Thursday of each month from 10:00am to 12 noon.

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

Adult Ministry

Sunday Night Women's Group at 5:30pm: This group is comprised of women from many different life stages, from moms with kindergarteners to grandmothers and ladies without kids. All ladies are welcome. If you can come one week but can't come for a few after that, no worries! Jump in when you can. We do not follow a specific study book or go through a book of the Bible chronologically. Instead, each week is its own stand-alone topical Bible study where we look at multiple pieces of scripture that are connected to that week's topic. We meet on Sunday nights from 5:30 to 7:00pm in rom 312 of the CLC.

We hope you consider joining us!

Sunday School Classes: Every Sunday morning at 10:00am adult Sunday School classes meet on the third floor of the CLC. These groups include the Beacon Class, New Spirit, Friends & Family, and Parent Class. There is a class for everyone! Need help figuring out which one might be the right fit for you? Reach out to Sydney!

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

The Worship of God

January 18, 2026

9:00am & 11:00am

Second Sunday after Epiphany | 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

“Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning” *arr. Wilbur Held*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

†Call to Worship (p. 769)

Psalm 34:1-6

(9:00) Darla Hiltgen
(11:00) Michael Thomas

†Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 384

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” vs 1, 2 & 4

BEECHER

†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

Fughetta on "The Only Son From Heaven" arr. Donald Busarow

†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

John 1:29-34

Rev. Buckman

Message In Song

"We Are Blessed" *Andrea Ramsey*

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

Sermon

Testify: **"Look Who Is Coming"**

Rev. Buckman

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 605 **"Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters"** *all*

BEACH SPRING

Benediction

Rev. Buckman

Postlude

Fughetta on "The Only Son From Heaven" by J.S. Bach

Organist

Worship Preview

January 25
February 1

Testify: **“Excited To Tell”**
Mountainside: **“The Heart of the Matter”**

Matthew 4:12-23
Matthew 5:1-12

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 Suzanne & Randy Clegg to the Glory of God, and in honor of Kenny & Cindy Karr.

The rose on the altar is given by Dale Morgan to the Glory of God, and in celebration of Susan Morgan's upcoming milestone birthday.



FLOWER SIGNUPS THROUGH JANUARY 2027: rebrand.ly/bfumcflowers
or call the church office at 770-945-7438



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

9:00am Worship

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| <u>Acolytes</u> – (crucifer), (light) | <u>Greeters</u> – Jack Griffis, Julia Griffis |
| <u>Ushers</u> – Mike Stebnicki, Melissa Stebnicki Celina Countess, Ed Krauth | <u>Sound</u> – Brendan Smith |
| <u>Children's Church</u> – Jonathan Lenz, Susan Rosenthal | <u>Liturgist</u> – Darla Hiltgen |

11:00am Worship

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| <u>Acolytes</u> – (crucifer), (light) | <u>Greeters</u> – Susan Lynskey, Linda McQuaig |
| <u>Ushers</u> – Mark Redstrom, Charlie Redstrom Donnie McQuaig, Marty Richards | <u>Sound</u> – John Alford |
| <u>Live-stream monitor</u> – Joe Adams | <u>Camera</u> – Kevin Walch |
| <u>Children's Church</u> – Jonathan Lenz, Susan Rosenthal | <u>Liturgist</u> – Michael Thomas |

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
Director of Worship Ministries | Jan Estrada

Director of Preschool | Leandre Majerus
Facility Manager | Will Rogers
Financial Secretary | DeeAnna Page
Office Manager | Roy Foster
Organist | Hank Morgan



Sunday Bulletin submission cutoff: Monday 12-noon.
Please work with the appropriate ministry staff person for all submissions.

January 18, 2026

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

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Events of the Week

Sunday, January 18

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| BUMM Fellowship Breakfast | 8:00 AM 107, 108 FH |
| United Methodist Worship | 9:00 AM Sanctuary |
| Confirmation Class | 10:00 AM 304 |
| Sunday School | 10:00 AM 109, 201, CLC 3rd Floor |
| FPC Pentecostal Preparation | 11:00 AM 108 FH, 110 Gym, 23 |
| Korean United Methodist Worship | 11:00 AM 306 |
| United Methodist Worship | 11:00 AM Sanctuary, Online |
| Girl Scouts Troop 23198 | 1:00 PM 305 |
| FPC Pentecostal Worship | 2:00 PM 108 FH, 109, 110 Gym, 202, 203, 23 |
| G.L.O.W. | 5:30 PM 110 Gym, 201, 307 |
| Sunday Night Youth | 5:30 PM 107, 108 FH, 109 |
| Women's Small Group | 5:30 PM 311 |

Monday, January 19 - *Martin Luther King Jr Day*

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED | NO PRESCHOOL

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| Ladies Strength Training | 5:00 PM G1 |
| AA 5:30@Main St. | 5:30 PM 304 |
| Chancel Ringers | 7:00 PM G1 |

Tuesday, January 20

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| Pickleball Open Gym | (groupme) |
| Young at Heart: Bunco & Lunch | 11:00 AM 108 FH |
| Ladies Strength Training | 5:00 PM G1 |
| Bible Study: Revelation | 6:00 PM 312 |
| Cub Scouts Pack 589 | 6:30 PM 108 FH |
| AA Sober Dads | 7:00 PM 304 |

Wednesday, January 21

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| Bible Study: Daniel | 10:00 AM 312 |
| Thrift Shop Volunteers | 10:30 AM Offsite |
| AA 5:30@Main St. | 5:30 PM 304 |
| Community Dinner | 6:30 PM 107, 108 FH |
| Chancel Choir | 7:00 PM Sanctuary |
| Spanish Bible Study | 7:00 PM 303 |
| S-Anon | 7:30 PM 309 |

Thursday, January 22

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| Pickleball Open Gym | (groupme) |
| Knitting for Others | 10:00 AM 202 |
| Preschool Playball | 1:00 PM 110 Gym |
| Ladies Strength Training | 5:00 PM G1 |
| FPC Pentecostal Preparation | 6:30 PM Sanctuary, 108 FH, 202, 203, 23 |
| FPC Pentecostal Worship | 7:30 PM Sanctuary, 108 FH, 202, 203 |

Friday, January 23

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| Cub Scout Pack 542 Pinewood Derby | 5:00 PM 108 FH |
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Saturday, January 24

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| Cub Scout Pack 542 Pinewood Derby | 8:30 AM 108 FH |
| Sack Kids Hunger | 10:00 AM 107, Parking Lot |
| Worship/Hospitality Training | 10:00 AM Sanctuary |
| AI-Anon The Flip Side AFG | 10:30 AM 304 |

Sunday, January 25

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| United Methodist Worship | 9:00 AM Sanctuary |
| Confirmation Class | 10:00 AM 304 |
| Sunday School | 10:00 AM 109, 201, CLC 3rd Floor |
| FPC Pentecostal Preparation | 11:00 AM 108 FH, 110 Gym, 23 |
| Korean United Methodist Worship | 11:00 AM 306 |
| United Methodist Worship | 11:00 AM Sanctuary, Online |
| UMW Executive Committee | 12:15 PM 309 |
| FPC Pentecostal Worship | 2:00 PM 108 FH, 109, 110 Gym, 202, 203, 23 |
| ESOL | 5:30 PM 303, 304 |
| G.L.O.W. | 5:30 PM 110 Gym, 201, 307 |
| Sunday Night Youth | 5:30 PM 107, 108 FH, 109 |
| Women's Small Group | 5:30 PM 311 |