



BUFORD FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PO BOX 329, BUFORD, GA 30515-0329

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD

Ashes to Alleluias



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.

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday in Lent | Communion

Ashes To Alleluias: *“In The Dead of Night”*



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.

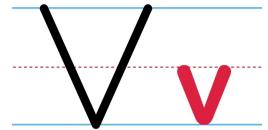
On Communion Sunday: Children will return to the Sanctuary and be seated with their parents so that they can receive Communion and then remain for the rest of the worship service.

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:



Happy March!

*This week we will be talking all about Dr. Seuss,
doing fun crafts, reading all his books and wearing silly outfits!*

We will work on the Letter V.

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

Student Ministry



Legacy Scholarship: The Legacy Scholarship application is open for those who are attending college and are members of this church. If you wish to apply for this scholarship, please contact Brendan by using the email below.

Olivia Ouimet Memorial Scholarship: To honor her memory through this scholarship and to support applicants as they enter into college and the next phase of their lives, this scholarship is open to those who are active members of BFUMC and have been accepted to a college/university. Please get in touch with Brendan for more information.

Florence Garner Scholarship: The Florence Garner Circle welcomes all those who are members of the church, graduating class and are attending college/university, and have a heart for mission and community involvement. This application is due April 19th. Don't hesitate to get in touch with Brendan for more information.

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

Missions

Opportunity to Serve! Special Needs Ministry Parents Night Out: This event will be on **Saturday, March 7** from 6pm to 8pm in the CLC. We will provide respite care for families impacted by disability so that parents/caregivers can have a break! There will be a volunteer training before this event, so if you've never served with individuals with disabilities before, we will provide you with the tools to serve well! Please keep this event in your prayers and invite families you may know who would benefit from participating. Reach out to Sydney or Susan if you would like more information or want to serve at this event.

Wellroot Easter Baskets: Wellroot Family Services (formerly the United Methodist Children's Home) serves children and families experience or at risk of entering foster care. This year, Wellroot is continuing to focus on nurturing the faith of the families they serve, and are hoping to collect Easter bags that include: age-appropriate devotionals or other faith-based books in English and Spanish, an age-appropriate Bible (for 0-2 year old) in English and Spanish, one chocolate bunny, one outdoor toy (such as chalk, bubbles, or a ball), one baseball cap or summer hat (for 0 to 2 year old). We kindly ask that all items be placed in a reusable tote bag or gift bag, *NOT an Easter basket please*. These are **due to the church office by March 11**.

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

Adult Ministry

March Events - Mark Your Calendars!

- ▶ **Florence Garner Women's Circle** - Tuesday, March 3 @ 7pm in room 201 of the CLC
- ▶ **Effie Wood Women's Circle** - Tuesday, March 10 @ 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall (108)
- ▶ **BUMMRs** - Tuesday, March 10 @ 10:30am in G3 of main church building
- ▶ **Lunch Bunch** - Wednesday, March 11 at 11:30am at Vinny's in Buford
- ▶ **Young at Heart** - Tuesday, March 17, 2026 Rose Lawn House Museum RSVP by March 10. Cost: \$10 entrance and gas. Leaving the church at 8:30am and returning around 4:00pm. Lunch will be on your own at Appalachian Grill.
- ▶ **Carol Scott Women's Circle** - Friday, March 20 @ 10am in the Fellowship Hall
- ▶ **Ladies Game Night** - Friday, March 20 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall
- ▶ **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** - Saturday, March 28 in the Gym (110)
- ▶ **Passover/Seder Meal Demonstration** - Saturday, March 28 at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall. *RSVP with Sydney needed if you would like to attend.*

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

The Worship of God

March 1, 2026

9:00am & 11:00am

Second Sunday in Lent | 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

Organist

“Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” *arr. Charles W. Ore*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

† Call to Worship (p. 824)

Psalm 103: 8-13

(9:00) Laura Franklin
(11:00) Lenna Applebee

† Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 545

“The Church's One Foundation” *vs 1, 2 and 5*

AURELIA

† 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

"Communion" by *Adolphe Marty*

†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 3:1-17

Rev. Buckman

Message In Song **"Create in me a clean heart, O God"** by *Carl F. Mueller* (9:00) Ensemble
(11:00) Chancel Choir

Sermon

Ashes To Alleluias: ***"In The Dead of Night "***

Rev. Buckman

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (*see insert*)

Organist

"I Surrender All" arr. *Harm Hoeve*

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 354

"I Surrender All" 1, 3 and 5

SURRENDER

Benediction

Rev. Buckman

Postlude

"Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle" arr. *Robert Lau*

Organist

Worship Preview

March 8
March 15

Ashes To Alleluias: **“Water Cooler Talk”**
Ashes To Alleluias: **“Here’s Mud In Your Eye”**

John 4:1-26
John 9:1-12

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
to the
Glory
of God*



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> – William Womack (<i>crucifer</i>), Ava Ross Womack (<i>light</i>)	<u>Greeters</u> – DeeAnna Page, Pat Stanley
<u>Ushers</u> – Mike Stebnicki, Melissa Stebnicki Kenny Karr, Cindy Karr	<u>Sound</u> – John Alford
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Susan Rosenthal, Jonathan Lenz	<u>Liturgist</u> – Laura Franklin

11:00am Worship

<u>Acolytes</u> – Jacob Van Pelt (<i>crucifer</i>), Hanz Failmezger (<i>light</i>)	<u>Greeters</u> – Susan Lynskey, Linda McQuaig
<u>Ushers</u> – Eric Lynskey, Kevin Gohman Jim Failmezger, Brad Thomas	<u>Sound</u> – Joe Adams
<u>Live-stream monitor</u> – Adam Van Pelt	<u>Camera</u> – Kevin Walch
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Susan Rosenthal, Jonathan Lenz	<u>Liturgist</u> – Lenna Applebee

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 | Brad Thomas
Financial Administrator | 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.

March 1, 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, March 1 - VBS Registration Opens

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	Fellowship Hall 108, Gym 110
Korean United Methodist Worship	11:00 AM	306
United Methodist Worship	11:00 AM	Sanctuary, Online
FPC Pentecostal Worship	2:00 PM	FH 108, 109, Gym 110, 202, 203
ESOL [Learn English]	5:30 PM	303, 304
G.L.O.W.	5:30 PM	110 Gym, 201, 307
Sunday Night Youth	5:30 PM	107, FH 108, Youth Lounge 109
Women's Small Group	5:30 PM	311
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30 PM	305

Monday, March 2

Staff Meeting	11:30 AM	Offsite
Ladies Strength Training	5:00 PM	Old Fellowship Hall G1
AA 5:30@Main St.	5:30 PM	304
Cub Scouts Pack 1534	6:30 PM	FH 108, Gym 110, 303, 309
Chancel Ringers	7:00 PM	G1, Sanctuary
Scouting Troop 542	7:00 PM	305, 306, 308

Tuesday, March 3

Pickleball Open Gym	{groupme}	Gym 110
Prayer Meeting	10:00 AM	Adams
Stonehedge Garden Club	10:00 AM	312
Ladies Strength Training	5:00 PM	Old Fellowship Hall G1
AA Sober Dads	7:00 PM	304
Cub Scouts Pack 542	7:00 PM	FH 108, 305, 306, 308, 309
Florence Garner Circle	7:00 PM	201

Wednesday, March 5

Lenten Bible Study: Final Days	10:00 AM	312
AA 5:30@Main St. Speaker Mtg	5:30 PM	301, 304
Chancel Choir	7:00 PM	Sanctuary
Lenten Bible Study: Final Days	7:00 PM	312
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30 PM	305
S-Anon	7:30 PM	309

Thursday, March 5

Pickleball Open Gym	{groupme}	Gym 110
Knitting for Others	10:00 AM	Nursery 202
Preschool Playball	1:00 PM	Gym 110
Ladies Strength Training	5:00 PM	Old Fellowship Hall G1
FPC Pentecostal Preparation	6:30 PM	Sanctuary, FH 108, 202, 203
FPC Pentecostal Worship	7:30 PM	Sanctuary, FH 108, 202, 203

Friday, March 6

Cub Scouts Pack 589 PW Derby Setup	6:30 PM	FH 108
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Saturday, March 7 - Buford Opening Day Parade

Cub Scouts Pack 589 PW Derby	8:00 AM	FH 108
Sack Kids Hunger	10:00 AM	107, Parking Lot
Parents Night Out	6:00 PM	FH 108, Gym 110

Sunday, March 8

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	Fellowship Hall 108, Gym 110
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