



# 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.*

**May 24, 2026**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**Goodbyes and Hellos: "A Whole New Beginning"**



## 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)



**ABC**  
Preschool News:



*Happy Summer!*

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

## Student Ministry



*Scan the QR code for  
all Youth Summer  
Events!*

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

## Missions

**Hands-on Family Missions Night:** Join us in the Fellowship Hall (108) on **Wednesday, June 10** at 6:00pm for our first Hands-on Family Missions Night of the Summer! All ages are welcome. Bring your family for a fun night of food, fellowship, and service. We will have pizza and desserts. This is a free event - all we ask is that you bring a jar of grape jam for Sack Kids Hunger. Please RSVP to Sydney if you plan on attending!

**Home of Hope:** Home of Hope offers a 3- to 12-month transitional living program for children and their moms experiencing homelessness. On **Wednesday, July 1** a team from BFUMC will head to Home of Hope (formerly the Gwinnett Children's Shelter) to help with Water Fun Night for the children (water activities such as water balloons). Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older. We will meet at Home of Hope at 5:30pm. If you would like to serve on this project, please reach out to Sydney.

**Respite Night:** BFUMC will be hosting a Respite Night for families impacted by disability in our community on **Saturday, July 11** from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. If you are interested in serving at this event, please reach out to Sydney. If you've never served with children with special needs, no worries! Training will be provided.

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

## Adult Ministry

**Opportunity to Serve in Worship - Sound Volunteers Needed:** We are in need of more folks to serve as sound/tech volunteers at both the 9:00am and 11:00am worship services. Training will be provided. Reach out to Brendan Rossell Smith at: [media@bufordfirstumc.org](mailto:media@bufordfirstumc.org).

**Sunday Night Women's Group Summer Events:** 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. Though we will not be having our regular weekly Sunday night meetings during the summer, we will have various events. Our first summer event will be gathering for dinner together at *Off the Rails* at 5:30pm on **Sunday, June 7**. Please RSVP with Sydney if you would like to join the group for this outing.

**Retirement Luncheon for Pastor Jim Buckman:** On **Sunday, June 21** we will have a single worship service at 10:00am, followed by a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall at 11:00am to celebrate Pastor Jim. We hope everyone can join us to honor him and his many years of Christian service.

**Name Tags:** Would you like a Buford First UMC name tag to wear on Sundays or at church events? Did you lose or damage your old one and need a new one? You can sign up to get a new one today! **The cost is \$12 per tag.** If you'd like to have one ordered for you, reach out to Sydney.

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

# The Worship of God

May 24, 2026

9:00am & 11:00am

Pentecost Sunday | Liturgical Color: Red

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

**“Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling”** *arr. Jacob B. Weber*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jim Buckman

† Call to Worship (p. 827)

**Psalm 104:24-35**

(9:00) Laura Franklin  
(11:00) Michael Thomas

† Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 577

**“God of Grace and God of Glory”** vs 1, 3 & 4

CWM RHONDDA

† 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

Chancel Ringers

**"Gospel Memories"** *arr. Linda R. Lamb*

†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

Acts 2:14-21

Rev. Buckman

Message In Song

**"Look at the World"** *by John Rutter*

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

Sermon

Goodbyes and Hellos: **"A Whole New Beginning"**

Rev. Buckman

† (9:00) Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 420

**"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"** *all*

TRENTHAM

(11:00) Confirmation and Reception of New Members No. 33

Rev. Buckman

*William Alford*

*Caraline Fonville*

*Hans Failmezger*

*Ava Ross Womack*

Benediction

Rev. Buckman

Postlude **"A Prayer for the Protection of Our Armed Forces"** *by Robert J. Powell*

Organist

# Worship Preview

May 31  
June 7

Goodbyes and Hellos: **“A New Journey”**  
Goodbyes and Hellos: **“Following the Call”**

Matthew 28:16-20  
Genesis 12:1-9

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 flowers today are given  
by the Applebees  
to the glory of God,  
and to wish  
Margaret Brubaker  
a happy birthday!*



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

*You can signup online  
or call the church office.*

FLOWER SIGNUP



rebrand.ly/bfumcflowers

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

## 9:00am Worship

<u>Ushers</u> – Ed Krauth, Celina Countess Ken Hiltgen, Darla Hiltgen	<u>Greeters</u> – Amy Reed, David Reed
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Susan Rosenthal, Jonathan Lenz	<u>Sound</u> – John Alford
	<u>Liturgist</u> – Laura Franklin

## 11:00am Worship

<u>Ushers</u> – Jim Failmezger, John Hladish Sherry Hall, Dick Atcheson	<u>Greeters</u> – Amy Simonson, Linda McQuaig
<u>Live-stream monitor</u> – Adam Van Pelt	<u>Sound</u> – Joe Adams
<u>Children’s Church</u> – Susan Rosenthal, Jonathan Lenz	<u>Camera</u> – Kevin Walch
	<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 | 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.

## Attendance and Giving May 17, 2026

Total in Worship Service	231
Average Worship Attendance	259

*How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.*  
Psalm 36:7

### Offerings & Needs (Budget for 2026)

Needed for Mission, Ministry & Administration .....	\$ 809,863
Year to Date Received for 2026 Budget.....	\$ 278,325
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal .....	\$ 16,107
Amount Received on May 17, 2026 .....	\$ 4,629

### Building Fund

Building Debt.....	\$ 1,153,223
Amount Received on May 17, 2026 .....	\$ 7,690

1. Needed for Mission, Ministry & Administration includes Conference Apportionments as well as all other needs.
2. Year to Date Received is the amount contributed for the general budget (Mission, Ministry, & Administration).
3. The Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal changes each week based on the weeks left in the year, offset by contributions.

### Giving Options

1. Give online through our website. We accept Electronic Fund Transfers from checking accounts, as well as debit and credit cards. (Please note that you will get full credit, but a transaction fee is subtracted from the amount the church receives.)



2. You may setup online bill pay through your bank.
3. Give By Text. You simply text the amount you wish to give to: 770-628-0752. (Please note that you will get full credit, but a transaction fee is subtracted from the amount the church receives.) <https://bit.ly/bfumc-give>
4. You may place your check in the offering plate or mail it to:  
PO Box 329, Buford, GA 30515-0329  
(MAIL CANNOT BE DELIVERED TO OUR STREET ADDRESS)
5. BFUMC Charitable Fund. It allows you to increase your giving and tax deduction by donating stocks, bonds, and mutual funds directly to the church. Another opportunity to give and reduce taxable income is for anyone over the age of 72, who is required to take annual minimum distributions out of their IRA, may designate all or part of that amount to our church.



## Prayer Requests

*“...but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be known to God.”*

Philippians 4:6

## May 24, 2026

Name \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like us to send a note of encouragement, please provide the name and address of the person in need.

\_\_\_ Yes, please send a note to

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Our prayer volunteers and staff will be praying for your request. Confidential prayer requests will be given to the pastor only.

Confidential? \_\_\_ Yes

Request

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# May 24, 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

### MAILING ADDRESS

PO Box 329, Buford, GA 30515-0329  
(MAIL CANNOT BE DELIVERED TO OUR STREET ADDRESS)

### STREET ADDRESS (Church & Preschool)

285 E. Main Street, Buford, GA 30518

### ONLINE

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

# Events of the Week

## Sunday, May 24

Event	Time	Location
United Methodist Worship	9:00am	Main Building
Confirmation Gathering	10:00am	Christian Life Center
Sunday School	10:00am	Christian Life Center
FPC Pentecostal Preparation	11:00am	Christian Life Center
Korean United Methodist Worship	11:00am	Christian Life Center
United Methodist Worship	11:00am	Main Building
FPC Pentecostal Worship	2:00pm	Christian Life Center
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30pm	Christian Life Center

## Monday, May 25

Event	Time	Location
Memorial Day		CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
AA 5:30@Main St.	5:30pm	Christian Life Center

## Tuesday, May 26

Event	Time	Location
Pickleball Open Gym		Christian Life Center
Ladies Strength Training	5:00pm	Main Building
AA Sober Dads	7:00pm	Christian Life Center

## Wednesday, May 27

Event	Time	Location
VBS Setup Workday	9:00am	Christian Life Center
AA 5:30@Main St.	5:30pm	Christian Life Center
VBS Training	6:00pm	Christian Life Center
Chancel Choir	7:00pm	Main Building
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30pm	Christian Life Center
S-Anon	7:30pm	Christian Life Center

## Thursday, May 28

Event	Time	Location
NO PICKLEBALL OPEN GYM		
VBS Setup Workday	9:00am	Christian Life Center
Knitting for Others	10:00am	Christian Life Center
Ladies Strength Training	5:00pm	Main Building

## Friday, May 29

Event	Time	Location
VBS Setup Workday	9:00am	Christian Life Center
Youth Ice Cream Outing	12:30pm	

## Saturday, May 30

Event	Time	Location
Campus Spring Cleaning	9:00am	

## Sunday, May 31

Event	Time	Location
United Methodist Worship	9:00am	Main Building
Sunday School	10:00am	Christian Life Center
Korean United Methodist Worship	11:00am	Christian Life Center
United Methodist Worship	11:00am	Main Building
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30pm	Christian Life Center