



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.

August 9, 2026

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sermon Series - "Have A Little Faith #1: Give What You Can"



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



Preschool News

It's almost back-to-school time! We are excited!

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

Student Ministry

August 16:

Youth/Parent Meeting @12:15pm in room 312.

August 23:

International Mission Trip interest meeting in room 312 @ 12:15 pm.

September 13:

Youth Sunday Night Fellowship starts!

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

Adult Ministry & Missions

Conversations and Queso with Pastor Blake at Off the Rails: A time to chat with and get to know Pastor Blake after work on **Wednesday evenings** (August 5, 12, & 19), 5:30 to 7:00pm. All are invited. No RSVP required.

Coffee and Conversations with Pastor Blake at Brightside Cafe: Come get to know Pastor Blake over a cup of coffee at Brightside Cafe **Thursday mornings**, 9:00 to 11:00am, in August. You provide the conversation; Pastor Blake will provide the coffee! All are invited. No RSVP required.

Women's Circle News- All ladies are invited to join the Carol Scott Circle's upcoming meeting, **Friday, August 21** at 10am in the Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker will be Santa Randy from "Santa for the Homeless," a small ministry dedicated to providing warmth and hope to those less fortunate. Please join us to learn more about this impactful ministry. Refreshments will be served, and you are welcome to invite a friend. For questions, please email Sheila Richardson at rich9294@bellsouth.net.



Church Campus Clean Up Day: We will gather **Saturday, August 29** from 9:00am to 12:00pm to complete needed clean-up projects around our church. Projects include weeding, pressure washing, and more. No matter your age or ability level, there is a project everyone can help with! Scan the QR code or write on the clipboard to sign up. If you have any questions, reach out to Brad Thomas or Sydney Yancey.

Preschool School Supply Collection on August 30: We will be commissioning our BFUMC preschool teachers for their upcoming school year on Sunday, August 30. That Sunday we will also be collecting school supplies for the preschool at both worship services so that during teacher commissioning we can pray over the supplies and for the students who will use them. Needed supplies include crayons, washable markers, kids' scissors, sidewalk chalk, Play-Doh, watercolor paint, tissues, colored copy paper, colored cardstock paper, and snacks like goldfish, apple sauce pouches, etc. Please consider purchasing one or more of these items and bringing them to worship Sunday, August 30.

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

The Sanctuary flowers are given by Toni & Jeff Pirkle to the Glory of God, and in gratitude to our church family for the prayers, cards, & thinking of us during Jeff's treatment and our stay in Texas.

The roses on the altar is given by Billy & Lesley Madden to the Glory of God, and in celebration of their 27th wedding anniversary.



Flower Signup: scan the QR code or call the church office at 770-945-7438



The Worship of God

August 9, 2026

9:00am & 11:00am

Eleventh 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

Mr. Morgan

“Wonderful Words of Life” *arr. Wilbur Held*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Blake Trent

Campus Buildings and Repair Update

Mr. Don Trawick

† Call to Worship (p. 833)

Psalm 112:1-10

(9:00) Mr. Mike Rosenthal
(11:00) Mr. Brayden Ouimet

† Hymn of Praise

UMH No. 389

“Freely, Freely” *all*

Mr. Jan Estrada

† Affirmation of Faith No. 881

“The Apostles’ Creed”

Mr. Estrada

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 (MEINEKE)

“Glory Be to the Father”

Mr. Estrada

***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

Mrs. Susan Rosenthal

Time of Silent Prayer • Pastoral Prayer • The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Trent

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

Mr. Morgan

"Alleluia (Taizé)" by J. Berthier, arr. Anne Krentz Organ

†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. Trent

†Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:13-21 (Feeding of 5,000)

Rev. Trent

The word of God for all people ... ***Thanks be to God***

Message In Song

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
(UMH 140 – FAITHFULNESS)

Ensemble

Sermon

Series - ***Have A Little Faith #1: Give What You Can***

Rev. Trent

†Hymn of Discipleship

UMH No. 399

"Take My Life, and Let It Be" all

Mr. Estrada

Benediction

Rev. Trent

Postlude

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" arr. Janet Linker

Mr. Morgan

9:00am Worship

<u>Ushers</u> – Herman Runyan, Gary Burger	<u>Greeters</u> – Julia Griffis, Jack Griffis
Randy Clegg, Suzanne Clegg	<u>Sound</u> – Brendan Smith
<u>Children's Church</u> – Susan Rosenthal, Jonathan Lenz	<u>Liturgist</u> – Mike Rosenthal

11:00am Worship

<u>Ushers</u> – *Brad Thomas, Michael Thomas	<u>Greeters</u> – Susan Lynskey, Linda Chambers
Mark Redstrom, Charlie Redstrom	<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> – Brayden Ouimet

Events of the Week

Sunday, August 9

3rd Grade Bibles		
Blood Drive	9:00 AM	
United Methodist Worship	9:00 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday School	10:00 AM	109, 201, CLC 3rd
FPC Pentecostal Preparation	11:00 AM	108 FH, 110 Gym
Korean United Methodist Worship	11:00 AM	306
United Methodist Worship	11:00 AM	Sanctuary, Online
Church Board	12:15 PM	312
FPC Pentecostal Worship	2:00 PM	FH, 109, Gym, 202
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30 PM	305

Monday, August 10

Staff Meeting	11:30 AM	Offsite
Ladies Strength Training	5:00 PM	G1
AA 5:30@Main St.	5:30 PM	304
Scouting Troop 542	7:00 PM	305, 306, 308

Tuesday, August 11

Pickleball Open Gym	{groupme}	110 Gym
Ladies Strength Training	5:00 PM	G1
AA Sober Dads	7:00 PM	304

Wednesday, August 12

Lunch Bunch	11:30 AM	Crossroads
AA 5:30@Main St.	5:30 PM	304
Conversation & Queso w/Rev. Blake	5:30 PM	Off the Rails
Chancel Choir	6:30 PM	Sanctuary
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30 PM	305
S-Anon	7:30 PM	309

Thursday, August 13

Pickleball Open Gym	{groupme}	110 Gym
Coffee & Conversation w/Rev. Blake	9:00 AM	Brightside Café
Ladies Strength Training	5:00 PM	G1
FPC Pentecostal Preparation	6:30 PM	Sanctuary, FH, 202
FPC Pentecostal Worship	7:30 PM	Sanctuary, FH, 202

Friday, August 14

(no activities)

Saturday, August 15

Staff Planning	9:00 AM	312
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Sunday, August 16

BUMM Fellowship Breakfast	8:00 AM	107, 108 FH
United Methodist Worship	9:00 AM	Sanctuary
Sunday School	10:00 AM	109, 201, CLC 3rd
FPC Pentecostal Preparation	11:00 AM	108 FH, 110 Gym
Korean United Methodist Worship	11:00 AM	306
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Youth Parent Meeting	12:15 PM	312
FPC Pentecostal Worship	2:00 PM	FH, 109, Gym, 202
ESOL [Learn English]	5:30 PM	303, 304
SA Freedom Fellowship	7:30 PM	305

Ministry Staff

Lead Pastor | Rev. Blake Trent
 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

August 2, 2026

Total in Worship Service	226
Average Worship Attendance	243

*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	\$ 416,343
Weekly Consistent Need to reach the Yearly Goal	\$ 17,887
Amount Received on August 2, 2026	\$ 11,737

Building Fund

Building Debt	\$ 1,138,494
Amount Received on August 2, 2026	\$ 1,076

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 set up 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

August 9, 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

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

Confidential? _____ Yes

Request

[illegible]

August 9, 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

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STREET ADDRESS (Church & Preschool)

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