

May NEWSLETTER



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CALENDAR

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 -9:45 a.m. Holy Communion is the first Sunday of the month. Food Collection for MACC First Sunday of each month.

Praise the Lord! BUMC sanctuary is open for Sunday worship. Bring the children to Sunday School! Come and join us.

TEAMS will continue to broadcast Sunday worship service at 9:00 BUMC. <u>TEAMS</u> at <u>https://teams.live.com/meet/9386222034410?p=RhAx960ePWutcVnEuN&eventType</u>=Community

If you would like to receive the bulletin and insert to follow along the Sunday service on TEAMS, just email Paster Marti (<u>marthabaskerville3@gmail.com</u>) your email address and she will be glad to send it to you. These go out on Tuesdays.

SAVE THE DATE: UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

May 5th Ad Council, 6:30 pm All Welcome May 10th 9:00 am Women's Breakfast May Tag and Plant Sale 9 To 1:00 pm May 31st, 8:00 am Men's Breakfast

OUR MISSION:

To Invite Everyone to know God's Love through our community of Faith.

PASTORS CORNER

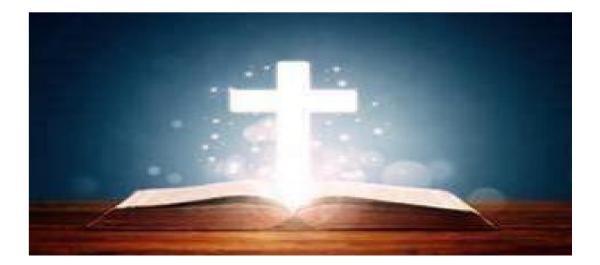
Jesus has risen!! Alleluia!! It is written that Mary and many others did not recognize Jesus after he rose from the grave. What made him different? He was full of the Spirit. Many of you have experienced new beginnings in your lives. How did you look different after? Maybe you had a new hairdo, were much more relaxed, maybe a bit kinder, lost a bit of weight but whatever it was you were different.

The new season of Spring makes everything look and feel different. Where there was brown ground, now there is green grass. Barren gardens are beginning to sprout greenery and flowers with such bright colors. Our days are longer with so many hours of light.

For me, Easter is always a very exciting time. I love the changes in the environment I live in, and I love how they make me feel. The sunshine and warm air make me feel alive. The flowers and the buds on the trees remind me that life goes on no matter what happens in my life. I am reminded that change and new beginnings are gifts that God's plan has for all of us. Now is the time!! Now is the time to start making changes that create new beginnings. Christ died for us so that we would feel his suffering and be renewed by his resurrection and reminded that God is always with us. Now is the time to show courage through your witness, feel the energy to be a servant to others and smell the roses.

Jesus has risen!! Let us all walk out and make a difference.

Pastor Marti



Scripture Readings for May

May 3rd – Native American Ministries Sunday

Acts 9:1-6, Psalms 150, Revelations 5:11-14, John 21: 1-9

May 11th – Mother's Day, Festival of the Christian Home

Acts 9:36-43, Psalms 23, Revelations 7:9-17, John 10:22-30

May 18th – Heritage Sunday

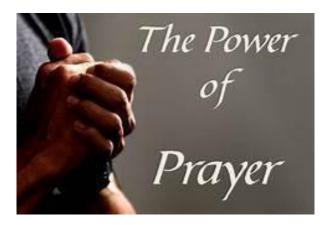
Acts 11:1-18, Psalms 148, Revelations 21:1-16, John 13:31-35

May 25th – 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:1-11, Psalms 57, Revelations 21:10, 22-25, John 14:23-29

OUR PRAYER LIST

Bear one another's burdens and thus fulfill the law of Christ. Galatians 6:2



Prayers for those with illness as they

struggle to mend; Debbie, Taylor Schipani, Janet, Jenn, and Ashley Parsons.

Prayers for Frank Gilnack and Joann Mayo.

Pray for our church that God will send young families to us to share Gods love and be part of growth in our church body.

Pray for all of our sisters and brothers who are suffering from the effects of wars, separation from families and death. We ask God to shine his light on the families that are suffering during this horrible time.

Pray for those recovering from recent illness, those who are home bound, their caregivers and those who are living away from their families.

Prayers for wisdom of peace, harmony, love and kindness to be in the hearts of our leaders this day as they lead our nation into the future.

Pray for all the displaced populations that are having to start a new life in new surroundings that may be very foreign to them. Let them feel your Love and kindness as they struggle to find new beginnings.

Prayers for those who are separated from their worship spaces and friends. Help them to feel Gods love. Shine down on them through those who are able, neighbors, friends, family.

Pray for all our sisters and brothers all over the world who are suffering that they may find relief in knowing God is with them.

AMEN



MOBILE FOODSHARE TRUCK

The Mobil Foodshare Truck will be at St. Georges Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Tpke.

to 10:30 a.m. Drive through distribution of a variety of fresh fruits, vegetables, bread, etc. If you know of someone in need, please pass this information along. There are no forms to fill out or questions asked. You can also come and pass out the food, volunteers are always welcome.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!! 3 Kris Flemke-Boland 15 Debbie Schaffer 15 Denise Angell 18 Christopher Olson 19 Kelly Corcoran 28 Valerie Parsons

What's Happening at BUMC

Ad Council Meeting - All are welcome on May 5th at 6:30 PM. All are welcome.

Women's Breakfast: May 10th at 9:00 AM It's our hope that all women will plan on joining for great food and conversation. It's a great way to start your day.

Tag and Plant Sale: May 17th at 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Men's Breakfast: May 31st, 2024 at 8:00 PM. It's our hope that all you gentlemen will come and enjoy a feast and great conversation.

ADD TO THE LAMPLIGHTER

Do you have a favorite story, scripture, or picture you would like to share with your church friends? Please tell Marion Knight, 860-742-9420. The Lamplighter is being published to keep everyone informed about what is happening in our church. It can also be a place where you can let off steam or make us laugh.

NEWS FROM OUTREACH

The Outreach Committee would like to thank the congregation for its support in 2024. We are looking for new projects for the upcoming year and would love to hear from all of you. If you have a suggestion, please share it with any of us on the Ad Council and we will check it out. There is a need in our community, let us see if we can meet that.

Ad Council: Pastor Marti, Maria Genca, Marion Knight, Dorothy Larson,

Dorothy Tuthill, Ed & Laurie Parsons, Alexander Peterson, and Pam Schipani



SUNDAY SERVICES VIA TEAMS

If you are unable to attend church in person on Sundays, please join us using Technology. Here's how:

Tap on the link or paste it in a browser to join. Service begins at 9:00 am. (For those of you who have joined in the past using a ZOOM link. That link will no longer work. Please use the link below!

https://teams.live.com/meet/9386222034410?p=RhAx960ePWutcVnEuN&eventType= Community

<u>A PORK LOIN ROAST DINNER was held April 5, 2025.</u> A delicious dinner of roasted pork loin and mashed potatoes with gravy was prepared by a talented and sometimes boisterous crew. Forty-five dinners were served and \$888.36 was realized. Even though the weather was rainy and the turnout was disappointing all who came declared the meal a success! The fellowship between workers and diners was quite evident. Thank you to all who made this event a success.

NEW ROOF!

UMCB has a new roof, but it isn't quite paid for yet. Please consider donating to this much needed project! Here are two pictures, one is of the work being done, and one of the finished product!



ANNUAL TAG, PLANT, and BAKE SALE!

Is everyone ready to help with the Annual Tag, Plant and Bake Sale on May 17th 225?

Tag sale items can be left at the church beginning on Monday, May12th. No clothing please.

Do you have plants in your yard or garden that need thinning? They will be a welcome addition to the plant sale.

We need those wonderful Methodist bakers to get busy, because our baked goods sell out very quickly.

We also need workers to set up for the tag sale during the week.

On Saturday the 17th there is a need for workers that can be available from 8:30 to 1:00.

And finally, clean-up after the sale will go fast is there are many helping hands.

Please help with as much of this as you can.

This is a great opportunity to open our church to the community!