

*THE  
LAMPLIGHTER  
MAY 2022*



**United Methodist Church of Bolton  
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<http://UnitedMethodistChurchBolton.org>**

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**Office Hours:**

Monday & Thursday, 8:00 to 3:00P.M,  
Tuesday: 8:00 to 5:30  
(At North United Methodist)

**Bolton United Methodist Church**  
Carol Franklin, Pianist

**CALENDAR**

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Holy Communion first Sunday of the month.

Food Collection for MACC First Sunday of each month.

AA Meeting 7:00 p.m. Monday

NA Meeting Zoom

ZOOM will continue to broadcast Sunday worship service at 9:00 BUMC and 10:30 from NUMC.

Praise the Lord. BUMC sanctuary is now open for Sunday worship. Come and join us. We ask that even if you have completed the vaccination requirement please continue to wear your mask. We want everyone to be safe.

If you would like to receive the bulletin and insert to follow along the Sunday service on Zoom, just email me ([marthabaskerville3@gmail.com](mailto:marthabaskerville3@gmail.com)) your email address and I will be glad to send it to you. They usually go out on Tuesdays.

**OUR MISSION**

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



*“Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.” Luke 6:36.*

The war in Ukraine has gone on now for 2 months. Thousands have been killed, tens of thousands have been wounded, millions have been displaced from their homes. Ecclesiastes 3:8 says there is a time for war, but that is balanced with a time for peace. The Bible isn't saying war is the preferential option, but that sometimes it may be the only option. Jesus taught us in the sermon on the mount “blessed are the peacemakers.” The Biblical witness always skews towards peaceful resolution. But, and this is important, there are times when it is just and necessary to fight back. The prophet Jeremiah wrote, Thus says the Lord... “You are my war club, my weapon for battle—with you I shatter nations, with you I destroy kingdoms.” (Jeremiah 51:20) There are kingdoms and nations that would do evil to others, and must be held at bay. So, what do we do? What do those of us who are not fit for military service, nor particularly inclined towards it do when justice must prevail? The first thing those of us on the sidelines must do, and I mean absolutely must do, is pray for peace (“ask and it shall be given you..”). Then we can look for ways to support those who have been displaced by this war, and help support them. Currently UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) is actively sending food and medical supplies to Ukraine. So far our denomination has sent over \$1 Million in relief aid. As the local church we can participate in this vital ministry by donating to the church earmarked for UMCOR Ukraine. Our church treasurer can then send all the money we donate directly to a special fund. UMCOR is a trusted charity, and 100% of the funds donated go directly to those who need it. All the administrative overhead is paid for by our mission shares. I am calling both churches to make May “UMCOR Ukraine month”, and I am asking for every household to please make a donation (no donation too large or small) to help our brothers and sisters in need. Let us stand united on the side of justice, healing and peace.

Pastor David Martin



## **MOBILE FOODSHARE TRUCK**

The Mobil Foodshare Truck will be at St. Georges Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Tpke. Bolton, May 10 & 24 from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. Just bring 2 bags and receive 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 help pass out the food.

## **NEWS FROM OUTREACH**

It's that time of year!!! Garden has been turned, manure going on and then turned again. Planting is scheduled for Sunday, May 29 th after church. We



have put a sign up sheet in the Narthex for plants we're hoping to get donated. If you're able to help out, it is much appreciated. Hope you can join us to get the garden going. Congratulations to our NA group that meets on Tuesday evenings at the church. They held their 31 st anniversary of their group meeting at the church. They are a great group of people who go above and beyond in their respect for the building.

Outreach Committee

Denise Angell

JoAnn Mayo

Laurie Parsons



## **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

**3 Kris Flemke-Boland**

**4 Patrick Mitchell**

**15 Debbie Schaffer**

**15 Denise Angell**

**18 Christopher Olson**

**19 Kelly Corcoran**

**28 Valerie Parsons**

Editors Note:

This newsletter is for all of our sisters brothers in Christ at Bolton United Methodist Church. I would love it if you would make it more personal and send me a poem, picture, prayer, comment or anything else that you could share with the congregation. If there is a change of address for someone that you know of let me know. If you would prefer to get your newsletter via email, I will email it to you, just send me that address.

Send to: [marthabaskerville3@gmail.com](mailto:marthabaskerville3@gmail.com)



As we are not sure how long Covid 19 protocol will last, modern technology has provided us with a connection to share Bible studies, Childrens Worship (9:00am at Bolton and 11:00am at NUMC) and Adult Worship (9:00 BUMC, 10:30 NUMC). You will find instructions and links inside to connect you at home through Zoom.

**If you want to attend church service on Zoom and would like a copy of the Bulletin, the insert with upcoming event information and the hymns, please email me at: [marthabaskerville3@gmail.com](mailto:marthabaskerville3@gmail.com).**

### **Tentative Worship Schedule:**

(times and venues subject to change if Covid numbers spike)

Services will remain on Zoom. Services will also be held in the sanctuary at BUMC and NUMC following Covid protocol. Those who wish to worship in the church at BUMC on Sunday morning are welcome.

9:00am BUMC/Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/268830607>

10:30am NUMC/Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83102141139>

Password: 1234

By phone: 1 929 205 6099 then mtg number 83102141139

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### **DOWNLOAD ZOOM ONTO DEVICE**

Download the Zoom app onto their computer, tablet or phone.

o For PC <https://zoom.us/download>

o Apple Store <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/id546505307>

o Google Play <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=us.zoom.videomeetings>

- Click/select link for the meeting at the meeting time.
- Gallery/Speaker View – you can toggle between Gallery and Speaker View
  - o On iPad/Tablet – Tap the screen, then select the grid icon in the upper left-hand corner to display Gallery view. You can see up to 9 people.
  - o On Smart Phone – swipe left to see Gallery View. Swipe right to go back to active speaker view.
  - o On the computer select Gallery View in the upper right-hand corner to see up to 49 participants. Select Speaker View to go back to the speaker view (also in upper right-hand corner)
- Audio, Video, and Chat controls are at the bottom of the screen. You may need to move your mouse to the bottom of the screen to access.

### **BELOW IS A MEETING INVITATION:**

It has a call in number, and the meeting number so you can join only by phone.

Those who do not have a smart phone or computer with internet can still participate!

David Martin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: NUMC Sunday worship  
Time: 10:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Sunday morning.

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.

Weekly: [https://us04web.zoom.us/meeting/v5Ilf-qoqDstFiY1pPDfgo1ivI\\_EqRrtsQ/ics?icsToken=98tyKuuupjMpGtKVt1-Ce6ovW53ib9\\_ylldHk\\_JNrDvjEi8CaxXfCc dTAKBrA-mB](https://us04web.zoom.us/meeting/v5Ilf-qoqDstFiY1pPDfgo1ivI_EqRrtsQ/ics?icsToken=98tyKuuupjMpGtKVt1-Ce6ovW53ib9_ylldHk_JNrDvjEi8CaxXfCc dTAKBrA-mB)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/268830607>

Meeting ID's: 268 830 607 BUMC Sunday  
Worship

One tap mobile

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York)

+13126266799,,268830607# US (Chicago)

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 301 715 8592 US

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

+1 253 215 8782 US

Meeting ID: 268 830 607

Find your local

number: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/268830607>

[GdT](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/268830607)

## OUR PRAYER LIST

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



Pray for Gilman Reed and the Parsons family.

Pray for Carolyn Flemke as she struggles with multiple health issues. Pray that she finds peace, God gives her a speedy recovery and comfort for her family.

Pray for the Ukrainians whose lives are being disrupted in a most horrendous way.

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.

Pray for all that are struggling with the decision to volunteer in these challenging times. Help them to hear your words of encouragement to share their gifts with others and spread the light of your love to all.

Pray for those in hospitals and convalescent homes, and for their caregivers as a new wave of a Covid variant is starting to take hold of our communities once again. .

Pray for those recovering from recent illness, those who are homebound and their caregivers: Lanie Bickford, Jennifer Ostrout, Taylor Schipani, Joan Potterton, Ed and Laurie Parsons.

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.

Prayers for the world today. Pray for the families that have losses due to a crisis within their community. Prayers for all that are suffering to feel Gods love .

Pray for all of us as we struggle to comprehend what has happened to our world as we knew it.

**AMEN**





## Scripture Readings for MAY

### May 1 Native American Ministry Sunday

Psalm 30

Acts 9:1-20; Revelations 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

### MAY 8 Mothers Day

Psalm 23

Acts 9:36-43; Revelations 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

### MAY 15 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Psalm 148

Acts 11:1-18; Revelations 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

### MAY 22 Heritage Sunday

Psalm 67

Acts 16:9-15; Revelations 21:10,22-25; John 14:23-29

### MAY 29 Ascension Sunday

Psalm 97

Acts 16:16-34; Revelations 22:12-14,16-17; John 17:20-26

### ASCENSION OF THE LORD LECTIIONS

Psalm

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

## What's Happening at BUMC????

Childrens Sunday school will continue through June. Hope to see you all there. Praise the Lord and bring the children!!!



May 14, 2022, Saturday is our Womens Breakfast at 8:00 am that will be a grand way to end your week. Great food and great fun!! Come and join us.

May 28, 2022 will be our Mens Breakfast. Come and join us for the best food in town and lively discussions.



Boy Scouts are once again using our Church once a month for their meetings.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Yes folks, we are having a Children's Sunday School once again.

**Where: BOLTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**When: Sunday mornings beginning February 13, 2022**

**Time: 9:15-10:00am**

**Who: kids ages 5-12**

We will have lots of fun learning about Jesus. We will have arts and craft projects, painting, stories and much, much more.

**COME ONE COME ALL TO LEARN ABOUT  
JESUS!!**

## Litany for Mother's Day

All who gather here are sons or daughters,  
We praise God for the women who gave us life.  
For mothers brave, strong, compassionate, full of wisdom and grace,  
We give God thanks and praise.  
For mothers vulnerable, worried, frustrated and hurried,  
We pray for peace.  
For relationships that are strained and no longer a source of joy  
We pray for healing.  
For mothers who have died, that live no longer with us, but whose  
light shines on in our hearts and memories,  
We pray for those that mourn and give God thanks for life eternal.  
For mothers who grieve, who have lost children born or unborn,  
We weep with those with broken hearts.  
For those who are struggling to raise children, who are tired and  
weary,  
We pray that we may be their village, offering real help in hard  
times.  
For stepmothers, navigating the pitfalls and joys of creating a new  
family,  
We pray for wisdom and patience.  
For Grandmothers who are doing the hard work of raising children  
again,  
We pray the caregivers have those who care for them.  
For those who are waiting and sometimes struggling with a  
biological process to bring new life, and for those who are waiting  
for adoptive process to be fulfilled.  
We wait eagerly with you, and offer you our hand to hold in the trial.  
For women who do not have children, but instead teach, lead care  
for, and guide the children of others,  
We give God thanks and praise.

(<http://fatpastor.me>.)





