



FEBRUARY

NEWSLETTER



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CALENDAR

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

Holy Communion 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. See links and instructions inside.

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

SAVE THE DATE: UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

February 3rd 6:30 pm Ad Council All welcome

February 8th 9:00 am Women's Breakfast

February 22nd 8:00 am Men's Breakfast

March 3rd 6:30 pm Ad Council All welcome

BIBLE STUDY STARTS IN MARCH

OUR MISSION:

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

Let us sing unto the Lord as the song goes. This is the time of year when we sit back and reflect on the past year and start to make plans for the new year. Our country is about to begin on a new journey of uncertainty and change. As we go forward, let our prayers be for guidance and kindness. Leaders of the world today face a very different and uncertain future and must work together within the frame work of kindness, equality and justice.

We at BUMC will be having a bible study for Lent in March, updates will be coming in the March newsletter. As in the past, we will begin with a pot luck dinner at 6:00 and the study will begin at 7:00. I hope to see you all there. Our dancers will be showing up at Easter this year once again and I know you do not want to miss them. Womens breakfast and mens breakfast will continue with lively conversation and great food. This week was Maya Angelous birthday so I thought it would be nice to reflect on an inspirational quote from her writings.

“One isn't necessarily born with courage, but one is born with potential. Without courage, we cannot practice any other virtue with consistency. We can't be kind, true, merciful, generous, or honest.”

For the last few weeks we have been talking about what virtues we need to walk in Jesuss footsteps. Ms. Angelou speaks of courage. As Jesus went from village to village preaching the good news, he must have had an abundance of courage. He faced adversity at every turn and yet his faith and courage walked him through each challenge.

As we go forward with our lives full of adversities let us look up and ask for courage as we strive to fulfill God's plan with kindness, truth, mercy, generosity and love.

**Peace be with you,
Pastor Marti**

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 on what is happening in our church. It can also be a place where you can let off steam or make us laugh.

RESULTS OF RECENT PAMPERED CHEF SALES

A check in the amount of \$229.43 has been received from Pampered Chef from the sales through December 2024. This will go into the roof repair fund. Thank you to Tammy Riley who is our contact with Pampered Chef for her efforts in setting this up.

CHRISTIAN ONE LINERS

Don't let your worries get the best of you, remember Moses started out as a basket case.

Many folks want to serve God, but only as advisors.

People are funny; they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.

God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.

God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.

The best mathematical equation I have ever seen:

$$1 \text{ cross} + 3 \text{ nails} = 4 \text{ given}$$



MOBILE FOODSHARE TRUCK

The Mobil Foodshare Truck will be at St. Georges Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Tpke. Bolton, FEBRUARY 11, and 25th from 10:00 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 help pass out the food, volunteers always welcome.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Khloe Reed	1	Chris Olson	2
Barry Giroux	4	Marti Baskerville	5
E. J. Parsons	17	Dorothy Larson	19
Abigail Peterson	24	Anthony Flemke, Jr.	26
Natalie Flemke	26	Katie Corcoran	29



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!

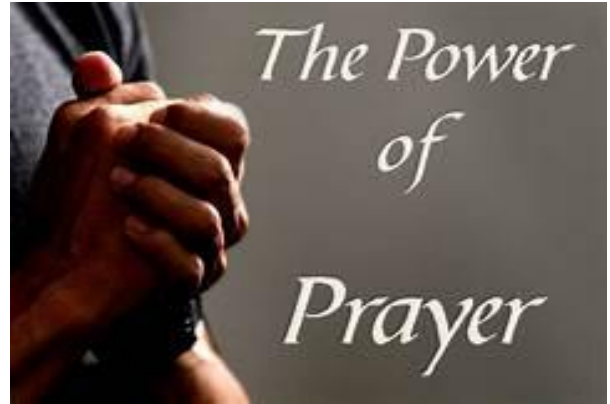
<https://teams.live.com/meet/9386222034410?p=RhAx960ePWutcVnEuN&eventType=Community>

NEW CHURH DIRECTORY

A new church directory has been created. Copies can be found in the church office for your use.

OUR PRAYER LIST

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



Pray for our church growth of modern transitioning with a traditional flavor.

Pray for our brothers and sisters whose lives are being disrupted in a most horrendous way by war. Pray that the world leaders may find a way to peace.

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 those recovering from recent illness, those who are homebound and their caregivers: Carol Flemke, Gilman Reed, Lanie Bickford, Taylor Schipani, JoAnn Mayo, Kerri Renner, Chris Olson, and Frank Gilnack . Special prayers for Pastor Marti and her daughters Terri and Tori.

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



Scripture Readings for February

February 2nd

Jeremiah 1:4-10, Psalm 71:1-6, 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:14-21

February 9th

Isaiah 6:1-8, 9-13, Psalm 138, 1 Corinthians 17:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

February 16th

Jeremiah 17:5-10, Psalm 1, 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Luke 6:17-26

February 23rd

Genesis 45:3-11, 15, Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40,
1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50, Luke 6:27-38



SUNDAY SCHOOL FLOURISHES

**Sunday school continues from 9:15-9:45 during worship service.
Praise the Lord and bring the children!!!**

What's Happening at BUMC

WOMEN'S Breakfast, February 8th at 9:00 a.m. Good food and good conversation. Bring a friend, a neighbor or a stranger. All are welcome.

The MEN'S Breakfast will be February 22nd, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. to ...? All men are invited so bring a friend, neighbor or son. Great food and conversation!

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

PRAYER

**The Will of God never takes you to
Where the Grace of God will not protect you.**

