



JANUARY

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

January 6th 6:30 pm Ad Council All welcome

January 11th am Women's Breakfast, bring a guest

January 14th and 28th Food Share Truck at St. George's Church

January 25th am Men's Breakfast 8:00 am, all welcome

February 3rd 6:30 pm Ad Council All welcome

March 3rd 6:30 pm Ad Council All welcome

OUR MISSION:

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

Psalm 1:1-3

“Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.”

WOW!!! What a year we have had. We said, “Good bye” to a pastor who was here for 12 years. Everyone has been working very hard this year. We have accomplished so much. We have secured a loan and booked a new roof to be put on the front of the church and the Epworth House. Our prayers and requests have been very fruitful and we are very grateful to all that have participated in our roofing fund drive. It will keep on going so you still have time to contribute. If so, you may send it to the church directly. What an Advent/Christmas season we have had. So much music with guest soloist and pianist, socializing with Mt. Zion church and visitors from as far away as Tennessee. We have had it all! Our scriptures have taught us how to stay on top of all the madness that goes on around us. To keep on top of all that madness you must make a choice to stay close to God in the new year. Make a New Years resolution to do more self-care spiritually. New beginnings, new resolutions and a new year, walking with God by your side with the promise of his presence in the days ahead will make 2025 a year of peace and harmony. Let us not forget about our sisters and brothers all over the world that are in such need of God’s presence. Our country will be seeing changes in the coming year and no matter what may come our way, our unity with Christ will carry us through. Hope to see you all this year!

**Blessings to you,
Pastor Marti**



MOBILE FOODSHARE TRUCK

The Mobil Foodshare Truck will be at St. Georges Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Tpke. Bolton, JANUARY 12, and 28th 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.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Mark Giroux	1
Deb Gilnack	4
Teri Mitchell	6
Tina Corcoran	8
Kathy Giroux	10
Jen Hoar Nichols	27
Tia Olson	28



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 CHURCH 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 January

January 5th Epiphany Sunday

Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 70-14, Ephesians 3:1-12,
Matthew 2:1-12

January 12th

Isaiah 43:1-7, Psalm 29, Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 19th

Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 36:5-10, 1 Corinthians 12:1-11, John 2:1-11

January 26th

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 12:12-31,
Luke 4:14-21



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 January 11th at 9:00 a.m. Good food and good conversation. Bring a friend, neighbor or stranger. All are welcome.

The MEN'S Breakfast will be January 25th, 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 look into it. 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.**

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

**On Sunday, December 22nd found Mt. Zion and Bolton Methodists enjoying
fellowship and good food between services.**



