



March

NEWSLETTER



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CALENDAR

Sunday Morning Worship: 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 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. 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 Paster Marti (marthabaskerville3@gmail.com) your email address and she will be glad to send it to you. These go out on Tuesdays.

SAVE THE DATE: UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

March 3rd 6:30 pm Ad Council All welcome

March 8 Women's Breakfast

March 18th Bible Study Begins

March 29th Men's Breakfast

April 4th Church Supper

OUR MISSION:

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

Luke 9 tells of a cloud coming out and overshadowing the disciples and Jesus. They were terrified as they entered the cloud. A voice came that said, "This is my Son, my chosen; listen to him!" We are fast approaching the Lenten season, a time of reflection and listening. As I write this and prepare for Transfiguration Sunday worship I imagine a time of astonishment, amazement and awe. That is how I feel when I think about transformation. Our environment will be going through a great change when Spring comes pushing the cold, snowy, icy days away and replacing them with warm days, beautiful flowers, scents of spring and the song of the birds bidding spring forth. Lenten season is almost upon us as well. We are having a Bible Study this year that will be led by Millie Victor. Some of you may know Millie already but if you don't you won't be disappointed when you meet her. She has a great study planned and I hope you will join us. Potluck dinner will precede the study so bring your favorite or experimental dish to share. There is lots happening this time of year. Get out your Bible, get a cupa, have a seat and get into the season of Lent. Remember, you don't have to give up something you love. This time of year, calls for a transformation so if you have a bad habit or want to begin a new challenge for your well-being, now is the time. The key is to be consistent throughout the entire Lenten season without slacking off. Once you finish the season your transformation will be a habit. 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 about what is happening in our church. It can also be a place where you can let off steam or make us laugh.



MOBILE FOODSHARE TRUCK

The Mobil Foodshare Truck will be at
St. Georges Episcopal Church,
1150 Boston Tpke. Bolton, March 11
& 25 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 are always welcome.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Nathan Hoar 2

Marion Knight 16

Sandy Kean 3

Frank Gilnack 21

Jennifer Ostrout 10

Athena Maselak 23

Julianna Larson 15

Jamie Corcoran 26

JoAnn Mayo 15

April Morel 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!

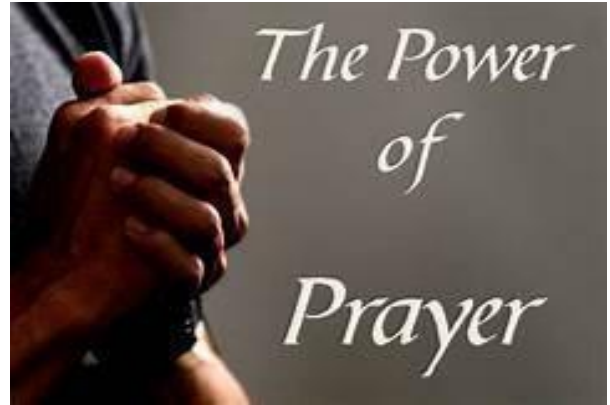
<https://teams.live.com/meet/9386222034410?p=RhAx960ePWutcVnEuN&eventType=Community>

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



Prayers for those with illness and for those recovering from recent illness, those who are home bound, their caregivers and those who are living away from their families. Including, Janet and Ashley Parsons, Taylor Schipani, Frank Gilnack, and Joann Mayo, Carol Flemke, Gilman Reed, Lanie Bickford, Taylor Schipani, Kerri Renner, Chris Olson, and prayers for Pastor Marti and her daughters Terri and Tori.

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.

Prayers for wisdom, peace, harmony, love and kindness to be in the hearts of our leaders on 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



Scripture Readings for March

March 2nd . Transfiguration Sunday

Exodus 34:29-35, Psalms 99, 2 Corinthians 3:12-4, Luke 9:28-36

March 9th – First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:1-11, Psalms 92:1-17, Romans 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13

March 16th – Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:1-12, and 17-18, Psalms 27, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-35

March 23rd – Third Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalms 63:1-8, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

March 30th – Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:1-9, Psalms 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21,

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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

Ad Council All Welcome **March 3rd 6:30:**

WOMENS BREAKFAST: will be on **March 8 at 9:00am.** Hope all women will plan on joining for great food and conversation. It's a great way to start your day.

MENS BREAKFAST will be on **March 29, 2024, at 8:00am.** Hope all you gentlemen will come and enjoy a feast and great conversation. Good food and good conversation. Bring a friend, a neighbor or a stranger. All are welcome.



**LENTON BIBLE STUDY LED BY MILLIE
VICTOR**

“CHRIST’S LAST WORDS”

TUESDAY: March 18, 25, April 1, 8

6:00-7:00 POTLUCK; BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH

7:00-8:00 BIBLE STUDY WITH MILLIE

All are welcome! Bring a friend or relative and join us.



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.**

