



Living the Adventure

at Bunker Hill United Methodist Church

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Pastor's Ponderings

Greetings, Beloved Siblings in Christ,

We are in a season of change. The weather is constantly changing, the season will be changing, the world is in the throes of change right now. Change is inevitable, the result of good and evil in the world. We cannot escape it. Over the next few months, there will be changes that may be upsetting to all of us. Change is hard for most of us, while others thrive. It is a reality so we must learn to live with the changes as they come.

As we deal with change, we can take comfort in knowing that Jesus does not change: Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." We change, the world around us changes, but Jesus remains the same. And yet it is true that change is biblical- Ecclesiastes 3:1 tells us, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." Jesus came to effect change- He showed us a better way. He atoned for our sins and opened the gates of heaven. He goes before us to prepare a place, and he advocates to the Father on our behalf. So we do not need to fear change, we can embrace it knowing that Jesus guides us through- if we turn to Him.

We cannot know what lies ahead, we cannot avoid the changes that come, but we can trust that regardless, God has our back. If we place our trust in people, in administrations, and institutions, we are bound to be disappointed. If we place our trust in God, we are never alone and have a sense of peace that comes with the understanding that God is in control. God is bigger than any evil, and false prophet, any human being that offers confusion and chaos. This is the joy of faith!

In the Love of Jesus,

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." ~Philippians 4:6-7

Pastor Katy

March, April, May 2025 Events

Tuesday, March 4.....5:30-7:00 PM
Pancake Supper
Wednesday, March 5.....7:00 PM
Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday, April 17.....7:00 PM
Maundy Thursday @ BHPC
Friday, April 18.....7:00 PM
Good Friday @ BHUMC
Sunday, April 20.....6:30 AM
Sunrise Service by Mt. Tabor

Sunday, April 27.....10:00 AM
Youth Sunday
Saturday, May 3.....9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Spring Vendor Event
Saturday, May 10.....5:00 - 8:00 PM
Youth Spaghetti Dinner & Auction
Sunday, May 11.....Following Worship
Fence Dedication
Friday, May 30.....
Musselman High Graduation

Remembering The Table

Free Family Meal

A drive-thru meal.

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We've been blessed to get to know each of you!



In June of 2019, Pastor Danny's dream of a free community meal became a reality. This mission, dubbed 'The Table' welcomed community members on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. No questions asked or ID required, if you attended, we knew there was a need, be it financial or otherwise. Although we never asked for donations, nor had a donation bin in view, many folks were kind enough to hand cash towards their meals. At its conception, we met in the social hall, served meals to attendees, had dessert, joined together for a few songs and a discussion time on a scripture or thought.

In 2020, COVID shut down everything. The 'crew', however, realized the need was greater than ever! We were shut down for roughly three months, until we transitioned our sit down meal to a drive-thru meal. We would prepare meals and place them in to-go containers, ask folks to drive around the building to the kitchen door, we'd go out and greet them, find out how many they needed, and bring them to their vehicle. Pastor Sam took it a step further and took a pen and paper out and asked for prayer concerns! We had a connection with folks like no other. We learned about their health issues, family needs, and things that were weighing heavy on their hearts. We became a family. We missed folks when we didn't see them. We had folks who didn't take for themselves, but picked up for neighbors. We had teachers trying to struggle through virtual school who just didn't have the capacity to make a meal after a long week of difficult technology.

We saw a huge increase in our numbers! Folks had a need. There was also something about coming through the drive-thru that had enough personalization, yet enough anonymity. We discussed bringing it back inside, but decided this was best. Our numbers skyrocketed! At the height, we were serving over 100 meals on a fairly regular basis!

After much prayer and conversation, it has been decided that the ministry we call The Table is no longer able to meet the goals that it was created under. This ministry has been beneficial for both the recipients and the volunteers, but over-head is too costly, and we do not have the volunteers needed to make it a viable mission. We're immensely thankful for the folks from St. Leos and Paynes Chapel UMC who assisted us with many meals throughout the years, as well as Pastors Danny, Sam, and Katy for their genuine dedication to this ministry. We also owe a HUGE THANK YOU to Norma Coe who spent countless hours meal planning, prepping, canning, and cooking for this ministry throughout the years. Please be in prayer for those who this ministry has blessed, as we continue to focus on meeting the needs of the community.



UWF
Green
Moment



United
Women
in Faith

Spring Cleaning??

Tis the time of the year where folks are eager to go through and purge and clean their homes! We hope you'll resist the urge to throw all the things in the dumpster! Instead, we challenge you to sort them into categories: keep, recycle, throw out, donate, sell, and repurpose. Let's be honest, some things we're not ready to part with! Sometimes trash is just unavoidable, however, things made of metal, cardboard, glass, some plastics, etc, can be recycled and avoid the landfill! There are always things that we no longer have a use for, but have life left in them! The Rescue Mission, Gerrardstown UMC, and other local places will take these items for others to utilize. Maybe some things you no longer want or need but they're items of worth. You could sell them or donate them to someone having a yard sale for a cause! It's also fun to find creative ways to repurpose items! Happy Spring Cleaning!

Women in Service

The United Women in Faith have had a slow start thanks to the weather and illness so far this year. This group of powerful, mission focused women have had to put their meetings on pause so far in 2025 due to unforeseen circumstances, but are looking forward to an impactful year once they're able to get the ball rolling under the leadership of president, Carolyn Grove. The group will resume their first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm schedule as soon as possible. They will, however, be cognizant of the first Wednesday of March being Ash Wednesday. We're thankful for this flexible bunch of ladies who have a generous outlook towards our community and how they can make a difference in the lives of others, especially women and children.

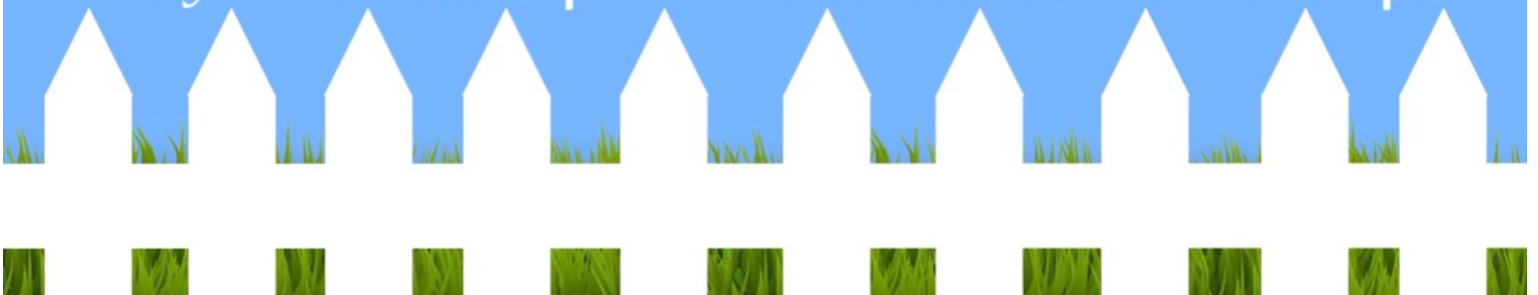
Join Us

FOR OUR

FENCE DEDICATION!

Sunday, May 11th

We hope you'll bring a covered dish to share and plan to stay for fellowship and celebration after worship!





ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

WED, MARCH 5TH 7:00 PM

join us!

HOLY WEEK

Apr. 13

Palm Sunday

Sunday before Easter. Celebration of Jesus' Triumphant entry to Jerusalem. Observed with palm branches, parades, and celebration.

10:00 AM @ BHUMC

Apr. 17

Maundy Thursday

Thursday before Easter. Commemorates the Last Supper. Often observed with foot washing, stripping the altar, and overnight prayer vigil.

7:00 PM @ BHPC

Apr. 18

Good Friday

Friday before Easter. Most solemn day of the church year. Observes the day Jesus was crucified. Observed by praying the stations of Stations of the Cross.

7:00 PM @ BHUMC

Apr. 20

Easter Sunday

Hallelujah Christ has risen! This day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Sing hallelujahs and celebrate with great joy.

6:30 AM @ MT. TABOR
10:00 AM @ BHUMC

Maundy Thursday

DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME

April 17, 2025

Bunker Hill UMC and Bunker Hill PC invite you to join us for a combined Maundy Thursday Service. We will gather at Bunker Hill Presbyterian Church at 7:00 pm.

By his wounds, we are healed!

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday,
April 18th
7:00 PM

Joint Worship Service with Bunker Hill PC & UMC
at
Bunker Hill United Methodist

He has Risen!

Sunrise Worship



Sunday, April 20th
6:30 am

In Front of Mt. Tabor Church

We invite you to join Mt. Tabor Baptist, Bunker Hill Presbyterian, and Bunker Hill United Methodist Churches as we welcome the Risen Lord!

Following worship we will gather across the street at Bunker Hill Presbyterian Church for fellowship and Easter Breakfast.



Bunker Hill's Youth ARE HEADED TO ASP this Summer!

During the week of June 15th-21st, the youth of Bunker Hill will be traveling to the Appalachian Mountains to repair homes, enrich a community, and learn local customs. There will be opportunities for fellowship and ministry and growing relationships with Christ. Over the next few months, there will be many fundraisers to help us achieve the financial ability to go. The cost will be nearly \$400/volunteer, plus gas and food. We thank you for your prayers and support as we help our youth serve others.



ASP
Appalachia
SERVICE PROJECT®

**BHUMC Youth
Spaghetti
Dinner &
Silent Auction**



May 10th 5:00-8:00 pm

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OUR YOUTH ARE
RAISING FUNDS TO HEAD TO
APPALACHIA WITH ASP FROM JUNE 15TH-21ST TO
MAKE HOMES THERE SAFER, WARMER, AND DRIER FOR
RESIDENTS. THE TRIP COSTS NEARLY \$400/PERSON.



*You're invited to come out and join us for a free-will
offering meal and silent auction to help our youth help others!*

Read through the New Testament in 5 days a week, 5 minutes a day.

5 MINUTES A DAY

If you're not used to reading the Bible daily, start with this easy-to-use tool to read a chapter of the New Testament in 5 minutes a day. This reading plan will take you through all 260 chapters of the New Testament, one chapter per day. The Gospels are read through the year to weave in the story of Christ all year long.

5 DAYS A WEEK

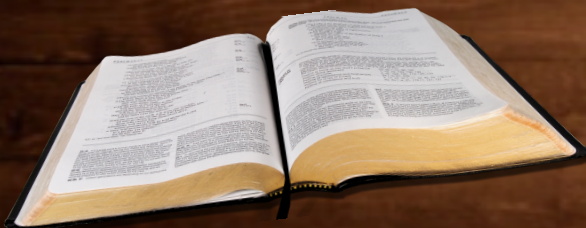
Determine a time and location to spend 5 minutes a day for 5 days a week. It is best to have a consistent time and quiet place where you can regularly meet with the Lord.

5 WAYS TO DIG DEEPER

Pause in your reading to dig into the Bible. Below are 5 different ways to dig deeper each day. These exercises will encourage meditation. Try a single idea for a week to find what works best for you. Remember to keep a pen and paper ready to capture God's insights.

1. **Underline or highlight keywords or phrases in the Bible passage.** Use a pen or highlighter to mark discoveries from the text.
2. **Put it in your own words.** Read the passage or verse slowly, then rewrite each phrase or sentence using your own words.
3. **Ask and answer questions.** Questions unlock discoveries and meanings. Ask questions about the passage using these words: who, what, why, when, where, or how. Jot down your answers to these questions.
4. **Capture the big idea.** God's Word communicates big ideas. Periodically ask: What's the big idea in this sentence, paragraph, or chapter?
5. **Personalize the meaning.** Respond as God speaks to you through the Scriptures. Ask: how could my life be different today as I respond to what I'm reading?

- o March 3-7: Romans 15-16; Ephesians 1-3
- o March 10-14: Ephesians 4-6; Philippians 1-2
- o March 17-21: Philippians 3-4; Colossians 1-3
- o March 24-28: Colossians 4; Philemon 1; Luke 1-3
- o March 31-April 5: Luke 4-8
- o April 7-11: Luke 9-13
- o April 14-18: Luke 14-18
- o April 21-25: Luke 19-23
- o April 28-May 2: Luke 24; 1 Corinthians 1-4
- o May 5-9: 1 Corinthians 5-9
- o May 12-18: 1 Corinthians 10-14
- o May 19-23: 1 Corinthians 15-16; 2 Corinthians 1-3
- o May 24-30: 2 Corinthians 4-8





We began December with \$11,943.00

\$5,000 of that was interest that we were able to withdrawl from the Keene Fund

We currently have 6 months of unpaid mission shares for 2024 totaling \$7,516.38

We currently owe just over \$29,000 to Crusders fund that was loaned to BHUMC

Total deposits for the five Sundays in December were \$11,234.15

Total expenses for the month of December were \$9,165.09

"We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give."

~Winston Churchill

I thank each and every one of you for your generosity to Bunker Hill United Methodist Church. My prayer is and will continue to be that God blesses you and our church.

Jennifer Hammond,

Finance Chair



If you are not able to worship with us in person, or prefer giving electronically,

you may give via



Link can be found on our website:
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The Old Oak & The Young Gardener

-Author Unknown

In the heart of a small, forgotten village nestled beside a whispering river, stood a towering oak tree, its gnarled branches reaching towards the sky like the arms of a benevolent elder. Generations had come and gone, their lives woven into the very fabric of the oak's existence. But lately, the tree felt a growing unease, its leaves rustling with a worry it couldn't quite understand.

One day, a young girl named Anya moved to the village with her family. She was drawn to the ancient oak, its presence calming her spirit. Anya started spending hours beneath its shade, listening to the stories the wind whispered through its leaves. She noticed the scattered trash around the base, the chipped bark from careless climbing, and felt a pang of responsibility.

Anya began tending to the oak, carefully removing the debris, patching the wounds with a gentle touch. She would talk to the tree, sharing her hopes and dreams, as if it were a wise old friend. She planted wildflowers at its base, their vibrant colors a vibrant tapestry against the aged bark.

Slowly, the oak responded. Its leaves seemed to shimmer brighter, and the air around it felt lighter. The villagers, noticing Anya's devotion, started to take care as well, treating the tree with newfound respect. They began to see the oak not just as a landmark, but as a living, breathing part of their community.

Years passed, and Anya grew older, but her connection to the oak never wavered. She taught the younger children about the tree's importance, sharing tales of its resilience and the responsibility they all had to protect it. The oak, once again feeling the warmth of care, seemed to flourish, its branches reaching even higher, its leaves rustling with a song of gratitude.

Anya's story became a quiet legend in the village, a reminder that stewardship wasn't just about preserving the past, but about actively nurturing the present, so that future generations could inherit a world as vibrant and beautiful as the old oak tree that watched over them all.



Are you looking to get involved with missions and ministries of BHUMC? We're always looking for volunteers to help support prayerfully, monetarily, and by giving of your time and talents! Please see Pastor Katy to see how you can get involved today! We'd love to have you!



Congratulations
MUSSELMAN HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2025

Musselman High
GRADUATION
May 30, 2025

YOUTH
Sunday

April 27, 2025

10:00 AM Worship

Join us as our Youth lead our worship service!

Can't Join in Person?
Join Us Via Zoom
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Spring Vendor Event

Saturday, May 3rd

9:00 am
to
3:00 pm

Looking for vendors, crafters, and food trucks who want to participate!

Vendors: \$35/space, table provided
Food Trucks: Outside space, 10% of sales

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A Gift from God

~ John P. Read



Love can't be described.
It has no shape, it has no form.
Love is not an object.
Love does not conform.

Love enters our lives
The moment we are born.
From the cradle to the grave,
Love's in everyone.

Love burns like a candle
That sometimes flickers but never
dies.

Love may be invisible,
Although it's right before your eyes,

Love can leave you empty,
Love can make you whole.
Love can make or break you,
Love is in your soul.

Love is in your heart,
Love is in your mind.
Love doesn't discriminate,
Love is always blind.

Love is universal,
It encompasses the globe.
No matter where you are,
Love has a language all its own.

Love is all around you.
There's plenty of love to spare.
You cannot see or touch it,
But love is everywhere.

Love's the greatest power,
And yet it is so small.
Love's a gift from God
To be shared amongst us all.

Pray For The Mabe Family



Nicaragua, Central America

Ryan, Lena (Pastor Katy and Rusty's daughter), Hannah, Josiah, and Sarah are serving as missionaries in Nicaragua.

The Mabe's continue to work with the children's ministry of a church in San Juan de Limay. Their first major project in Nicaragua is to acquire the funds to build a shelter, tables, and chairs for this ministry to be able to meet outside rain or shine. The children are currently using chairs under a tree, which is not ideal in the heat and weather. The cost of this project will be roughly \$4,500.

Lena was also given the opportunity to share her testimony with men in an addiction recovery program. She reminded them that we all have addictions we face and regardless of what that may be, God wants us all to be saved and take that burden from us.

Pastor Katy and Rusty were able to visit the end of February. We cannot wait to hear all they have to share from their visit! Thank you for the continued prayers and support!



Living the Discipleship Adventure at Bunker Hill United Methodist Church

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Our Mission is to enable all people to have a personal relationship with Christ through
discipleship and ministry.

Our Vision is to grow as Christians and to reach out in love and service to all people.

Opportunities for Ministry and Mission

Loaves and Fishes

In December friends of Bunker Hill gathered 26 packages of pancake mix for the local food pantry. January brought it's natural companion, syrup, as the emphasis.

February's collection of canned pasta, such as Beefaroni, SpaghettiO's, etc, yielded 41 cans. We're hoping this makes an easy meal for families to warm up quickly.

For March, Loaves and Fishes has a need for grape jelly on their shelves. They're requesting specifically 18 oz jars of this sweet treat. If at all possible, plastic containers would be best to avoid a sticky accident. As always, store brands and name brands are both welcomed and appreciated!

We are so thankful for Bunker Hill congregants and friends who faithfully support this ministry each month.

Loaves & Fishes

March
Emphasis:

Grape Jelly
18 oz preferred

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