

BLUFFTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Joey McDonald, Pastor
Becky McCorkendale, Associate Pastor
Ella W. Davis, Director of Music
Greg Hollinger, Organist
January 8, 2017 – 11:00 AM
1st Sunday after Epiphany – Color: White
Baptism of the Lord

GATHERING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

(The sound of chimes announces the beginning of worship. During the Prelude and Introit, please keep silence to allow all worshipers to prepare mind, heart, and body for the worship of God.)

PRELUDE *In Sweet Rejoicing* Johann Sebastian Bach

INTROIT *Holy Is The Lord* Franz Schubert

***HYMN No. 185** *When Morning Gilds the Sky* LAUDES DOMINI

***PSALTER No. 761** *Psalm 29* (sung response)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881**

***GLORIA PATRI No. 71** *Glory be to the Father* GREATOREX

THE PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung) Albert Malotte

OFFERTORY *Lo, How a Rose* Johannes Brahms

***DOXOLOGY No. 95** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD 100th

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ANTHEM *Every Valley* John Ness Beck

"Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." (Isaiah 40:4-5)

SCRIPTURE *Isaiah 42:1-9* Pew Bible page **1125**

SERMON Rev. Joey McDonald

***HYMN No. 500** *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* MORECAMBE

BENEDICTION Rev. Joey McDonald

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You* Peter Lutkin

"The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you peace. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you." (Numbers 6:24-26)

POSTLUDE *In Sweet Rejoicing* Johann Sebastian Bach

*Please stand if you are able.

Acolytes: **Audrey Atkins/Benjamin Atkins/Jack Bliley/Luke Bliley/Annabel Court Phillip Court/Jones Saylor/Cooper Simpson**

Ushers: **Marcia Farmer, Jane & Pat Gurganus, Linda Shettel**

THE CHANCEL CHOIR: Sarah Atkins, Aaron Bliley, Peggy Chandler, Paul Clemmitt, John Clingerman, Cecil Corson, Joanne Davies, Sharon Hachtman, David Hoffman, Paula Johnson, Debbie Kadzielewski, Ron Kadzielewski, Laurel Karper, Laura Kollaros, Al Litster, Becky Manley, Lynn McPheeters, Venus Mendoza, Joan Morris, Lourri Norris-Waite, Allyn Perdue, Sylvia Rainey, Mary Ratliff, Carol Rutgers, Brian Snipes, Ed Sweers, Sarah Sweers.

FLOWERS

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God *by Bea & Tom Story in honor and celebration of their 69th wedding anniversary!*



01/09 – Jack Bliley (teen)

01/10 – Aidan Bryant (child)

01/13 – Gary Gildner, Gwen Hynes

01/15 – Sara Boyles, Mark DeBrabander

01/16 – Sarah Woods

01/10 – Bea & Tom Story

01/11 – Sandy & Jerry Reichert

01/14 – Mary Ellen & Jay Parks



WELCOME GUESTS!! We are pleased to have you worshiping with us and hope it will be a meaningful experience for you. **Please be sure to sign the attendance book in your row to indicate your attendance today. Include children, your address & phone number.**

PRAYER CONCERNS



Daniel Alba	Josh Harper	Dee Owens
Barbara Allen	Cora Henny	Charlotte Parrott
Frank Battaglia	Andrea Hoffman	Megan Phelps
Karen Benedict	Gwen Hynes	Betty Powderly
Sherry Blanchard	Betty Ann Jenkins	David Ragan
Dot Briggs	Annette Jones	Paul Reitz
Noah Brock	Dr. Richard Kamm	Porter Grant Richardson
Bill Clarke	Sue Kamm	Sara Rodrigous
Kerry Clifford	Judy Kerr	Conner Rodrigous
Louise Cimino	Jim Klekner	Doug Shipman
Annette Conrad	Laura Kollaros	Jay Smith
Doug Coon	Roland Kreager	Todd Smith
Terry Coon	Mary Lockwood	Jim Snow
Russ Cooper	Bill Markle	Parker Snow
Pat Coyle	Judy McDonald	Ed Stanley
Crager Family	Peyton McLamb	Denny & Suzanne Steele
Donna Fiero	Larry C. Minnick	Tim Thompson
Karl Fiero	Linda Morrison	Jackie Tuohig
Jim & Peg Forbes	Lelia Mullins	Rev Rick Tyson
Kirk Fox	Bill Naert	Angie VanZuylen
Luke Freida	Denise Nance	David Vierling
Pat Gurganus	Sam Nance	Judy Walden
Lois Gilot	Robert Newhart, Sr.	Dave Waugh



Bluffton United Methodist Church – 1853-2017 – 164 Years

“The Mission of BUMC is to make disciples for Jesus Christ by sharing our loving relationship with Him through all our actions in worship, nurture, education, evangelism and outreach.”

Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve – A “Stephen Ministry” Church

- Pastor – Joey McDonald
- Associate Pastor – Becky McCorkendale
- Director of Music – Ella W. Davis
- Organist – Greg L. Hollinger
- Office Administrator – Pat Simmons
- Children’s Coordinator – Melissa Bliley
- Nursery Attendants – Mike Grunder, Mary Gump, Nicole Jozic, Kelly Masotti, Amara Niemczyk

NURSERY CARE PROVIDED 8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. EVERY SUNDAY

Hearing assistance devices are available in the narthex for your use during worship.

LARGE PRINT hymnals are available for your use during the worship service.

They are located on a table in the Narthex.

Ministry of Encouragement – Let us remember with visits, cards and prayers...
Charlotte Parrott, 707 E. 52 Street, Savannah GA 31405; Tel: 912.441.4451



Christian sympathy and prayers of the pastor and congregation are extended to
Nancy McKinlay and family on the passing of her husband, Alastair, January 4, 2017.

We are ready for your requests and your help! Just contact any or all of us (listed below) and let us know your concern and we'll let the team know right away. If you're interested in joining the team, contact one of us and we'll get you included.

- Pastor Joey** – blufftonumc.past@hargray.com call or text – 803.671.1691
- Mickayla** – mickaylamcdonald@yahoo.com call or text – 803.515.4227
- Pastor Becky** – crmc2009@gmail.com call or text – 843.422.6027



Worship Hours 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.; Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Children’s Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

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Office hours – Mon–Thurs 9:30a–2:30p Mail address: Bluffton UMC, PO Box 368, Bluffton, SC 29910



STEPHEN MINISTRY – Another year has swiftly passed. Am I the only one who feels that the years pass more quickly as I age?

We just learned today that a lovely lady in our neighborhood has died. She lost her husband just last year.

This has made me think that life can be fleeting. Don't procrastinate, tell those near to you how much they mean to you.

MATTHEW 24:42 – Therefore stay alert! You don't know what day the Lord is coming.

The media continues to broadcast scenes of war and terrorism. As a Christian we pray for peace and we wonder if it can ever be achieved world-wide. Don't give up, CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR PEACE.

PSALMS – Let the king bring justice to people who are poor; let him save the children of those who are needy, but let him crush oppressors.

Are you struggling with a life issue that you cannot resolve on your own? Consider having a Stephen Minister. BUMC has Stephen Ministers who are waiting to help you resolve your issue.

If you would like to find out more about Stephen Ministry for yourself or someone you know, talk with our Stephen Minister Leader: *Sara Jenkins, 843.705.2172.*

Each week, there is a **STEPHEN MINISTER** from BUMC assigned to hospital duty. If you hear of anyone in the hospital this week, **Jan 8 – 14**, please call **Dian Litster, 843.705.6221.**

MIRACLE JARS – We would like to thank the congregation for their amazing support of the *December Mission Jars for Eric Szczepanic*, We collected **\$3,702.00** and the mission team added an additional amount to bring it up to **\$4,000.00**. We are so grateful, and are sure Eric and his family appreciate it. God is good. *The Mission Team.*



Our January Mission Jars will be supporting *Samaritan's Purse*. Samaritan's Purse has helped meet the needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, and famine worldwide. After hurricane Matthew, they had airlifted supplies to Haiti and the Bahamas. Tractor trailers we sent to North and South Carolina to help homeowners clean up their property. More than 100,000 homes were damaged with recent flooding in Louisiana, and volunteers and supplies have been sent to help in the recovery from the Gatlinburg fires. Donations will be used toward the US Disaster Fund, or where most needed.

BLANKET DRIVE

BLANKETS FOR ANIMALS – Larry Russell is collecting old blankets for animals at the shelters. Half of the animals are all outside during the winter. He needs blankets to put in their dog houses. If you can contribute, please bring a blanket to church on any Sunday and leave it in the narthex. Thanks!!



CARREFOUR FRIENDS – Sometimes you meet a person and their story touches you in a way that you'll never forget. Rita's story is one of those stories.

Rita is 87 years old and lives in a care facility. Her husband and oldest daughter died a few years back and her other two daughters are married, have active families of their own, live in other states, and are not involved in her daily life. She told me that she had been a nurse for many years and stayed busy with her work and raising her family.

I asked her about her interests. Without hesitation she said, "Staying alive." I agreed that that was a positive goal, but she said, "You don't understand. I mean living, having something to do besides watching television, things to look forward to. I cared for so many people for so many years, gave all my time and energy to helping others, and now I sit here lonely, not what I had planned."

Loneliness is a difficulty plenty of people know all too well. While Rita's story might be tough to hear, her struggle to stay connected is not as rare as we might think. Carrefour Friends can help to build social connections. We provide specially trained volunteers who want to befriend and regularly visit lonely seniors. Please contact us at carrefourfriends@gmail.com or call Jackie Tuohig at 843.802.4726 to request services or if you would like to become a volunteer in this ministry.

Carrefour Friends.....*care for friends.*

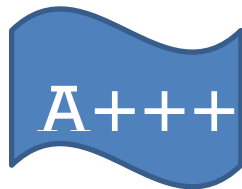


A FLOWER CHART has been placed on the wall in the fellowship hall. Please take a moment and sign up to donate flowers in honor of/or memory of your loved ones. A donation of **\$50** to cover the cost of the flowers is greatly appreciated.

In appreciation of your donation, we welcome you to take one or both arrangements with you. Otherwise, our Stephen Ministers will take them to a church member in need. When you sign up, please note that the chart has a place for you to indicate the number of flower arrangements you'd like to keep for yourself or the number you want to share with others.



There are changes in store for our Combined Middle and High School Youth Group! Our new meeting day and time will be **Wednesdays, 6 – 7:30 p.m.** In order to prepare our new leadership crew, there will be **no** Youth Group in January – We will see EVERYONE **February 1st!**



Youth and Children's HAPPENINGS



Accolades, achievements, awards, honor roll, Dean's List, etc. will be recognized each week. Parents, please send me an email of all of the amazing things your kids do. I will put them right here on our page for our whole church to see and be proud of. irishredsc78@yahoo.com

Sunday School Changes

Sunday school in the nursery is for ages 18 months through 3 years. They will have a short lesson and an activity.

Pre-K4 through 2st grades will meet in the former choir room for a lesson and activity.

3rd through 5th grades will meet in the Youth room for a lesson and discussion.

Join us during the Sunday School hour today, January 8th and again on the 15th for a fun-filled sing-along with Welma Horn on guitar! Come learn old time favorites like This Little Light of Mine, the B-I-B-L-E, Arky Arky, Zacchaeus Was a Wee Little Man, He's Got the Whole World in His Hands, and many more. We will meet in the former choir room.



Save the Date for our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 1, 2017.
On Sunday, April 2nd, we will have a small performance during the 11:00 a.m. service.

High School Students: join your friends for a session study where we'll find if redemption can happen for Scrooge – it can happen for us – 9:45–10:30 (between the services) today, January 8th and again on the 22nd. See Pastors Joey or Becky to get your book before the class.



Attendance: 10:00: 148; Nursery: - 6; SS: 1;

Today 01/08	8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Today 01/08	9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School	Conference Room
Today 01/08	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Church Office Room
Today 01/08	9:30 AM	High Schoolers Study – Scrooge	Youth Room
Today 01/08	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School	Nursery Room 2
Today 01/08	10:00 AM	Youth Sunday School	Youth Room
Today 01/08	11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Today 01/08	12:30 PM	Brunch Bunch @ Frankie Bones	1301 Main St., HHI
Sunday 01/08	5 – 7:00 PM	Independent Presbyterian Church Service	Sanctuary
Monday 01/09	10-12 PM	Stardust Orchestra	Fellowship Hall
Monday 01/09	3 – 5:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Training	Conference Room
Monday 01/09	6:00 PM	Education Committee meeting	Conference Room
Monday 01/09	7:00 PM	Wesley Ringers	Music Suite
Tuesday 01/10	10:30 AM	UMW Exec Board meeting	Conference Room
Tuesday 01/10	6:30 PM	AA & Al-anon meetings	Fellowship Hall & SS rms
Tuesday 01/10	7:00 PM	Church Council meeting	Conference Room
Wednesday 01/11	6:00 PM	Cherub Choir	Music Suite
Wednesday 01/11	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Music Suite
Thursday 01/12	6:30 PM	AA & Al-anon meetings	Fellowship Hall & SS rms
Friday 01/13	9 - 10:00 AM	Junior Toastmasters	Conference Room
Saturday 01/14	10:30-11:30 AM	Praise Team rehearsal	Sanctuary or Music Suite
Saturday 01/14	5:22 PM	BUMMs Oyster Roast	@ the Snow's
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



BRUNCH BUNCH – meets at our normal time of 12:30, **TODAY, Jan 8th** at **Frankie Bones**, 1301 Main St., Hilton Head.

Everyone is invited to join the BUMMs for their **Oyster Roast, Jan 14th** to “kick off” the New Year (near ‘bout dark...5:22 p.m.). The Snow's host this function and the dress is **very casual**. Bring your chair to sit on & also a side dish or dessert to share! A donation of \$5.00 per person is requested to offset the cost of the oysters. Thank you!

