

# BLUFFTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Joey McDonald, Pastor  
Becky McCorkendale, Associate Pastor  
Ella W. Davis, Director of Music  
Greg Hollinger, Organist  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent - March 11, 2018 – Color: Purple

**GATHERING** *At the Cross* Reuben Morgan and Darlene Zschech  
arr. Keith Christopher  
*Above All* Lenny LeBlanc and Paul Baloche  
Praise Team arr. Mark Hayes

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**STEPHEN/CHRISTIAN CARE MINISTRIES** (8:30) Mary Ellen Parks/Linda Cecil  
(11:00) Sara Jenkins/Linda Cecil

## 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** *Blessed Assurance* John Ness Beck

**INTROIT** (11:00) *This Is Your House* Randy Phillips  
Praise Team arr. Carol Cymbala

**\*HYMN No. 378** *Amazing Grace* AMAZING GRACE  
Stanzas 1-3 & 6

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER** (8:30)  
*Pat & Greg Crews*

**DRC CHURCH** Rev. Joey McDonald

**OFFERTORY** *How Can It Be* Marty Funderburk and Amy Shellem  
Praise Team arr. Cliff Duren

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

## CHILDREN'S MOMENT

**ANTHEM** (11:00) *The Power of the Cross* Keith Getty and Stuart Townend  
Praise Team arr. Mark Hayes

**SCRIPTURE** **John 3:14-21** Pew Bible page **1651**

**SERMON** Rev. Joey McDonald

**\*HYMN No. 365** *Grace Greater than Our Sin* MOODY

**BENEDICTION** Rev. Joey McDonald

**\*INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE** (8:30) *Lord, Make Me More Holy* Spiritual

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE** (11:00) *Lord, Make Me More Holy* Spiritual  
*"Lord, make me more holy until we meet again."*

**POSTLUDE** *It is Well* John Ness Beck

\*Please stand if you are able.

**Acolytes:** (8:30) Aidan Bryant  
(11:00) Audrey Atkins/Luke Bliley/Phillip Court/  
Matthew Sapochak/Jones Saylor/Cooper Simpson

**Ushers:** (8:30) Bonnie Bogart, Joyce Hall, Delores & Rodger Houseman  
(11:00) Tom Epply, Jeanne & Ralph Lemmon, Linda Shettel, Kathy & Joe Walter

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR:** Sarah Atkins, Aaron Bliley, Peggy Chandler, John Clingerman, Cecil Corson, Annabel Court, Joanne Davies, Candace Deshler, Betsy Epply, Sharon Hachtman, David Hoffman, Paula Johnson, Debbie Kadzielewski, Ron Kadzielewski, Laurel Karper, Laura Kollaros, Al Litster, Becky Manley, Lynn McPheeters, Venus Mendoza, Joan Morris, Victoria Morrison, Lourri Norris, Allyn Perdue, Mary Ratliff, Carol Rutgers, Ed Sweers, Sarah Sweers.

**THE PRAISE TEAM:** Sarah Atkins, Cecil Corson, Ella W. Davis, Candace Deshler, Sharon Hachtman, Laurel Karper, Lourri Norris, Allyn Perdue, Bob Wilson.

## FLOWERS

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by *Pat Simmons*  
*in memory of her daddy, Harold M. Simmons who passed on March 11, 1987.*

### *Happy Birthday*

**03/08** – Donna Marsden (belated)  
**03/11** – Pat Kirkland  
**03/12** – Runell Connell, Chad Rose  
**03/13** – Joanne Dahl, Leslie Esposito, Jim Rutgers  
**03/16** – Debbie Hill, Ella Hunter (child)  
**03/17** – James Haberberger, Collins Krivit (child)

### *Happy Anniversary*

**03/14** – Debbie & David Hill  
**03/19** – Melanie & Buck Hyler

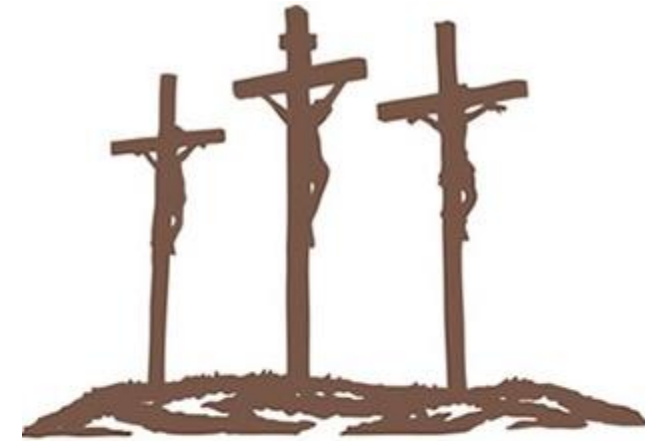


**WELCOME GUESTS!!** We are pleased to have you worshiping with us and hope it will be a meaningful experience for you. **Please be sure to sign the attendance book in your row to indicate your attendance today. Include children, your address & phone number.**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**



Rebecca Adams & family	Mona Gibbon	Kyle Nance
Daniel Alba	Nat Giles	Sam Nance
Barbara Allen	Lois Gilot	Joseph Newfield
Lois Barton	Mike Godfrey	Robert Newhart, Sr.
Frank Battaglia	Josh Harper	Pat O'Conner
Sherry Blanchard	Cora Henny	Dee Owens
Rita Bobko	Andrea Hoffman	Scott Parks
Charles Bowers	David Hoffman	Les Parry
Dot Briggs	Art Holland	Shirley Paulk & family
Noah Brock	Connie Hornick	Rosalyn Perdue
Joseph Cannon	Gwen Hynes	Megan Phelps
Troy Case	Betty Ann Jenkins	Betty Powderly
Louise Cimino	Annette Jones	David Ragan
Wayne Cimino	Dr. Richard Kamm	Michael Reich
Bill Clarke	Sue Kamm	Porter Grant Richardson
Kerry Clifford	Mike Karnoff	Rebekah Runyan
Linda Cole	Hope Hughes-Kayse	Jim Snow
Annette Conrad	Tanya Kemp	Parker Snow
John Cook	Judy Kerr	Jon Snyder
Doug Coon	Richard Kirkland	Ed Stanley
Terry Coon	Barbara Klekner	Doug Swain
Jan Counts	Jim Klekner	Linda Taylor
Pat Coyle	Laura Kollaros	Mike Treichler
Crager Family	Paul Laughlin	Jackie Tuohig
Larry Duncan	Mary Lockwood	Brent VanBuskirk
John Frields	Michelle Lindberg	Angie VanZuylen
Marcia Farmer	Vin Lubik	Judy Walden
Donna Fiero	Bill Markle	Linda Walker
Karl Fiero	Judy McDonald	Harry Walker
Flores family	Peyton McLamb	Dave Waugh
Jakob Alexander Foue	Ray McNeill	Leslie Welch
Jim & Peg Forbes	Evelyn Massey	Reed & Christine Whiteleather
Kirk Fox	Lelia Mullins	Gordon Waterworth
Luke Freida	Denise Nance	



# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday *in* Lent

**Bluffton United Methodist Church – 1853-2018 – 165 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
- Nursery Attendants – Millie Baughman, Alexis Bothe, Mike Grunder, Mary Gump, Teil Huggins, 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...

**Cora Henny**, Bloom at Hilton Head, 35 Beach City Road, Memory Lane, Rm 402A, Hilton Head SC 29926

Christian sympathy and prayers of the pastor and congregation are extended to **The Roth children & family on the death of their mother, Gail Roth, March 1, 2018.**

**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](mailto:blufftonumc.past@hargray.com) call or text – 803.671.1691
- Mickaylla** – [mickayllamcdonald@yahoo.com](mailto:mickayllamcdonald@yahoo.com) call or text – 803.515.4227
- Pastor Becky** – [crmc2009@gmail.com](mailto:crmc2009@gmail.com) call or text – 843.422.6027





**STEPHEN MINISTRY – The Season of Lent** – Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring Satan’s temptation and preparing to begin His ministry.

Lent is generally a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It’s a time of self-examination and reflection. As Christians, we focus on our relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of ourselves to others or to God.

During your time of Lenten reflection this year, if you find yourself wanting to talk confidentially with a Stephen Minister about something that’s concerning you, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders, *Mary Ellen Parks* at 843-368-1852 or *Sara Jenkins* at 843-705-2172. Our Ministers will listen to you and remind you of God’s constant Presence in your life.

Each week, there is a **STEPHEN MINISTER** from BUMC assigned to hospital duty. If you hear of anyone in the hospital this week **March 11 - 17**, please call **John White, 843.705.3513**.

**BRUNCH BUNCH** – Will be at *Stooges Cafe TODAY at 12:30 p.m.*



## Lenten Schedule

Community Lenten Services will be held at 12:00 Noon as listed below:

A guest pastor from the area will share the message during the 30-minute service. Offerings received as part of the service will support missions and ministries selected by the host church.

A light meal will be served after the service.

Wednesday	Host Church	Host Pastor	Proclaiming Pastor
Mar. 14	Church of the Palms	Rev. Pete Berntson	Rev. Rick Klotz
Mar. 21	Campbell Chapel AME	Rev. Dr. Jon R. Black	Rev. Dr. Nannette Pierson

**Maundy Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>** – We will have a soup dinner and celebrate communion at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall; followed by a service in the Sanctuary. All are invited to join the Youth Group as they present the “Stations of the Cross” as part of our Holy Week observance.



**BOY SCOUT TROUP #241** will be having a **Pancake Breakfast at BUMC on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 7 AM – 11 AM in our Fellowship Hall.** This Troup was chartered by our BUMMs and have been in the Bluffton area for 30+ years. The Pancake Breakfast is a fundraiser and you are invited to come and enjoy a stack!

**Advance Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.** They will be available for purchase after the worship services on March 18<sup>th</sup>. You may also contact Dina Vicaro at 864.238.8442 to purchase your tickets. (Check out the flyer posted in the narthex!)

**MIRACLE JARS** – In *March*, we are supporting **Hardeeville Elementary School**. Many of the students do not have enough food at home, and some parents are unable to apply for Backpack Buddies. Lunch is provided by the school, but sometimes it is the only meal they get. One child had asked to eat leftover beans from another’s lunch! The money will be used to purchase food for the children to bring home for the weekend.



The Mission Team will purchase non-perishables to give to the teachers, and the teachers would then put some items in the children’s backpack on Fridays, so they will have a bit more to eat at home. We thank everyone for their support of our Mission Jars.

### Carrefour Friends – Gifts of Time

I frequently witness the sadness of lonely care facility residents who desperately miss the ongoing love and support of their family and friends. Perhaps the family lives far away or friends have passed on. So many reasons can cause their unhappiness, but the loneliness and despair that they feel could have been avoided, to some degree, with simple gifts of time. The Bible gives us many reasons to share our time and talents with those who are less fortunate. *God loves and cares for those in need through us.* Isaiah 58:10 states that, “If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then your light will rise in the darkness and your gloom will be as the noonday.” Won’t you consider becoming a Carrefour Friends volunteer? Clearly, when we care for a lonely elderly resident, we are doing the will of God. If you are interested in becoming a friend for someone who really needs one, please contact Jackie Tuohig at 913.748.5929 or email us at [carrefourfriends@gmail.com](mailto:carrefourfriends@gmail.com).



**A group of residents at Bloom at Bluffton has requested that we start a Bible study at their facility. Please contact Jackie if you would consider leading this group.**

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



**WHAT IT MEANS TO BE UNITED METHODIST** Have you ever asked these questions?

- What issues are Methodists addressing and what are their focus ministries?
- What are the Methodist beliefs and the basis for them?
- What are the foundations of Methodism and what were the Wesley’s doing in Savannah?
- What is the structure of the Methodist Church and how is it governed?

If you would like to learn the answers to these questions and much more come to our four part video presentation produced by UMC Communications. The sessions will be held on consecutive Mondays at 6:00 p.m. beginning February 19<sup>th</sup> and ending on March 12<sup>th</sup>. We will be meeting at the Church in either the Conference Room or in the Fellowship Hall. You don’t have to sign up, just come and join us.

#### Schedule

March 12	Methodist Church Structure
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If you have any questions please call or email Al Litster, [tallowal@sc.rr.com](mailto:tallowal@sc.rr.com), 843-705-6221.

Daylight Savings Begins Today – Plan to be here between the services next Sunday...Parents: we'll have a quick schedule update for the rest of the season while our teens prep a lite breakfast treat for everyone...Teens: you'll be running the kitchen, but this time it won't be pancakes...**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** – March 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 – 10:45 AM.



## Children's HAPPENINGS



**Mar. 4 and 11**

**Children, join us in Sunday School at 10 am as Mrs. Welma Horn leads us in songs and praises!**



*(Parents, enjoy donuts and coffee in the kitchen while your children are in class.)*

**Volunteers are always welcomed in our nursery.**

*Please note: Children aged 7 and older are asked to remain in the Sanctuary after Children's Moment. Our attendants need to focus their attention on the very littles of our church. Thank you for your understanding.*



Nursery

Worship Hours 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.; Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Children's Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Church Office: 843.757.3351, Church Office E-mail–[blufftonumc@hargray.com](mailto:blufftonumc@hargray.com); WebSite–<http://www.blufftonumc.org>  
Pastor's cell – 803.671.1691; email– [blufftonumc.past@hargray.com](mailto:blufftonumc.past@hargray.com); Pastor's address: 86 Boundary St, Bluffton SC 29910  
Office hours – Mon–Thurs 9:30a–2:30p Mail address: Bluffton UMC, PO Box 368, Bluffton, SC 29910

Attendance: 8:30 AM: 118; 11:00 AM: 171; Total: 289; Adult SS: 12 Nursery: (8:30) – ?; (11:00) – ?; Children's & Jr. SS: 9			
Today 03/11	8:30 AM	Worship Service w/Praise Team	Sanctuary
Today 03/11	9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School	Conference Room
Today 03/11	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Church Office
Today 03/11	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School	Education Wing
Today 03/11	11:00 AM	Worship Service w/Praise Team	Sanctuary
Today 03/11	12:30 PM	Brunch Bunch	Stooges Café
Today 03/11	4:00 PM	Bible Study on Jude	Conference Room
Monday 03/12	6:00 PM	Methodist Church Structure – Methodism	Fellowship Hall
Monday 03/12	6:00 PM	Education meeting	Conference Room
Monday 03/12	7:00 PM	Wesley Ringers	Music Suite
Tuesday 03/13	9:45 AM	UMW Exec Board meeting	Conference Room
Tuesday 03/13	5:00 – 6:30 PM	Lowcountry Jazz Band	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday 03/13	6:30-8:30 PM	Experiencing God Bible Study	Music Suite
Tuesday 03/13	7:30 PM	AA/Al-Anon meetings	Fellowship & SS rms
Wednesday 03/14	10-12 Noon	Evolution Big Band rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 03/14	12:00 PM	Lenten Service @ Church of the Palms	Highway 170
Wednesday 03/14	6 – 6:45 PM	Cherub Choir rehearsal	Music Suite
Wednesday 03/14	6 – 7:30 PM	Youth Group meets	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday 03/14	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir rehearsal	Music Suite
Thursday 03/15	9:30 -11 AM	BackPack Buddie food delivery	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 03/15	6:30 PM	AA Beginners Group	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 03/15	7:00 PM	Al-anon Beginners Group	Fellowship Hall
Thursday 03/15	7:30 PM	AA & Al-anon meetings	Fellowship & SS rms
Saturday 03/17	9 – 2:00 PM	UMW Unit meeting	Fellowship Hall
Sunday 03/18	8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday 03/18	9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School	Conference Room
Sunday 03/18	9:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	Church Office
Sunday 03/18	9:30 AM	Youth Group meet between services	Kitchen
Sunday 03/18	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School	Education Wing
Sunday 03/18	11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday 03/18	4:00 PM	Bible Study on Jude	Conference Room

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS** – **Pat & Greg Crews** come to us by letter of transfer from Southside Baptist Church in Savannah. They are retired and reside in Bluffton. Both like gardening and traveling. They taught Sunday school and participated in VBS for 15 years. Greg likes fishing and Pat loves to read.

**DECORATING COMMITTEE** – As we prepare for Easter, the church is forming a decorating committee to make our sanctuary beautiful for Palm Sunday and Easter. If you would like to volunteer to help; please call, text, or email Joyce Hall (931.801.3665, [jhall13710@aol.com](mailto:jhall13710@aol.com)) or you can call or email the church office (843.757.3351, [blufftonumc@hargray.com](mailto:blufftonumc@hargray.com)). Thank you in advance for helping to enhance our worship experience.

