



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020



**Bluffton United Methodist Church – 1853-2020 – 167 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***

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**Office hours Mon–Thurs 9:30 a.m. –2:30 p.m.**

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# BLUFFTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Scarlett Hester, Pastor

Beth Corry, Interim Director of Music/Organist

Laurel Phipps, Director of Christian Education

November 22, 2020 – Christ the King Sunday – Color: White

## GATHERING

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY** (The sound of the chimes announces the beginning of worship. During the Candle Lighting and Prelude, please keep silence to prepare for worship of God.)

**PRELUDE** *Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us* John Leavitt, arranger

## CANDLE LIGHTING

**INVOCATION** – Come, thou Almighty King,  
help us thy name to sing,  
help us to praise.  
Father, all glorious,  
o'er all victorious,  
come and reign over us,  
Ancient of Days.  
Amen.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER** Rev. Scarlett Hester

**OFFERTORY** *Hymn of Thanksgiving* Martha Powell Setchell, arranger  
Janice Creech, pianist  
Beth Corry, pianist

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**SCRIPTURE** **Matthew 25:31:46**  
Tim Wyld (8:30)  
Barbara McCann (11:00)

**SERMON** Rev. Scarlett Hester

## BENEDICTION

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Alleluia* Jerry Sinclair, composer

**POSTLUDE** Toccata on *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* (Old Hundredth)  
Michael Burkhart, arranger

## FLOWERS

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by **Joanne & Doug Dahl**  
*in gratitude for our loving & caring church family.*

### *Birthdays*

**11/22** – Mary Ellen Parks

**11/24** – Sarah Snow

**11/26** – Autumn Waite (teen)

**11/27** – Bob Bobko, Janet Fay

**11/29** – Connie Budge, Dian Litster,  
Sandy Reichert

**11/30** – Dyane De Paolis

### *Anniversaries*

**11/23** – Donna & John Clingerman

**11/26** – Cindy & Richard Bex

**11/27** – Shelley & Mark Anderson

**11/27** – Jane & Whit Thornton

**11/29** – Dian & Al Litster

**11/30** – Kathi Madison & Thor Egede-Nissen

**WELCOME TO OUR GUEST ARTIST, Janice Creech, pianist** – Janice is a familiar face at BUMC where she has offered her talent as performing artist and substitute pianist. Janice accompanies the Hilton Head Choral Society and is a world traveler when she's not performing.

A/V operators: Christina Bryant (8:30), Wayne Hester (11:00)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Email for Pastor Scarlett is: [pastor@blufftonumc.org](mailto:pastor@blufftonumc.org)

**General Budget** – Plate Offering Goal each week \$10,300: Plate Offering: \$13,459.  
Attendance - 8:30: 44; 11:00: 57; 5:30: 25; Total: 126

Today 11/22	8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Today 11/22	11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Today 11/22	5:30 PM	Youth Event	Outdoor in TENT
Monday 11/23	3:00 PM	Handbell rehearsal	Sanctuary
Monday 11/23	7:00 PM	Charge Conference	via Zoom
Tuesday 11/24	10:30 AM	Staff meeting	Conference Rm #2
Tuesday 11/24	10:45 AM	Esther & Anna Circles	Outdoor in TENT
Tuesday 11/24	1:00 PM	The Journey Bible Study	via Zoom
Thursday 11/26		THANKSGIVING	
Sunday 11/29	8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/29	11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
Sunday 11/29	5:30 PM	Family Night	Outdoor in TENT
Monday 11/30	9:45 AM	Ruth Circle meeting	Outdoor in TENT
Monday 11/30	3:00 PM	Handbell rehearsal	Sanctuary

**PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO SCHEDULE YOUR MEETINGS/EVENTS FOR THE TENT. 843.757.3351.**

**Electronic Prayer Ministry** – Our **electronic prayer team** is one part of this ministry consisting of about 40 members who are available 24/7 to immediately pray in response to emailed prayer requests. If there is prayer needed for a specific person or situation you can contact Jennie Smith, jensmith303@yahoo.com or text 843.816.0125. If Jennie is not available, contact Paula Johnson, pbkremers7@gmail.com or 843.683.3865. We will contact the prayer team and prayers will flow.



**INFO & REQUEST FROM THE OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR** – If your offering includes a donation for some other cause, i.e. a designated line item, please write **two** checks. We have a General Budget checking account and also a Designated checking account. Offerings and pledges are deposited in the General Budget while anything designated **must** be deposited in the Designated account. Thanks for your cooperation!



**Sunday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> we will have a “Youth Event” outside under the Tent at 5:30 PM.**

**On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday** of each month we have an **Outdoor Worship Service at 4:30 PM.**  
(Please note the time change.)

This is **in addition** to our regular Sunday worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 AM. We request that you bring your own lawn chairs and wear a face covering.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** – I was struck by today’s scripture reading, Matthew 25: 31-46, and how much of it reminds me of Stephen Ministry. Stephen, in the book of Acts, is described as the Apostle who tended to the poor, the sick and needy. Stephen Ministry is almost entirely based on his generosity of spirit and kindness toward the suffering.



All of us can act as Stephen if we choose to, but how? With the Coronavirus pandemic raging around us, there are things we can do. We can practice social distancing and wearing a mask in public to protect those around us. We can ‘recognize’ Jesus in those lying in a hospital bed fighting the virus or those who are hungry, thirsty and naked after months of Covid-19 induced unemployment.

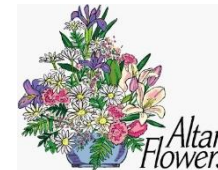
“We need to ‘see Jesus’ in the least and the lost and the broken and the wounded.”\*

For those who want to do more to help those in need in our congregation and community, contact one of our Stephen Leaders or Pastor Scarlett.

Mary Ellen Parks - 843.368.1852

Larry Stocker - 949.838.6177

\*Journey With Jesus, Debie Thomas



**ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2021** – We have a new “Flower Calendar” and you may sign up to donate flowers in honor of/or memory of your loved ones. Please email, [blufftonumc@gmail.com](mailto:blufftonumc@gmail.com) or call the office, 843.757.3351 with the date you would like to reserve. 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 home.



**THE JOURNEY – A BIBLE STUDY** – A virtual class will begin **Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>**. at **1:00 p.m.** To sign up, please call the church office, 843.757.3351 or email [education@blufftonumc.org](mailto:education@blufftonumc.org) This Bible Study explores the story of Jesus’ birth. You will walk through the Holy Land and retrace the steps of those involved. Plus draw upon insights gained from historians, archaeologists, biblical scholars and theologians. All in an effort to discover the real meaning of Christmas.

To purchase a book, you may find it on Amazon or Kindle – “The Journey-Expanded-Paperback-Walking-Bethlehem” or Cokesbury – “The Journey Paperback” available in Large Print and E-Book.

**MIRACLE JARS** – Our jars for **November** are for The Bluffton Police Department. They need to fill two spots in their K9 Unit which is an essential part of keeping our community safe. The Unit is made up of four dogs but in December 2019, one of the dogs was retired and in January 2020 another dog was retired. The initial cost of purchasing and training these dogs is approximately \$10,000-\$15,000. The K9s are trained as multi-purpose work dogs helping to find missing children and adults with Alzheimer and drug detection. They also work along with the Sherriff’s Department and Hardeeville Police Department in these tasks helping to keep our community safe. **If you donate with a check, please write “Miracle Jar” on the memo line.**



If you would like “credit” for tax purposes on this year’s giving statement – contributions **must** be received in the offering plate, or **postmarked by Dec. 31, 2020.** Any questions, please call Pat, 843.757.3351 during office hours 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Mon – Thurs.

**The office is closed on Friday.**



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|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Tim Alarie             | Mike Kovacs         | Tommy Rawl      |
| Katie Allen            | Paul Laughlin       | Paul Reitz      |
| Melissa Allen          | Caitlyn Lew         | Scott R         |
| Renee Bahrnes          | Arlys Mason         | Jim Snow        |
| Marty Blaney           | Judy McDonald       | Ed Stanley      |
| Leslie Brannen         | Mark McGilton       | Connie Thompson |
| Lou Cavanaugh          | Sylvia Miller       | Jackie Tuohig   |
| Peggy Chandler         | Everett Miller      | Angie VanZuynen |
| Ansel Clark            | Joan Morris         | Judy Walden     |
| Annette Conrad         | Kyle Nance          | Linda Walker    |
| Donna Fiero            | Robert Newhart, Sr. | Jeffrey Watkins |
| Karl Fiero             | Dean Norris         | Dave Waugh      |
| Natalie Giles          | Chris Obras         | John Werner     |
| Lois Holleman          | Les Parry           |                 |
| Heather Houtz & family | Cindy & Jim Patton  |                 |
| Vera Jones             | Megan Phelps        |                 |
| Kaye Koltveit          | Jenny Ragan         |                 |

Please call the church office 843.757.3351  
to remove or add people to our Prayer Requests.

**Ministry of Encouragement** – Let us remember with visits, cards and prayers...  
**Jim Snow**, 83 Foreman Hill Road, Bluffton SC 29910; Tel: 843.757.3840

**PLEASE NOTE:** Transcripts of the sermon are available; please contact Pastor Scarlett to receive a copy. Email: [pastor@blufftonumc.org](mailto:pastor@blufftonumc.org)