



Bluffton United Methodist Church

1853-2026, 173 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."

May 10, 2026 – white Sixth Sunday of Easter



Sunday Services: 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Adult Sunday School: 9:45 AM

Nursery care for ages 6 weeks through 5 years available during each service.

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

Mother, I Love You arr. Laurel Hunt Pedersen
Josh Wall, organist

INVOCATION

Lord God,
words are not enough to express Your awesomeness,
Your majesty, Your holiness.
Our highest expressions of theology are but baby talk next to You:
Your creation, Your very self.
Make us aware, through Your Holy Spirit,
that You are here among us.
May this awareness lead us to approach this hour more carefully.
The words we speak, the tunes we sing,
the thoughts we think, the joy and sadness we feel,
may these be pleasing to You.
For in spite of the inadequacy of our words,
this worship is addressed to You.
Make it complete, whole, full to overflowing,
O God, our rock, and our redeemer.
In Christ we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth UMH No. 92

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES' CREED UMH No. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI *Glory be to the Father* UMH No. 70

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

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

MOTHER'S DAY LITANY

OFFERTORY

Make My Life an Alleluia
Chancel Choir
Josh Wall, director

Ruth Elaine Schram

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMN No. 95

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Brenda Armstrong

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 8 & Matthew 28:16-20

Pew Bible Pages 845; 1553-1554

Seth Moyer (8:30)

Judy Hardie (11:00)

SERMON

Now What?
PRAY!

Pastor Scarlett Hester

*CLOSING HYMN *All Creatures of Our God and King* UMH No. 62

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

This Morning Breaks

George Careless

*Please stand if able.

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS – The Faith We Sing



The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Jerry & Sally LeSage in honor of Mother' Day.



We offer on-line giving. Easy, safe & secure. Scan the QR code to visit the BUMC offering site.

General Budget – Plate offering goal each week \$12,000:
May 3rd offering – TOTAL - **\$14,815.**

Attendance – May 3rd – 8:30 AM – **87**; 11:00 AM – **124** – TOTAL **211**
Adult SS count - 16, Nursery - 1

April 26th On-line services - 16

WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED – Join us for worship service on Sundays in person or on-line at <https://www.youtube.com/c/BlufftonUnitedMethodistChurch/x>
Join us on Facebook during the week for inspirational posts
<https://www.facebook.com/BlufftonUMC>

THIS WEEK AT BUMC!

- Sunday, May 10: Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Seeker's Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)
Connections Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)
- Monday, May 11: Wesley Ringers 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)
- Tuesday, May 12: BUMC Staff Meeting 10:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)
- Wednesday, May 13: Disciple IV 11:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)
GriefShare 1:30 PM (Conf. Rm. 1)
Chancel Choir 7:00 PM (Music Suite)
- Thursday, May 14: Busy Bees 9:00 AM
Sew Be It 9:00 AM (Fellowship Hall)
- Sunday, May 17: Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Seeker's Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)
Connections Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)



Today, to remember Mother's Day, the BUMMs and other men of BUMC are hosting Second Sunday Fellowship. Please join us after each service for fellowship and delicious refreshments.



- 05/11 – Sally LeSage
- 05/12 – Brenda Moyer
- 05/14 – Chris Hervochon
- 05/15 – Jim Stevens
- 05/16 – Mark Thomas
- 05/15 – Alan & Jackie Ulmer
- 05/16 – Chris & Rebecca Himes
- 05/16 – Jerry & Sally LeSage

Epworth's Mother's Day Offering is Sunday, May 10th.

Envelopes will be provided. Our Miracle Jar charity for May is Epworth Children's Home. For over 100 years, Epworth has cared for children and families across South Carolina, providing support, counseling, foster care services and programs for youth. As needs have grown, Epworth has expanded its reach to strengthen families and transform lives. Please join us in supporting this important ministry.



Save a Life & Donate Blood! May 21, 2026, 12-5:00 PM, BUMC.

Donor Appointment Link:

https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1629113

SAVE THE DATE! "I Still Do" Vow renewal ceremony and reception (with dancing!) will be Saturday, **June 20 at 4 PM**. Ann Ansel and Joanne Davies will be glad to tell you more!



Are you using your God given talents, skills and gifts to serve God? Do you know what your spiritual gifts are? Join Fran Oblander and me (Pastor Scarlett) on **Tuesday, June 16th at 5:30 PM** for Pizza and Spiritual Gifts in our Fellowship Hall. Please call or email the church office and RSVP so we will have sufficient pizza!



SENIOR CARING/PURPOSE – are you interested in joining a support group so you can share your experiences with difficulties that can help other people in the group who are going through the same thing? This is a support group that Russ Rymer and Tom Burich will administer. The group will determine how we conduct the meetings and where we will meet. **We are also looking for additional leaders for the women's group.** If you are interested, contact Russ Rymer russellrymer16@gmail.com; (843) 298-6566 or Tom Burich hcburich@gmail.com; (859) 221-0629.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Are you new to BUMC? Have you been attending a while and want to know more? Join me for tea! **Sunday, May 31 at 3 PM**, we will host Tea with the Pastor. Iced tea, lemonade and conversation are on the menu! Please call or email the church and RSVP!
- Are you a proud grandparent (parent or great grandparent or aunt/uncle, etc.) of a student who is graduating this year and is not a part of our community? We want to celebrate with you. Please email the name and school from which they are graduating to the church office by May 25th and we will remember them in worship on May 31st.

PRAYER CONCERNS. Call the church office (843) 757-3351 to add or remove names.

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| Rebecca Adler & Family | Sue Hand | Mike Parrot |
| Daniel Alba | Vic Herbert | Michael Patterson |
| Rocky Austin | Jane Johnson | Evelyn Reddish |
| Dave Brown | Jerry & Paula Johnson | Tori Rinehart |
| Jason Brown | Vera Jones | Joanne Rymer |
| Lynn Cleveland | Barbara Klekner | Ruth Schneid |
| Pat Cleveland | Paul Laughlin | Linda Allen Smith |
| Heidi Clevenger | Doug McGill | Jody Snow |
| Greg & Pat Crews | Marilyn Moore | Jay & Cindy Sprouse |
| David De Paolis | James Morgan | Sara Torres |
| Elizabeth & Larry Duncan | Bob Newmarker | Kris Wichmann |
| Richard Falon | Michelle O'Connor | |
| Jane Grim | Mackenzie Orth | |

PSALM 8 & MATTHEW 28:16-20

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Word List

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| Authority | Foe | Obey |
| Avenger | Galilee | Rulers |
| Baptizing | Glory | Silence |
| Commanded | Holy Spirit | Son |
| Crowned | Majestic | Stronghold |
| Father | Mankind | |