

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE *Adoro Te Devote* Gilbert M. Martin
Josh Wall, organist

INVOCATION
**O God, our eternal refuge and strength,
You are the anchor of our souls in a shifting world.
We gather in Your presence today, held fast by the truth of Your
word that nothing in all creation can ever separate us from Your
love. Fill our hearts with this absolute assurance. May Your perfect
love cast out all fear, empowering us to live with bold faith,
unwavering hope, and deep peace. We rest securely in the victory
already won for us through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.**

*OPENING HYMN UMH No. 79
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

*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

MORNING 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.**

OFFERTORY *Simple Song* Leonard Bernstein
Greg Stutesman, soloist

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Josh Wall

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:26-39
Pew Bible Pages 1755-1756 Mary Ellen Parks (8:30)
William Court (11:00)

SERMON William Court

*CLOSING HYMN
I Am Thine, O Lord UMH No. 419

*BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE *Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven* arr. Lani Smith

*Please stand if able.

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS – The Faith We Sing



The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Joe & Christina Bryant in honor of Baylor’s & Carson’s birthday.



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:
July 19th offering – TOTAL - **\$7,068.**

Attendance – July 19th – 8:30 AM – **54**; 11:00 AM – **101** – TOTAL **155**
Adult SS count - **15**, Nursery - **0**

July 12th On-line services - **13**

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, July 26: 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, July 27: Bible Study 4:00 PM (Music Suite)

Tuesday, July 28: Missions Planning Committee 1:00 PM
(Conf. Rm. 2)

Thursday, July 23 Busy Bees 7:00 AM

Sunday, August 2: Communion 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)

To our online friends:
*Welcome to Bluffton United Methodist Church!
We are glad you are worshiping with us today, wherever you may be.
To join the live chat, please create or sign in to a YouTube account,
then say hello and let us know you're worshiping with us this morning.*



07/27 – Sarah Atkins 07/28 – Dave & Joyce Atwood
07/30 – Venus Mendoza
07/31 – Peter Minnaar



10th Annual Walk for Water
Saturday, October 3, 9:00 AM
Bluffton United Methodist Church
Millions of women and children walk over three miles daily to collect water. The Walk for Water Beaufort stimulates this trek and allows you to impact lives

around the world. To Register: walkforwater.com/beaufort.



UMCOR ERT TRAINING

Saturday, August 8, 2026, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM. Training open to the community. \$30 per person includes: training day lunch, credentials, background check, manual and training. Contact Brenda Armstrong at patsmom02@gmail.com or Kerry at Kerry@lovetheseocean.com with registration questions.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

One church service on
Sunday, August 30th at 10:00 AM.
**The Miracle Jar collection will go towards our
Live Nativity!**



The Miracle Jar for July will be for the School Uniforms for Hardeeville Elementary School – our annual mission is to help the children by collecting donations for school uniforms.

Monetary donations are preferred this year due to Nancy Humes purchasing uniforms

at wholesale prices.

- However, light fleece jackets in sizes 5-12 are also needed and you can donate those as well.
- If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, please make your check to BUMC and put “uniforms” on the memo line.

The uniforms and jackets will be blessed during worship before delivery to Hardeeville Elementary.



The Lowcountry Chapter of the American Guild of Organists **presents its Farmers Market of Bluffton Summer Series**

At BUMC, 101 Calhoun Street, Bluffton, SC

Thursday, August 6, 2026, 12:00 PM

“Music of Movies & Musicals”

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

Rebecca Adler & Family	Jane Grim	Mackenzie Orth
Daniel Alba	Sue Hand	Mike Parrot
Rocky Austin	Vic Herbert	Michael Patterson
Bonnie Borgelt	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	



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.”

July 26, 2026 – green



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.

Rev. Scarlett Hester, Pastor - pastor@blufftonumc.org

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