

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE *Beautiful One* arr. Tim Hughes
Josh Wall, organist Karri Kearns, piano

INVOCATION
Loving God, we praise you for bringing us all together under one roof at the same time today! We celebrate this wonderful, joyful room filled with your people. Thank you for the unique gifts and graces each person brings. As we blend our voices and our hearts, make us truly one body. Inspire us to use our different talents for your amazing purposes. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *God Is Here* UMH No. 660

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – APOSTELS’ 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

FIRST READING *1 Corinthians 12:12-18; 12:19-27*
Pew Bible Page 1784 Jim & Carline Grove

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD’S PRAYER (spoken) UMH No. 895
Our Father, who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; 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 *Spirit, Come Down* Mark Hayes
Chancel Choir Karri Kearns, piano

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Sally LeSage

*HYMN OF PREPARATION TFWS 2223
They’ll Know We are Christians By Our Love

SKIT *The Great Body Swap*
Actors: Jim & Carol Clelland, Lynn Newsom and Josh Wall

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 16:1-6; 25-27
Pew Bible Pages 1766-1767; 1768 Russ Rymer

SERMON *Lines, Poles, Skates and Keys* Pastor Scarlett Hester

*CLOSING HYMN *Blessed Be the Tie That Binds* UMH No. 557

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Enjoy lunch together in Fellowship Hall!

*Please stand if able.

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal TFWS – The Faith We Sing

Those Serving in Worship Today:

Andrew Himes, acolyte	Doug & Fran Oblander
Linda & Jim Stevens	Bladen Crockett
Carl & Eleanor Greenway	Patti Taylor
Dale Bennett	Mike & Mary Sperry



The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Bonnie Borgelt in memory of Geoff Borgelt.

✙ ✙ *We keep Jerry & Sally LeSage in our prayers in the recent passing of Sally’s mother, Kaye Chafin.* ✙ ✙

THIS WEEK AT BUMC!

Sunday, August 30: Together Sunday 10:00 AM (Sanctuary & F.H.)
Seeker’s Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)
Connections Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Monday, August 31: Wesley Ringers 11:00 AM (Music Suite)

Tuesday, Sept. 1: BUMC Staff Meeting 10:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Wednesday, Sept. 2: Nominations Committee 10:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)
GriefShare 1:30 PM (Conf. Rm. 1)
Disciple III 4:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)
Choir Practice 7:00 PM (Music Suite)

Thursday, Sept. 3: Busy Bees 7:00 AM
Sew Be It 9:00 AM (Music Suite)
Stephen Ministry 1:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Sunday, Sept. 6: Communion Sunday 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)
Kids’ Praise Club 4:00 PM (Music Suite)



09/02 – Jerry Johnson No Anniversaries This Week

General Budget – Plate offering goal each week \$12,000:
August 23rd offering – TOTAL - **\$3,779.**

Attendance – August 23rd – 8:30 AM – **72**; 11:00 AM – **138** – TOTAL **210**
Adult SS count - **18**, Nursery - **1**
August 16th On-line services - **10**

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>



SECOND SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP IS BACK! – Sunday, September 13th, hosted by the Bluffton Methodist Women. Please help them by bringing something to share after the service you attend. Thank you!



August's Miracle Jar totaled **\$459.00, for Walk for Water, thank you!** This Sunday's One Service Miracle Jar will be for our Live Nativity.



J.O.Y TRIP - Charlie Brown Christmas showing on Dec. 10 at 6:30 pm in Charleston at the Gaillard Center. Tickets are \$30 per person - and your payment is your reservation. I will not be accepting email RSVP this time. If you want to attend,

payment will be required to secure your spot. Please make checks to BUMC - note that it is for Charlie Brown tickets, but please bring me your payment rather than putting it in the plate! I want to have a list of names of confirmed attendees so that I can keep track of numbers and get your tickets to you. This is first come first served based on when I receive payment. Thank you, Sally LeSage.



Workday Offering – September 13, 2026. Give online at epworthsc.org or put your donation in the yellow envelopes provided.



A reminder to groups/committees who meet after church office hours, to please make certain all doors are completely shut and locked when you leave the building and to also unplug any small appliances in the kitchen when you are done with them. Thank you!



A knitting/crocheting circle being started at the church. Are you a knitter or someone who crochets, or would you like to learn how? We can help each other with our projects as we connect with other members of the church. **Our first meeting will be September 29th from 1 - 3 in the Music Suite.** Please email Joanne Davies at oceanbrz622@gmail.com if you want to join us or have any questions. All are welcome!!



Serving Through our Spiritual Gifts

Have you ever wondered about why you love reading but dislike speaking in front of a group, working on a mission project but not teaching vacation bible school, leading a project but not hanging out in a coffee klatch? These are my questions but regardless of your wondering, it's time to answer that "I Wonder" question.

We are offering a Spiritual Gifts Workshop where you will have an opportunity to identify your spiritual gifts and how to apply these gifts to your personal faith journey and effectively support our church community.

September 15, 2026

5:30 PM for pizza and salad

6:00 - 8:00 PM a time for reflection and learning.

Reserve your spot with Fran Oblander at fran@alien87.com or Laurie Palmer in the church office 843-757-3351.

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

Rebecca Adler & Family
Daniel Alba
Rocky Austin
Bonnie Borgelt
Dave Brown
Jason Brown
Lynn Cleveland
Pat Cleveland
Heidi Clevenger
Greg & Pat Crews
David De Paolis
Elizabeth & Larry Duncan
Richard Falon
Jane Grim

Sue Hand
Vic Herbert
Jane Johnson
Jerry & Paula Johnson
Vera Jones
Barbara Klekner
Denny LaFaber & Family
Paul Laughlin
Jerry & Sally LeSage
Doug McGill
Marilyn Moore
James Morgan
Bob Newmarker
Michelle O'Connor

Mackenzie Orth
Mike Parrot
Michael Patterson
Evelyn Reddish
Tori Rinehart
Russ & Joanne Rymer
Ruth Schneid
Linda Allen Smith
Jody Snow
Jay & Cindy Sprouse
Melanie Terhune & Family
Sara Torres
Kris Wichmann



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."

August 30, 2026 - green



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

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