



# Bluffton United Methodist Church

## 1853-2025, 172 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 25, 2025 – white**

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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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY/ACOLYTE

PRELUDE *How Can I Keep from Singing* arr. Sandra Eithun  
Wesley Ringers

INVOCATION

O God, you come to us not in the chaos of the whirlwind,  
not in the roar of the earthquake, not in the crackling heat of the fire,  
but in the sound of sheer silence.  
Quiet our minds, bring peace to our hearts and stillness to our bodies  
that we might meet you in that silence.  
Help us to listen for your still, small voice.  
Give us the courage to go wherever you lead us,  
trusting that you will prepare the way.  
We pray this in the name of our Companion on the journey,  
Jesus the Christ.

~ Rev. Heather A. Moody <http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/>

\*OPENING HYMN *God of Grace and God of Glory* UMH 577

\*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/LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

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. Albert Malotte

OFFERTORY *Gentle Child Jesus* J.S. Bach  
Michael Cole, organist

\*DOXOLOGY No. 95

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rev. Scarlett Hester

SPECIAL MUSIC *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Mitchell Eithun  
Wesley Ringers

SCRIPTURE 1 Kings 19:1-15a Janet LaMartina (8:30)  
Pew Bible Pages 555-556 Court Family (11:00)

SERMON Rev. Scarlett Hester

\*CLOSING HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* UMH 593

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *My Song Is Love Unknown* Samuel Crossman

\*Please stand if able.



Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by

**Warren & Jay Graves in honor of Jay's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday**

**Bob & Beth Newmarker in honor of their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary**

**General Budget** – Plate offering goal each week \$11,546.15:

May 18<sup>th</sup> offering – TOTAL - **\$9,767.**

**Attendance** May 18<sup>th</sup> 8:30 AM – **79**; 11:00 AM – **109** – TOTAL **188**

Adult SS – **15**; Nursery - **5**

May 11<sup>th</sup> on-line reviews: **15**

**WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED** – Join us for worship service on Sundays in person  
or on-line at <https://www.youtube.com/@BlufftonUnitedMethodistChurch>

THIS WEEK AT BUMC

- Sunday, May 25: Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)  
Women’s Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)  
Men’s Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)
- Monday, May 26: Prayer Meeting 9:00 AM (Zoom)  
Church Office Closed – Memorial Day
- Tuesday, May 27: BUMC Staff Meeting 10:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)  
Disciple IV 3:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)
- Wednesday, May 28: Anna Circle 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)  
Live Nativity Meeting 10:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)  
Alzheimer’s & Dementia 1:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)  
Chancel Choir 6:30 PM (Sanctuary)
- Thursday, May 29: Busy Bees 9:00 AM
- Sunday, June 1: Worship Services - Communion & Cantata Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)  
Women’s Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 1)  
Men’s Sunday School 9:45 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)



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| 05/25 – Murray Baughman Jr. | 05/23 – Bob & Beth Newmarker    |
| 05/25 – Jay Graves          | 05/30 – Mikey & Chris Hervochon |
| 05/26 – Sarah Sapochak      | 05/31 – Bill & Sally Mattingly  |
| 05/26 – Henry Hervochon     |                                 |
| 05/27 – Marty Smith         |                                 |
| 05/28 – Eleanor Greenway    |                                 |
| 05/30 – Jennifer Cartelli   |                                 |
| 05/30 – Trey Snow III       |                                 |



are welcome as well.

**PICTURE RE-TAKES** for those whose pictures did not turn out the first time (you’ve been notified by email), is scheduled for Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> after each service in the Music Suite. **If you haven’t had your picture taken yet, you**



**SAVE THE DATE** – Keeley’s graduation and going away party is scheduled **for Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited!



Our VBS leadership is set and the registrations have begun to come in. We are excited about VBS! **Please use the QR code or tear off sheet below to register for:**

- Child attendees
- Adult attendees (Keeley will be leading an adult class at the same time as our children’s activities!)

- Volunteers (see below for needs)

**DATES** – Monday, June 16 – Friday, June 20

**TIME** – 5:30 – 8 PM

**SPECIAL CELEBRATION** – Friday, June 20 – 5:30 – 8 PM – all participants, families and volunteers are invited to a presentation by the “road trippers” to showcase all they learned during the week. Cook out follows presentation!

**Questions?** [Blufftonumc.education@gmail.com](mailto:Blufftonumc.education@gmail.com)

**Tear off sign up sheet below. Return in offering plate or to Sally LeSage!**



- Volunteers needed - Drivers (lead groups to activities - 5 needed)
- High 5 Guys (friendly security – 2 per day)
- Grillers (prepare Friday cookout)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Adult or Child? \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact Sarah Sweers to volunteer for kitchen duties!  
[ssweersrjrm@gmail.com](mailto:ssweersrjrm@gmail.com)



We are excited to share that our Instagram and Facebook accounts will be updated with information about BUMC more frequently. With this, we need permission to post pictures of you! If you **DO NOT**

**WANT YOUR PICTURE** posted on social media, please email Sally LeSage at [blufftonumc.education@gmail.com](mailto:blufftonumc.education@gmail.com) **ASAP!** If we do not receive an email from you stating that you do not want your picture on social media, you are giving implied consent for us to post. Please watch our Instagram and FaceBook pages for new posts – then like and share them so that our audience will grow! Thank you for your interest and assistance!

For Instagram, go to <https://www.instagram.com/blufftonumc/>

For Facebook go to <https://www.facebook.com/BlufftonUMC/>



**Our Miracle Jar charity for May is Epworth Children’s Home. This will be combined with the Annual Mother’s Day offering.** The pink

envelopes are provided in the pews or you can use the Miracle Jar boxes. 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.

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

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| Rebecca Adler & Family   | Donna & Kari Fiero | The Family of Donald Parsons |
| Daniel Alba              | Jane Grim          | Michael Patterson            |
| Helen & George Anderson  | Sue Hand           | Megan Phelps                 |
| Mark Anderson            | Vic Herbert        | April Pinderski              |
| Kay & Leon Atkinson      | Jane Johnson       | Evelyn Reddish               |
| Rocky Austin             | Vera Jones         | Edgar Rickard                |
| Lois Barton              | Sam Kenyon         | Tori Rinehart                |
| Bonnie Borgelt           | Barbara Klekner    | Connie Roberts               |
| Bob & Jenny Brannen      | Paul Laughlin      | Joanne Rymer                 |
| Dave Brown               | Nick Maxim         | Ruth Schneid                 |
| Jason Brown              | Ron McAbee         | Drinda Sipprell              |
| Lynn Cleveland           | Judy McDonald      | Linda Allen Smith            |
| Pat Cleveland            | Doug McGill        | Ed Sweers                    |
| Heidi Clevenger          | James Morgan       | Jeanne VanBuskirk            |
| Greg & Pat Crews         | Marilyn Moore      | Judy Walden                  |
| David De Paolis          | Barbara O’Connor   | Joe Walter                   |
| Elizabeth & Larry Duncan | Michelle O’Connor  | Wortman Family               |
| Richard Falon            | Mackenzie Orth     |                              |

