GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE arr. Alfred Fedak

Let All Things Their Creator Bless
Nathan Shelton, organist

INVOCATION (spoken) *Canticle of Thanksgiving* UMH No. 74

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.
Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord, he is God;
It is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful* UMH No. 147

*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) 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.**

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Stephen & Diane Gothard (11:00 AM)

THANK YOU PRAYER Sharon Chilson

OFFERTORY arr. Sheldon Curry

Thanks Be To God
Chancel Choir
Josh Wall, director

*DOXOLOGY UMH No. 95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Lynn Newsom

HYMN OF PREPARATION *We Gather Together* UMH No. 131

SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 6:19-21*
Pew Bible Pages 1508-1509 Seth Moyer (8:30)
Joanne Davies (11:00)

SERMON *Where Is Your Heart?* Pastor Scarlett Hester

*CLOSING HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* UMH No. 451

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* arr. Anne Davis

*Please stand if able.

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal TFWS – The Faith We Sing

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Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by

Cheri O'Rourke in memory of Marian & Richard Thompson

✞ ✞ *Prayers are with Ann Owen and family during the recent passing of Bill Owen.* ✞ ✞

General Budget – Plate offering goal each week $12,000:
November 15th offering – TOTAL - **$9,283.**

Attendance – November 15th 8:30 AM – **84,** 11:00 AM – **112,** TOTAL **196**
Adult SS count – **13,** Nursery – **1**
Kids Worship - **5**

November 8th on-line views – **20**

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, Nov. 22: 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)
Surviving the Holidays 1:30 PM (Music Suite)
Kids' Praise Choir 4:00 PM (Music Suite)
Little Conversations/Big Ideas 4:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)
Youth Fellowship 5:00 PM (Christian Ed. Office)

Monday, Nov. 23: Wesley Ringers 11:00 AM (Music Suite)

Tuesday, Nov. 24: BUMC Staff Meeting 10:00 AM (Conf. Rm. 2)
Thanksgiving Service 6:00 PM (Church of the Palms)

Wednesday, Nov. 25: Alzheimer's & Dementia Caregivers 1:00 PM (Bluffton Library)
Disciple III 4:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Thursday, Nov. 26: **Thanksgiving Holiday – Church Office Closed**

Sunday, Nov. 29: First Sunday of Advent 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)
Little Conversations/Big Ideas 4:00 PM (Conf. Rm. 2)

Surviving the Holidays
Encouragement, support, and valuable tools to navigate the challenges of the season.
Join us for this 2-hour seminar

TODAY, November 22, 1:30-3:30 PM in the Music Suite. To register. You can also register at GriefShare.org.

Join us Tuesday, November 24th at 6:00 PM at Church of the Palms, 1425 Okatie Hwy., for a Thanksgiving service.

Thanksgiving Service

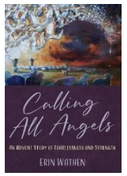
Little Conversations / Big Ideas

I invite you to join me for a series of **Little Conversations / Big Ideas**—small gatherings where we can listen, wonder, dream, and talk together about the future of BUMC. Each conversation will last **one hour** and will be limited to **15 participants** (plus me). Please call the church office to sign up! First come, first reserved! Our conversations will be useful for discerning what God has in store for our future as a community of faith. I hope you'll be part of the conversation! Pastor Scarlett

November 22 • November 29 - 4:00 PM, Conference Room 2

Birthdays & Anniversaries

11/16 – Ruben Torres
11/22 – Mary Ellen Parks
11/22 – Mary Sperry
11/24 – Sarah Snow
11/27 – Janet Fay
11/16 – Cheri & Kevin O'Rourke
11/21 – Lane & Lynne Cloaninger



Advent Bible Study begins November 30th - 4 PM

and runs each Monday through Dec. 28. Books are available in the church office or through Sally LeSage - $15 each. Please join us for this fascinating study on the angels of Christmas!
mailto:Blufftonumc.education@gmail.com



November's Miracle Jar is for the **Bluffton Community Soup Kitchen**, which provides approximately **800 hot, nutritious meals each week** for those in need. Our church's commitment continues to grow, with **more than 15 parishioners volunteering each week**. The Soup Kitchen receives **no state or federal funding**, relying entirely on the generosity of faith-based organizations, community partners, and individual donors. **Your generosity helps feed our neighbors and share God's love, one meal at a time.**

In NOVEMBER, we will be collecting **Toys for Tots**. The program seeks "to provide comfort, emotional relief and hope to families by distributing toys to their children." Let's make a difference in the lives of children by bringing new, unwrapped toys. Let's fill up **several** boxes with toys for babies, toddlers, and older children. **Please bring toys without batteries!**



Tickets are still available **so invite your friends**!! **J.O.Y Journey - Charlie Brown Christmas Live on Stage! Dec. 10 at 6:30 pm in Charleston at the Gaillard Center.** Tickets are $30 per person - and your payment is your reservation.

Ministry at The Addison

We offer a weekly 30-minute worship ministry at the Addison. It is our joy as a church to reach out into the world with the good news of Jesus, to witness to our faith and make friends in Christ. We need volunteers to help lead the worship as musicians and song leaders, as speakers and liturgists and as friends of the congregation. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Pastor Scarlett.



If you would like to put a poinsettia in the church for Christmas in honor or in memory of someone, please fill out the form below and place it in the offering plate, along with your check. The cost **$15.00** each. **The deadline is TODAY - Sunday, November 22nd.** You may take the plant home after the evening worship service on December 24th. Please place your form & check in the offering plate OR mail your form & check to BUMC, P.O. Box 368, Bluffton, SC 29910. Thank you!

Given by: _____

How many plants? _____

In Honor of: _____

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In Memory of:_____

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Carols, Croissants, and Creches – Saturday, December 12 at 10 AM in the Sanctuary.

Come for a morning of Christmas hymns and singing! There will also be a Creche display around the Sanctuary. If you have a precious Creche (Nativity Scene) you'd be willing to set up for the display, we'd love to include yours! Creches will be on display for Saturday's music event AND Sunday's service. Please understand that the church cannot be held responsible for the nativity sets. For more information, please contact Josh Wall musicministry@blufftonumc.org.

Disciple I Bible Study starting on January 19th

Have you been wanting to join a Disciple Bible Study but weren't sure where to begin. This is your opportunity! We will be starting a new Disciple I class in January. **The class will meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 -8 PM** and will not hold class on second Tuesdays when our Book Club meets so you can do both! We will begin on January 19. Disciple Bible Study is a unique experience - - yes, lots of reading, and yes, it requires a commitment - - but the deep and lasting relationship with God's word and those who are studying it with you will be life changing. Come dig into the Bible with us!
Please email Sally LeSage for more information or to sign up and order your book!
Blufftonumc.education@gmail.com



JOIN THE NURSERY TEAM!

The response to our nursery volunteer request has been overwhelmingly positive! Thank you all so much! Now it's time to look at 2027. We will pass around a sign-up sheet during worship, so you can pick your dates! Our volunteer team serve as backups for our Sunday morning nursery. Duties include being present from 8 AM to 12 noon on Sunday, loving children and being willing to be trained in Safe Sanctuaries Policies (including a background check.)
If we have 2 people in the nursery, you get to go to church. If we only have 1, we need you to be the second adult in the nursery. During the Sunday School hour between services, you may go to your class or hang out and drink coffee! But you will need to check in for the 11 AM service to make sure nursery is covered.
Please contact Sally LeSage if you can give our children your time!
Blufftonumc.education@gmail.com

PRAYER CONCERNS – call (843) 757-3351 to add/delete names.

Rebecca Adler & Family
Daniel Alba
Rocky Austin
Teresa Bennett
Bonnie Borgelt
Dave Brown
Jason Brown
Lynn Cleveland
Pat Cleveland
Heidi Clevenger
Greg & Pat Crews
David De Paolis
Elizabeth & Larry Duncan
Jim Grim
Sue Hand
Vic Herbert
Jerry & Paula Johnson
Vera Jones
Barbara Klekner
Paul Laughlin
Doug McGill
Marilyn Moore
James Morgan
Bob Newmarker
Mackenzie Orth
Ann Owen & Family
Mike Parrot
Michael Patterson
Evelyn Reddish
Tori Rinehart
Russ & Joanne Rymer
Ruth Schneid
Linda Allen Smith
Jody Snow
Sara Torres

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."

November 22, 2026 - 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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