



*So All May Know Joy*

## **BUMC Weekly Connection—April 11** **This Sunday, April 13 @ 9:00**

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### **New Sermon Series— Are We There Yet?**

Do you ever feel like if you just make it over the next hurdle or reach your next goal that you will have finally arrived in life? Many people do, including our Biblical friends, but guess what? That's called the arrival fallacy, and it can keep us feeling disappointed and unhappy when we get to the "next thing" and find we still haven't arrived at our hoped-for destination. We are still unfailingly human, flawed, broken.



### **This Sunday — Palm Sunday: Staying Power** | Luke 19:28-40

Everyone loves a parade but what happens when the party is over? Real hope is built in daily acts of showing up – in times of celebration, in times of challenge, and in the ordinary in-between.

### **Scripture Reading** | Luke 19:29-40

As he approached Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" They replied, "The Lord needs it."

They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" 40 "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

### **Holy Thursday - Detour Ahead** | John 13:1-17, 33-35

The disciples thought they knew where they were going but Jesus says, "Where I am going, you cannot come." Instead, he gives them instructions for a detour, "Love one another." How do we love one another on the roadway to God?

### **Next Sunday—Setting Out Again** | Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20

Death is not our final arrival. Jesus lives and so do we. He sends us out on the journey anew and promises to be with us the whole way.



## Other Ministry Updates

- April 13 9:00 am** Blended Worship Service with Handbells  
**10:00 am** Fellowship  
**10:00 am** Education Hour  
**10:30 am** Fast Track & Game day
- April 15 4:00 pm** SPRC meeting
- April 16 6:30 pm** Handbell Rehearsal  
**7:30 pm** Praise Team Rehearsal
- April 17 7:00 pm** Holy Thursday Service with Communion
- April 18 7:00 pm** Good Friday Service @ Zion
- April 20 9:00 am** Contemporary Worship Service  
**10:00 am** Fellowship  
**10:30 am** Traditional Worship Service



### Did You Know?

Did you know we have a lost and found located in the coat room.

### Sunday School News

- Sunday School is holding a shoe drive for [Soles4Souls](#). Please donate all styles and sizes of your gently used or new shoes and sneakers between now and Easter. Contact [Andrea Gravley](#) with questions.
- There will be no Sunday School next Sunday For Easter.

### Palm Sunday

Please pick up a palm leaf on your way into worship. This tradition symbolizes the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and is a reminder of welcoming Jesus into our hearts.

### Two Services on Easter Sunday

To accommodate the extra people that Easter worship usually draws, we'll be offering a Contemporary Worship experience on Easter at **9:00am** and a Traditional Worship Service at **10:30** with Fellowship hour in between services. Our nursery will be fully staffed all morning.



### Two services every month

BUMC holds two services every first Sunday of the month. Our **9:00 AM** is a Contemporary Service and **10:30 AM** is a Traditional Service.

### 2025 Lenten Breakthrough Prayer

Father of compassion, during this season of Lent, we cry out for a breakthrough in our hearts and minds, in our lives and in Buffalo United Methodist Church. You have promised, "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." (Ez 36:26) Amid our daily struggles, we often grow tired and impatient on our journey with Christ toward the cross. We ask, "Are we there yet?" By your Spirit give us a new heart! Work within us, grant us patience, courage and guidance. By your mercy and grace, lead us deeper in becoming more like your Son in newness of life. Now, forever, and always, in the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

### Summer Camp 2025

Registration is open! Don't forget about the Early Bird incentive. Register before **April 30** and receive a \$25 Camp Store Credit. Save even more by bringing a friend with you to camp. Click [HERE](#) for details. All BUMC youth who register for a UMC camp this summer will receive 50% off tuition, as well as all 1st-time adults.



### Now Hiring!

Buffalo United Methodist Church is seeking a dynamic Worship Coordinator and an energetic Children & Youth Coordinator.

[Applications](#) and job descriptions ([Worship Coordinator](#) / [Children and Youth Coordinator](#)) are available in the church office or click on highlighted links to view. Please include with your application, a resume and cover letter describing why you are applying for this position. All materials should be emailed to [sprc@buffaloumc.com](mailto:sprc@buffaloumc.com).

### Secure Giving

### Worship Registration

