



So All May Know Joy

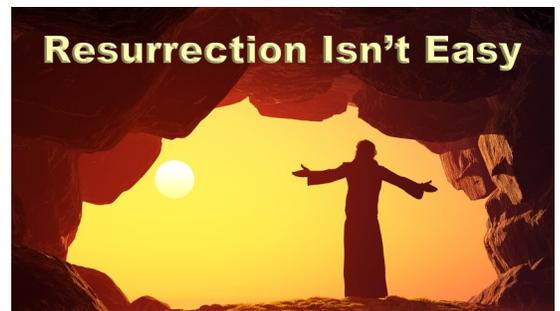
BUMC Weekly Connection—April 29

This Sunday, May 1 @ 9:00 am

Also on Buffalo United Methodist Church's Facebook Page, Twitch & YouTube!

This Sunday - Resurrection Isn't Easy

If change is hard, then dying and being reborn must be the hardest of all. The resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday wasn't a simple, once-and-done celebration for the disciples. Instead, it was the beginning of a rebirth of the world that would turn everything upside down. Easter people embrace God's changes and the sacrifices that may come with them.



Scripture Reading

After breakfast Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," Peter replied, "you know I love you." "Then feed my lambs," Jesus told him. Jesus repeated the question: "Simon son of John, do you love me?" "Yes, Lord," Peter said, "you know I love you." "Then take care of my sheep," Jesus said. A third time he asked him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt that Jesus asked the question a third time. He said, "Lord, you know everything. You know that I love you." Jesus said, "Then feed my sheep. "I tell you the truth, when you were young, you were able to do as you liked; you dressed yourself and went wherever you wanted to go. But when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and others will dress you and take you where you don't want to go." Jesus said this to let him know by what kind of death he would glorify God. Then Jesus told him, "Follow me." John 21:15-19 NLT



Next Sunday – Believing Without Seeing

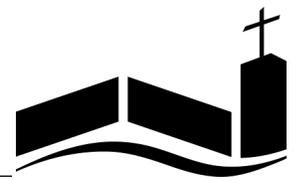
Eyewitnesses of the resurrection of Jesus struggled to make sense of what their eyes saw. For the rest of us, our faith requires believe in things we haven't seen with our eyes. Easter people are marked by hope and faith, trusting in God's Word, Spirit, and People to guide their lives and their view of reality.

Sunday Fellowship

Come and join us for Sunday fellowship. Cookies, coffee, juice, and plenty of friendly people.

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing. 1 Thessalonians 5:11





Other Ministry Updates

- May 1** 9:00 am Worship Service with Communion & handbells
10:00 am Sunday School & Education
10:00 am Fellowship
- May 2** 9:00 am Commodity Distribution
6:30 pm Befrienders
- May 3** 7:00 pm Property Team meeting
- May 4** 3:00 pm Guest Connections meeting
6:00 pm Confirmation Focus Night
6:30 pm Senior High Youth
6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- May 5** 1:00 pm Game Day
- May 7** 8:00 am Worship Design Team
- May 8** 9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School & Education
10:00 am Fellowship

Thank You Debbie Bishop

Please express your gratitude to Debbie Bishop, who this month marks five years of service on our church staff. Debbie began her staff ministry as our Children's Ministry Coordinator and then later pivoted to her new role as Ministry and Worship Coordinator when we restructured the staff at the onset of Covid. Debbie has led us well through the many adjustments needed during the pandemic for how we communicate and coordinate with church volunteers as well as how we plan and deliver worship. She always serves with a spirit of joy and a smile on her face!



Thank you from Ogilvie UMC!

BUMC received a letter of thanks from Ogilvie UMC and a generous donation to our General Fund. They have been worshipping with us online this year while waiting for their interim pastor to arrive (he arrives on May 1).

Easter Offering

Thank you to everyone who gave generously to our annual Easter Offering. This year we raised \$7,070 to help us make up the shortfall in our apportionment giving and the church mortgage payments. If you missed Easter and would still like to contribute to the Easter Offering, just mark your gift with the words "Easter Offering."

Buffalo Food Shelf

Thank you church from the Buffalo Food Shelf for March donations during the MN FoodShare March Campaign. We donated over 80 pounds of food and \$395. Thank you! Would you like to be more involved with the Buffalo Food Shelf? We are in need of a second representative from our church to serve on the Buffalo Food Shelf Council. Meetings occur quarterly, with minimal additional responsibilities throughout the year. Please talk to Connie Heckenlaible with any questions.

Leadership Team Invitation

Curious about what's being discussed at the monthly BUMC Leadership Team meetings? You're always invited to sit in as an observer. The team meets every second Tuesday of the month at 7pm. We occasionally meet at church in the Conference Room, but mostly we've chosen to meet on Zoom so as to be able to include members who are traveling. If you're interested in attending one of the meetings, please let Michelle know in the church office. She'll let you know where the team is meeting and send you the Zoom link if needed. You can also obtain copies of the minutes of the meeting from Michelle. If you have some business to be added to the meeting agenda, you should first contact the chair of the Team (Lori Goth) and request a date to be added to the agenda.

Feed My Starving Children Food Packing

Sign up now! On **Sunday, May 22 (1:30-3:30pm)**, BUMC is participating in a large mobile food packing event at Delano UMC. This is the same event that we raised funds for with a special offering about two years ago! We're finally getting our chance to roll up our sleeves and get that food ready for hungry people. Our church has room for up to 40 people on that day, and as of today, only 16 spots are filled! Be watching for more information and an online sign-up option. You can also reserve your spots by contacting Michelle Jones in the office.

