

So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Feb. 24

This Sunday, February 26 @ 9:00 am

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Room at the Table: Good News for the Late or Left-Out

February 26–April 9, 2023

Most of us have felt late or left out at some point and in some way—excluded, without a seat at the table, without power, invisible, undervalued, outsiders. The Gospel of Luke is a first century portrait of Jesus with a particular focus on his ministry with those who weren't expected to be included in God's Kingdom. Each week, we'll turn our attention to stories in Luke that illustrate Jesus' concern for those who were left out and God's plan for setting a table with room for everyone.



This Sunday — The Night Shift Workers

This Sunday we'll consider the plight of the shepherds, who had to work the night shift with stupid and smelly animals, facing extreme weather conditions as well as predatory animals. And yet it was these night shift workers who God invited to be witnesses to the birth of Jesus. Who are the night shift workers in your life? How can you make room at the table for them?

Scripture Reading

Mary responded, "Oh, how my soul praises the Lord. How my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! For he took notice of his lowly servant girl, and from now on all generations will call me blessed. Luke 1: 46–48

Next Sunday — The Disabled and the Sick

On Sunday, March 5th we'll consider the disabled and the sick, those who couldn't function well enough to provide for themselves and so depended on the charity of others. And yet Jesus chose these afflicted people to demonstrate the miraculous healing power of God. Who are the disabled and the sick in your life? How can you make room at the table for them?



Sunday Fellowship Check out the coffee, treats and great conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

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



Other Ministry Updates

- Feb. 26** 9:00 am Worship Service
 10:00 am Sunday School & Education
 10:00 am 5th Grade FSS class
 10:00 am Fellowship
- Feb. 27** 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl
- Feb. 28** 7:00 pm Finance meeting
- March 1** 3:00 pm Guest Connection meeting
 6:00 pm Lent supper—Pancakes & Sausage
 6:30 pm Lenten Service
 6:30 pm Children & Youth
 7:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal
- March 2** 1:00 pm Game Day
- March 4** 8:00 am Worship Design meeting
- March 5** 9:00 am Worship Service with Communion & FSS Blessing
 10:00 am Sunday School & Education
 10:00 am Fellowship

Wednesday Evenings in Lent (March 1- 29)

Each Wednesdays, we'll continue meeting at 6:00 for a meal, with an abbreviated time of gathering afterwards. In the sanctuary, we'll be sharing devotional readings, Scriptures, and prayers from the book: *Uncovering the Love of Jesus*. The book is for sale in the church lobby for \$12. Andrea Gravely will continue the program for the children and youth in the back fellowship hall.



Faith Stepping Stone



The 5th-6th grade Communion class will be held this **Sunday, February 26th** after worship from approximately **10:00 - 11:30am**. We will be meeting in

the Middle School classroom (across from the nursery). The blessing and serving of communion will be the following **Sunday, March 5th**.

Lenten Series for Children & Youth

We hope you can join us each **Wednesday** in Lent following supper for a time of learning and fun from **6:30 - 7:15 pm**.

Scriptures for Room at the Table Worship

If you would like to read ahead, here are the scripture readings for the new series.

February 26	Luke 1:46-48; 2:8-12
March 5	Luke 4:14-21; 5:12-16
March 12	Luke 4:31-37; 8:26-39
March 19	Luke 15:11-24; 7:36-50
April 2	Luke 19:28-40; 18:35-43
April 9	Luke 24:1-24; 38-33

Buffalo Food Shelf Donations

The Masons are again accepting monetary donations that they will match a percentage of for the Buffalo Food Shelf. To make a donation, make your check out to "Mason Lodge 135" with "Buffalo Food Shelf" on the memo line and deliver your check/cash to Old National Bank in Buffalo. Donations are matched through the month of February. Remember that March is MN Foodshare Month.



Easter Garden Flowers

We have been given a short window to order flowers for our Easter Garden this year, and there are hints that supplies may be a bit short, so please order your flowers by March 5 if at all possible. We may be able to add a few after that but supply is not guaranteed. Order forms are in the pews at church or you can call Michelle at the church office to place an order. Also, if you have any green or flowering plants that you may be willing to loan to the Easter garden for two weeks (April 8-16), please call Laurie Schroeder at 763-682-4409. Thank you for helping make our Easter Garden possible!

Meals Ministry

We want to remind you that we still have lasagnas in the back freezer for those in need of a hot meal or if it could just make someone's life a little more simple.

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Worship Registration

