



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Feb 2

This Sunday, Feb 4 @ 9:00 am

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Sermon Series — Reset

God's mercies are new every morning! But sometimes it is easy for us to get stuck in the same old routine. This New Year let's hit the "reset button," so we can claim the fresh start God makes available to us. As we rediscover our true identity in the love of God, we will discover new purpose and, guided by the compass of God's values, head off in an exciting God-given direction!



This Sunday — Reset Values

Galatians 5:24-6:10

What does it mean to live according to God's values and not those of the world?

Scripture Reading

Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, for each one should carry their own load. Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor.

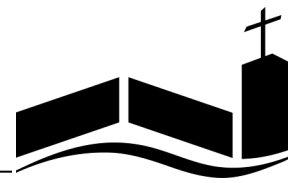
Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. Galatians 5:24-6:10 NIV



Next Sunday — Reset Direction | Acts 9:1-15

Whether we've been in the church for a long time or are exploring the faith, Jesus sometimes calls us to move in a new direction, even when we think we are already heading in the right direction.

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



Other Ministry Updates

- Feb 3** 9:00 am Rule of Christ Training
- Feb 4** 9:00 am Worship with Communion & New Member Blessing
10:00 am Fellowship
10:00 am Education Hour
- Feb 5** 9:00 am Commodity Distribution
- Feb 6** 12:00 pm Dynamite Prayer Study
7:00 pm Property Team Meeting
- Feb 7** 3:00 pm Guest Connection Meeting
6:00 pm Meals & Missions
6:30 pm Handbells
- Feb 8** 10:00 am Visitation for Iona Markley
11:00 am Funeral for Iona Markley
6:30 pm Dynamite Prayer Zoom Group
- Feb 11** 9:00 am Worship with Handbells
10:00 am Fellowship
10:00 am Education Hour
10:00 am Souper Bowl Sale

Meals and Missions

Feb 7th is our next Meals and Missions night! Join us at **6:00** for dinner and then help us make cards and put together 125 Bags of Love for our at home church members as well as others in the community! There is a list of donations needed on the bulletin board and you can drop your donations in the bin in the entry!

New Members Blessing

Those who attended the New Member class will be received as members this **Sunday, February 4** during worship.

It's Chili Cook Off Time!!

Since we live in MN we know winters are cold!! But, one thing heats things up every year and that's our chili cook off! **Feb 18th** is the day so mark your calendars, get your recipes ready, and get excited to eat some amazing chili! Tasters are needed so please plan to stay and be our judges during fellowship!

Ottie Otness Memorial Blood Drive

Buffalo United Methodist Church will host a Red Cross Blood drive on **February 29th from 10AM to 4PM**. There is currently a critical need for blood. Donating at this drive will help supply blood for accident victims, surgical patients and

others for whom blood transfusions can be life saving. To make an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org or if preferred, you can call 1-1-800- 733-2767 and request a blood donation appointment for the Buffalo blood drive on **February 29th**. Walk-ins are welcome, however, waiting times will vary as these donations will be worked in as time permits. Each donor will receive a \$20 Amazon Gift card through their e-mail within 6 weeks after donation.

Prayer Shawl

In January of 2007 Arlene Nelson invited people to join her in a Prayer Shawl Ministry. Anyone who could knit and/or crochet started gathering on the 4th Monday of the month and are still gathering to this day. Over the years 523 Prayer Shawls have been handed out to members of our church as well as to others in the community. In addition to making the Prayer Shawls, this group makes scarves, hats and baby blankets to give to the Food Shelf. It is a very informal gathering so please consider joining them in this ministry. The next meeting is **Monday, February 26 at 1:00**.

Lent

Lent is right around the corner and we will start with Ash **Wednesday on Feb 14** – which is also Valentine's day. We will be having Wed night services again, with a meal at **6:00** and then a short service from **6:35-7:15-ish**. The book we will be reading from is called *Pauses for Lent – 40 Words for 40 Days*. We will have them available for sale for \$10 starting next Sunday. Join us each Wed as we hear readings, reflect on our journey, and sing our way to the cross.

While the adults are in the sanctuary, Children's Ministry will continue our tradition of hosting a Lenten Series for kids. Andrea Gravely is busy planning some awesome activities to help our kids experience the walk to the cross as well. She is looking for an additional adult volunteer each **Wednesday evening** from approximately **6:30 - 7:15pm**. If you can help, please sign up! Feel free to reach out to [Andrea](#) directly with any questions!