



*So All May Know Joy*

## **BUMC Weekly Connection—Jan. 20**

**This Sunday, January 22 @ 9:00 am**

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### **This Sunday – The Grieving Sisters**

What, or who, can put the world back the way it was intended to be? Once again, the Gospel writers point to Jesus. The interactions Jesus has with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus demonstrate his humanity, his deity, and the solution to the problem of death.



### **Scripture Reading**

When Jesus arrived at Bethany, he was told that Lazarus had already been in his grave for four days. Bethany was only a few miles down the road from Jerusalem, and many of the people had come to console Martha and Mary in their loss. When Martha got word that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him. But Mary stayed in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask."

Jesus told her, "Your brother will rise again." "Yes," Martha said, "he will rise when everyone else rises, at the last day."

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying. Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die. Do you believe this, Martha?"

"Yes, Lord," she told him. "I have always believed you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who has come into the world from God." Then she returned to Mary. She called Mary aside from the mourners and told her, "The Teacher is here and wants to see you." So Mary immediately went to him.

Jesus had stayed outside the village, at the place where Martha met him. When the people who were at the house consoling Mary saw her leave so hastily, they assumed she was going to Lazarus's grave to weep. So they followed her there. When Mary arrived and saw Jesus, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died." John 11:17-36 NLT



### **Next Sunday – The Wedding Party**

How will Jesus make whole what's been broken? The encounter of Jesus with his mother and the servants at the wedding in Cana might seem to be a trivial act of divine intervention. But God's plan all along has been that we not just learn about salvation, but that we taste, see, and feel it with great joy.

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





## Other Ministry Updates

- Jan. 22** 9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am Sunday School & Education  
 10:00 am Fellowship  
 10:00 am 1st grade FSS Prayer class
- Jan 23** 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl
- Jan. 25** 6:00 pm Youth Group Grow Night  
 6:30 pm Handbell rehearsal  
 7:30 pm Praise band rehearsal
- Jan. 29** 9:00 am Worship Service Service with  
 1st grade FSS blessing  
 10:00 am Sunday School & Education  
 10:00 am Fellowship  
 10:00 am Congregational Care

### Meals on Wheels in February

Don't forget that February is our month to provide drivers for Meals on Wheels delivery in Buffalo! Click [Here](#) to sign up online or find the QR code in the entry way at church.



### Faith Stepping Stone: Prayer



We look forward to the next step in the faith journey with our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade children and families. Prayer class will be held this Sunday, **January 22 @**

**10:00 am** (after worship) in the middle school classroom. The prayer blessing will be held during worship the following **Sunday, January 29.**

### Soup-er bowl cooking!

It's that time again! We will be meeting to make turkey noodle and split pea and ham soup to sell on Superbowl Sunday! We will meet on Saturday, Feb 11 at 9:30. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the entry!

### Blankets for Beds

Donate new or gently used blankets/linens by calling the church office for drop off or if you need them picked up, call Dianne McLain 763-682-2260.



### Hymnals and Bibles



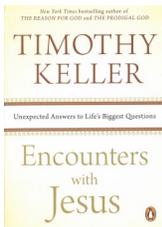
If you prefer to use the Hymnals and Bibles, please stop at the Welcome cart and one of the Guest Connections Team members will give you the appropriate books for the day. Please remember to return your hymnals, songbooks and Bibles to the bookshelf after the service.

### Encounters with Jesus Book Available

The book Pastor Bill will be referring to in his January/February worship series is available in the church lobby for \$15. There is one more book available.

If you'd like to read ahead, following are the chapters and Scripture readings by Sunday:

- January 22:** Chapter 3: The Grieving Sisters  
**January 29:** Chapter 4: The Wedding Party  
**February 5:** Chapter 5: The First Christian  
**February 12:** Chapter 6: The Great Enemy  
**February 19:** Chapter 7: The Two Advocates



### Meals & Missions

Meals & Missions will be meeting on **Wednesday, Feb 1st at 6 pm.** Everyone is invited to join us for a dinner of tacos and making Valentine bags for our homebound friends.



### Chili Cook-Off & Winter Games



Start perfecting your chili recipe now so you can enter it in the Chili Cook-Off on **Sunday, February 5!** This fun event will again include games for all ages. Bring your favorite game to play.

### Secure Giving



### Worship Registration

