



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Jan 5

This Sunday, Jan 7 @ 9:00 am

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

New 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 – Soul Reset | Luke 3:21-23

Resetting your soul begins with remembering who you are. In baptism, God calls us beloved.

Scripture Reading

After all the people were baptized, Jesus was baptized. As he was praying, the sky opened up and the Holy Spirit, like a dove descending, came down on him. And along with the Spirit, a voice: "You are my Son, chosen and marked by my love, pride of my life."

When Jesus entered public life he was about thirty years old, the son (in public perception) of Joseph. Luke 3: 21-23

Next Sunday – Reset Purposefully on Prayer | Mark 1:32-39

Spending time with God enables us to start our year with intention. Centered living comes from understanding God's purpose in this season.



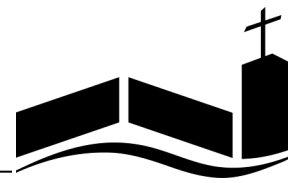
Sunday Fellowship Check out the coffee, treats and great conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Coffee and Worship

The two best things on Sunday morning are coffee and worship, and we welcome you to bring yours in to the sanctuary. However, in order to preserve our beautiful sanctuary we ask that you bring a covered coffee cup from home when bringing your cup into the sanctuary.

Children's Activity Bags

Did you know that BUMC has Children's Activity Bags for children to use during worship? They are located in the entry of the church. Please don't forget to return after use! If you have any new ideas for items in these bags, please reach out to Andrea@buffaloumc.com.

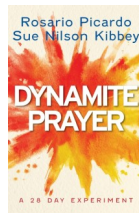


Other Ministry Updates

- Jan 7** 9:00 am Worship
 10:00 am Fellowship
 10:00 am Education Hour
 10:00 am Congregational Care Team
 7:00 pm Leadership Team Meeting
- Jan 10** 6:00 pm Confirmation Focus Night
 6:30 pm Handbells
- Jan 14** 9:00 am Worship with Handbells
 10:00 am Fellowship
 10:00 am Education Hour
 10:00 am Discover BUMC

Dynamite Prayer Initiative

Starting in January, for 4 weeks, we will be inviting everyone to participate in a new breakthrough prayer opportunity called the Dynamite Prayer Initiative. The Bishop is inviting all churches in North and South Dakota and Minnesota to participate in reading *Dynamite Prayer – A 28 Day Experiment*. Important to note, this is a devotional, not a book. And takes maybe 5 or 10 minutes each day. Consider picking up your own copy for personal study or we'll have copies available at 50% off, starting next **Sunday, January 7th**.



If you would like to be a part of a group that discusses this devotional, Pastor Amy will be facilitating two different casual conversations over lunch at on Tuesdays **noon to 1:00pm** starting **January 16th** or over Zoom on **Thursdays at 6:30 pm starting on Jan 18**. There is a sign-up sheet in the entry way. Together, let's ask God to break through with God's power for new hopes and possibilities for our church and our own lives. It's a good time of year and a wonderful opportunity to revive this important church-wide prayer practice.

"Discover BUMC"

If you are a newcomer and have questions, consider attending the "Discover BUMC" gathering **Sunday, January 14** at a marked table in the fellowship hall after worship, hosted by our Guest Connections team. You can get acquainted with others and ask questions about the Methodist church or this congregation.

Membership Class January 28

Come learn more about Buffalo UMC and Methodism in general on **Sunday, January 28 at 10:15 am** in the conference room. All are welcome whether contemplating membership or not. It's a great chance to get to know some other people, and get information. Those who choose to join following the class will be received as members on **Sunday, February 4** during worship. Please sign up on the bulletin board or call church to let us know you're coming.



Thank you

Thank you to everyone who donated to or helped with the Christmas Day Dinner. We served a beautiful meal to 140 people in our community.

2023 Christmas Offering

This year our Christmas offerings went to the Emma Norton Residence and the Simpson Housing Services. We were able to raise \$3,190 for these two great services. Thank you!!



Let's Get to Know Each Other!!

On **Jan 14th** after worship, we will have an opportunity for you to get to know Pastor Amy better and for her to get to know YOU better! Grab your coffee and a treat and meet in the Conference room for some casual conversation! Please sign up on the bulletin board.

Help Make Soup on February 2

Help make soup for the Frozen Meals ministry "Soup-er" Bowl Sunday fund raiser. Debbie Bishop has scheduled a soup making day for **Friday, Feb. 2 at 9:30 am**. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board, so please let us know if you can help. We will also have a donation signup sheet for supplies soon. If you've wanted to join us, but never have before, now's the time! It's not only a great gift to others, but a fun time of fellowship as well.