



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Jan. 14

This Sunday, January 16 @ 9:00 am

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This Sunday - Living Truthfully

If we take seriously God's assessment in the book of Jeremiah that the human heart is "deceitful above all things" then perhaps we shouldn't be surprised by the condition of our world. But redeemed communities are called to a different life- one where we put away falsehood and speak truth with our neighbors, remembering that we belong to one another.

Living Truthfully



Scripture Reading

Don't lie to each other, for you have stripped off your old sinful nature and all its wicked deeds. Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him. In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us.

Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful. Colossians 3:9-15 NLT

Next Sunday – Practicing Hospitality

Practicing Hospitality



Communities in which hospitality is a vibrant practice tap into deep human longings to belong, find a place to share one's gifts, and be valued. The practice of hospitality reflects a willingness on the part of a community of people to be open to others and to their insights, needs, and contributions. Hospitable communities recognize that they are incomplete without other folks but also that they have a treasure to share with them.

Sunday Fellowship

Come and join us for Sunday fellowship . If you're not eating or drinking, you're encouraged to wear a mask in the Fellowship Hall. We are still encouraging everyone over the age of 2 to wear a face covering inside our building so that we may continue to enjoy gathering in person.





Other Ministry Updates

Coming Up in Ministry

- Jan 16** 9:00 am Worship Service
 10:00 am Sunday School & Education
 10:00 am FSS 1st Grade Prayer Class
 10:00 am Fellowship
- Jan 18** 7:00 pm SPRC Meeting
- Jan 19** 6:00 pm Confirmation Focus Night
 6:30 pm Senior High Youth
 6:30 pm Handbell Practice
- Jan 23** 9:00 am Worship Service with FSS 1st Grade Prayer Blessing
 10:00 am Sunday School & Education
 10:00 am Fellowship

What Happened to Curtis?

Contrary to popular rumor, Curtis was not abducted by aliens over Christmas! Curtis has taken another ministry job with a church in Elk River (the paid position of Youth Ministry Coordinator at BUMC ended with the start of the 2022 budget year). Senior High ministry is now being led by a team of adult volunteers, including Jana Knutson and Jana Reinhart. Would you like to be a part of this exciting and important ministry team? Talk to either Jana or drop them a note at Jana@buffaloumc.com.



Add Your Leaf to Our Tree!

We're growing a tree in our sanctuary as we learn how to nurture vibrant community. This Sunday, come prepared to add your leaf with one way that you'll grow in living truthfully.

First Grade Faith Stepping Stone

Our first graders will learn about prayer in a Faith Stepping Stones class during Sunday School hour on **today**. How special that parents and their 1st grade children will learn about prayer together. Then on **Sunday, January 23** the children will receive prayer books and a congregational blessing during worship.

Meals on Wheels in February

Don't forget that February is our month to provide drivers for Meals on Wheels delivery in Buffalo! Sign up in the entry way or online [HERE](#).



Chili Cook-Off & Winter Games

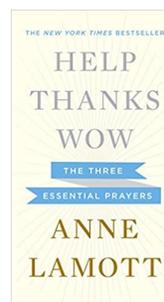
Start perfecting your chili recipe now so you can enter it in the Chili Cook-Off on **Sunday, February 6!** This fun event will again include the one-day Cribbage tournament and other games for all ages. Mark your calendars now!



What Are You Reading?

What Are You Reading? The Adult Disciple Vision Team has asked BUMC members to submit reviews of what they are presently reading, watching, or studying. In upcoming months, you will see a review from an individual and we are hoping that this will inspire you to also pick up the book, watch the movie, or engage in the devotional that is being reviewed. Please feel free to speak with the person who submitted the review. Also, if you would like to submit a review on a book, movie, devotional, study, or blog, please send it to Rita at ritaraevo@gmail.com as we welcome more participants.

The following book title and summary was submitted by Jean Metcalf. *Help, Thanks, Wow: - The Three Essential Prayers* by Anne Lamott Received as a gift, I've been absolutely delighted with this book. It is a simple yet profound condensation of prayers - our cries for assistance, the lift that gratitude can bring and feeling awe at the world. Lamott describes the essence of prayer in authentically human terms with stories from her own experiences. Her insights touch and encourage me to be more honest and open in prayer and kinder to those around me.



Secure Giving



Worship Registration

