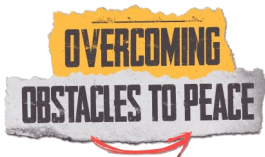




So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—July 11 **Sunday, July 13 @ 10:00**

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



Series – Overcoming Obstacles to Peace

Jesus said, “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God,” (Matthew 5:9). But in a world divided by conflict, violence, and war, there is so much that gets in the way. This series delves into some of the common obstacles to peacemaking – complacency, resentment, and violence – leading us first to receive Christ’s peace in our own spirits and then get to the hard work of making peace in the world.

This Sunday – When Resenting is Preventing | Matthew 20:1-16

Resentment can lead to anger and anger to violence. By embracing God’s grace and generosity to us and to others, we can let go of our feelings of entitlement and comparison, allowing true peace to take root in our hearts and extend to our neighbors.

Scripture Reading | Matthew 20:1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

“About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went.

“He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’ “‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered. “He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’ “When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’

“The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. ‘These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’

“But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

Next Sunday – From Death to Life | Micah 4:1-5

When we turn to God, the Holy Spirit helps us transform instruments that bring death into ones that bring life. When we have the complete peace of God, we no longer desire to take from others by force but are finally content with what we have.



Other Ministry Updates

- July 13** 10:00 am **Worship Service**
11:00 am All Church Picnic
- July 15** 4:00 pm SPRC Team Meeting
- July 16** 9:30 am Reading in the Park
5:00 pm Youth Kayaking at Beebe Lake
6:30 pm Movie Night "The Chosen"
- July 20** 9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Fellowship Hour

Youth Kayaking & S'mores

Students in grades 7-12 are invited to a kayaking trip at Beebe Lake on **Wednesday, July 16 at 5 pm**. After kayaking, we'll head to the McNelis/Kiphuth home in Hanover for s'mores and more fun!



Attention 7th-12th Graders (and Awesome Parents)!

We want YOU to be part of the Super BUMC Youth Service Project! This is a fantastic opportunity for students (grades 7-12) and their cool parents to team up and help our senior church members and friends with small home or yard projects.

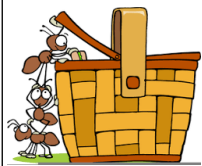
First Service Day: **Saturday, August 9 @8:30 am**
We'll "divide and conquer" based on the needs of each project, and every team will be provided with the tools they need to get the job done. We already have two projects lined up and are excited to get started! Meet at the church.

Let your kids experience the joy of giving and the impact of helping others—it's meaningful, fun, and deeply rewarding. Ready to join us?

Contact George Christ at 612-916-0792 or [email](mailto:george.christ@bumc.org) with the participants from your family. Let's make a difference—together!

Did You Know?

Did you know that we have 2 campers headed to camp this Sunday. Dalinda Gravley and Brynn Warner are headed to Camp Koronis. Please pray for their week and maybe send a card.



All Church Picnic

Come enjoy an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun just after our **10:00am** Worship service on **July 13!** We'll have music & games for

all ages, BBQ lunch & potluck sides. A sign-up for food, grilling and clean up is in the entry. Bring friends and family – everyone is welcome!

Summer Reading

Our Summer Reading in the Park program happens again **this**

Wednesday and will continue each **Wednesday** from **9:30 - 10:30 am** through **August 20**.



Summer Movie Nights

Wednesdays | through August 6 | 6:30 pm

Join us this summer for an inspiring and memorable series of Movie Nights at BUMC, featuring *The Chosen: Season 3!* Whether you're a long-time fan or discovering the series for the first time, these evenings offer something special for everyone. Please contact [Sheryl Lehman](mailto:sheryl.lehman@bumc.org) for more information.

Meals on Wheels in August

Don't forget that August is our month to provide drivers for Meals on Wheels delivery in Buffalo! Click [HERE](#) to sign up online, sign up on the bulletin board in the entry way or call Michelle in the office. Please sign up before **July 22nd**.



Project Pencils

The BUMC Outreach Task Force is excited to partner with Project Pencils to support students at our neighborhood school, Northwinds Elementary. We'll be helping three selected students by providing the exact school supplies they need. Each item will be listed on a tag and displayed on a tree in the church entry starting **July 16**. You're welcome to take one or more tags and purchase the specified items (please match brand, size, and color exactly). Return all items to the Project Pencils bin at church by **Sunday, August 3**. Learn more at projectpencils.com. Questions? Contact Rita Varner Otness.

Secure Giving



Worship Registration

