



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—June 18

This Sunday, June 20 @ 9:00 am

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

This Sunday - Be Careful What You Wish For!

Curtis Rieck will be sharing that lots of us, especially in America, find ourselves looking to "be like other 'nations'," to keep up with the proverbial Joneses, whoever they might be. We are living in an era of unprecedented prosperity. But, for those of us who have a special relationship with the Lord (as the nation of Israel had), a relationship that has taught us what is ultimately important (and conversely what is NOT important) reminds us to be careful what you wish for.



Sunday Scripture

So all the elders of Israel gathered together and approached Samuel at Ramah. They said to him, "Look, you are old, and your sons don't follow your ways. So now appoint over us a king to lead us, just like all the other nations have." But this request displeased Samuel, for they said, "Give us a king to lead us." So Samuel prayed to the LORD. The LORD said to Samuel, "Do everything the people request of you. For it is not you that they have rejected, but it is me that they have rejected as their king. Just as they have done from the day that I brought them up from Egypt until this very day, they have rejected me and have served other gods. This is what they are also doing to you. So now do as they say. But you must warn them and make them aware of the policies of the king who will rule over them." So Samuel spoke all the LORD's words to the people who were asking him for a king. I Samuel 8: 4-20 NLT

Sunday Fellowship Time

Please join us after worship this Sunday and every Sunday in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, treats, and Fellowship.



Next Sunday — New Worship Series June 27



The Book of Psalms is unique in that it expresses human joys and sorrows, thanksgivings and agonies, praises and contrition to the Lord. The Bible is God's message to us, but the Psalms are Scripture unlike any other in that they express the heart of the creation to the Creator. God wants to hear us pray to him "out of the depths" (Psalm 130:1) of our souls. What a blessing, then, that through the Holy Spirit, God inspired these songs and poems for our benefit. This series will look at selected Psalms that

instruct and move our hearts as we walk with God through all of life's experiences. Check the BMC Connection for weekly Psalms Fun Facts challenges!



Other Ministry Updates

Graduate Recognition Today

Today we will recognize and bless our graduating seniors. Congratulations Seniors!

BUMC Fun Nights in July!

July is going to be a month of Fellowship at BUMC! Not only are we meeting back in person for Fellowship each week after the 9:00 service, but we are planning some fun Wednesday nights outdoors as well! Times and more info will be coming, but mark your calendars now!

July 14 (6:00pm) - Bring a picnic dinner, have some ice cream, and enjoy listening to an outdoor concert by the Jumpin' Jehosafats!

July 21—Cornhole Tournament/Outdoor Game Night! Bring your skills or cheer on the opponents! Either way, it will be a fun evening!

July 28—Water, Water Everywhere! Water balloons, water games, and maybe...a dunk tank!

Book Groups

As we finish up our first book groups on "Being Fearless", we are looking for book suggestions and book group hosts for July and August. What books have you read or liking to read that others will enjoy also? We would like to have groups gather informally at church or at in home settings once or twice a month, whatever the group prefers. All groups do not have to be reading the same book. Please let Rita Varner-Otness know of any book selections and/or your interest in hosting a group around a cup of coffee or cool drinks on the deck.

Summer Reading in the Park Starts June 23

Our Summer Reading in The Park program kicks off on **June 23** and continues each **Wednesday from 9:30 - 10:30 am** through August 25. Not only do we have esteemed readers from our congregation, but here are just a few of the guest readers lined up!

- **June 23:** The Rodeo Queen
- **July 21:** Mayor Teri Lachermeier
- **August 4:** The Dairy Princess

Please help us spread the word about this great ministry in "The Park!!"

Upcoming Celebrations of Life

July 18, Kris Carlson (Informal reception, **1-3pm**)

July 24, Ivan and Janice Erickson

July 24, Willard Kreitlow (**2pm** at Bertram Park, contact Marienne Kreitlow)



Tornado Kit Collection and Packing Event

From June 1-20, you're invited to donate supplies and/or a monetary donation to make tornado kits for the Midwest Mission Distribution Center (MMDC), a depot of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). You can either purchase the supplies listed below or make a \$50 donation per kit to the church or directly to MMDC (please don't purchase plastic totes, as they prefer to have use the same totes for all the kits). We will meet after church on **June 27** to box up the supplies **at 10:15am**. There are many ways you can help. You can purchase supplies from the following list, purchase an entire kit, donate money to purchase supplies, or make a \$50 donation to the church.

- 2 pairs of work gloves
- 24 1 gallon size resealable bags
- 2 permanent markers
- 1 roll of duct tape—prefer colored
- 2 dust masks—no surgical
- 24 trash bags—heavy duty—33-45 gallon size
- 24 clear/white trash bags—20-33 gallon size

Coming Up in Ministry

June 20 **9:00 am** Worship Service In-person & online— Senior Recognition
10:00 am Fellowship Time

June 22 **7:00 pm** SPRC Meeting

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June 27 **9:00 am** Worship Service In-person & online— Senior Recognition
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10:15 am Tornado Kit Packing Event