



*So All May Know Joy*

## **BUMC Weekly Connection—May 2** **Sunday, May 4 @ 9:00 & 10:30**

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

### **New Sermon Series— Rising Strong**

"...just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life," (Romans 6:4b). The Bible is full of stories of redemption, change, and hope. Through four of those stories, we will discover how faith in a Risen Jesus can transform our lives for the better here and now. No matter how big or how small we fall, God outstretches God's hand, ready to raise us up.



### **This Sunday — Rising from Skepticism** (Thomas) | John 20:24-28

The journey from unbelief to belief requires a grace-filled encounter with the Living Christ.

### **Communion This Sunday**

Our worship this Sunday will also include Holy Communion. In the United Methodist Church, all are welcome at the table, as we understand Communion to be the gift of Jesus Christ to anyone of any age who desires a closer relationship with Him.

### **Scripture Reading** | John 20:24-31

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

### **Next Sunday— Rising from Denial** (Peter) | John 21:15-19

The love and forgiveness of God is what enables us to rise above our mistakes and become more faithful disciples.

### **Sunday Fellowship**

Check out the coffee, treats and great conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am. If you're attending the second service, make sure to come at 10:00 am and join Fellowship before the service starts.



## Other Ministry Updates

- May 4**    **9:00 am** Contemporary Worship  
with Communion & Handbells
- 10:00 am** Fellowship
- 10:00 am** Education Hour
- 10:30 am** Traditional Worship Service  
with Communion and Handbells
- May 5**    **6:00 pm** Praise & Coffee
- May 6**    **2:00 pm** Guest Connection Team
- 7:00 pm** Property Team Meeting
- May 7**    **6:00 pm** Meals & Missions
- 7:30 pm** Praise Team Rehearsal
- May 11** **9:00 am** Blended Worship Service
- 10:00 am** Fellowship
- 10:00 am** Education Hour



### Did You Know?

Did you know we raised \$1,525.00 from our Easter offerings to Teen Challenge and Camp Scholarships!

### Two Services this Sunday

BUMC hold will hold two services this week. Our **9:00 AM** is a Contemporary Service and **10:30 AM** is a Traditional Service.

### Summer Camp 2025

Start planning your summer adventure by exploring camp. Simply click on "[Register Online](#)" to sign up. We've got you covered with a Bring-a-Friend discount.



There are scholarship funds to help make camp accessible to all, based on individual and family needs. We're dedicated to ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to experience the joy of camp.



### Lawn Crew Needed

The Property Team is gearing up for lawn mowing and we have saved a lot of money annually by using volunteers to mow May

through October. The church has mowers on site that you can use. Would you consider volunteering once or twice this year? Contact [Julie Bedker](#) to volunteer. Thank you!

### Altar Design

Have you noticed that with each New Sermon Series, our altar display changes? There is much teamwork, creativity and thoughtful planning that goes into each design for each series. Sometimes it's "simple" and sometimes it's "elaborate".

Discussions on purpose, focal points and even colors are involved in creating a meaningful display. It all starts with the "Anchor Image" from the series resource and the corresponding scriptures for our Worship Design Team to get started.

The "Rising Strong" sermon series design for May shows the empty tomb with colors above to remind us that we are Easter people, living strong after the resurrection and rising to the occasion, whatever that may be.

### Now Hiring!

Buffalo United Methodist Church is seeking a dynamic Worship Coordinator and an energetic Children & Youth Coordinator.



Applications and job descriptions are available on our [website](#) or in the church office. Please include with your application, a resume and cover letter describing why you are applying for this position. All materials should be emailed to [sprc@buffaloumc.com](mailto:sprc@buffaloumc.com).



### Meals and Missions

Join us on Wednesday, **May**

**7th** for Meals and

Missions! Come at **6:00 pm** to enjoy a spaghetti dinner, followed by creating a "Hug in a Mug" for

our church family members at home as well as others in the community. If there's time and it's nice out, we may even end our time together outside making sure our park is clean and ready to go for summer! Hope to see you there!!

### Secure Giving    Worship Registration

