

So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—May 6

This Sunday, May 8 @ 9:00 am

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This Sunday - Believing Without Seeing

Eyewitnesses of the resurrection of Jesus struggled to make sense of what their eyes saw. For the rest of us, our faith requires belief in things we haven't seen with our eyes. Easter people are marked by hope and faith, trusting in God's Word, Spirit, and People to guide their lives and their view of reality.

Scripture Reading

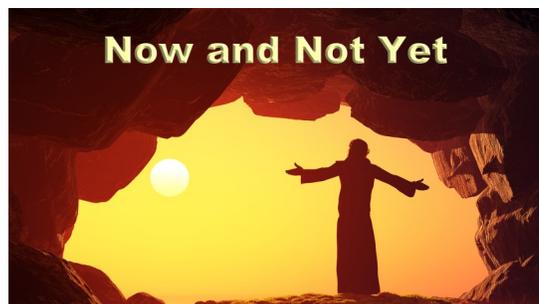
As they sat down to eat, [Jesus] took the bread and blessed it. Then he broke it and gave it to them. Suddenly, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And at that moment he disappeared!

They said to each other, "Didn't our hearts burn within us as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?" And within the hour they were on their way back to Jerusalem. There they found the eleven disciples and the others who had gathered with them, who said, "The Lord has really risen! He appeared to Peter."

Then the two from Emmaus told their story of how Jesus had appeared to them as they were walking along the road, and how they had recognized him as he was breaking the bread. And just as they were telling about it, Jesus himself was suddenly standing there among them. "Peace be with you," he said. But the whole group was startled and frightened, thinking they were seeing a ghost!

"Why are you frightened?" he asked. "Why are your hearts filled with doubt? Look at my hands. Look at my feet. You can see that it's really me. Touch me and make sure that I am not a ghost, because ghosts don't have bodies, as you see that I do." As he spoke, he showed them his hands and his feet.

Luke 24:30-40 NLT



Next Sunday – Living in the Now and Not Yet

The resurrection of Jesus marked the beginning of a new age. As Easter people, we're called to live in the present as if the Kingdom of Heaven had already manifested itself on Earth. And yet, we're also to look forward to the return of Christ and the creation of a new heaven and earth. Easter people learn to live in that tension with joy

Sunday Fellowship

Come and join us for Sunday fellowship. Cookies, coffee, juice, and plenty of friendly people.





Other Ministry Updates

- May 8** 9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School & Education
10:00 am Fellowship
- May 10** 7:00 pm Leadership Team meeting
- May 11** 6:00 pm Confirmation Faith Night
6:30 pm Senior High Youth
- May 15** 9:00 am Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School & Education
10:00 am Fellowship

Thank You Handbells!

May 1 was the last Chancel Chimes performance of the year, so please join us in giving them a big thank you for their beautiful music this past year! This group rehearses each week to bring amazing music to our worship services and so we are grateful for their time and commitment! Thank you too, to Jill Starr for her leadership of this team! Enjoy the summer ladies and we look forward to when you return in the fall!



Thank you from Ogilvie UMC!

BUMC received a letter of thanks from Ogilvie UMC and a generous donation to our General Fund. They have been worshipping with us online this year while waiting for their interim pastor to arrive (he arrives on May 1).

Easter Offering

Thank you to everyone who gave generously to our annual Easter Offering. This year we raised \$7,070 to help us make up the shortfall in our apportionment giving and the church mortgage payments. If you missed Easter and would still like to contribute to the Easter Offering, just mark your gift with the words "Easter Offering."

Leadership Team Invitation

Curious about what's being discussed at the monthly BUMC Leadership Team meetings? You're always invited to sit in as an observer. The team meets every second Tuesday of the month at 7pm. We occasionally meet at church in the Conference Room, but mostly we've chosen to meet on Zoom so as to be able to include members who are traveling. If you're interested in attending one of the meetings,

please let Michelle know in the church office. She'll let you know where the team is meeting and send you the Zoom link if needed. You can also obtain copies of the minutes of the meeting from Michelle. If you have some business to be added to the meeting agenda, you should first contact the chair of the Team (Lori Goth) and request a date to be added to the agenda.

Feed My Starving Children Food Packing

Sign up now! On **Sunday, May 22 (1:30-3:30pm)**, BUMC is participating in a large mobile food packing event at Delano UMC. This is the same event that we raised funds for with a special offering about two years ago! We're finally getting our chance to roll up our sleeves and get that food ready for hungry people. Our church has room for up to 40 people on that day, and as of today, only 34 spots are filled! Please sign up on the bulletin board in the entryway by the 15th.



Senior High Youth

All youth grades 9-12 are invited to our last BUMY youth group. We're excited to honor our graduating seniors and hope to see everyone there. Join us even if it's your first time to BUMY. Pizza at 6:00; activities and ice cream 6:30 to 7:30. Contact Jana R or Jana K if you have questions. May 18 is our picnic at Beebe Lake Park for youth and families. Bring a side dish, munchies, or dessert to share.

Lawn Mowing

Spring is here and the grass is growing! The Property Team is gearing up for lawn mowing and we save a lot of money by using volunteers to mow. We schedule two households per week to mow, and with two people on riding mowers and one person using the push mower and weed whacker it takes about two and a half hours to mow the church property. (The church has mowers on site that you can use.) If you would volunteer once or twice this year, it would truly be appreciated!! Contact Jeremy Carlson to volunteer. jeremy.carlson1@gmail.com.