



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Nov. 1

This Sunday, Nov. 3 @ 9:00 & 10:30

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New Sermon Series— Living Faith

John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, insisted that Christian faith was more than just a set of beliefs or a feeling. Faith changes our lives and results in faithful action in the world. The New Testament letter of James gives the same message. This series will look at John Wesley's General Rules in connection with readings from James to show how our faith can come to life in all that we say and do.



This Sunday — Genuine Faith | James 2:1-7, 14-17

Genuine faith not only affects personal existence, but also produces change in the world.

Holy Communion this Sunday

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. Please wear a nametag today so that all may be known by name at the Lord's Table. Ushers will direct the congregation forward down the center aisle. Bring your offerings and attendance cards with you when you come forward.

Scripture Reading | James 2:1-7, 14-17

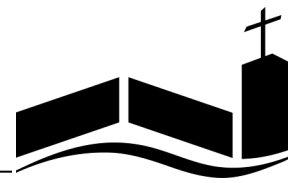
My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong?

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

Next Week — Do No Harm | James 3:1-12

Words hold the power of life and death. What you say matters: speak life and back up your words with actions.



Other Ministry Updates

- Nov 3** 9:00 am Contemporary Worship Service with Communion & All Saints' Sunday
10:00 am Fellowship
10:30 am Traditional Worship Service with Communion & All Saints' Sunday
- Nov 4** 6:00 pm Praise & Coffee
- Nov 5** 7:00 am—8:00 pm Prayer Vigil
11:00 am Meeting the Spirit
7:00 pm Property Team Meeting
- Nov 6** 3:00 pm Guest Connection Meeting
6:00 pm Confirmation
6:30 pm Handbells
7:30 pm Praise Team
- Nov 7** 1:00 pm Game Day
- Nov 10** 9:00 am Worship Service with Handbells and Baptism
10:00 am Fellowship
10:00 am 3rd Grade FSS Class
10:30 am Fast Track

All Saints' Sunday This Week

This **Sunday, November 3** is All Saints' Day as we remember those who have gone before us and now live with Christ in heaven. During worship we will name those who have passed away in the last year, and will invite the congregation to remember in their hearts all the saints who've gone before us.

Daylight Saving Time – Fall Back!

Don't forget to set your clocks back on Saturday evening, **November 2!** Enjoy an extra hour of sleep before coming to worship this Sunday, **November 3.**

Prayer Vigil

Join us on **Tuesday, November 5** as we seek to cover every minute of our national election day in prayer for peace and unity. The sanctuary will be open for prayer from **7:00 am-8:00 pm** for anyone to come and pray. There is a sign up sheet in the entry if you could commit to a time, or just show up when it fits into your schedule.

Church Conference

Join us for a Church Conference on Sunday, **November 17, at 10:00 AM.** We will be voting on

the 2025 budget, reviewing the membership report, electing church leadership, and discussing other important church matters. All members of Buffalo UMC are encouraged to vote, while constituents are welcome to participate with voice but will not have voting rights. We look forward to your participation!

Did You Know

Did you know our sanctuary has 164 chairs to fill? Bring a friend next week!



3rd Grade Faith Stepping Stone

Mark your calendars for our next Faith Stepping Stone. Families for this Faith Stepping Stone blessing and class will receive a letter soon from Children's Ministry. Class will be on **November 10 and the Blessing on November 17.**

Poinsettia Order Forms

Help adorn our sanctuary for Christmas by donating a poinsettia. Place order in the offering plate by **November 24** using the forms in the pews. Flowers remain through Christmas Eve.

Blankets for Beds

Thank you to everyone who continues to bring in blankets and bedding to donate to the Food Shelf. The need is NEVER ending. Any and ALL new OR gently used blankets/linens are accepted---please put them in the new "Blanket Basket" outside of the church office.

UMCOR

In the wake of hurricanes Helene and Milton, countless individuals and families have been affected, facing tremendous loss. We invite you to join us in making a difference in their lives. Your generous donation can provide essential support to those in need. Please make your check out to BUMC and write UMCOR in the memo line. We will ensure that all contributions are sent to UMCOR, an organization dedicated to disaster relief and recovery.

Together, our gifts can create a significant impact in rebuilding communities and restoring hope. Thank you for your compassion.