

So All May Know Joy

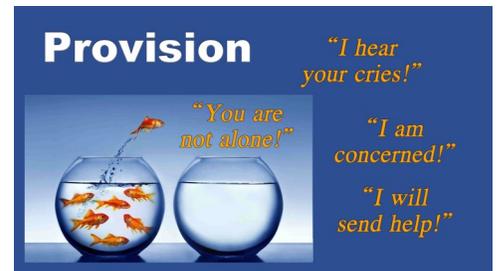
BUMC Weekly Connection—Nov. 11

This Sunday, November 13 @ 9:00 am

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

This Sunday - Provision

The Hebrew people voiced angry doubts to Moses about God's intention to care for them in the wilderness. Doubt in God's provision for our most basic needs is nothing new. Whether our issue is trust, selective memory, or confusion between wants and needs, God's people have had to learn, over and over again, that God provides while we endure difficult transitions.



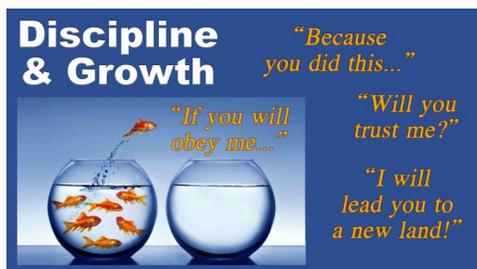
Scripture Reading

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Gather before me seventy men who are recognized as elders and leaders of Israel. Bring them to the Tabernacle to stand there with you. I will come down and talk to you there. I will take some of the Spirit that is upon you, and I will put the Spirit upon them also. They will bear the burden of the people along with you, so you will not have to carry it alone.

"And say to the people, 'Purify yourselves, for tomorrow you will have meat to eat. You were whining, and the LORD heard you when you cried, "Oh, for some meat! We were better off in Egypt!" Now the LORD will give you meat, and you will have to eat it. And it won't be for just a day or two, or for five or ten or even twenty. You will eat it for a whole month until you gag and are sick of it. For you have rejected the LORD, who is here among you, and you have whined to him, saying, "Why did we ever leave Egypt?"'"

But Moses responded to the LORD, "There are 600,000 foot soldiers here with me, and yet you say, 'I will give them meat for a whole month!' Even if we butchered all our flocks and herds, would that satisfy them? Even if we caught all the fish in the sea, would that be enough?" Then the LORD said to Moses, "Has my arm lost its power? Now you will see whether or not my word comes true!"

Numbers 11:16-23 NLT



Next Sunday – Discipline and Growth

Nobody likes accountability, but sometimes discipline is required if we are to grow. God allowed generations of people to die in the wilderness, but God had a redemptive purpose for all of creation. In the midst of difficult transitions, will we learn and grow or be left behind in the wilderness?

Sunday Fellowship Check out the coffee, treats and great conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall.





Other Ministry Updates

- Nov. 13** 9:00 am Worship Service, Third Grade
FSS Bible Blessing, Handbells
10:00 am Sunday School Pre-School –
5th Grade
10:00 am 6-12th Youth Gathering
10:00 am Fellowship
10:00 am BeFrienders
- Nov. 16** 6:00 pm Youth 6-12 Grow Night
6:30 pm Handbells
7:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
- Nov. 20** 9:00 am Worship Service,
10:00 am Sunday School Pre-School
– 5th Grade
10:00 am 6-12th Youth Gathering
10:00 am Fellowship

Wrapped In Love



The holidays are soon here. As we did last year, we are gathering tissue paper and medium to large holiday gift bags for the families that are coming to shop at Wrapped in Love.

Please put your donations in the identified box in the church entry by **Nov 13**, this Sunday. Thank you for supporting and giving to Wrapped in Love.

3rd Grade Faith Stepping Stone

On Sunday we will be blessing the third graders during service and giving them a bible.

Poinsettia Orders

Help adorn our sanctuary for Advent by donating a poinsettia. Each poinsettia is \$10 and you'll find order forms in the church lobby. You can also call or email the church office. The flowers will remain in the sanctuary through our Christmas morning worship service.

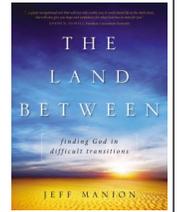


Annual Church Conference

We'll be holding our annual church conference after church on **Sunday, December 4** to elect leaders, to vote on the 2023 church budget, including the pastor's compensation, and to review our membership rolls. Grab your coffee and a treat and we'll hold the meeting in our Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to come, but votes are reserved for members.

Book Study

What if the time of life that we most desperately seek to avoid – foreclosure, unemployment, aging parents, relationship loss – are actually the periods we most desperately need? In *The Land Between*, Pastor and author Jeff Manion show us that it is in these times that God desires to do some of His deepest work within us. Join us each Sunday through **November 20 at 10:00** in the Conference Room for this amazing book study.

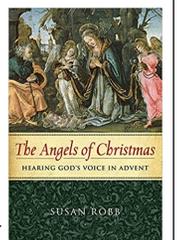


Thanksgiving Eve Service Choir Refreshments

Once again, our BUMC handbell choir and pastor will be helping to lead the annual Thanksgiving Eve service at Zion Lutheran Church on **Wednesday, November 23, 7:30pm**. The service will be live and also streamed (you'll find a link on our Facebook page). This year, our church will be providing refreshments for the combined vocal choir before the service. There are two ways you can help. We need cold cider, bottled water, and cookies/bars for about 80 people. We also need two individuals to take them to Zion that night and help serve them and clean up from about 6:30-7:30pm before the worship (Zion will provide the coffee). Sign-up for donating supplies and volunteering to help will be on the bulletin board or call the church office.

Advent Study

The Bible tells of four angelic visits surrounding the birth of Jesus. Come explore each one using *The Angels of Christmas: Hearing God's Voice in Advent* by Susan Robb. We'll dig into the history of the angel Gabriel and others and ponder their messages as we prepare our hearts for Christ's birth. Jean Metcalf will lead four Thursday sessions with videos and discussion, beginning December 1 at noon. Bring a lunch if you like and join the conversation! Copies of the book are available for preorder. Sign up in the entryway or call the office by ***insert date here***





Other Ministry Updates

Save these Christmas Dates!

Christmas Eve (Saturday, Dec 24) worship will be at **5:00pm** this year. We'll also have one special **Christmas Day** (Sunday, Dec 25) worship service at **10:30am**, with a special telling of the Christmas story and your favorite Christmas carols. After worship, you're invited to share **Christmas Day Dinner** at BUMC (**11:30am**).

Hymnals and Bibles

With the sanctuary renovations, hymnals, Bibles, and other songbooks are now located on a book shelf outside of the sanctuary. The words of the songs will still be projected on the screen, but if you prefer to read music, you can pick up a hymnal or songbook on your way in. This Sunday we'll be using the red hymnal only. Please remember to return your hymnals, songbooks and Bibles to the bookshelf after the service.

Heavy Lifters Needed

We need some people with strong backs to help move the Christmas Stable and a few other heavy objects from the shed to the sanctuary next **Sunday, November 20** immediately after worship. Talk to Collin Gravley to join this elite team of heavy lifters!

Thank you's!

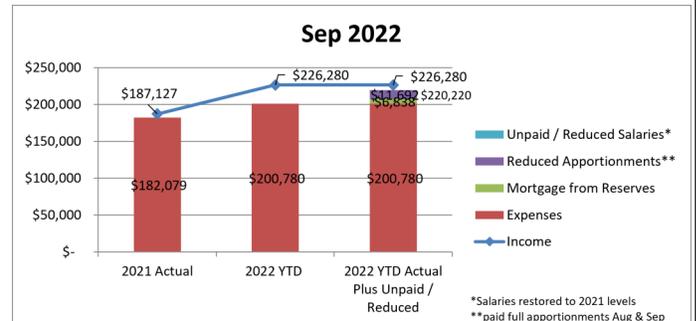
The BUMC Youth were able to make **????** sandwiches for the Sandwich Ministry that were distributed to Sharing & Caring Hands in Minneapolis to those who are in need. Also a big thank you to those who donated funds to buy the supplies.

Common Hope dropped us a line to say "Mil gracias (a thousand thanks)" for our generous support. Our "Walk for Hope" brought in \$320.00 for this great organization. Follow Common Hope on Facebook for updates on how our gift is making an impact.

Finance Update

Year-to-date giving continues to be ahead of expenses. Apportionments were paid in full for September and October. We are on track to pay

full apportionments for the year and meet our mortgage obligation. Thank you for your faithful and generous giving.



Sunday Worship Livestreamed

Please remember that online worship is livestreamed on You Tube, Facebook, and Twitch TV. You will find links to the livestreams on our website and below, or simply subscribe to our You Tube channel.

[Twitch TV](#) [YouTube Live](#) [Facebook Live](#)

Blankets for Beds

Donate new or gently used blankets/linens by calling the church office for drop off or if you need them picked up, call Dianne McLain 763-682-2260. The need is still great.

Devotionals and Online Resources

UMC list of daily and weekly devotionals from around the country: [Click Here](#)

The Upper Room (Daily devotional): [Click Here](#)

Terry Hershey Sabbath Moment (weekly devotional): [Click Here](#)

Asbury Seedbed (Daily devotional from JD Walt of Asbury Seminary): [Click Here](#)

Insight for Living (Daily devotionals from Chuck Swindoll) [Click Here](#)

Billy Graham Association (Daily Devotional) [Click Here](#)

BibleGateway. Multiple Bible translations along with some great study tools: [Click Here](#)

Sheryl Lehman's prayer resource website: [Click Here](#)