



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Oct. 14

This Sunday, October 16 @ 9:00 am

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This Sunday - 5G: Connecting Through Grace

When Christians hear the word “grace,” they first think of the unearned favor given to us by God through Jesus. But grace is also a means of connecting with other people. We’re called to live grace-filled lives as a witness to others of Christ’s love and as a fruitful expression of our love for God.



Scripture Reading

Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other’s faults because of your love. Make every effort to keep yourselves united in the Spirit, binding yourselves together with peace. For there is one body and one Spirit, just as you have been called to one glorious hope for the future.

Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy. So stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body. And “don’t sin by letting anger control you.” Don’t let the sun go down while you are still angry, for anger gives a foothold to the devil. If you are a thief, quit stealing. Instead, use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need. Don’t use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them. And do not bring sorrow to God’s Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:2-4, 21-32 NLT



Next Sunday — Just like a puzzle piece fits in a certain place, so God is calling out your name to a certain need. It’s based upon a place in the world, that because of the arrangement of who you are, and the kind of need it is, the you and the need fit together – like peas and carrots. Think about it for a moment. There is a place of need in the world that has your name on it. That’s a fit just for you.

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





Other Ministry Updates

- Oct. 16** 9:00 am Worship Service– New Member Sunday
 10:00 am Sunday School Pre-School – 5th Grade
 10:00 am 6-12th Youth Gathering
 10:00 am Fellowship
- Oct. 19** Office Closed
 6:30 pm Handbells
 7:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
- Oct. 23** 9:00 am Worship Service– Curtis Rieck Preaching, Handbells in Worship
 10:00 am Sunday School Pre-School – 5th Grade
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Special Charge Conference

Last summer, church leadership discerned that our finances had stabilized to the point that we were able to reverse staff salary reductions enacted at the beginning of January. While this was done with the approval of Finance, SPR, and Leadership Teams and communicated to the church, a charge conference is still required by the Conference to formally approve the return of Pastor Bill's salary to 2021 levels for 2022. This is the required notice of the special charge conference, which will be limited to this single action item and which will consist of the present members of the Leadership Team at their regular meeting on Tuesday, **November 8, at 7pm.**

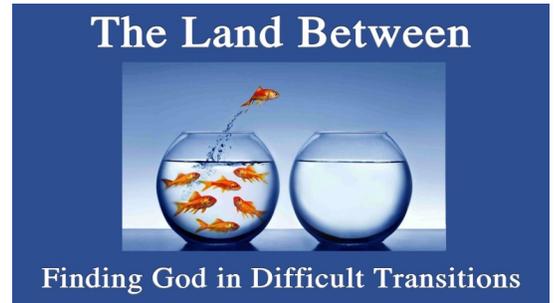
1st Meals and Missions Night

We had a fun and heart-warming time on our first Meals and Missions night as people of all generations shared chili dogs and then crafted tie blankets to be donated to the Crossroads Animal Shelter. Our next Meals and Missions night will be **Wednesday, December 7 at 6pm.**



Have a Story to Tell?

Pastor Bill is looking for four people from our congregation who could share a very brief story (one each Sunday) about a time they endured a difficult change in their life and how God helped them through it.

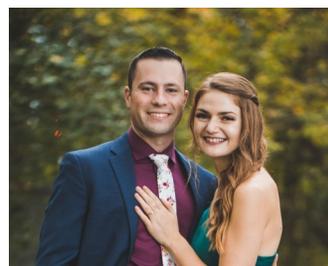


Stories will be shared **October 30–November 20.** The hope is that by sharing your story of God's presence and provision, you'll be an encouragement to others who may be struggling. Contact Pastor Bill to offer your story or for more information.

Frozen Meal Making

Help cook meals for the Frozen Meals Ministry on **Friday, November 11 at 10:00am.** Join us for some great fellowship time, all while filling back up the freezer to help out those who could use an easy meal!

Meet Our New Members



Ryan & Clair Phillips

308 Creekside Dr.
 Buffalo, MN 55313

Ryan and Clair have been worshipping with us since the Fall of 2019. They will be joining our

membership by profession of faith.

Clair is an elementary music teacher and Ryan is an airline pilot. They both love to travel.

Garry Coon

906 3rd Ave NE
 Buffalo, MN 55313

Gary has been worshipping with us for over a month now. He has moved to Buffalo to be closer to his children and their families. He is originally from North Dakota and is a retired school teacher. His hobby is woodworking.



Other Ministry Updates

Nursery Updates

Staffing: Please welcome Sydney Colton to our nursery staff. She will be starting this Sunday! Additionally, we have a permanent volunteer substitute to serve in the ministry. Please welcome Brianna Kiphuth!

Remodeling: Take another peek at the nursery! You'll be amazed at the transformation that is taking place! More to come!

Youth Ministry

No Youth Group next week over MEA break! Please join us the following week, **Wednesday, October 26th** for Game Night! Starts at **6pm** with pizza and fellowship followed by a themed night of games!

Children's Ministry

Thank you for all the kind snack donations! Our children are excited for the variety! Starting this Sunday, a portion of offerings brought in during Sunday School will go to service and mission. We will be supporting the Sandwich Ministry for the next 3 weeks, then will be transitioning to our missions for the holiday season! More to come!



Special Worship Location October 23 and 30

Our current plans for updating the sanctuary means that we'll temporarily be "wandering in the wilderness" for two Sundays (not 40 years) until the sanctuary is ready to use again on **November 6**. On that day, we've planned a special consecration of the newly updated sanctuary. For the two Sundays we expect to be out of the sanctuary, we'll follow the example of the Israelites before us and set up a tabernacle in the Fellowship Hall. We will continue to offer live-streamed worship, but you can expect things to look and sound a little different given our state of transition.

Pew Removal

The Sanctuary Team would like your help this **Sunday, October 16, starting at 12:30** to begin removing the pews from the sanctuary. Anyone interested in helping, please show up Sunday!



Blankets for Beds

Donate new or gently used blankets/linens by dropping off or if you need them picked up, call Dianne McLain 763-682-2260. The

need is still great.

Don't Forget Our Little Free Library!

Our Little Free Library down by the playground continues to be well used. Remember, you can place books for children or adults in it at any time, and perhaps take a book home to read!



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](#)

Christmas Day Dinner



Christmas Day falls on a Sunday this year and we're making plans for a very special day of worship and service. Worship

will begin a little later that morning, and then we're hoping to serve our traditional Christmas Day Community Dinner for all those people in our church and community that would like to share a meal together with us on Christmas Day. Gail Hurley is beginning to form plans for making that dinner happen, so if you'd like to be involved in planning or promoting the dinner, making a donation, preparation, helping to cook or clean up that day, providing hospitality, or in any other way, please talk to Gail this week or look for the sign-up sheet in the lobby.