



So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection—Oct. 16

This Sunday, October 18, 9:00 am

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

Begin with the End in Mind

When life gets hard, when things are confusing, when the pain of this life is overwhelming, when you are dismayed, disappointed, distressed, let's try to take Paul's advice and to let this mind be in all of us that was in Christ Jesus. Our hope and prayer is that more and more, our lives might reflect the radical love that Jesus preached.

Curtis Rieck and our BUMC High School youth will be leading our service on Sunday, and speaking for all of them, I can tell you that they look forward to spending the hour worshipping with you. Make it a point to join us on Sunday! You will be blessed.



Sunday Scripture

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose. Philippians 2:1-13

Next Sunday

Next Sunday we start our "BE" Series and it continues until November 22. First up—Be Involved: Jesus came to show us what love is, and to demonstrate that love comes into the world when we express it in visible ways with other people. Love requires that we chose to become involved in the lives of other people, in the ministries of the church and the communities in which we live and work.



Other Ministry Updates

Racism Learning and Discussion

The ADVT (Adult Disciple Vision Team) continue to give you resources we feel are especially important to keep the racism learning and discussion going in our church. We invite you to watch a documentary entitled, *White Savior: Racism in the American Church*.

The topics presented are:

- What Is Race?
- The Bible and Race
- Anti-Blackness in the US
- Erasing Native Voices
- Intersectionality of Suppression
- Christianity: Black and White
- The Problem of Reconciliation

The documentary is described in this way.

“Despite the progress many see in the US over the year, it’s become increasingly clear that the deep roots of racism and white supremacy continue to run through our political, cultural, and religious institutions. *White Savior* explores the historical relationship between racism and American Christianity, the ongoing segregation of the church in the US, and the complexities of racial reconciliation.” This documentary can be seen on Amazon Prime. If you are a member of Amazon Prime the viewing is free. If you do not have Amazon Prime, please still search on that site and you will see other ways you can watch this piece. The total viewing time is 1 hour.

Would you like to create a watch party and later a discussion of the documentary?

Your ADVT continues to ask, “Through what lenses are you seeing racism?” Many of you have read books, listened to podcasts, watched documentaries and the team would like to have ongoing discussion groups to share what you have learned and how each of us can move forward in making positive changes. Contact any team member (Jana Knutson, Sheryl Lehman, Jean Metcalf, Sally Peterson, Rita Varner-Otness) if you are interested.

Confirmation

Focus night class will resume this week via Zoom. See you at 6 pm.

Meal Delivery

The WCCA and Catholic Charities are looking for frozen meal delivery help on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The COVID-19 pandemic has tripled this service because of the closings of community senior meal services. TrailBlazer Transit will provide rides. For more information please call Terri Harris at 763-742-3113.

Sunday School News



It is so great to be back in Sunday school (even online!) to see all the smiling faces, new and returning! We’ve had several fun weeks already and there’s more to come! And if you haven’t joined in yet, please do so! Each week is a short lesson (1/2 hour) packed with learning about God’s love!! Doesn’t that sound awesome? If you haven’t been receiving the email with Sunday School login information, please contact Debbie Bishop, otherwise, see you Sunday!!

Coats for Kids—Last Call

Zion Lutheran is holding a coat drive for new and gently used coats through **Monday**. BUMC will be accepting all sizes for kids and adults, and would also appreciate boots, snow pants, hats, mittens, scarves, etc. Please drop them off at the front door of the church in a plastic bag.



Coming Up in Ministry

- Oct. 18 **9:00 am Online Worship** - with Curtis Rieck and the BUMY
10:00 am Sunday School
online for Pre-1st, 7th & 8th grade
10:30 am Sunday School
online for 2nd-6th grade
- Oct. 20 **7:00 PM SPRC Meeting**
- Oct. 21 **6:00 pm Confirmation Focus Night**
6:30 pm Senior High Youth
6:30 pm Handbell Practice
- Oct. 25 **9:00 am Online Worship Service**
10:00 am Sunday School
online for Pre-1st, 7th & 8th grade
10:30 am Sunday School
online for 2nd-6th grade