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UNITED METHODIST

So All May Know Joy

BUMC Weekly Connection Aug. 19, 2026
Join our service at 9:00 am Aug. 23,2026

This Sunday: BE Still | Psalm 46, and John 14:25-27

God invites us to "Be Still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). This invitation reminds us to turn to God for rest and strength. Is it easy or challenging for you to be still? Is there a place where it is easier for you to be still? What do you need to help you be still?

Next Sunday: We Pray and Prepare

Neh 4:9, Psalm 127:1 and 1Peter 5:2

Nehemiah reminds us that faithful people pray to God and also take practical steps to meet the needs and challenges before them. Scripture teaches us that all our planning and work must be grounded in God's presence, because unless the Lord builds and watches over us, our efforts are incomplete. We are called to care for one another willingly, eagerly, and faithfully as shepherds of God's people.

Other Ministry Updates

August 23 **9:00 am** Worship
10:00 am Fellowship
August 24 **1:00 pm** Prayer Shawl Ministry
August 25 **4:00 pm** SPRC Team Mtg
6:30 pm Finance Team Mtg

Please Note: Going forward we will need all submissions for the Weekly Connection in by 9 am Wednesday mornings. This will ensure we can get church updates out prior to Sunday mornings!

With Sadness....

Our long time brother in Christ and past church member Larry Totten has passed away,. If you would like to send the family your condolences here is their contact information.

Patti Totten
206 Sarrona Way #7102
Nokomis, FL 34275
Or to:
Tari & Scott Waite
5349 Layton Dr.
Venice, FL 34293

Sunday School Needs YOU!

One of our biggest needs this year is **adult teachers and classroom assistants.** We truly need families to step up and help! The commitment is only once or twice a month (or more), and curriculum and lessons can be prepared for you. You don't need to be a Bible expert—just a caring adult willing to share God's love with our kids!
If you can help teach, assist, or lend a hand with Children's Ministry, please reach out to a member of the Children's Ministry Team.
Contact: Childrens@buffaloumc.com
Every helping hand makes a difference!

From the Finance Team – July 2026

In July our income was $19,498 while total expenses
were $24,518. This resulted in a total loss for July of ($5,020) and year to date of ($11,325). Giving was significantly lower than the last 5 months. We are not sure of the reason for the downward trend. We will monitor giving to see if this trend continues in August. Hopefully, as summer travel ends and of course fall is right around the corner, we will see giving increase in September. Apportionments have been paid for July. Your generosity makes a meaningful difference in the work we do together.

"Let us trust God together for the season ahead, holding onto one another in grace".

INCOME/EXPENSE COMPARISON

	2026			
	YTD INCOME	INCOME	EXPENSE	NET YTD
JANUARY	20,326	20,326	28,095	(7,769)
FEBRUARY	43,189	22,863	27,904	(12,810)
MARCH	70,158	26,969	29,006	(14,848)
APRIL	98,135	27,977	29,815	(16,686)
MAY	124,884	26,749	18,419	(8,355)
JUNE	150,320	25,436	24,015	(6,934)
JULY	170,120	19,800	24,158	(11,292)

Secure Giving

Worship Registration