

Welcome! *We appreciate you joining us for Sunday worship at Bakerstown United Methodist . We hope you experience God's presence and love in our midst.*

February 28, 2021

8:30am & 11:00am Worship Service

**We remind you today that while music will continue as part of our worship, we have been advised to refrain from corporate singing within the sanctuary. Singing has been shown to be an easy way to spread viruses. The Spirit still speaks through music, even when we can't sing, so we invite you to listen – not just for the notes but for the voice of God singing through them.*

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

Call To Worship ~8:30am

Leader: We gather in hope that darkness cannot overcome the light.

People: **Let us worship Jesus, the light of the world.**

**Opening Worship*

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

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Opening Prayer ~ 8:30am

Lord Jesus, you are the light that has overcome the darkness of sin in our hearts. Use this hour of worship to connect us to you. We pray that you would transform us by the power of the Spirit to reflect your light to those around us. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music

"Deep River/Shall We Gather At The River"

Piano Duet

Children's Time Video

Scripture Lesson

John 8:12-18

Message

"I AM...The Light of the World"

Pastor Keith, Preaching

**Closing Worship*

"I Want to Walk As A Child Of The Light"

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**Dismissal with Blessing*

**Postlude*

**Offering will not be collected by passing plates. If you brought tithes or offerings to give, there are tables with baskets and plates set around the sanctuary where you can bring your gift to.*

***Masks are to be worn at all times. If you cannot wear a mask because of a medical condition only remove it when you are 6 feet or more from others.*

***Pastors will remove his mask while leading worship and preaching when there is no one in the chancel area. This is to help in communicating.*

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation Classes will be held beginning Sunday, March 7th at 9:45 AM for youth in grades 8th through 12th interested in joining the church. Due to Covid-19, Pastor Keith is offering the option of confirmation via Zoom or in person. Please e-mail kdunn@bakerstownumc.org with your child's name and your preference for learning. Confirmation Sunday will be May 16th.

The Good Neighbor Update: Over 300 meals were provided through The Neighborhood Table in Sharpsburg and the Drive Thru Dinner for the Lighthouse in the month of February. The families receiving meals are so grateful! Some of their stories are heartbreaking. The need is great in all of our nearby communities. Here are a few ways you can help:

- During the month of March the mission team will be collecting jars of peanut butter for the Lighthouse Food Bank. Donations can be placed in the wooden bins next to the choir room.
- Volunteer to transport the donated peanut butter to the Lighthouse at the end of March. (bumcmteam@gmail.com)
- Volunteer to help with the Neighborhood Table in Sharpsburg or the Drive Thru Dinner.
- Volunteers are needed for the kitchen crews, the cleanup crews, the delivery to Sharpsburg crew, and for runners to take the meals from the narthex to waiting cars. (bumcmteam@gmail.com)
- Contact Heather Brown (hldbab@hotmail.com) and offer to provide a dessert for either meal.
- Contact Cindy Rice to help with the distribution of supplies to those who are homeless on the South Side. (crice@kta.com)
- Pray for those who have fallen on hard times.

Holy Week in a Box

BUMC is offering a fun way for your child to grow closer to God this Lent. "Holy Week in a Box" will provide an activity for everyday in Holy Week, which begins on March 28. You must register your child for their box (one per child) by Monday, March 15.

You can email Lora in the church office at lstafula@bakerstownumc.org, with the number of boxes needed.

Boxes will be available for pickup beginning Sunday, March 21st. Each box will be personalized and will have something for each day starting Palm Sunday.

Happy Birthday

02/28 John Cleary	03/03 Roman Mason
02/28 Paxton Lowell	03/03 Chase Rinker
02/28 Evan Marentay	03/04 Kurt Olson
02/29 David Zynn	03/05 Dorothy Cramer
03/03 Becky Kyle	03/06 Jim Werkmeister
03/03 Kristyn Robinson	

Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year!

The Day School will begin registration for the 2021-2022 school year in January. Due to Covid-19 we will not have an Open House this year.

Classes Offered for the 2021-2022 School Year:

Three Year Olds (Morning) Tues. & Thurs.	9:00-11:30 a.m.
3 Day Pre-K: (Morning) Mon., Wed. & Fri.	9:00-11:30 a.m.
3 Day Pre-K (Afternoon): Mod., Wed., Fri.	12:30-3:00 p.m.
4 Day Pre-K (Morning): Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.	9:00-11:30 a.m.
4 Day Pre-K (Afternoon): Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.	12:30-3:00 p.m.
Full Day Kindergarten: Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.	9:00- 3:00 p.m.

Families who are interested in finding out more information about the school should contact Kelly Campbell for more information. Email: director@bakerstownumc.org Call or text: (724) 272-6032



Our mission trip this year is open to the whole church congregation! Please sign up today in the Narthex or South Entrance. You can also visit <https://bakerstown-umc-missions.square.site/> to sign up. Click on Contact Us and scroll to the bottom of the page. The date for this year's trip is July 25-31, 2021. Location will be determined based on how many sign up. The cost is currently *estimated* at \$350 for adults and \$175 for youth.

We are still collecting and sending coupons for the troops and their families around the world. If you can cut-sort or bring them in, please put them in the box on the information center. Please contact Joyce Koval at 412-327-8890.

Audio Visual Ministry

We need a few people who are focused and reliable and like to work behind the scenes to help in this meaningful ministry. Training will be provided for those who are interested in running slides, sound, or cameras. Let Pastor Matt know by emailing him at mjscott@bakerstownumc.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GROUPS - MEETINGS - CLUBS - YOUTH - FELLOWSHIP

DIGging Deeper |Feb. 21 |Fellowship Hall |9:45am

DIGging Deeper will begin a study of 1 Corinthians. At the time he wrote this letter to the young church in Corinth, Paul had moved to Ephesus where he would spend the next three years. He had heard reports of several types of problems with the church; difficulty leaving behind their pagan ways and becoming separated into factions based upon leadership. Paul spends a good portion of the letter attempting to correct these behaviors. He also writes about the doctrines of Christianity. Today we find ourselves exposed to many of the behaviors Paul challenged the Corinthians to renounce. Factions exist in our denomination. 1 Corinthians is just as relevant now as in the 1st century. You are invited to join us either in person in New Fellowship Hall or by zoom as we spend 12 weeks digging deeper into 1 Corinthians

Day School Fundraiser! If you plan on buying Sarris for St. Patrick's Day, and/or Easter, please consider buying with this link to support the Bakerstown United Methodist Day School. Shipping is FREE and it will be delivered right to your door (there is a \$5 packaging & handling fee applied by Sarris, though). It's a pretty yummy deal! You can order online at www.sarriscandiesfundraising.com and use the organization name Bakerstown United Methodist Day School and Group Id 10-3713. Thank you for your support!

Our GriefShare Outreach Ministry begins NEW Weekly Meetings Wednesday, March 3rd, at 7:00pm

If you or someone you know is experiencing the loss of a loved one, we encourage you to please accept this as your personal invitation to join with us. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences so that you don't have to go through the grieving process alone. GriefShare is a highly recommended nationally known program of bereavement support groups that meet weekly and are led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. Our GriefShare program is led by Rev. Bill and Cathy Dambach, Marcia Shipley, Marge Kirkpatrick, Judy Moore, and Janet Pagniello.

We will begin a new series of weekly meetings starting on March 3rd through May 26th. This group meets every Wednesday evening in New Fellowship Hall, masks and social distancing required, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. GriefShare is a drop-in anytime group and open to anyone in the church or community. All are welcome.

The Neighborhood Table | Mar. 4 | Fellowship Hall

BUMC is continuing to partner with the Fox Chapel UMC to provide meals to the Sharpsburg Community.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the meal at BUMC starting at 2:30 PM. The meals are then transported to Sharpsburg and volunteers are needed there to help serve and clean up afterwards. This has been a very rewarding ministry so far, so please consider volunteering by calling Roger Cramer at 724-443-2847.

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28 8:30am Worship 9:45am Digging Deeper 11:00am Worship 6:00pm Ignite	1	2 7:00pm Acts Bible Study	3 9:00am Acts Bible Study 7:00pm Grief-Share	4 9:00am Women's Bible Study 2:30pm The Neighborhood Table Prep 7:00pm Rhythm of Grace Practice 7:15pm Glory Ringers Practice	5	6	7 8:30am Worship 9:45am Digging Deeper 11:00am Worship 6:00pm Ignite

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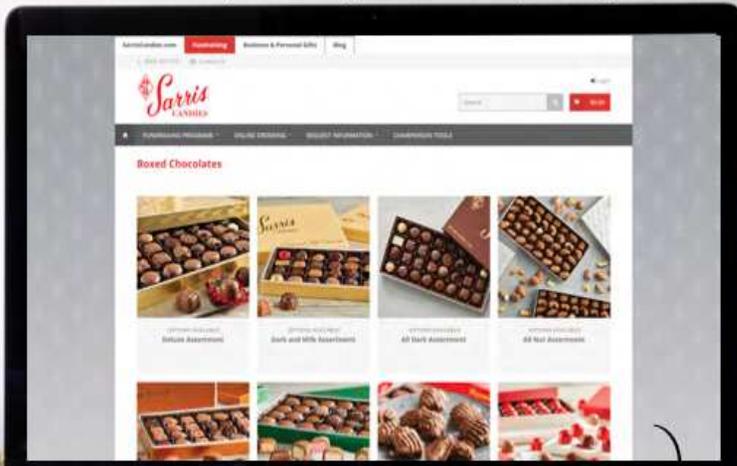
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Please complete below **exactly** as you want it to appear in the bulletins on Easter.

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 (Quantity)



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_____ Pot Mums x \$7.50 each = \$ _____
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by _____

Contact the church office with questions at 724-443-3184 or lstafura@bakerstownumc.org

You can help decorate the church for the Easter Season! Consider your purchase in memory of a loved one, to honor someone, or simply to the Glory of God this joyous season.

Fill out the form, and include with your payment. Place in the offering plate during worship service or give to the church office.

March 21st is the last day to order!