

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.*

November 15, 2020

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: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

Leader: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

**Opening Hymn*

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

#75 ~ 8:30am

"Joy of the Lord"

Rhythm of Grace

"You're Worthy of My Praise"

Rhythm of Grace

Opening Prayer ~ 8:30am

Merciful God, thank you for gathering us in your grace and love this day. Bless us with compassion and understanding, that we may be people of forgiveness and acceptance. Strengthen us with the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may be unified in mercy and grace for all. In Christ's mercy and grace, we pray. Amen!

Special Music ~ 8:30am

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Jocelyn Detar

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music

"Jesus Is A Rock In A Weary Land"

Glory Ringers ~ 8:30am

"Revelation Song"

Rhythm of Grace

Scripture Lesson

Colossians 3:12-17

Message

"Dress In Love"

Pastor Matt, Preaching

**Closing Hymn*

"Spirit Song"

#347 ~ 8:30am

"Holy Is The Lord"

Rhythm of Grace

**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.

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

Cry Room Update: beginning, Sunday, November 8th the cry room will be open during each service for one family to use on a first come first served basis.

In order to use it, you MUST contact the church office, by 10am on Thursday, lstafura@bakerstownumc.org or 724-443-3184, with the time you want for that Sunday. I will place a note with the family name and time on the outside of the door for that week. You are responsible for bringing your own toys, books etc. as we have taken everything out of there.

Local Mission News: Times are hard for many of our neighbors. The Neighborhood Table at the Roots of Faith ministry in Sharpsburg has seen increased demand. For the first time, our team did not have enough food prepared to meet the demand in November. The response to the Drive Thru Dinners we have sponsored for The Lighthouse has also revealed a great need in our community. In addition to continuing our support of TNT in Sharpsburg, the mission team is committed to serving a monthly meal for The Lighthouse beginning in January. Funds for the first year of this ministry will come from The New Endeavor Fund. What we need is a committed team (kitchen crew, clean-up crew, servers) for the DTD that can work in conjunction with TNT team. Our most significant need is someone to head up the kitchen crew. If the Lord is calling you to this new ministry in one capacity or another, please contact Carol Skolnik at cnikskol@gmail.com. As always, Thank you for your support!

Lighthouse Toy Bank Drive at Bakerstown UMC—Pick a paper ornament from the Christmas tree in the Narthex. Bring back an unwrapped gift back under the tree, with your paper tag attached **by December 6th**

The Toy Bank will be a little different this year! We will be hosting the Lighthouse Toy Bank on Saturday, December 12th 9:00 am-12:00 pm and 1:00pm-5pm and on Monday, December 14th from 9:00am—12:00pm and 1:00pm—4:00pm. Your donations are greatly appreciated. It allows families in need to receive presents for Christmas for their children. ***Look for the angel tree before Thanksgiving*** We are always in need of younger teenager gifts...some suggestions for them are make-up, jewelry, fishing rods and tackle boxes, hoodies (hooded sweatshirts), nerf toys, remote control helicopters/airplanes/cars, etc. ****The Lighthouse is also giving out \$25 gift cards for teenagers aged 16-18 this year, so if you would like to donate one, they'd appreciate it.**** Thank you so much for all of your support!

Happy Birthday

11/17 Fran Sutton
11/17 Patti Sworden
11/19 Julie Cramer
11/21 Kevin L. Staub
11/21 Larry Halliwell



Happy Anniversary

11/14/1969 Dean & Ellen Kelley
11/15/1986 Michael & Penny Fischetti

Bakerstown Book Club |Wednesday, November 18th, at 7:00pm at the church – masks and safe distancing required. The book that has been chosen to discuss is: The Key to Everything by Valerie Fraser Luesse. If you love to read, join us on November 18th, whether you've read the book or not. Please just come along and join us for food, fun, and fellowship. All "Book Lovers" are welcome!! There's always chocolate!!

Drive-Thru Pancake Breakfast— Saturday, Nov. 21st

Come to BUMC any time between **8:00 am and 10:00** and take home a great breakfast. Each breakfast will contain bacon, eggs, sausage, home-fries and your choice of blueberry, buckwheat, chocolate chip or plain pancakes. All of this for only \$5.00. Pull in, give your order to a smiling man and park and wait for the meal(s) to be delivered to your car. It cannot be any easier!

A Stitch and a Prayer Saturday, Nov. 21st |10am to 2pm| Old Fellowship Hall Sewing, knitting and crocheting blankets and prayer shawls for Linus Project, baptisms and ill in our church. Need help sorting, sewing, ironing, pinning, cutting.....all hands welcome. Bring a lunch!!!!

If you sew, crochet, or knit your talent can be used in making quilts for Project Linus, shawls for shut-ins or even lap robes for people in nursing homes. If you are not able to join us when we meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 10-2, please contact Louise Himes, Mary Pouchot or Marge Kirkpatrick if you have questions regarding how you can help.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GROUPS - MEETINGS - CLUBS - YOUTH - FELLOWSHIP

The Redemption of the Grinch – and Us!
An Advent Bible Study
Sundays at 9:45 A.M. in the Large Fellowship Hall
November 29; December 6, 13 and 20, 2020

If you have not heard yet, Pastor Alyce loves the Grinch! Since she was a little girl, “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” has been her favorite Christmas special. Someone once asked her how such a nice person could love the mean, old Grinch. Her answer was, “It’s the end of the story that matters. We all want to be judged by the end of our story and not the beginning!”

She is inviting you to explore with her important biblical/faith themes that arise in the beloved story:

November 29: Bitterness
 December 6: Revenge/Sin
 December 13: Forgiveness/Transformation
 December 20: Reconciliation

Of course, we’ll watch some clips from the original classic – and Pastor Alyce is planning to wear some of her Grinch attire to inspire you to love the Grinch, too!

Operation Christmas Child: A project of Samaritan’s Purse

OCC helps children aged 2-12 who are suffering due to disease, war, famine or natural disasters where they live. Our donations show these children as well as their families, friends and neighbors the joy of the love of God. After these gifts are received many lives are changed...new disciples of Jesus Christ.

Only a few days remain for you to bring your gifts to church. Remember you are invited to our packing party on Friday, November the 20th at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Coupons: We are still collecting coupons to send to our troops. We need your help collecting, sorting and cutting. Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Koval, 412-327-8890

Hanging of the Greens, Friday, November 27th at 4:00pm We would like to welcome everyone to help trim the church for the coming Christmas season. We need men to assemble the trees and others who enjoy decorating. Come on out and have fun decorating and fellowshiping with others.

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
15 8:30am Worship 10:00am Digging Deeper 11:00am Worship 6:00pm Ignite	16	17 7:00pm Acts Bible Study	18 9:00am Acts Bible Study 7:00pm Grief-share 7:00pm Zoom Church Council 7:00pm Book Club	19 9:00am Women’s Bible Study 7:00pm Rhythm of Grace Practice	20 5:30pm OCC Packing Party	21 8:00am Drive Thru Pancake Breakfast 10:00am A Stitch and A Prayer	22 8:30am Worship 10:00am Digging Deeper 11:00am Worship 6:00pm Ignite

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
Wednesday, November 25th at 7:30pm

Come and give thanks to God for his Goodness!

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service will look a little different this year. While there will be no distribution of apples or choir singing, we will have our Praise Band and our Bell Choir presenting music.

We will be following the same COVID-19 guidelines.



Church council has decided that we will have bulletins available during the Advent and Christmas Season.

Special Advent and Christmas Bulletins are available to purchase and sponsor. Please contact the Church Office at 724-443-3184.

November 29.....	\$15
December 6.....	\$15
December 13.....	\$15
December 20.....	\$15
December 27	\$17
Epiphany-January 3	\$17

O In Honor of: _____

O In Memory of: _____

O To the Glory of God: _____

By _____

Poinsettia Order Form—Deadline Dec. 6

YOU can help decorate the church for the Advent Season, and enjoy your flowers for Christmas! 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 below, and include with your payment. Place in the offering plate during worship service or give to the church office. You may also mail in your order form through **December 6th**. Checks should be made payable to Bakerstown UMC with Poinsettia in the memo line

COST—10.00 each, 6 inch pots, with five to eight flowers

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please complete below **how you would like it to appear** in the bulletins on December 20th and 24th.

Please order me: (mark the amount on the line)

___ **Red** x 10.00 = _____

___ **White** x 10.00 = _____

___ **Marble** x 10.00 = _____

☐ Given in loving memory of... _____

☐ *Given in honor of... _____

☐ *Given to the Glory of God _____

By _____