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Sunday School Classes (9:45-10:45am)

All are welcome!

Adult Small Groups

Women at the Well | *Library*

Digging Deeper | *Wesley Room*

Jr. High/Sr. High | *Lower Education Wing*

Upper Elementary | *Lower Education Wing*

Lower Elementary & Preschool | *Upper Education Wing*

Nursery (available both services and Sunday School hour | *Upper Education Wing*

Nursery is available for infants and children up to 4 years old

Children's Church | is held during the 11am service for any child Pre-K (4 years)– 2nd grade. Children will be dismissed after the children's moment.

Welcome! We appreciate you joining us for Sunday worship at Bakerstown United Methodist. As our church family celebrates the Birth of the Savior, we hope you experience God's presence and love in our midst. If it is your first time here, please let us know. We have a small gift to give you as a welcome to our church.

December 29, 2019 8:30am & 11:00am Worship Service

Readers: 8:30am - _____ 11:00am - _____

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Proclamation

Leader: On this morning, we are reminded that Jesus came

People: **He came to proclaim peace**

Peace to those where were far away

And peace to those who are near;

For through Jesus, all of us have access by the Spirit.

The Spirit of peace, that leads us to the Father. (Ephesians 2:17-18, ALT)

**Opening Worship*

"Love Came Down At Christmas"

#242 ~ 8:30am

"What Child Is This"

Rhythm of Grace

Opening Prayer

Strengthen me, O God,

by the grace of your Holy Spirit.

Strengthen my inner-most being,

and empty my heart of all useless care and anguish.

O Lord, grant me heavenly wisdom,

that I may learn to seek and to find you above all things,

to relish and to love you above all things,

and to think of all other things

as being subject to your wisdom. *Amen*

(St. Thomas A Kempis)

Time with Children

The Offertory

Offering of Our Tithes, Time and Lives

"All My Hope is In Jesus"

Rhythm of Grace ~ 11:00am

**The Doxology & Prayer of Dedication*

Sharing of Concerns & Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Faith ~ 8:30am

"What Child is This"

#219

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Ministry of Music

"O Come and See The Baby"

Sanctuary Choir ~ 8:30am

"Home By Another Way"

Pastor Luke ~ 11:00am

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:13-23

Message

"Seemingly Fragile"

Pastor Luke, Preaching

**Closing Hymn*

"All My Hope is Firmly Grounded"

#132 ~ 8:30am

"All My Hope Is In Jesus"

Rhythm of Grace

**Dismissal with Blessing*

**Postlude*

*The advent bulletin covers are given in loving memory of
my parents, Samuel & Betty Jean Davis; my sister, Susan Fetzick;
& brother, Tim Davis, by Chris Negley*

Happy Birthday

NEWSLETTER

Now available in the
Narthex & South
Entrance

12/30 Loretta Irwin
12/30 Alyce Weaver Dunn
12/31 Jerry Miller
01/02 Ray Wilson
01/04 Nathan Humenik

The Neighborhood Table | Jan. 2 | N.F. 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.

Women at the Well Sunday Morning Small Group – Beginning Sunday, January 5th, we will be starting a New Discussion Series:

“Seeing Ourselves as God Sees Us”. Women at the Well is a very informal women’s discussion group, meeting in the Library, 10:00am to 10:50am on Sunday mornings. Bring your coffee or tea and drop in any time for some fun, fellowship, and good discussion. Any and all women are invited to attend. We hope to see you there!

NEW Thursday Morning Women’s Bible Study Jan. 9th at 9am.

Come join with us as we start a brand new Bible study - Psalm 23: The Shepherd With Me by Jennifer Rothschild.

“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.” Many women know Psalm 23 by heart but haven’t experienced its power in their lives. This beloved psalm can breathe new life into us, as it gives confidence in the Shepherd of our lives.

In this 7-session study, we will gain fresh insight and encouragement from Psalm 23. We will explore the depths of God’s compassionate care for us and learn that we can trust the Shepherd’s goodness throughout each season of life.

Please come join us for this 7 week study as we grow together in God’s Word. Sign up at the Information Desk. Study Guides are \$14.00.

Kingdom Kids | Friday, January 10th | New Fellowship Hall

- The program will run the 2nd Friday of the month from 6:00-8:30pm
- All children 4 years old to 5th grade are welcome to participate
- Children do NOT need to be members of Bakerstown UMC to attend!
- All registrations are due the Sunday before the date of Kingdom kids.

If you would like information on the KINGDOM KIDS program, please contact Rachel at rwhipple@bakerstownumc.org or 724-443-3184

GriefShare Outreach Ministry 2020 Winter/Spring Schedule

We will meet once a month this winter - January 15th and February 19th at 7pm.

NEW weekly meetings begin March 4th through May 27th, Wednesday evenings from 7:00pm till 8:30pm in the Wesley Room.

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. Our GriefShare program is co-led by Rev. Bill Dambach, Marcia Shipley, Marge Kirkpatrick and Janet Pagniello. GriefShare is a drop-in anytime group and open to anyone in the church or community. All are welcome.



Day School Open House!

Sunday, January 26 we open our doors to the church and public to visit our day school, meet our teachers and see our beautiful learning spaces. Current day school families will also be here to talk with you and share their perspective on our school. We have a special preview time for church members at 12:00 p.m. We will open our

doors to the public at 12:30 until 2:30 p.m. Registration for the 2019/2020 school year will accepted. Please stop by; we’d love to see you! Please spread the word to families looking for classes for children aged 2 up through Kindergarten! More information about the day school can be found on the website at www.bakerstownumc.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GROUPS - MEETINGS - CLUBS - YOUTH - FELLOWSHIP



Once again we are going to have the offering envelopes for 2020 available in the narthex. If you have any questions, you can always call me. Kay Cramer, Financial Secretary 724-443-2847.

***This is a reminder from Financial Secretary, Kay Cramer: *** Contributions for the year 2019 will be accepted until Sunday, January 5, 2020. All checks must be dated for 2019 and in Kay Cramer's hand by Sunday, January 5, 2020. If you have any questions, please give Kay a call at 724-443-2847. ***



I will be out of the office December 20th - January 1st.. I will return to the office on Thursday, January 2nd. Lora Stafura ~ Office Administrator

Bible study for parents with young children| Tuesday, January, 7th & 21st |6:15-7:30 pm | Wesley Room Come join us bi-weekly for fellowship, encouragement and small group discussion at our new Bible study geared toward parents of young children. There is no time commitment-come as you are and as you can. Childcare will be provided. If you are interested in attending or have any questions please contact Katie Lowell at klowell33@gmail.com or 412-760-2682.

Men's Bible Study/Fellowship| Jan. 13 & 27 6:30-8:00pm | New Fellowship Hall

All Men (and boys) of BUMC are welcome to attend the Grub-n-Stuff dinner and Bible Study.

No homework or studying needed. Just bring your appetite, a dish to share (if able), and plan to join in whatever we choose to discuss that night.

This group meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month. Dinner starts at 6:30 and we will have you out the door at 8:00 pm.


Prime Timers | Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 11:30am | New Fellowship Hall

This fun group meets for food, fun and fellowship! Anyone interested in joining this group, bring a pot luck dish to share and a big appetite. We will be playing games and just having a great time. This group is open to anyone in the congregation or community.



Wednesday, January 15th from 6-8pm Join us at the McDonald's near Wal-Mart for McTeachers night! Our Day School will make 20% on ALL sales that night. No flyer necessary. Come and see some of the teachers serving that night!

There is no Jeremiah bible study on Tuesday, December 31st or Wednesday, January 1st. We will return on Tuesday, January 8th at 7:00pm and Wednesday, January 9th at 9:00am

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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