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For the kingdom of heaven is
like a landowner who went out
early in the morning to hire
labourers for his vineyard.

Matthew 20:1



Welcome to Buncombe Street United Methodist Church. You may find additional information at either of the Information Centers or on our website at www.bsumc.com. One center is in the office lobby by Sisk Hall, and the other center is in the main lobby just behind the Sanctuary. The centers are open before and after each of the worship services. Information about Sunday school is available at each center. If you would like to become a member of our church family, contact Stacy Phillips in the church office at 864-371-6084. We are happy to help you find your place here!

8:45AM & 11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (SANCTUARY) 8:45AM & 11:00AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP (SISK HALL) 10:00AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Parking Lot Greeters

Mike Bolton, Van Price, Bill Mulligan, John Neil, Hubert Yarborough, Bill Parker, Cindy Parker, Jim Barnes, Nate Manning

Information Desk

10:00 AM Judy Brown
11:00 AM Donna Styles

Ushers

8:45 AM Ken Troutman, Steve Thrailkill, Dottie Pittman, Joel Brandon
11:00 AM Chip Fogleman, Jim Bannister, David Koontz

Offering Tellers

David Stevenson, Chuck Turlington, Burke Royster

Offering Steward

8:45 AM Susan Sowell
11:00 AM Bates Kennedy

Crucifer

8:45 AM Mary Kathryn Moyd
11:00 AM Gracie Patat

Acolytes

8:45 AM Cameron Daniels, Casey Daniels
11:00 AM Emme Patat, Ellis Welborn

Children's Nursery

BSUMC's nursery, staffed by paid, trained, & caring employees, depends on church member volunteers to assist in each room during each of the services. Contact Gayle Quay (gayle.quay@bsumc.com, 864-371-6089).

ONLINE GIVING

Manage your *giving to God* through the church. Visit the church website and click the Online Giving tab.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Give God what's right, not what's left.



Your will is the proper place to name the guardians for your children should both parents die while the children are still minors. Pick their guardians yourself, rather than leaving this decision to the courts, as will happen if you do not have properly drawn legal documents. When creating a will, it is also a good time to remember your church. For more information about **BSUMC's Endowment Fund**, contact Julia Sibley-Jones (803-414-3275; julia.sibley-jones@bsumc.com), or visit the church website.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

Total Worship Attendance.....857
Sunday School Attendance.....705
Wednesday Evening Attendance 101

HOSPITAL LIST

Dick Crooks — St. Francis, Downtown

Joanne Holsombeck — St. Francis, Eastside
"Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them..." James 5:13-14

THIS WEEK AT BSUMC

Sunday, September 24, 2017

10:00 AM Confirmation Class (217)
2:00 PM Bus Driver Training (102)
5:15 PM Confirmation Class (217)
5:15 PM K5-2nd Grade Celebration Choir (Choir)
5:15 PM Sprouts (210)

Monday, September 25, 2017

10:00 AM Worship Staff (115)
12:00 PM Emmanuel's Hammer Board (102)
12:00 PM Ministries Leadership Team (217)
4:00 PM Rushingbrook Children's Choir (Choir Room)
6:00 PM Finance Committee (102)
6:00 PM Men's Basketball (Drake)
6:15 PM Rushingbrook Singers (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM Church Council (Truluck)

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

9:30 AM Well-Balanced for Seniors (Drake)
10:30 AM CDC Chapel (Memorial Chapel)
11:00 AM Foster Family Support Group (115)
12:00 PM Jonah Study (217)
1:15 PM Well-Balanced for Seniors (Drake)
6:00 PM Bus Driver Training (102)
6:00 PM Foster Family Support Group (115)
6:30 PM Contemporary Worship Rehearsal (Sisk)
6:30 PM The Protestant Reformation (301)
7:00 PM Young Adults Dinner (One Plaza)
8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (217)

Wednesday, September 27, 2017

9:45 AM CDC 3K Music (Choir Room)
10:30 AM CDC 4K Music (Choir Room)
2:00 PM Blood Drive (Orders Parlor)
2:00 PM Staff Book Study (Orders Parlor)
4:00 PM Pastor's Bible Study (Truluck)
5:30 PM Carillon Choir (Handbell)
6:00 PM 3rd-5th Grade Joyful Noise Choir (Choir)
6:00 PM Circles Community Team (115)
6:15 PM 3s/4s Music and Games (LL09)
6:15 PM K/5 - 2nd Grade Bible Study (209)
6:30 PM 3rd-5th Grade Bible Study (213)
6:45 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, September 28, 2017

8:30 AM Website Committee (217)
9:30 AM Well-Balanced for Seniors (Drake)
10:00 AM A Broken Way Study (215)
1:15 PM Well-Balanced for Seniors (Drake)
4:00 PM Rushingbrook Children's Choir (Choir Room)

Friday, September 29, 2017

4:00 PM CDC Afterschool Music (Choir Room)
4:00 PM Upstate Fall Handbell Festival (Sisk)
8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous (217)

Saturday, September 30, 2017

7:30 AM Upstate Fall Handbell Festival (Various)
10:00 AM Pickleball (Drake)
4:00 PM Worship Set-Up (Sisk)

To learn more about future events planned at BSUMC, visit our website at www.bsumc.com and click on the calendar link.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT B-STREET SEPTEMBER 27, 2017 MENU

Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Biscuits, Cheeseburger Soup, & Cookies. Hamburgers for the Children. Servers: Communion Class.

NEW MEMBERS

During the 8:45 AM contemporary worship service, we are welcoming into membership **Beverly Clapp, Brandy & Christopher Dunne, Kimberly & Wes Few, with Evans Few, Thomas Few, & MacRae Few, and Suzie & Eric Kuhn.**

During the 11:00 AM traditional worship service, we are welcoming into membership **Robyn Jennings & Caroline Jennings.**

COMMUNITY NEWS

Youth basketball registration wraps up **today**. Visit **PlayatBstreet.com** (www.playatbstreet.com) to register.

Bus Driver Training will be conducted **today** in Room 102 from 2:00 to 5:00 PM, and on **Tuesday, September 26**, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. Training is required of any staff or church member before being authorized to drive the church busses. Attendance at only one of the classes is necessary, and a valid S.C. driver's license is required to take the course.

Blood donors are needed! Please answer the call to save lives by **donating blood** on **Wednesday, September 27**, from 2:00 PM until 7:00 PM in Orders Parlor at the church. To preregister, contact the church office by phone or email (selena.tucker@bsumc.com; 864-232-7341).

Take a step to change a life with **United Ministries' Transformation Walk** on **Sunday, October 1**, at Fluor Field. During the walk the **Sprouts** will put their faith into action and walk the three mile route that many individuals take when seeking assistance from agencies in Greenville. Each of the Sprouts will raise funds for the event. Please support their efforts. Visit the United Ministries website to join the BSUMC team (<https://united-ministries.org>).

A class for **parents of children to be baptized** at BSUMC in the coming months will be offered on **Sunday, October 1**, at 6:00 PM in Room 114. Childcare will be provided. If you have not attended a baptism class in the past, we encourage participation in order to understand the meaning, purpose, and practice of baptism in the United Methodist Church. Contact Stacy Phillips (864-371-6084) to register for this one-hour meeting.

Homes of Hope will host their **13th Annual Golf Classic** on **October 9** at the Green Valley Country Club. The four-person Captain's Choice format includes plenty of prizes plus breakfast, lunch, and dinner. For information, including registration, visit their website (www.homesofhope.org/golf-tournament).

The **Youth Fall Retreat** will be held at Awanita Valley from **October 13 to 15**. With a goal of filling 100 spots, invite your church and school friends! Registration will be open until **October 1**. The cost is \$140. Visit the church website to register (www.bsumc.info/youth-retreat).

Come learn the art of **bread making** from one of the best! Join Barbara Black, the "Bread Lady" from Mom's Kitchen, for one class at the Downtown campus on **Thursday, October 5**, from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM, or one class at the Trinity campus on **Sunday, October 8**, from 6:00 until 8:00 PM. The cost is \$10 per class, and the class size is limited to 20 participants per class. Contact Tom Buchanan to register (864-373-6461), or visit the church website (www.bsumc.info/class).

A **Flu Shot Clinic** will be held in Orders Parlor at the Downtown Campus on **Tuesday, October 17**, from 9:00 until 11:00 AM. The vaccine cost is \$25, or free to anyone holding a Medicare card. Please call the church office to register (864-232-7341).

BSUMC's Annual Fall Festival will be on **Wednesday, October 25**, from 5:30 to 7:15 PM. There will be plenty of food, games, inflatables, and prizes with Sunday school classes, youth, and other groups manning game booths offering plenty of fun. Come dressed in your favorite Halloween costume and participate in the costume parade. Admission is \$5 per child, which includes all of the games and slides. Boy Scout Troop 9 will prepare their annual Hot Dog supper (\$5 for one hot dog; \$6 for two hot dogs, and \$4 for children).

Our **Trinity Campus** needs weekly volunteers to assist Stephanie Horowitz, our Children's Ministry Associate, with **nursery and Sunday school**. Prayerfully consider serving our babies and children in this way. Contact Stephanie in the church office (stephanie.horowitz@bsumc.com; 864-371-6104).

Men's softball begins this fall. Contact Chris Price to join the team (chrislp10@gmail.com).

8:45AM & 11:00AM TRADITIONAL SERVICES

As you begin your worship, you are invited to study the bulletin for persons and activities to include in your silent prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. Remember the volunteers and staff members who make our corporate action possible: ushers, acolytes, custodial and support staff, musicians, clergy, and yourself, so that in our common worship, God may be glorified.

PRELUDE

GREETING

CHIMING THE HOUR

VOLUNTARY

Andante Cantabile

Haydn

We ask for your prayerful silence during the Voluntary as you prepare your hearts for worship.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

UMH 731

The cross symbolizes the Gospel message, Christ crucified and risen.

Fire and light are Biblical symbols for the presence of God, here present with his people.

*COLLECT OF THE DAY

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*PSALTER

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him,

and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the Lord and his strength;

continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done,

his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

O offspring of Abraham his servant,

O children of Jacob his chosen.

He led out his people with silver and gold;

in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

Egypt was glad of their going,

because they were afraid of them.

He spread out a cloud for a covering

and a fire to give light in the night season.

They asked, and quails appeared,

and he satisfied them with bread from heaven.

He opened the rock, and water flowed,

so the river ran in the dry places.

For God remembered his holy word

and Abraham his servant.

So he led forth his people with gladness,

his chosen with shouts of joy.

He gave his people the lands of the nations,

and they took the fruit of others' toil,

that they might keep his statutes

and observe his laws.

Hallelujah!

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Pew Bible, OT p. 861

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

KIDS.COMM (11:00 AM)

*kids.Comm is for children K5/6 through 2nd grade and is held in Memorial Chapel.
Parents meet their children in the Chapel following the service.*

*OFFERTORY HYMN There's a Wideness in God's Mercy UMH 121

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Aria Phillips

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANTHEM

Grace Early American Melody/arr. Hayes

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found; I once was blind, but now I see.
Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and that same grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear the hour when I first believed.
Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already safely come.
This grace hath brought me safe thus far, and surely grace will lead me home. I shall go home.
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, the glorious sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than since the day we first begun.*

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 20:1-16 Pew Bible, NT pp. 21-22

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Unconventional Economics”

Dr. Howell

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed UMH 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

