

We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.
August 20, 2023 9:30 AM Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude *People Need The Lord* Nelson/McHugh

Words of Welcome Rev. Amy B. Gregory
 Lords Acre Fair News

Call to Worship By Beth Merrill Neel

We see light, hope, and joy
We bring heart, soul, mind, and body;
 We share blessings and fears;
We bring faith and doubt.
 With all that we are and all that we have,
let us worship God.

***Hymn** *Jesus Calls Us (vs. 1-3)* UMH #398

Prayer by Young Adult Volunteers from the Church of Scotland

Loving God, You know me through and through.
You know my hopes, my fears,
the things that get me going, and those that make me freeze.
Give me the courage to put my anxious, fearful thoughts and
feelings aside, to listen to You.
And to get out of the boat, my eyes fixed always on You.
Amen

Anthem *Come, Emmanuel* Paris

Sacrament of Holy Baptism Insert
 Malcom James Hichman, child of Tiffany Coons and Mark Hichman

Scripture Reading Matthew 14: 22-33

Message "Water Walkers" Rev. Amy B. Gregory

Response Song *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* UMH #474

***Invitation to Generosity: Offering Our Gifts and Our Thanks**

Offertory *Pass It On* Kaiser

***Singing Our Praises** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song *Lord, Have Mercy* Lim

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

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.

***Hymn** *Stand By Me (vs. 1-3)* UMH #512

***Benediction**

Postlude *Blest Be the Dear Uniting Love* Havergal

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
Sunday, August 20	Malcolm James Hichman Baptism
9:30 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Set up tents and booths for LAF
Wednesday, August 21	
8:30 AM	Fix-its
5:30 PM	Preschool Picnic
7:00 PM	AA
7:00 PM	Pub Theology at Pizza Works
Thursday, August 24	
9:15 AM	Seekers
Sunday, August 27	
8:45 AM	Choir Practice
9:30 AM	Worship

Please join us for Punch on the Patio, after the service hosted by the Seekers Study Group.

*To find out the latest event information, please regularly check the **Events Calendar on our website at www.nybhumc.com**. The calendar is constantly updated. To add something your group would like to share, please fill out a Calendar Request Form located in the Main Office or email us at burnthillsumc@gmail.com. to have one forwarded to you.*

Prayers Needed?

We will be collecting prayer cards during the offering.
 If you would like your prayer request forwarded to the Prayer Chain, please remember to check the appropriate box on the card.

*You are invited to stand as you are able or comfortable

Welcome

- **Welcome to worship!** If you are new, please fill out a welcome card found in the pews, if you'd like to receive more information. Thank you for coming to spend part of your Sunday with us. We hope you experience a sense of God's love and grace here today.
- Summer church office hours: Monday-Thursday between 10:00-12:00.
- **Sunday School** is on break until September, we'll see you then! There will **not** be youth programming during church services this summer, however of course feel free to come to church and stay for the service, young friends! There will be a Young Disciples Time most weeks and activity bags are available to use during the service. **Children are always welcome in worship!**
- The **Nursery will be open for your use this summer but not staffed.** A changing table is in the bathroom near the sanctuary. An usher can point it out to you.

Announcements

- The beautiful flowers on the altar are from the **celebration of Delores Benson's life** yesterday.
- A reminder that Summer Choir will sing next **Sunday, August 27**; singers will meet in the **choir loft at 8:45**. The Chancel Choir will begin weekly rehearsals on **Thursday, September 14**, meeting in the loft at **7:00 pm**. Singing in the choir not only helps the singer worship, it helps others worship. Please consider singing with us. Peter Van Keuren
- Last year, during the Lord's Acre Fair, many visitors went to our food pantry shelves to access our free food. We are so grateful that people took the food but this was unexpected and we were not well prepared. We are asking you to donate **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD** during August so that we are better able to help our hungry neighbors. Let's really stock the shelves so that it is obvious that this church is all about helping others. Thank you for being generous. The Outreach Commission
- **The Lord's Acre Fair is September 8 and 9!** Donations accepted August 21st-September 4th.
- **Sunday School needs YOU!** We will have some wonderful groups of kids to share the Word with and we can't do it without volunteers!!!! Sunday School runs from mid-to-late September to early June, during the 10:30 Worship Service time (after Young Disciple's Time to the end of the service). **Please email jafstgela@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering and if you have particular preferences (teacher, '2nd adult' helper, and/or substitute).** EVEN IF YOU'VE VOLUNTEERED IN THE PAST AND WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE, LET ME KNOW AS I DO NEED CONFIRMATION OF THIS. Without you, Sunday School cannot occur. Thank you!!!!

- If you are interested in having your youth attend Sunday School at BHUMC during the upcoming 2023-24 year, please **scan the QR code and complete the student registration code for each of your youth.** We have not yet determined grade-level teachers, so this is to get a view of youth numbers and gather their necessary information. **If you have any questions please reach out to Jodi Facticeau-St. Gelais or to the Pastors!** We understand that some youth may not be available to attend Sunday School every Sunday -- **and that's okay!** Please fill out the registration form so we have student/family information, so if/when you DO attend, we have the student info and also we can keep you in the loop for special events throughout the year!



Save the Date

- **Confirmation classes are forming now for the fall.** Students entering **8th grade and above** are welcome. We will need **2 leaders** as well as **mentors** to pair up with the youth. Please contact Cathy Bryson, catbryson@aol.com, or Robyn in the office to sign up.
- **Saturday, September 23, 10 AM – 2 PM** - Community Rummage sale and Savory Soups at Charlton Freehold Church, 768 Charlton Rd., Charlton. Need to make some space – get rid of things you don't use? Put up your items for sale to become somebody else's treasure. Rent a table and space for \$15.00. For information or to make a reservation: Call **518-399-2873** or email: office@charltonfreehold.org
- **Saturday, October 7**, Fall Festival at Charlton Freehold Presbyterian Church, 768 Charlton Rd., Charlton. **Wanted:** Crafters, vendors, anyone interested in participating in this event. Indoor and outdoor spaces available. For application: call 518-399-2681 or email office@charltonfreehold.org

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BHUMC Welcome Statement

At Burnt Hills UMC, we aspire to be a community of grace and unconditional love, where all people will find hospitality, compassion and mercy. We seek to welcome all on the journey, to grow together in faith and to go out to serve the world. We welcome people of any age, culture, race, nationality, ability, marital status, economic status, sexual orientation and gender identity, as full participants in the life of our congregation. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to be part of Jesus' movement of love and justice for all of God's children. All are welcome to worship, grow and serve with us.

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