



## Easter Offering 2023

## Announcements

- **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.
- Are you interested in learning more about BHUMC and the United Methodist Church? Are you interested in joining the church? There will be a **New Member Conversation on April 30th** after both worship services. **Opportunity to join during worship on May 7th.** Not crazy about standing up front? Speak to the pastors. Quiet joining is an option too :) **New Member Celebration Coffee Hour on May 7th.**
- The celebration of Easter continues for a season as we hear the stories of the ways that Jesus continues to be with his followers. **Join us next Sunday for "Breakfast on the Beach!"**
- Join us for an **Earth Day Fair during Coffee Hour on April 23.** Learn about ways to care for the environment and celebrate the wonderful gift of creation that is entrusted to us.

### Save the date:

- **April 30 United Methodist Camp Sunday**—hear about this wonderful ministry and sign up for summer camp!
- **May 14 Mother's Day service.** Our youth will lead us.
- **May 21 Music Sunday one service at 10:30am** Celebrate and be inspired by the music ministry of BHUMC.
- **June 11** The Social Justice Action Group is organizing our participation in **Capital Pride in Albany.** Join us as we extend a warm welcome to all of God's beloved children. Watch for more details!
- The **Phil Grigsby Memorial Crop Hunger Walk** is scheduled for **Sunday, May 7.** The BHUMC will be walking as a group. You can donate or sign up to walk by visiting [crophungerwalk.org](http://crophungerwalk.org).
- The **BH-BL Women's Club** is having a games and card party fundraiser on **Saturday, April 22 from 12:00-4:00 pm** in Knight Hall. **\$20.00 per person includes a table reservation, lunch, beverage and dessert.** To reserve a table call Pat at 518-399-5990 or email [bhblwomensclub@gmail.com](mailto:bhblwomensclub@gmail.com) or text 518-441-2450.
- The BH-BL High School is hosting a **Senior Community Prom on Saturday, April 29 from 5:30-8:30pm** in the high school cafeteria. Dinner buffet will be provided and **admission is free.** Please **RSVP by April 21** to Tom Diacetis, 518-399-9141 x 83304 or [tdiacetis@bhbl.org](mailto:tdiacetis@bhbl.org).

This year's Easter Offering continues our tradition to give it all away for the benefit of others in our community and beyond. We will share the offering with these four groups or agencies.

For more than 100 years **Red Bird Missions** has been helping the people of the Appalachian mountain area. The Mission has a K-12 Christian school, dental and medical clinics, job training, parenting classes, senior citizen programs, kids sports teams, food distribution, day care and many other programs.

The new **Chacocente Scholars' Program;** For years we made donations to Project Chacocente, helping people who lived in the Managua City Dump (Nicaragua) relocate to a community built on nearby farmland. Farming techniques were taught, buildings constructed and a school was created. Two years ago the Nicaraguan government took over the community school, equipment, farmland and well, and we could no longer donate money to the Chacocente community. The school has recently reopened under government control. A new program has been created by people who formerly worked with the Chacocente community to support scholars directly. By donating to this new program, we can provide children with school supplies, uniforms, shoes, school registration and tuition fees, and transportation. Adult scholars can receive funds to cover vocational training or college tuition and supplies. With this new program, we can continue to help these people who are trying to improve their lives.

**The Guardian House**, shelter for homeless women veterans, is planning to expand their facility by building two duplexes on their property for housing homeless women veterans and their children. Our church has agreed to work with the Presbyterian New England Church of Saratoga to raise money and help build a playground for the children living there.

Local food pantries including **Schenectady Community Ministries and Life Works Community Action** in Ballston Spa.

Thank you for your kind and generous hearts.

The Outreach Commission

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**Easter Sunday  
April 9, 2023**



### **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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