

**We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.**

**February 2, 2025 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM 4th Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Prelude** *O God, Who Shaped Creation* Wood

**Welcome** Rev. Ian Carlos Urriola

**\*Call to Worship** Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries

Children of God, we come to worship today with expectations: how we expect to feel, what we expect to experience, songs we expect to sing, or prayers we expect to pray. We find comfort in the familiar.

**We come to worship, expecting God to meet us here.**

Sometimes what feels familiar grows stale. We stop noticing the power of our prayers. We hear but don't listen to the Word. We sing without letting the music seep into our hearts.

Yet, God is still here, moving and working among us.

**We come to worship, expecting God to meet us here.**

We may meet God in a familiar voice speaking a hard word, in a song we love that pierces our hearts, in a prayer that we receive in a new way. Because God is here, moving and working among us.

**We come to worship, expecting God to meet us here.**

Children of God, come! Let us worship, ready to embrace God's Word already at work among us, even when we are challenged to recognize God in the familiar and unfamiliar alike.

**We come to worship, expecting God to meet us here.**

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**\*Hymn** *How Shall They Hear the Word of God* UMH # 649

**Prayer** Written by John van de Laar and posted on Sacredise.com.

**In a cynical and despairing world, O God, give us a quietly prophetic voice to proclaim your hope. In a violent and angry world, O God, give us a quietly prophetic voice to proclaim your peace. In a dismissive and disinterested world, O God, give us a quietly prophetic voice to proclaim your compassion. In a lonely and inhospitable world, O God, give us a quietly prophetic voice to proclaim your love. In a grieving and weeping world, O God, give us a quietly prophetic voice to proclaim your joy. May we be so captivated by your hope, O God, that we cannot help but to whisper, to sing, and to enact, the message of your reign which is always coming into our world; And may our quietly prophetic lives be channels of your restoring grace wherever we may go. Amen.**

**Anthem** *The First Song of Isaiah* Isaiah 12:2-6/ White

*\* You are invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

**Song** *Jesus Loves Me* (vs. 1) UMH #191

**A Time for Young Disciples**

**Song** *Jesus Loves Me* (vs. 1) UMH #191

**Scripture Reading** Luke 4:14-21

**Message** Some Homecoming Pastor Ian

**Hymn** *Lead Me, Lord* (sung twice) UMH # 473

**Invitation to Generosity: Offering our Gifts, Tithes and our Thanks**

**Offertory** *The Lone, Wild Bird* McFayden/Haugen/Walker

**\*Singing Our Praises** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise God, all creatures here below:**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Prayer Song** *There's a Song* Hanson

**Pastoral Prayer** Rev. Amy B. Gregory

**The Lord's Prayer** (in your heart language) 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.**

**\*Sending Hymn** *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* UMH # 438

**\*Benediction**

**Choral Benediction** *Blessing* Sleeth

**\*Postlude** *Morning Glory, Starlit Sky* UMH # 194

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
<b>Sunday, February 2</b>	
9:00 AM	Worship
9:45 AM	Youth Choir
10:30 AM	Worship
11:30 AM	Voices of Hope
<b>Monday, February 3</b>	
9:30 AM	Earlybirds/Fireside Room
6:00 PM	Troop #3892/Knight Hall
6:45 PM	Troop #2169/Upstairs
<b>Tuesday, February 4</b>	
10:00 AM	Meditation/Senior High room
7:00 PM	Troop #56/Knight Hall
<b>Wednesday, February 5</b>	
8:30 AM	Fixits
9:30 AM	Explorers/Fireside Room
6:00 PM	Troop #3910/Upstairs
7:00 PM	AA meeting/Fireside Room
7:00 PM	Table Talk/Pizza Works
<b>Thursday, February 6</b>	
9:15 AM	Seekers/Knight Hall
10:30 AM	BH-BL Women's Club Board/Fireside Room
7:00 PM	Choir rehearsal
<b>Friday, February 7</b>	
<b>Saturday, February 8</b>	
8:00 AM	BH-BL Women's Club/Knight Hall
8:00 AM	Preschool/Kitchen
<b>Sunday, February 9</b>	
9:00 AM	Worship
9:45 AM	Youth Choir
10:30 AM	Worship
11:30 AM	Voices Of Hope

Please join us for Coffee Hour after the service hosted by The SPRC

## 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.

## Announcements

- Congratulations are in order for our Associate Pastor, Ian, for receiving his license as a local pastor from the Upper New York Annual Conference and the Albany District Committee on Ministry! We're grateful for his ministry among us and celebrate with him as he now "officially" has transitioned from lay to clergy status.
- Please join us for a weekly meditation group every **Tuesday from 10:00-11:30 am in the senior high room** hosted by Marilyn Stoner.
- **We are recruiting ushers for 2025!** If you are interested in being an usher, please sign up with sign up genius or contact Sue Hennessey or Brenda Little. 
- **Special K will be collecting baby supplies and toiletries for Young Parents United through the month of February.** This is a wonderful organization that helps young families find apartments and jobs and offers classes in parenting and finance. They do anything they can to help these parents become successful. We will be collecting size five and six diapers, baby wash, baby wipes, diaper rash ointment and for adults shampoo/ conditioner, toothpaste, deodorant and soap. A bin will be in Knight Hall near the Outreach/ Social Justice bulletin boards. We would love your help in providing these much needed items. Thank you for your kind generosity.
- **Jane Coffey's memorial service** will be Saturday, February 15 at 1 pm, with a reception following in Knight Hall. Please come celebrate Jane's life.
- **February 9th will be Camp Sunday** with guest speaker Robyn Vernon from Skye Farm Camp and Retreat Center. The 2025 summer camp schedule is online at [skyefarmcamp.org](http://skyefarmcamp.org). Camperships are available for all campers.
- Save the date for the **next Family Fun Night! February 9th: Super Bowl Sunday**- details soon!
- **Our balcony tech team needs more members!** Are you interested in learning how to run tech for Sunday's stream? Let Charles or the pastors know. Tech training date to be announced soon.

## PRAY for California

As countless families and communities face the overwhelming aftermath of these wildfires, UMCOR is supporting the efforts of conference disaster response ministries across the region. Evacuees are receiving food and other essential supplies. Trained volunteers are preparing to assist where it is safe to do so.

Pray for all those impacted by this disaster, as well as first responders and volunteers. The road to recovery will be long, but together, we can bring hope and healing.



Please use the special offering envelopes in the pews marked "UMCOR Disaster" or give online through Vanco and choose

### Our Ministry Today

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# Burnt Hills

## United Methodist Church

### February 2, 2025



**Nathan Coley. *There will be no Miracles Here, 2007–09*, Electric lights, scaffolding, Dimensions variable, Scottish National Gallery Of Modern Art**

### 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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