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The Methodist

Burnt Hills UMC News

January, 2024

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New Member Interest Meetings

*Sun. Jan. 7 after 10:30am service &
Sun. Jan. 14 after 9:00am service*

Join the pastors for a casual conversation about what it means to join the church. This will be a very relaxed time where any and all questions you may have are welcomed and encouraged!

Men's Breakfast

Sat. Jan. 6 at 8:00am — Knight Hall

Caregiver Support Group

Sat. Jan. 6 at 10:30am — Fireside Room

Are you the caregiver for a family member or friend? Do you know of someone who is having difficulties with caregiving? It helps to talk to other who are going through the same experiences. All who are interested are welcome.

Soup Kitchen Prep

*Sun. Jan. 21 after 10:30am service and/or
Mon. Jan. 22 at 10:00am — Church Kitchen*

Our Soup Kitchen Team is looking for new volunteers to provide ingredients, help prepare a meal, and help serve lunch to those in need at the Salvation Army of Schenectady. Sign up by Friday, Jan. 19 on the bulletin board by Knight Hall.

Family Dinner & Game Night

Sun. Jan. 21 at 4:00pm — Knight Hall

Calling all families with school-age children! Bring a dish to share and stop by for trivia, games, and an all-around good time.

BHUM Preschool Open House

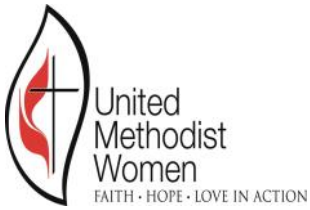
Sat. Jan. 27 at 10:00am-12:00pm

Community Education: Shelters of Saratoga

Sun. Jan. 28 at 12:00pm — Knight Hall

Burnt Hills UMC's Social Justice Action Group (SJAG) will welcome Jessie Thompson, House Manager for Shelters of Saratoga. Come learn how we all can be part of the solution—helping to provide safety, shelter, and dignity.

Deadline for articles for the February Methodist is January 15. Please submit your articles to Robyn @ burnthillsumc@gmail.com



United Methodist Women

UMW Circles are groups who meet monthly during the school year for fellowship and a variety of projects or programs. All gatherings are open and welcoming. Please feel free to join in whenever your schedule allows. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Rogers at 518-399-8629.

TUESDAY CONNECTION CIRCLE will meet on **Tuesday, January 9 at 9:30 am** in the Fireside room. We will be making Valentines for the Glendale Home.

SPECIAL K will meet on **Monday, January 22 at 2:00 pm** in the Fireside room for popcorn and a movie matinee.

Studies for Adults: Please join us!

- **Early Birds** with Pastor Amy, meets **Mondays at 9:30 am** in the Fireside room.
- **Explorer’s Bible Study** with Pastor Brendan, meets **Wednesdays 9:30 am** in the Fireside Room. The group views a 30 minute video about the bible and then talks about it. No homework, no additional reading. Just come, learn and share.
- **Seekers: Sisters in Christ**, ongoing study meets **Thursdays at 9:15 am** in Knight Hall.

BHUMC Council Meetings

Church Council meets once a month on the **third Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in Knight Hall**, with an option to join live online via Zoom—a hybrid meeting. All church members are invited to attend and participate. Contact April Hicks, Council Chair, at BHUMC_Council@gmail.com for the Zoom link for any given month, or to be added to the standing invitation email distribution list. **The next meeting is Monday, January 15 at 7:00 pm.**

Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch will be meeting at The Glenville Queen on **Friday, January 26**. Contact Carol Borthwick (399-5405) or Lynn Christie (399-8838) if you would like to attend.

Men’s Breakfast

Men’s Breakfast will be on **January 6 at 8:00 am in Knight Hall**. Men of all ages are invited. Come and meet other people of the church and share good food and fellowship. Hope to see you there!



Save the Date!

Save the Date for the BHUMC Women’s Retreat on **April 19-20, 2024** at Christ the King Center in Greenwich, New York. Stay tuned for more information, and visit ctkcenter.org or scan the QR code to see the beautiful facility where the retreat will be taking place.



Soup Kitchen



Soup Kitchen will be a week later this month due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Please sign up and bring all ingredients by **Friday, January 19**. (If you make a different plan, please put a notation on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside Knight Hall. It saves us duplicating ingredients.) We will be making the soup after 2nd service on **January 21**. We will leave the church the following day at **10 AM** to serve at Salvation Army in Schenectady. Looking for new people to prep and serve. Lots of fun and feels good to help others. Further info: Libby Horn, 518-698-4043 or Terry Pranys, 518-256-8476.

Caregiver Support Group



Are you the caregiver for a family member or friend? Do you know of someone who is having difficulties with caregiving? It helps to talk to others who are going through the same experiences. This group is open to both church members and non-church members.

The next Caregiver Support Group meeting will be **Saturday, January 6, at 10:30 am** in the Fireside Room. The caregivers who attend this support group are in all stages of caregiving from just taking care of a loved one in their own apartment or house to those dealing with hospice in nursing homes. Diane Skibinski is the facilitator and can be reached at dskibins@gmail.com or 518-423-2887 for any questions.

Office News

A current directory is available in the mailbox outside the church office.

If you know of a place we could donate outdated copies of **The Upper Room** and **Our Daily Bread**, please let Robyn know.

Membership

Sadly, we have lost contact with several of our members: Christopher Oakes, Bryce Kaler, William Marley, Patricia Hoffman, and Carly, Tommy, or Janice Urbanski. If you have any information that can be shared with the church office, it would be greatly appreciated.

Code Blue Shelter of Saratoga

During the winter months, Saratoga opens a shelter on very cold nights at 120 South Broadway. They are in need of volunteers to serve dinner from **5:30-7:00 pm**. The church is collecting gloves and mittens for residents of the shelter. There is a box in the narthex and a box under the mailboxes.

For those interested in **donating directly** to the shelter, they are in need of the following items: Granola bars/protein bars, individually packaged snacks, powdered drink mixes, condiments; peanut butter, jelly, coffee, powdered coffee creamer, sugar and Stewart's gift cards. Donations of goods will be accepted at 120 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs (center building). They can be brought in any day from 5:00-9:00 pm.

For more information or to get involved, visit www.sheltersofsaratoga.org or contact Shelters of Saratoga directly at 518-581-1097 or info@sheltersofsaratoga.org, or scan the QR code.



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BHUMC Preschool



We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and is excited for the New Year!

Our preschool friends had a wonderful Christmas celebration. We concluded the month with our nativity program. Each class had the opportunity to retell the Christmas story, with some help from our wonderful pastors and then joined voices with our friends and families to sing Christmas carols. We would like to thank Robyn Axon, Nick Amani, Pete VanKeuren, Mary Jo Farrell, Holly Rogers, Pastor Brendan and Pastor Amy for helping us make our program a success.

Coming up in January we will be learning about seasons, Martin Luther King Jr, polar animals, hibernation, as well as celebrating our friend Lil's birthday.

**BHUM Preschool 2024/25
OPEN HOUSE
Saturday, January 27th 2024
10 am - Noon**



Contact Stephanie Tope
518-466-6566 or
Bhumpreschool@gmail.com



BHUMC INVITES YOU TO

DINNER & GAME NIGHT

*Calling all
young families!*

**Sun.
Jan. 21**

Knight Hall

Bring a dish to share.
Stay for Trivia, Games,
and Fun!

Questions, Call or Text Katharine (518)536-0216
Email katharinemweis@gmail.com



For the most up-to-date calendar, check our webpage at www.nybhunc.com. Want to add something to the master calendar? Email burnthillsumc@gmail.com or call the office at 518-399-5144.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day Office Closed No Earlybirds	2 7:00pm Scouts/KH 6:30pm SPRC/ Fireside	3 8:30am Fix-its 9:30am Explorers 5:30pm Scouts/ KH 6:00pm Scouts 7:00pm AA 7:00pm PT/Pizza Works	4 9:15am Seekers 10:30am BH-BL Women's Club 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	5	6 8:00am Men's breakfast 10:30am Caregiver's Support meeting
7 9:00am Worship 9:45am Youth Choir 10:30am Worship 11:30am VOH 3:30pm Scouts	8 9:30pm Earlybirds 12:00pm BH-BL Women's Club Luncheon 5:30pm Scouts 6:30pm Scouts 6:45pm Scouts	9 9:30am Tuesday Connections 7:00pm Scouts/KH	10 8:30 am Fix-its 9:30 am Explorers 6:00 pm Saratoga Voices/Sanctuary 7:00 pm AA 7:00 pm PT/Pizza Works	11 9:15am Seekers 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	12	13 11:00am Birthday Party/KH
14 9:00am Worship 10:30am Worship 3:00 pm Birthday party/KH 3:00 pm Scouts 3:30pm Scouts	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day No Early birds 6:30pm Church Council/KH	16 1:00pm BH-BL Book Club 7:00pm Scouts/KH 7:00 pm Trustees	17 8:30am Fix-its 9:30am Explorers 6:00pm Scouts 6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm AA 7:00pm PT/Pizza Works	18 9:15am Seekers 6:00pm Scouts 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	19 12:00pm Setup for Game Day	20 9:00am BH-BL Women's Club Game day
21 9:00am Worship 9:45am Youth Choir 10:30am Worship 11:30am VOH 11:30am Prepare meal for SK 12:00pm Pageant rehearsal 3:00pm Scouts 3:30pm Scouts 4:00 pm Family game day	22 9:30am Earlybirds 10:00am Serve lunch at SK 2:00pm Special K 5:30pm Scouts 6:00pm Scouts 6:30pm Scouts 6:45pm Scouts	23 7:00pm Scouts/KH	24 8:30am Fix-its 9:30am Explorers 7:00pm AA 7:00pm Pub Theology/Pizza Works	25 9:15am Seekers 6:00pm Scouts 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	26	27 9:00am BH-BL Women's Club Game day—Snow Day
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