

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

**March 16, 2025      9:00 AM and 10:30 AM      Second Sunday in Lent**

**Prelude**      *The God of Abraham Praise*      Hebrew melody

**Words of Welcome**      Rev. Amy B. Gregory

**\*Call to Worship**      Psalm 63, adapted  
 Your steadfast love, O Lord, is better than life.  
**Therefore our lips will praise you.**  
**We will bless you as long as we live.**  
**We will lift up our hands and call on your name.**  
 For you have been our help  
**and in your presence we sing for joy.**

**\*Hymn**      *Where Charity and Love Prevail*      UMH #549

**Opening Prayer**      Saint Patrick  
 Christ be with us, Christ before us, Christ behind us,  
 Christ in us, Christ beneath us, Christ above us,  
 Christ on our right, Christ on our left,  
 Christ where we lie, Christ where we sit, Christ where we arise,  
 Christ in the heart of every one who thinks of us,  
 Christ in every eye that sees us,  
 Christ in every ear that hears us.  
**Salvation is of the Lord,**  
**Salvation is of the Christ,**  
**May your salvation, O Lord, be ever with us.**

**Anthem**      9:00 am *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* American folk hymn  
 10:30 am *Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow*  
 Sparrow-Simpson, arr. Helvey

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

**Time for Young Disciples**

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

**Scripture Reading**      Mark 12:28–31

**Message**      Wesleyan Rooted: Love Actively      Pastor Amy

**Response Hymn**      *Jesu, Jesu vs. 1–3*      UMH #432

**Invitation to Generosity: Offering our Gifts and our Thanks to God**

**Offertory**      9:00 am *In His Time*      Ball  
 10:30 am *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley* American folk hymn

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

**\*Singing Our Praises**      *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*      UMH #95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 praise God, all creatures here below:  
 praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
 praise thou our Source, Christ, Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

**Prayer Song**      *Gentle Shepherd*      Gaither

**Pastoral Prayer**      Pastor Ian

**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**      *A Charge to Keep I have*      UMH #413

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**      *God Leads Us Along*      Young

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

**Thank you to our worship leaders today:**

**Ushers**

9:00am: Mary Jo Farrell  
 10:30 am: Nancy Bianco and Karen Lathrop

**Next week, March 23**

Scott Bryson  
 Jack and Deb Whitehead

**Balcony Tech**

Pete Farrell      Steve Skibinski

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Sunday, March 16**

9:00 AM      Worship  
 9:45 AM      Youth Choir  
 10:00 AM      BHUMC 101 Class/FS  
 10:30 AM      Worship  
 11:30 AM      Voices of Hope Choir  
 11:30 AM      BHUMC 101 Class/FS  
 11:30 AM      Prepare meal for SK  
 4:00 PM      Family Fun night

**Monday, March 17**

9:30 AM      Earlybirds  
 10:00 AM      Serve lunch at SK  
 6:45 PM      Troop #2169/Upstairs  
 7:00 PM      Church Council/KH

**Tuesday, March 18**

10:00 AM      Meditation/Senior High room  
 1:00 PM      BH-BL Book Club/FS  
 5:00 PM      Daisy Troop/Upstairs  
 7:00 PM      Troop #56/Upstairs  
 7:00 PM      Trustees mtg./FS

**Wednesday, March 19**

8:30 AM      Fixits  
 9:30AM      Explorers/Fireside Room  
 6:00 PM      Troop #3910/Upstairs  
 7:00 PM      AA meeting/Fireside Room  
 7:00 PM      The Land is Not our Own/Contact Pastor Ian  
 for location  
 7:30 PM      Meditation/SH room

**Thursday, March 20**

9:15 AM      Seekers/Knight Hall  
 7:00 PM      Choir rehearsal

**Friday, March 21**

6:00 PM      Party/KH

**Saturday, March 22**

12:00 PM      Troop #2424/KH

**Sunday, March 23**

9:00 AM      Worship  
 9:45 AM      Youth Choir  
 10:00 AM      BHUMC 101 Class/FS  
 10:30 AM      Worship  
 11:30 AM      Voices of Hope Choir  
 11:30 AM      BHUMC 101 Class/FS

**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

- **Second class today after both services in the Fireside Room.** When we become a member of Burnt Hills UMC, we promise to support the Church with our **prayers**, our **presence**, our **gifts**, our **service**, and our **witness**. But what exactly does this entail? Our pastors and some of our leadership team will be facilitating a **Burnt Hills UMC 101** class at **10 a.m.** and **11:30 a.m.** on **March Sundays** to talk about exactly that! Whether you've been attending our church for a while and are thinking about joining or you've been a member for years and years, these 30-minute classes are sure to have something for you to deepen your faith and connection to this community of faith. This BHUMC 101 class will also serve as a "New Members Class". New members will be received on **Palm Sunday, April 13**. For more information, contact Pastor Ian.
- Throughout the seasons of Lent and Easter, Pastor Ian will be facilitating a weekly class in conjunction with our Social Justice Action Group called **The Land is Not Our Own: Seeking Repair Alongside Indigenous Communities**. This class will gather at 7pm on Wednesday March 19, April 2, April 16, April 23, May 7, and May 14 at a local restaurant for fellowship and study. Utilizing material from Sarah Augustine's *The Land is Not Empty: Following Jesus in Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery* and Joy Harjo's *Living Nations Living Words: An Anthology of First People's Poetry*, this small group process lays a foundation of trust and relationship, so that together participants can acknowledge injustice, honor the interconnectedness of all Creation, and seek healing, repair, and hope alongside Indigenous communities. **To sign up for this class, contact Pastor Ian or sign up on the bulletin board outside of Knight Hall.**
- Join us on **today, at 11:30** to make lunch for the Soup Kitchen and help us serve lunch tomorrow. We leave the church at **10:00 am**. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside Knight Hall or call the church office. Wear green for St. Patrick's Day!
- **We are recruiting ushers for 2025!** If you are interested in being an usher, please scan the QR code to sign up with sign up genius or contact Sue Hennessey or Brenda Little.



Contact Katharine Weis or Orion Marchese for more information.



**Would you like to be on the prayer chain?** Email coordinator Cat Jenkins, [prayer.bhumc@gmail.com](mailto:prayer.bhumc@gmail.com) or contact the church office at 518-399-5144 or [burnthillsumc@gmail.com](mailto:burnthillsumc@gmail.com)



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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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