

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

March 17, 20249:00 AM and 10:30 AM5th Sunday in Lent“The Three Essential Prayers: Wow”

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

Prelude Here I Am, Lord Schutte, arr. Van Keuren

Words of Welcome Rev. Amy Gregory

***Call to Worship** from the Iona Community Worship Book
Wild Goose Publications

In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began,
God was.
Here and now among us, beside us, enlisting the people of earth for the purposes of heaven,
God is.
In the future, when we have turned to dust, and all we know has found its fulfillment,
God will be.
Not denying the world but delighting in it,
not understanding the world, but redeeming it,
through Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit,
God was, God is, God will be.

***Opening Hymn** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee UMH #89

Prayer of Invocation (Source: Words4Worship)

**God of awe and of great mystery,
creator of immensity yet lover of the small and fragile,
be especially present and real to us in this time of worship.
For so readily do we look past you,
taking the sacred nature of life for granted,
that we need clear reminders and soulful awakenings.
Spirit, come, focus our vision, renew our minds in the way and being of Christ. Amen.**

Anthem 9:00 am - My Jesus, I Love Thee Gordon
10:30 am - No Wonder They Call Him Savior Wells/Harris

Over the Aisle Prayer -from Praying with the Earth: A Prayerbook for Peace, by John Philip Newell

**May the angels of light
glisten for us this day.**
May the sparks of God’s beauty
dance in the eyes of those we love.
**May the universe
be on fire with Presence for us this day.**
May the new sun’s rising

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

grace us with gratitude.
**Let earth’s greenness shine
and its waters breathe with Spirit.**
Let heaven’s winds stir the soil of our soul
and fresh awakenings rise within us.
**May the mighty angels of light
glisten in all things this day.**
May they summon us to reverence,
may they call us to life.

Song Jesus Loves Me (Verse 1) UMH #191

Young Disciples Time

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Scripture Reading Psalm 29

Message “The Three Essential Prayers: Wow” Rev. Amy B. Gregory

Song My Life Flows On TFWS #2212

Invitation to Generosity: Offering our Gifts, our Tithes and our Pledges

Offertory 9:00 am - O Love, How Deep English melody
10:30 am - Daniel Spiritual, arr. Miller, adapt. Van Keuren

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song Lord, I Lift Your Name on High Founds

Pastoral Prayer

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.

***Sending Hymn** Marching to Zion UMH #733

***Benediction**

Postlude Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone Shepherd/Allen

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
Sunday, March 17	
9:00 AM	Worship
10:00 AM	Youth Choir
10:30 AM	Worship
11:30 AM	Voices of Hope
11:30 AM	Prepare meal for Soup Kitchen
12:00 PM	Confirmation Class
4:00 PM	Open Mic March Potluck/KH
Monday, March 18	
9:30 AM	Earlybirds
10:00 AM	Serve lunch at Soup Kitchen
7:30 PM	Church Council—Zoom only
Tuesday, March 19	
1:00 PM	BH-BL Book Club
7:00 PM	Trustee Meeting
Wednesday, March 20	
8:30 AM	Fix-its
9:30 AM	Explorers
7:00 PM	Lent Experience/KH
7:00 PM	AA/Fireside Room
7:00 PM	Table Talk/Pizzaworks
Thursday, March 21	
9:15 AM	Seekers/KH
5:00 PM	Playgroup/Classroom
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, March 22	
10:00 AM	Lent Experience/Fireside Room
12:00 PM	Red Cross Blood Drive/KH
12:00 PM	Lunch Bunch at Fo’Castles
Saturday, March 23	
12:00 AM	Birthday Party/KH
Sunday, March 24/Palm Sunday	
9:00 AM	Worship
10:00 AM	Youth Choir and Voices of Hope
10:30 AM	Worship
11:45 AM	Easter Egg Hunt

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

Announcements

- **HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY** 🍀
Our Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner last Saturday was a tremendous Success. **We raised over \$1400.00!** Thanks go to all who contributed in any way to achieve this goal as we invited the community into our church for delicious food and fellowship. Blessings and joy to all.
- This year, our **Easter Offering** will be given to UMCOR. **Easter Sunday and UMCOR Sunday are both in March.** This year we are taking one offering-our Easter Offering--and designating it for UMCOR Sunday. For any who are moved to **make a donation to the Easter Offering you may send a check to the church office, use one of the Easter offering envelopes in the pews, please mark all checks "Easter Offering" in the memo line or you may give electronically through our Vanco.**
- **Save the Date!** Schenectady Inner City Ministry (SICM) will once again sponsor the **Phil Grigbsy Memorial CROP HUNGER WALK on Sunday, May 5th** with registration beginning at noon and the **WALK step off that begins at 1:00 PM.** Be on the watch for a bulletin board in our Church that will provide more information.



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LENT, HOLY WEEK & EASTER AT BHUMC

Sermon Mini-Series based on Anne Lamott's book Help, Thanks, Wow: The Three Essential Prayers

March 3: Help
March 10: Thanks
March 17: Wow

March 24, Palm Sunday

9:00am Worship with palms to take home.
10:30am Worship with palms to take home. Children and Youth choirs

March 24, Free Community Easter Egg Hunt

11:45am Rain or shine! (inside if the weather is bad) Bring a friend!

March 28, Maundy Thursday

6:00pm Worship with Holy Communion remembering The Last Supper
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

Sunday 10:30am worship
livestreams on
YouTube: Burnt Hills UMC videos

March 29, Good Friday

7:00pm Contemplative Service remembering Jesus' last hours

March 31, Easter Sunday

Celebration of Resurrection and New Life Festive Music with Trinity Brass

9:00am Worship
10:30am Worship with Children's Message and Easter puppet visitor

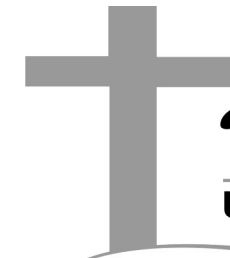
Child care is available during both worship services.

Visit our new Family Room and stay awhile. Worship streamed on TV. Toys for the kiddos and coffemaker for the adults. Comfy couches. You are welcome!

Please join us any Sunday after both services for coffee and conversation in Knight Hall.

Our Ministry Today

Lead Pastor: Amy Gregory
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March 17, 2024



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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