

We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.
March 22, 2026 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Fifth Sunday in Lent

Prelude *Jesus, You Are The New Day* Damon

Words of Welcome Rev. Ian Carlos Urriola-Schonewolf

***Call to Worship** Adapted from The Abingdon Worship Annual 2009

We Out of the depths of despair,
 we cry to you, O God.
**We are lost in a world
 of pain and suffering.**
 When we put our trust in weapons of war,
we find no peace.
 When we put our faith in our own resources,
we feel the ache of our true needs.
 When we put our hope in the health of our bodies,
we suffer pain and find no healing.
 Come to us, O God.
 Forgive our doubts and fears.
**Heal our brokenness,
 that we may rejoice in your steadfast love. Amen.**

***Hymn** *Out of the Depths* UMH #2136

Prayer Ruth C. Duck

**God of mercy, we come to you dry and lifeless, seeking your breath
 of life. Lead us to the place where our hopes lie buried and call us
 out from the tombs of despair. Call forth our faith that, with Martha,
 we may know you to be the resurrection and the life, in this world
 and the world to come. Amen.**

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Anthem 9:00 *Sacred Road* Lanz/Van Keuren
 10:30 *Garden Hymn* Southern Folk Hymn

Song *Jesus Loves Me (Verse 1)* UMH #191

A Time for Young Disciples

Song *Jesus Loves Me (Verse 1)* UMH #191

*Young friends, preschool through high school age are invited to Sunday
 School! Follow the crowd :)*

Scripture Reading John 9: 1-41

Message “He Whom You Love” Pastor Ian

Response Hymn *Come, O Thou Traveler Unknown (vs. 1, 2, & 4)*
 UMH #386

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

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

Offertory *Can This Be?* Weston

***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 hosts;
 Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns Rev. Amy B. Gregory

Prayer Song *Christ Beside Me* Trad. Gaelic melody

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Amy

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** *Are Ye Able (vs 1, 3, & 4)* UMH #530

***Benediction** Pastor Ian

Postlude *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed* Anonymous

Thank you to our worship leaders today:

Ushers, March 22

9:00 am Mary Polikoski
 10:30 am Linda Faulkner/
 Rhody Streeter

Next week, March 29

Mary Jo Farrell
 Rhody Streeter/
 Sue Hennessy

Balcony Tech

Steve Skibinski Pete Farrell

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 22 **5th Sunday in Lent**
 9:00 AM Worship
 9:45 AM Youth Choir
 10:30 AM Worship
 11:30 AM Voices of Hope Choir
 2:00 PM Daniel Huh Concert/Sanctuary

Monday, March 23
 9:30 AM Earlybirds/Fireside Room
 2:00 PM Special K/Fireside Room

Tuesday, March 24
 10:00 AM Meditation/Sparkle Room
 6:30 PM Finance Meeting/Fireside Room

Wednesday, March 25
 No Explorer’s this week
 8:30 AM Fixits
 6:00 PM Lenten Program/Knight Hall
 7:00 PM AA meeting/Fireside Room
 7:00 PM Social Justice Pollinator Meeting/Upstairs

Thursday, March 26
 9:15 AM Seekers Book Study/Knight Hall
 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal/Loft

Friday, March 27
 12:00 PM Lunch Bunch/ Maxon’s American Grill
 6:30 PM Book Signing—Liberty’s Prison/Knight Hall

Sunday, March 29 **Palm Sunday**
 9:00 AM Worship
 10:00 AM Youth Choir & Voices of Hope Choir
 10:30 AM Worship
 12:00 PM Community Egg Hunt

*To find out the latest event information, you can check the
Events Calendar on our website at www.nybhumc.com,
 which is continually updated. To add something your group
 would like to share, or if you have a meeting change or
 cancellation, please email us at burnthillsumc@gmail.com.*

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.

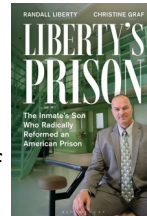
Announcements

- **Explorers will not meet this week.** We will resume our Crash Course on the Academic Study of Religion on **Wednesday, April 1 at 9:30am!**
- **EAT, PRAY, LOVE Lenten program is being offered Wednesdays, 6-7:30pm, in Knight Hall during March.** Join us for a time to gather for food, contemplation, and sharing love with our hurting world. **All ages are welcome! Come as you are able, no sign up needed.**
- **Piano Concert by Daniel Huh TODAY!** Daniel, a senior at Skidmore and former youth choir accompanist, is giving a **free classical piano concert** at our church **today at 2 pm in the Sanctuary. Everyone is warmly invited! A free will offering for Encore! Community Musical Theatre Camp is gratefully accepted.**

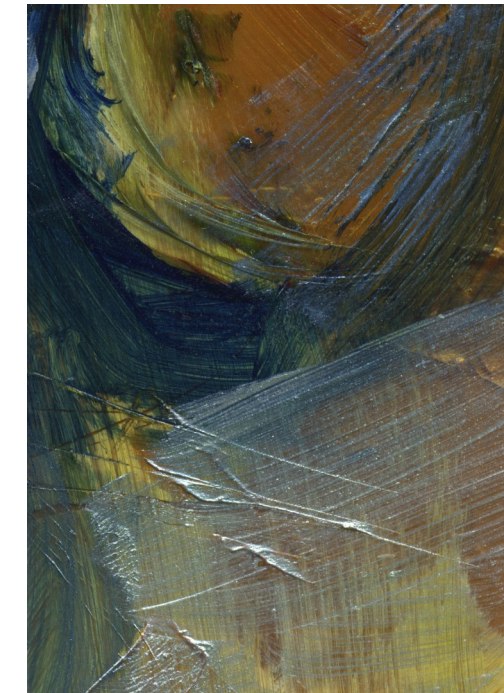
The repertoire he's playing next Sunday is as follows:

1. Bach: Partita BWV 826 in C Minor - I. Sinfonia
2. Haydn: Sonata in A Major Hob. XVI:26
3. Ravel: Jeux d'eau
4. Chopin Ballade No.4 in F Minor, Op.52
5. Kapustin Concert Etudes Op.40 No.2- Reverie and No.1-Prelude
6. Brahms Intermezzo Op. 118 No.2

- **Literary Expression & Social Justice In Action: Liberty's Prison.** Book signing and opportunity to meet local **Co-author, Chris Graf, Friday, March 27, 6:30-8:30 pm.** Chris, a BHUMC member, will share her inspiration for this recently released book, sign books, and answer questions. This book tells Randy Liberty's story, how he was able to break free from generational incarceration and poverty to achieve redemption and a life filled with purpose by forging a radical shift from traditional models of incarceration, which focuses on rehabilitation, redemption, de-stigmatization, and humanization.



March 22, 2026



Rise Up, Lazarus (Death Has No Power Here)
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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.

- **Special offering for March is UMCOR** (United Methodist Committee on Relief), which underwrites UMCOR's administrative costs allowing them to use 100% of funds given to **humanitarian response and recovery efforts directly to communities in need.** These gifts ensure UMCOR can respond swiftly to disasters around the world for the most vulnerable. **Please use UMCOR Sunday envelopes found in the pews.**
- **2026 Easter Offering:** This year's Easter Offering will support **UMCOR** in giving aid during domestic disasters. This year's flooding and hurricane season have caused widespread damage. With the changing weather patterns there is sure to be more calls for help.
Our other Easter Offering emphasizes food insecurity. The **Regional Food Bank and food pantries** in Galway, Lifeworks Community Action in Ballston Spa and the **Sycamore connective, formerly SICM,** will receive monetary donations. A new organization we are supporting is **Raindrops Closet for Homeless Families.** Your generosity helps **so many people.**
Please use the Easter Offering envelopes found in the pews or give online and choose "Easter Offering".
- **Our food pantry is in need of the following items this week:** cereal, shelf stable milk, mayonnaise, mustard, pasta, peanut butter crackers, tuna, and canned chicken.



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HOLY WEEK & EASTER

at Burnt Hills United Methodist Church

<p>Palm Sunday March 29</p> <p>9am & 10:30am Worship with Palms to take home Special music & Youth Choirs (10:30am)</p> <p>Noon Easter Egg Hunt for all! New: <i>At-Your-Own-Pace Egg Hunt</i> also available Please invite your friends for the fun!</p> <p>Maundy Thursday April 2nd</p> <p>6pm Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion remembering The Last Supper</p>	<p>Good Friday April 3rd</p> <p>noon-3pm Contemplative Time Open time to remember Jesus' last hours Taizé music</p> <p>Easter Sunday April 5th</p> <p>9am Easter Worship Celebration of the Resurrection and New Life Special music & brass trio</p> <p>10:30am Easter Worship Celebration of the Resurrection and New Life Brass trio Children's time with puppet friend</p>
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