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PANCAKE SUPPER

**TUESDAY,
MARCH 4
4:30-6:30PM**

FREE
Food
Pantry
donations
welcomed

**PANCAKES /SAUSAGE/
VEGGIE SAUSAGE/
& REAL MAPLE SYRUP!!**

**ASH WEDNESDAY STATION:
IMPOSITION OF ASHES OR
TAKE OUT "ASHES TO GO"
GLITTER ASHES AVAILABLE TOO**



Burnt Hills United Methodist Church
816 Route 50 Burnt Hills, NY 12027

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

Ash Wednesday

Lent, the period of 40 days preceding the festival of Easter, begins with the observance of Ash Wednesday. This year, Ash Wednesday is on **Wednesday, March 5**. At Burnt Hills UMC, we will not be having a worship service for Ash Wednesday, but there are a number of local United Methodist congregations that are holding Ash Wednesday services that we would encourage you to visit to observe this day. **Calvary UMC in Latham** (15 Ridge Pl, Latham 12110) will have an Ash Wednesday service **at 7pm** and **First UMC: Schenectady** will be participating in an ecumenical Ash Wednesday service **at Emmanuel Friedens Church** (218 Nott Terrace, Schenectady 12307) **at 7pm**. Whether you attend a service at one of these churches or another area congregation, we pray and hope that you have a meaningful start to your Lenten season.

Christmas Offering

Thank you all for your gifts to the Christmas offering. The total contribution was \$5738. Amazing! Our financial support of \$1500 was given to Schenectady Community Ministries (formerly SICM). Chacocente Scholars and Guardian House playground each received \$500. Captain / CHS, our local community help organization, was given \$700. RISSE was given \$900. It is a terrible time for refugees and immigrants. Financial support was also given to three local food pantries: Life Works in Ballston Spa and Rensselaer UMC each received \$500. Sycamore (formerly SICM Food Pantry) received \$638.

You are a very kind and generous congregation. We turn away from fear and hate and reach out to people in desperate situations who are all God's children.

UMCOR SUNDAY –March 30, 2025

The UMCOR Sunday offering underwrites UMCOR's administrative costs. This offering allows UMCOR to use 100% of all 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 and as a source of hope and healing for those left most vulnerable. Please give online or use the special envelope during worship. Thank you for your generosity!

Please share your gifts!

We are looking for some help with the following ministries:

2025 Ushers: would you like to greet people, hand out bulletins, collect the offering and a few other tasks on Sunday morning? Please contact the office to let them know when you are available and which service or use the sign up sheets in the hallway or scan the QR code.



Memorial Committee Scholarships

College around the corner? **We urge high school seniors to apply for Memorial Committee scholarships now.** Applications are available in the church office.

You may also call the church office at (518) 399-5144 and ask for an application to be mailed to you or go to the Church website: nybhmc.com and click on "more" to download the cover letter and application.

The deadline for submission is May 12.

Lynn Christie



Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

We are pleased to be able to put on our Corned Beef and Cabbage Community Dinner again this year. Please mark your calendar for **Saturday, March 15th , 4:30-6:30 pm**, eat in or take out. There will be many opportunities to help. Kitchen duties will happen **Thursday , Friday, and Saturday.**

Volunteer sign up sheets will be on the bulletin board. Please consider what you can do to help. If you cannot come to help , please volunteer to make a pie or cake for dessert. We are preparing 200 dinners, so that's a lot of desserts!

Please join us to make this dinner a success.

Direct questions to Kathy Pirigyi or Linda Noonan.

ST. PATRICK'S THEMED

Family Fun Night

SUNDAY, MARCH 16
FROM 4-7PM

Games for kids
and adults
with light fare

**Bring your favorite
green food
to share!**

For more info you can call or text Orion Marchese at: 516-512-1265 or email at omarchese95@gmail.com

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 9, 16, 23,** and **30** 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", and we intend to invite any folks who have been attending and participating in our ministries and would like to join our church to do so as a part of our **Palm Sunday** celebration on **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 12, 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.

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

MENU

Corned Beef with
Cabbage, Carrots
and Potatoes
Irish Soda Bread,
Desserts



Saturday, March 15 from 4:30-6:30

Adults: \$18

Children 5-10: \$7

Under 5 Free

Purchase Tickets
at: Mail 'N' More,
BHUMC Church
Office or at the
Door



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**BHUMC's Community
Easter Egg Hunt is
April 6th**

**We are collecting wrapped
candy to fill eggs through
March 30th.
Thanks for your donations!**

Please come join in the fun!

Easter
Egg Hunt



Rain or shine!

Inside if the
weather isn't good

April 6, 2025

at noon

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www.nybhunc.com



**Bring your Easter
basket
or bags provided**



Studies for Adults: Please join us!

- **Early Birds** with Pastor Amy, meets **Mondays at 9:30 am** in the Fireside room. We are studying Witness at the Cross by Amy-Jill Levine. Books are available in the church office. \$16.00 suggested donation. Join us any Monday.
- **Explorers** meets with Pastor Ian on **Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am** in the Fireside Room. We are currently working through a series on the Book of Revelation featuring video presentations by Dr. Craig Koester from Luther Seminary. This series has no pre-reading or homework attached to it—just come ready to learn and ask questions!
- **Seekers: Sisters in Christ**, ongoing study meets **Thursdays at 9:15 am** in Knight Hall. Join us any Thursday. Lenten Study: Witness at the Cross by Amy-Jill Levine. Books are in the church office.

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, March 21 at 7:00 pm.**

United Methodist Women



UMW Circles are small groups that gather monthly for fellowship and a variety of programs and projects. All meetings are open and welcoming. Always feel free to join in. For more information contact Holly Rogers at 399-8629.

TUESDAY CONNECTION CIRCLE will be meeting in the Fireside room on **March 11 at 9:30am**. We will be packing and wrapping Birthday Boxes for the Scotia Food Pantry. Bring your supplies and be amazed at the variety.

SPECIAL K CIRCLE will meet on will meet on **Monday, March 24 at 2:00 PM in the Fireside room**. We will be making Easter cards for our shut-ins.

Music

We may not all be singers, but **each of us has a song to sing!** And if you feel like sharing your vocal gifts in the Chancel Choir, **weekly rehearsals** are at **7:00 pm on Thursday in the choir loft**. It's a fun and meaningful way to worship God, and you'd be helping others in worship. **Join us in the loft;** it's the best seat in the house! *Pete Van Keuren*

Transformative Table Talk



Join us on **Wednesdays at 7:00 pm** to eat good food, connect with one another and talk about Theology (and whatever else is on our minds). We will meet at **Pizza Works every Wednesday except the last Wednesday of the month**, 720 Saratoga Rd., Burnt Hills. For updates please text 518-414-0967. No need to RSVP.

Soup Kitchen



This month, we will be serving at the soup kitchen on **March 17**. Please sign up and bring all ingredients by **Friday, March 14**. (If you make a different plan, please put a notation on the signup sheet on the bulletin board outside Knight Hall. It saves us duplicating ingredients.) Please mark with SK so it doesn't get mixed up with Corned Beef dinner. We will be making the soup after 2nd service on **March 16**. We can use green food coloring in the egg salad for St. Paddy's day! We will leave the church on **Monday, March 17 at 10 AM** to serve at Salvation Army in Schenectady. **Wear green!** We are always looking for new people to prep and serve. If you would like to sign up to help prep or serve, please sign up on the bulletin board or scan the QR code for sign-up genius. Lots of fun and feels good to help others. Further info: Libby Horn, 518-698-4043.



Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast will be cancelled for the month of March. Please join us on **Saturday, April 5, 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!



Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch will be meeting at **Applebee's on Friday, March 28th at 12:00 pm**. Contact Carol Borthwick (399-5405) or Lynn Christie (399-8838) if you would like to attend.

Registration Open for Skye Farm Camp Summer Camp!



In the summer months we host a resident Christian summer camp where all youth from ages 6 to 18 are invited to spend a week or more at one of our exciting summer camp programs.

Scan the QR code to view the program offerings and to register. **Our church offers camperships to pay for summer camp. Contact Pastor Amy or Jodi Eacteau-St.Gelais.**



Save the Date! Camp Sunday is April 6th!

Altar Flowers



BHUMC has a tradition of having members donate flowers to decorate our altar as a remembrance or a celebration. **The physical signup sheet is in the hallway outside Knight Hall. If you prefer, you can still call Robyn Axon, our office manager at (518) 399-5144, to add you to the list.** A member of the altar committee will call you close to your selected date as a reminder and to help with any necessary coordination. **You may bring in your own flowers, or use Country Florist at (518) 399-2650.** Country Florist has a key to the church and will insure they are delivered for the Sunday service. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate your special days with your church family.

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, March 1, 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.

If you are able to donate, the community would appreciate your support. **Cans with pop tops work the best** as some of the visitors might not have can openers. The following list has many suggestions about items needed. Thank you!


BHUMC Food Pantry: Suggested Shopping List of Items

<p>Proteins Tuna, Salmon, Chicken (cans) Peanut Butter (plastic jars) Beans (cans or dry)</p>	
<p>Vegetables & Fruits (cans) Green beans, peas, carrots, mixed veggies Peaches, pineapple, pears, & other fruits Tomatoes Juice 100%</p>	<p>* Pull tops preferred</p> 
<p>Carbohydrates Rice / Pasta (brown or whole wheat) Cereals (whole grain) Oatmeal (instant) Pancake Mix (just add water)</p>	
<p>Meals (cans) Pasta Meals (cans of Ravioli or Spaghettios) Soups (Lentil, Minestrone, Chicken and Rice, or other favorites) Chili and Stews Macaroni and Cheese (full dinners, no need to add milk)</p>	<p>* Pull tops preferred</p> 
<p>Other (plastic or cans) Pasta sauce (cans) Jelly (squeeze preferred) Ketchup, mustard, condiments (squeeze preferred) Seasonings, instant coffee, tea Can openers!!</p>	

Baby Needs

-  Diapers
- Formula (Gentlease or other)
- Baby Wash/Shampoo/Conditioner
- Baby Wipes
- Diaper Rash Cream

Daily Needs (not generally covered by food assistance programs)

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| Toilet paper | Paper towels | Tissues |
| Bar soap | Body wash | Deodorant |
| Tampons | Pads |  |
| Shampoo | Conditioner | |
| Toothbrushes | Toothpaste | |
| Laundry soap | Dish soap | |

 Home prepared food
 Expired food
 Unlabeled food
 Glass jars
02/05/2025



For the most up-to-date calendar, check our webpage at www.nybhmc.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 8:00am Men's Breakfast- CANCELLED 10:30am Caregiver's Support Group/FS
2 9:00am Worship 9:45am Youth Choir 10:30am Worship 11:30am Voices of Hope	3 9:30am Earlybirds 6:00pm Troop #3892/ KH 6:45pm Troop #2169/ Upstairs	4 10:00am Meditation/ SH Room 4:30pm Pancake Supper/ KH 6:30pm SPRC/FS 7:00pm Troop #56/ Upstairs	5 8:30am Fix-its 9:30am Explorers 6:00pm Troop #3910/ upstairs 6:30pm Saratoga Voices/ KH 7:00pm AA/FS 7:00pm Table Talk/ Pizza Works 7:30pm Meditation/ SH room	6 9:15am Seekers/KH 10:30am BH-BL Women's Club 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	7 Set up BH-BL Women's Club/KH	8 8:00am BH-BL Women's Club/KH
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Preschool

February went by way too fast! We had a fantastic time celebrating Valentine's day with our friends and families. We would like to thank Pete and Mary Jo Farrell for assisting us with our Valentine's Pancake Breakfast. Our families had a great time visiting the residents of the Glendale Nursing Home as we delivered Valentine's Day cards the kids made. We all enjoyed our snow filled Winter Break.

We are really excited for the month of March. Our 3 year olds will be learning all about Nursery Rhymes and Fairy Tales. Our 4 year olds will be learning about Space and Dental Health. Both of our classes will be celebrating St Patrick's Day and learning about the plant life cycle. Our 4 year olds are planting grass seeds and our 3 year olds are planting pumpkin seeds. Once the grass grows our 4s will be giving them a haircut before sending them home. Our 3s will hopefully plant their sprouted pumpkins in their own gardens for our Pumpkin Jack experiment in the fall 4/5 year old class.

We still have space available in both the 3 year old (Tues/Thurs) and 4/5 year old (Mon/Wed/Fri) classes for the fall of 2025. If you are interested, know someone who is, or have questions, please reach out to Stephanie Tope at 518-466-6566 or bhumpreschool@gmail.com