

***We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.
May 28, 2023 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Pentecost Sunday***

Prelude *Gracious Creator of Sea and of Land*

Words of Welcome

***Call to Worship** by Beth Merrill Neel

They gathered in quiet...

And then the wind picked up,
And their hair got ruffled,

And the Spirit, like little flames, danced above their heads,
And they all started talking in all sorts of languages.

It was loud and strange,
It was not quiet or peaceful, but –

In the midst of confusion, they knew that God was behind it all.
God is here, too; let us worship God!

***Hymn** *Gracious Spirit, Head Our Pleading* Insert

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Can you bottle a breeze? Can you blow out a forest fire? Can you help but breathe?
For those times we stifle your Spirit, O God;
For those times we ignore your whispers and shouts;
For those times when we turn away from your wonders and miracles:
Forgive us.
The breeze is loosed on the world. The fire is consumed. We breathe deeply, for indeed, we are forgiven.
Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

Anthem *Kiteflyer* Pete Van Keuren

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

Children (and their people) are invited to come forward to the first pew for Young Disciple Time during this song.

Young Disciples Time

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

Scripture Acts 2: 1-21

Message

Hymn of Response *Live In Unity* TFWS #2179

Live in unity and steadfast love
Live in unity, God will dwell with us.

Invitation to Generosity: Offering Our Gifts and Our Thanks

Offertory *Living Spirit, Holy Fire* Duck/True

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song *Dios Esta Aqui (God Is Here Today)* Trad. Mexican

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.

***Closing Hymn** *In the Midst of New Dimensions* UMH #2238

***Benediction**

Postlude

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
Sunday, May 28	Pentecost Sunday
9:00 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Worship
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day Office is Closed
Tuesday, May 30	
7:00 PM	Scouts
Wednesday, May 31	
8:30 AM	Fix-its
9:30 AM	Explorers
6:00 PM	Scouts
6:30 PM	Scouts
7:00 PM	AA meeting/Fireside room
6:00 PM	SJAG
7:00 PM	VBS planning meeting
Thursday, June 1	
9:15 AM	Seekers
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, June 3	
8:00 AM	Men's Breakfast at Glenville Queen
10:00 AM	Caregiver Support Group
Sunday, June 4	Holy Communion
9:00 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Worship
4:00 PM	Scouts

June 1-3 Pastor Amy and Pastor Brendan will be attending the Upper New York Annual Conference in Syracuse.

Please join us for Coffee Hour after the service hosted by The Lord's Acre Fair Committee

To find out the latest event information, please regularly check the **Events Calendar on our website at www.nybhmc.com**. The calendar is constantly updated. To add something your group would like to share, please fill out a Calendar Request Form located in the Main Office or email us at burnthillsumc@gmail.com. to have one forwarded to you.

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

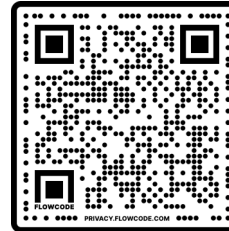
Announcements

- Flowers on the altar were given by Shirley Hirt and family. Flowers to the Glory of God. In memory of my husband Carl Hirt and my daughter Patricia Justin.
- Since we no longer have to sit 6 feet apart, please be mindful that some people have allergies/sensitivities to fragrances such as perfume, cologne and body wash.
- 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.
- VBS Planning Committee meeting May 31 at 7:00 pm.** If you are interested in VBS this summer or next, join us. Contact Jodi Facticeau-St. Gelais (jafstgelais@gmail.com) for more information.
- Confirmation classes are forming now for the fall.** Students entering 8th grade and above are welcome. We will need 2 leaders as well as mentors to pair up with the youth. Please contact Cathy Bryson, catbryson@aol.com, or Robyn in the office to sign up.
- Next Steps** is creating a bookshelf dedicated to gender diversity and other related topics. Look for 2 shelves outside of Knight Hall. Please feel free to donate and borrow.

Save the date:

- The Social Justice Action Group (SJAG) is organizing our participation in three upcoming Pride events! **Schenectady Pride**—Sat. 6/3. **Albany Pride**—Sun. 6/11. **Saratoga Pride**—Sun. 6/25. More details to follow.
- Unified Theater is an all-inclusive group working together with students who have an array of abilities.** This program offers opportunities to those students who wouldn't otherwise be able to participate in theater due to physical, mental, or other constraints. The performance will take place in the newly constructed BH-BL High School auditorium on **Friday, June 2 at 7 pm.** Donations at the door. Our members **Patrick Nyhan and Alissa Bikowicz are performing.**
- Spud Night 2023—June 8 at River Stone Manor from 4:00-7:00 pm.** \$20.00 per person includes a baked or sweet potato with over 20 toppings, beverage, dessert and entertainment by the Salvation Army Youth Music program. **Please RSVP to Spudnight2023@gmail.com.** All proceeds support the Salvation Army in Schenectady.

- Join us either by walking or riding in the float for the **Flag Day Parade on June 8!** Line up is at **6:00 pm** and the parade starts at **7:00 pm.** Volunteers needed to:
 - Bake cookies** (unwrapped by June 7 at 6:00 pm in the kitchen please)
 - Package cookies**, June 7 at 6:00 pm
 - Walk in parade**
 - Sing on the float**
 Sign up online or by the sheet by Knight Hall. Join the fun helping to spread the word about BHUMC!
- Concerned for the Hungry Golf Tournament on Monday, June 26 at the Schenectady Municipal Golf Course.** Cost is **\$125.00 per person.** To sign up contact Joe Battaglia at joebattaglia2023@gmail.com or Larry Lewis at larrylewisnotge@gmail.com.
- BHUMC Women's Retreat, **has been rescheduled for April 19-20, 2024** at Christ the King Retreat Center, Greenwich, NY. (ctkcenter.org). More information to follow.



Our Ministry Today

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Pentecost Sunday May 28, 2023



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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