

**We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.**  
**May 7, 2023 9:00 and 10:30 AM Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Land Acknowledgment**

**Prelude** *The Fragrance of Christ* Haas

**Words of Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship** From Navajo prayer tradition

Leader: God is before us.

**People: God is behind us.**

Leader: God is above us.

**People: God is below us.**

Leader: God's words shall come from our mouths.

**People: For we are all God's essence, a sign of God's love.**

Leader: All is finished in beauty.

**All: All is finished in beauty. Amen.**

**\*Hymn** *Heleluyan* UMH #78

**Anthem** 9:00 am *From the Rising of the Sun* Anon  
 10:30 am *Let us Talents and Tongues Employ* Jamaican folk tune

**We Celebrate Holy Communion** (see insert) Rev. Amy B. Gregory

**Communion Anthem** *As The Grains of Wheat* Haugen

**Prayer After Receiving/Words for the Journey**

**Creator God, as we walk from this place with renewed strength for the journey before us, let us follow the path of Jesus, as the Spirit guides our steps. Help us to make wise choices in the days ahead, to serve those in need, and to remember our place in the circle of life. Remind us to listen to our elders, to teach our children the traditions of our people, to respect one another and all creation. As we wait for the day when we will be reunited with you and those who have gone before us, keep our hope alive and our footsteps on the path toward home.**

**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** "Fry Bread" Written by Kevin Noble Maillard

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

**Scripture Reading** Matthew 28:16-20 (First Nations Version)

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

**Message**

Carolyn Huston

**Hymn of Response** *On Eagles' Wings* UMH #143

Vs. 1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord  
 Who abide in His shadow for life  
 Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

*Refrain And God will raise you up on eagles' wings  
 Bear you on the breath of dawn  
 Make you to shine like the sun  
 And hold you in the palm of God's hand*

Vs. 2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you  
 And famine will bring you no fear  
 Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield

*Refrain*

Vs. 3 You need not fear the terror of the night  
 Nor the arrow that flies by day  
 Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come

*Refrain*

Vs. 4 For to His angels He's given a command  
 To guard you in all of your ways  
 Upon their hands they will bear you up  
 Lest you dash your foot against a stone

*Refrain*

Ending And hold you in the palm of God's hand

**Offertory** *Gentle Shepherd* Gaither/Gaither

**Prayer of Dedication** Pastor Brendan J. Fox

**Joys and Concerns** Pastor Brendan J. Fox

**Prayer Song** *Stay Here* Matt. 26:38, 45 /Berthier

**Prayers of the People** Pastor Brendan J. Fox

**Closing Hymn** *Pass It On* UMH #572

**Benediction**

**Postlude** *Built On A Rock* Lindeman

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

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
<b>Sunday, May 7</b>	Native American Ministries Day
9:00 AM	Sunday Worship
9:45 AM	Youth Choir
10:30 AM	Sunday Worship
11:30 AM	Voices of Hope Choir
4:00 PM	Scouts
<b>Monday, May 8</b>	
9:30 AM	Earlybirds
12:00 PM	BH-BL Women's club luncheon
6:30 PM	Scouts
<b>Tuesday, May 9</b>	
9:30 AM	Tuesday Connections
7:00 PM	Scouts
<b>Wednesday, May 10</b>	
8:30 AM	Fix-its
9:30 AM	Explorers
1:00 PM	Preschool meeting
7:00 PM	AA meeting/Fireside room
7:00 PM	Pub Theology at Pizza Works
<b>Thursday, May 11</b>	
9:15 AM	Seekers
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sunday, May 14</b>	Children's Sunday
9:00 AM	Sunday Worship
9:45 AM	Youth Choir
10:30 AM	Sunday Worship
11:30 AM	Voices of Hope Choir

**Prayers Needed?**

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

## Announcements

- **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.
- Join us today in Knight Hall after service for **New Member Celebration Coffee Hour**.
- **Today is Native American Ministries Sunday** Join us for a special Communion Sunday where we will share the Lord's Supper using Native American Fry Bread! (Gluten free elements will also be available) A church-wide special offering will be taken.
- The **Phil Grigsby Memorial Crop Hunger Walk** is scheduled for **today**. The BHUMC will be walking as a group. You can donate or sign up to walk by visiting [crophungerwalk.org](http://crophungerwalk.org).

### Save the date:

- **Saratoga Springs UMC** will be hosting a **Bluegrass benefit concert** at 175 Fifth Ave, Saratoga Springs NY 12866 on **Friday, May 12 at 7:00 pm**. Doors will open at 6:00 pm. They will be selling homemade desserts and running a silent auction. **Suggested donation is \$10.00**. All proceeds will benefit **Skye Farm** so they can repair their dining hall before the summer camp season begins. **The High Peaks Bluegrass Band, Adirondack Song Dogs and Brendan Fox** will be providing entertainment.
- **May 14 Mother's Day service**. Our youth will lead us.
- **May 21 Music Sunday one service at 10:30am** Celebrate and be inspired by the music ministry of BHUMC.
- **May 21** Following Music Sunday worship on Sunday, May 21, SJAG will be hosting a **Bracelet Making session and Conversation**. The conversation will cover "Questions You Might Get at Pride," helping us to prepare to share how Christ calls us to be better allies. The rubber-band bracelets we will make will be handed out at upcoming Pride events.
- 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.
- BHUMC Women's Retreat, Friday evening through Saturday afternoon, **September 22-23**, at Christ the King Retreat Center, Greenwich, NY. ([ctkcenter.org](http://ctkcenter.org)). More information to follow.

### Our Ministry Today

Lead Pastor: *Amy Gregory*  
Associate Pastor: *Brendan Fox*  
Communication Coordinator: *Robyn Axon*  
Custodian: *Nick Adami*  
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*If you have a notice you'd like to put in the weekly bulletin, please email the church office by Wednesday to ensure inclusion. Anything received after Thursday will be put in the following week.*



## Native American Ministries Sunday

**May 7, 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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