

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

November 21, 2021 9 AM and 10:30 AM

Gathering in God's Presence

All are welcome to this time of worship, and in this faith community.
If you are visiting today, please visit the Welcome table at the entrance.

Prelude *Something Told the Wild Geese*

Greeting and Welcome

Introit *Autumn Carol* Monsell/Steurlein
Chancel Choir arr. Schulz-Widmar

Call to Worship (*Psalm 126*)

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.
Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;

then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."
The LORD has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.
May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,
shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Hymn *Now Thank We All Our God* UMH #102

Proclaiming the Word

Old Testament Reading Joel 2:21-24

Special Music 10:30am *I Dream of a World*
Voices of Hope Choir

Gospel Reading Matthew 6:25-33

Hymn *Seek Ye First* UMH #405

Message Seeking/Seeing The Rev. Holly Nye

Anthem *Simple Thanks* Price/Besig
Chancel Choir

Responding to God's Word

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Doxology #94

Our Church Family in Prayer

Prayer Song *O God Beyond All Praising* Holst

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Going Forth To Serve

Hymn of Going Forth *When God Restored Our Common Life* UMH #2182

Benediction

Postlude *Jesus Shall Reign* Hatton

We are glad you are here! At this time, we are asking everyone to please wear a mask while inside the building, and especially while singing during worship. Please also note the self-screening questions as you arrive at worship or church events.

Our Ministry Today

Lead Pastor: *Holly Nye*
Associate Pastor: *Doug Mackey*
Communication Coordinator: *Cindy Peterson*
Music Ministers: *Pete Van Keuren & Jill Zygo*
Treasurer: *Kimberly Spath*
Financial Secretary: *Paula Miller*
Custodian: *Joe Tangrady*
Prayer Blankets: *Karen Lathrop*
Sunday School Superintendents: *Jodi Facticeau-St. Gelais*
Preschool Teachers: *Stacy Herbage & Stephanie Tope*
Sound & Video: *Charles Hartmann*

WEEKLY CALENDAR Sunday, November 21

9 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Worship/Sunday School
11:30 AM	Pageant Meeting
4 PM	Girl Scouts Troop #2658

Monday, November 22

9:30 AM	Early Birds ("Morning Disciples")
2 PM	Special K Circle
6:30 PM	Girl Scout Troop #2169
7 PM	Saratoga Soundtracks Rehearsal

Tuesday, November 23

6 PM	Boy Scouts Troop #3020
7 PM	Boy Scouts Troop #56

Wednesday, November 24

8:30 AM	Fixits
9:30 AM	Explorers

Thursday, November 25 Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 26 Office Closed

Sunday, November 28

9 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Worship/Sunday School

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.

Announcements

TODAY Our Thanksgiving Offering will be taken today. All money will be given to Concerned For The Hungry, an organization that gives away many Thanksgiving baskets in Schenectady, but is also active all year in helping to alleviate hunger in nearby communities. Thank you for remembering those who are hungry! —The Outreach Commission

The Early Birds (Morning Disciples) Study meets on Mondays at 9:30 AM. We will be using a Disciple Study on the Book of Acts. Remote link is also available!

Explorers Bible Study is usually held every Wednesday at 9:30 AM. Each week, we watch a 30-minute video on some aspect of Christianity. Contact Pastor Doug for more information.

Seekers, the Women's Book Study, meets every week on Thursday mornings. The start time has changed to 9:15 AM. We are finishing up the book *A Thousand Gifts*, by Ann Voskamp.

Giving Tree There are still a few "ornaments" on the Giving Tree. On the back of each "ornaments" is a gift request. Please buy the item, wrap it and ATTACH THE ORNAMENT. The best way to attach the ornament is to securely tape the sting to the package. Bring the gifts to church and place under the Giving Tree by **December 12**. We need the gifts back by this date so we can sort them for distribution prior to Christmas. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mark Witkofsky (669-2978). Thank you for your generosity.

Help us Decorate the Sanctuary for Advent As in years past, we are asking the congregation to help us decorate the sanctuary for Advent. This year our theme is **sheep and shepherds**. Please consider bringing in sheep and/or shepherds from home to place on the sanctuary window sills. Advent begins on Sunday, November 28, so please bring them in Thanksgiving week.

Christmas Poinsettias As we did last year, the Altar Committee will be purchasing a small number of poinsettias. These will be used to enhance the Advent decor on Christmas Eve. After the Christmas Eve service, the visitation team will present these to our shut-ins. If you would like to help defray the cost of the Advent decorations, we will have a basket available in the church entrance during the month of December.

Scripture- Matthew 6:25-33

²⁵ "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing?"

²⁶ Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?

²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will God not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'

³² For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

³³ But strive first for the kingdom of God and God's righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Christmas Eve Services

3:30 PM, 7 PM and 9 PM

Please plan to reserve your space.

**We have resumed two worship services on Sunday,
at 9 AM and 10:30 AM.**

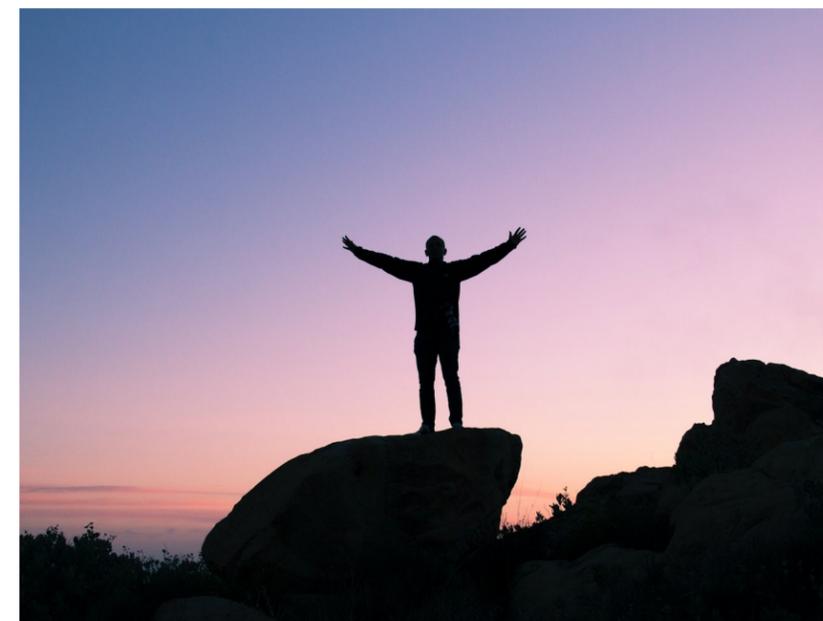
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