

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

*October 23, 2022 9:00 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** *Oh Sing To God Above* Rosas Chancel Choir

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Call to Worship** from Uniting Church, Australia

Creator God, we gather together from many places, pasts and communities to celebrate and worship together, as your people.

**We come to worship God.**

Jesus, life-giver, we celebrate all that brings us together. We are on a journey, learning and celebrating.

**We come to worship Jesus.**

Spirit of love, we are a living community and we give thanks for the movement of the Spirit – ever inspiring, strengthening, moving and challenging us.

**We come to worship the Spirit.**

**Amen!**

\*Hymn *Gather Us In* UMH #2236

**Proclaiming the Word**

**Opening Prayer** from Uniting Church, Australia

**Gracious God, we gather this morning in this house of worship which, thanks to your love, is our home away from home.**

**We come to add our human voices to the chorus of praise raised by your creation!**

**We come as we are – distracted and weary, hopeful and open – knowing that you accept us and are ever mindful of our cares and joys.**

**Still in us now the many voices that clamor for attention, that we might center ourselves upon you.**

**Speak to us in word and melody and quiet,**

**that we may be renewed in our faith and strengthened for your service. Amen.**

**Anthem** 9 am: *Can We Change The World?* Leak Shelby Bryson, soprano  
10:30 am: *Hard Times Come* Foster Mike Zygo, Peter Van Keruen

**Hymn** *Jesus Loves Me vs. 1* UMH #191

**A Time for Young Disciples** Charles A. Poulet

**Hymn** *Jesus Loves Me vs. 3* UMH #191

**Scripture Reading** Luke 18: 9-14

**Message** Rev. Amy Gregory

**Hymn** *Grace Alone* TFWS #2162

**Responding to God's Word**

**Offering Our Gifts and Our Thanks**

**Offertory** 9 am: *Autumn Prayer* Van Keuren J. Michael Zygo

10:30 am: *Autumn Prayer* Van Keuren J. Michael Zygo and Chancel Choir

\*Singing Our Praises *Doxology* #94

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Our Church Family in Prayer** Pastor Brendan Fox

**Prayer Song** *Be Thou My Vision* Trad. Irish Tune The Choir

**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 *I'll Fly Away* TFWS #2282

\*Benediction

**Postlude** *Within The Day-to-Day* Marshall

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Sunday, October 23**

8:30-12:00 PM Vote/Fireside Room  
9:00 AM Worship  
9:45-10:25 AM Youth Choir  
10:30 AM Worship with Sunday School  
11:30-12:30 PM Light Luncheon/Knight Hall  
11:30-12:00 PM Voices of Hope  
12:30 PM Congregational Meeting/Knight Hall  
4:00 PM Girl Scout Troop #2698

**Monday, October 24**

9:30 AM Earlybirds/Fireside Room  
2:00 PM Special K/Knight Hall  
6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop #2169  
7:00 PM Next Steps/Knight Hall

**Tuesday, October 25**

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #3056

**Wednesday, October 26**

8:30 AM Fix-its  
9:30 AM Explorers Bible Study/Fireside Room  
7:00 PM Social Justice Action Group/Knight Hall

**Thursday, October 27**

9:00 AM Seekers/Knight Hall  
7:00 PM Choir rehearsal

**Sunday, October 30**

9:00 AM Worship  
9:45-10:25 AM Youth Choir  
10:30 AM Worship with Sunday School  
11:30 AM Trunk-Or-Treat/Parking Lot

## Announcements

The **flowers** on the altar today are to acknowledge **Pastor Appreciation Month!**

**Today is our congregational vote** on becoming a Reconciling Church through an affiliation with the Reconciling Ministries Network ([www.rmnetwork.org](http://www.rmnetwork.org)). Voting takes place in the Fireside Room from **8:30am to 12:00pm**. Please join us for a light luncheon from **11:30am to 12:30pm in Knight Hall**, and our **church-wide meeting at 12:30pm** where the results of the vote will be announced. A vote of 75% or greater of the members who vote is considered an affirmation that our church wishes to become a reconciling congregation.

**All Saints Names:** On **November 6**, we will remember loved ones who have died in the last year, since last All Saints Sunday. Please submit names of loved ones that you would like to remember to the church office by **Thursday, October 27**.

**News from the Social Action Justice Group**—On **October 26<sup>th</sup>** we'll be hosting an event on **What is social justice? Why do we practice social justice? Where does it come from within the Book of Resolutions + Social Principles of the Church?** at the church 7 pm. We're still discussing if we will record/live stream the event!

**Sunday, Oct 30th! Trunk or Treat returns!** All ages are invited to dress up and/or decorate your trunk. We will start about 15 minutes or so **after the 10:30 service** so people have a few minutes to change into costumes. Community Members are welcome! Please spread the word. Can you put a flyer up somewhere? There are extra's in the Grow Team mailbox or ask Cathy Bryson, 518-428-9691 (cell)



**Bring the Christmas Story to life.** We are seeking children, youth, and adults to be shepherds and kings, Joseph and Mary, Gabriel, innkeepers, angels and townspeople. Those interested should attend a **brief meeting on Sunday, November 6, at noon in the sanctuary**. Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons, noon to 2:00, on December 4, 11, and 18. Please join us for the fun, and to create a **special celebratory worship for 7:00 Christmas Eve**. To sign up, contact Jill Zygo (518-859-3734, [jillnyhan@yahoo.com](mailto:jillnyhan@yahoo.com)) or Mary Alice Nyhan ([manyhan122@gmail.com](mailto:manyhan122@gmail.com)).

**Church Conference:** On **Saturday, November 12 at 9:30am** our District Superintendent will be leading our annual meeting at Jonesville UMC. Trustees will be elected. Our District Superintendent will lead us in reflection on ministries. Let's represent our church well!

The **United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)** brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by war, conflict or natural disaster. UMCOR provides humanitarian relief and disaster response to people in more than 80 countries, including the United States. UMCOR is helping rebuild lives after **Hurricane Ian**. You can be a part of this effort by making an offering and **marking it "disaster relief"** on the memo line.

**Ushers needed** We are in need of people to help usher at the Sunday worship services. Please contact Libby Horn at 518-698-4043 if you are interested.

### Caring for Others

*As of March 3, the ReOpening team recommends that **masks be optional in the building**, for preschool, Sunday School, group meetings, staff offices, and worship.*

*There is **one EXCEPTION** for the time being: in order to continue to care for the most vulnerable in our community we thank you for continuing to **wear a mask while singing**.*

*Because we are a **caring space seeking to be welcoming and safe for all**, the ReOpening team continues to re-evaluate our policies in light of the data sources that we consistently use.*

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**A REMINDER FOR ALL USING THE BUILDING:** We are trying to keep the electric bill under control. Please turn off the lights after you are done with a room or upon exiting the building.

*Thank You!*



**October 23, 2022**



### 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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