

We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.
October 1, 2023 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude *In Unity We Lift Our Song* Medema/Luther

Words of Welcome Rev. Amy B. Gregory

***Call to Worship** by Rev. Gord
 Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.
We gather with them in heart and mind.
 Around the world the broken body is made whole.
As part of that body we join in its unity.
 Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.
We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed.
 Let us worship together, let us share God's bounty.

***Hymn** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH #400

Opening Prayer from Parables, Prayers, and Promises: Daily Devotions on Jesus

Thank you, Jesus, for the opportunity to remember you in the ordinary things of our lives.
When we eat our daily bread, rice, tortilla, or potato, we remember how you shared what you had with your friends, breaking yourself open.
When we drink from the fruits of our harvest, we are reminded of how you continually bless us with your teachings; our chipped and well-used cups overflow.
Thank you, Jesus. Amen.

Stewardship Moment April Hicks

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise... (the liturgy continues)

and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. (the liturgy continues)

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

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again. (the liturgy continues)

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.

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Music During Communion *Come Share the Lord* Leech Pete Farrell
 10:30 am

Prayer after Receiving

Gracious God, we offer our thanks, for the whole communion of saint's witness to this feast, and for the ministry of churches around the world who gather with us today. By this broken bread may we each be restored for the work yet to come.
By this shared cup may we each be claimed for the proclamation of your Kingdom.
At this shared table may we be united as children of your promise, children of your word, dying and made new again, sent boldly together into the world as servants of your peace.
Amen.

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

Young Disciples Time

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Scripture Reading Exodus 17: 1-7

Message "Like Water from a Rock" Rev. Amy B. Gregory

Hymn of Response *Water, River, Spirit, Grace* TFWS #2253

Invitation to Generosity: Offering Our Gifts and Our Thanks
 Special UMC-Wide Offering: World Communion Sunday

Offertory 9am: *Woke Up This Morning* African-American Spiritual
 10:30am: *Yes I Will* By Vertical Worship

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Prayer Song 9am: *Fairest Lord Jesus* Anon.
 10:30am: *For the Healing of the Nations* Arr. Fox

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn** 9:00 am: *Amazing Grace* UMH #378
 10:30 am: *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* UMH #133

***Benediction**

Postlude *Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord* Hudson
 10:30 am Pete Farrell

Please join us for Coffee Hour after the service hosted by the Social Justice Action Group

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
Sunday, October 1	World Communion Sunday with special offering
9:00 AM	Worship
9:45 AM	Youth Choir
10:30 AM	Worship
11:30 AM	Voices of Hope
11:45AM	Grow and Send Ministries Mtg./Fireside Room
Monday, October 2	
9:30 AM	Earlybirds (No earlybirds October 9)
Tuesday, October 3	
6:30 PM	SPRC Meeting/Fireside Room
Wednesday, October 4	
8:30 AM	Fix-its
9:30 AM	Explorers
7:00 PM	AA
7:00 PM	Pub Theology/Pizzaworks
Thursday, October 5	
9:15 AM	Seekers
10:30 AM	BH-BL Women's Club
6:00 PM	Nominating Committee Meeting
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, October 7	
8:00AM	Men's Breakfast
10:00 AM	Skye Farm/Scenic Saturday
10:30AM	Caregiver's Support Meeting
Sunday, October 8	
9:00 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Worship

Welcome

- **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.
- All are invited to come forward for Communion to receive nan bread and individual cups of grape juice. A gluten-free option is available on the communion table. Please let an usher know if you'd like to receive communion seated in your pew.

Announcements

- **World Communion Sunday & Special Offering is today.** Do you recall a time when you were a student and needed scholarships to help you complete your education? On **World Communion Sunday**, in addition to receiving the sacraments, we receive an offering that supports racial-ethnic United Methodist students with scholarships and grants for continuing education training. Our gifts to the World Communion Sunday offering will equip students to transform their communities around the world. You can make an offering by check made out to **BHUMC with WCS** in the memo or by giving through the link on our website. Thank you for your generosity.
- Just 6 days to go until our first Men's breakfast of the Fall, on **Saturday, October 7, at 8am**. Come for good fellowship and terrific food prepared by chefs Terry B. and Mike O. Bring a friend! Also, immediately after the breakfast, we need **10 or more people to help dismantle the rain guard over the barbecue pit**. Should take no more than an hour (bring tools like drills, screwdrivers etc.) If you can stay and help let Jack Whitehead (jandd.whitehead@att.net) know or see him in Church.
- Fall Festival: **October 7, 2023** at Charlton Freehold Presbyterian Church, 768 Charlton Rd., Charlton, NY. **10am - 3pm** Artisans, Vendors live music, snacks and lunch will be available including baked items. There will be a Blessing of the Animals 11am-12noon.

Save the Date

- Oct. 7: **Scenic Saturday** a day long retreat to recharge and enjoy the beauty of fall at Skye Farm Camp. All ages invited. Carpooling available. More info to come. Sign up sheets outside Knight Hall.
- Oct. 14: **Community Chicken and Biscuit Dinner** at BHUMC, eat in or take out, 4:30-7pm

Save the Date—continued—

- Oct. 21: **Winter Sports Equipment Sale** from 9:00-12:00pm.
- Oct. 22: BHUMC's first anniversary as a **Reconciling Congregation**
- Nov. 4 **Open Mic Night, 6:30-8:30pm**. Sign up outside Knight Hall.
- The Trustees have scheduled a **Work Day** for the morning of **Saturday, November 18th**. We will start as early as **8:00 am or a bit later if you would like**. We should finish by **Noon**. We will have coffee, water and doughnuts available for a mid-morning snack. The work will entail trying to gather all of the leaves that will have fallen by then and for those that like to work indoors there is general cleaning, window washing and dusting, etc. Feel free to bring your own tools, blowers and/or cleaning supplies. We should have plenty of equipment and cleaning supplies but more is good. We hope you will join us.
- Nov. 18 at 3pm we host group **charge conferences** at BHUMC with our district superintendent

Our Ministry Today

Lead Pastor: *Amy Gregory*
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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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