We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.
October 1, 2026 10:00 AM Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude *Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord* Hudson

Words of Welcome Rev. Amy B. Gregory

***Call to Worship** from Japan, adapted Jodi Facteau-St. Gelais

In a world that remains divided and in conflict, God is inviting us, to make us one.
Today we gather around one table, in answer to God's will.
What do we find at today's table?
God's love, which endures all things and connects all things.
What is not at today's table?
The many powers of the world, which seek to stand over others.
Let us repent-change our direction, and give thanks to God's power to bring wholeness to all who believe.
Thanks be to God! Make us witnesses of Your love.
Let us worship together the true God, who makes us one.

***Hymn** *I Come with Joy* UMH #617

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.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Pastor Amy, Pastor Art Hudak
"Holy and Whole: A Communion Liturgy for World Communion Sunday"
by Carol H Prickett, adapted

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (in your heart language) UMH #895

Sharing the Bread and the Cup
(All are invited to come forward for Communion to receive bread and grape juice. Children are welcome to receive at the discretion of their adult people. 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.)

Music During Communion *All Who Hunger* Dunstan/Moore

Prayer after Receiving See Screens

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

Young Disciples Time

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

Scripture Reading

Message Pastor Amy

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

Invitation to Generosity
Special UMC-Wide Offering: World Communion Sunday
Please give prayer cards and welcome cards to ushers.

Offertory *More Like You* Brown; Arr. VanKeuren

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

***Prayer of Dedication & Blessing of Our Estimates of Giving** Harmon Tunison

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

***Hymn** *Sent Out in Jesus Name* TFWS #2184

***Benediction**

Postlude *Built On A Rock* Lindeman

World Communion Sunday celebrates the sacrament of Holy Communion around the world. In the United Methodist Church, World Communion Sunday also gives us an opportunity to share our gifts in supporting scholarships and training for students with diverse backgrounds as they prepare for church leadership.

To contribute, use the special offering envelopes in the pews for donation, checks with WCS noted in the memo line, or Vanco, online giving platform.

Welcome! If you are visiting with us, we're glad that you're here. **Please fill out a welcome card** found in the pews, if you wish to receive information about BHUMC. Give the card to an usher.

Join us for Coffee Hour after the service. Turn right when leaving the sanctuary and follow the sounds of laughter and conversation to Knight Hall. All are welcome!

Weekly Calendar

Live calendar updates: https://www.nybhumc.com/calendar.html

Sunday, Oct 4	
9:15 - 9:55 AM	Youth Choir [grades 1-6 in Assembly Room]
10:00 AM - noon	World Communion Worship | Sunday School Estimate of Giving Card Blessing | Coffee Hour
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Voices of Hope Choir [grades 6 - 12]
4:00 - 6:00 PM	Youth Group
Monday, Oct 5	**Church Office Closed**
9:30 - 10:30 AM	Explorers & Early Birds/Fireside
Tuesday, Oct 6	**Office Hours 10 AM - noon**
10:00 - 11:30 AM	Meditation (cancelled)
6:30 - 8:30 PM	SPPRC (rescheduled for 10/27/26)
Wednesday, Oct 7	**Office Hours 10 AM - noon**
8:30 AM	Fixits
7:00 PM	AA Meeting/Fireside
7:00 - 8:00 PM	Queer Holy Club/Pizza Works
Thursday, Oct 8	**Office Hours 10 AM - noon**
9:15 - 10:30 AM	Seekers/Knight Hall
10:30 - 11:30 AM	BHBL Women's Club Board/Fireside
7:00 - 8:30 PM	Chancel Choir/Choir Loft
Friday, Oct 9	**Church Office Closed**
Saturday, Oct 10	
6:00 - 9:00 PM	Right to Read Tailgate with Social Justice/Knight
Sunday, Oct 11	
10:00 AM - noon	Worship Service | Combined Sundays School for K - 5 | Coffee Hour
4:00 - 6:00 PM	Youth Group (cancelled)

Thank You to our Worship Leaders

Music Ministry, Oct 4 Pete VanKeuren	**Next Week, Oct 11** Pete VanKeuren
Liturgist, Oct 4 Jodi Facteau-St. Gelais	**Next Week, Oct 11** Kristen Reck
Ushers, Oct 4 Linda Faulkner, Kathy Pirigyi	**Next Week, Oct 11** Jan Tunison, Rhody Streeter
Greeters, Oct 4 April Hicks, Mary Polikoski	**Next Week, Oct 11**
Communion Preparers, Oct 4 Anne Sylvester, Kathy Pirigyi	
Communion Servers, Oct 4 Joan Carey, Andrew Baron, Jr.	
Balcony Tech, Oct 4 Shelby Bryson, Lead Diane Skibinski	**Next Week, Oct 11** Charles Hartmann, Lead Kim Locker
Coffee Hour, Oct 4 Social Justice Action Group	**Next Week, Oct 11** Social Justice Action Group

Important Happenings

RECAPPING! Stewardship service from Sept 20 is a must see.

Watch it this week as you consider your estimate of giving for BHUMC. Your estimate is an intention of giving toward our church's ministry plan while knowing that life's circumstances can and do change. Please return the estimate of giving card on Sunday, **October 4, 2026.**

Worship Service Library

Your intentions help our church leadership teams plan for 2027. https://www.nybhumc.com/worship-service-library.html

WELCOMING Katie Marshall, BHUMC Office Manager

Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee is excited to welcome our new office manager, Katie Marshall. Katie starts October 5 and will work Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM. Katie uses the pronouns (they/them).

For the month of October, our *open office hours* will remain *Tuesday through Thursday from 10 AM - Noon*. This schedule will allow time to train Katie without interruption.

If you would like stop in and introduce yourself, please do so during our *open office hours.*

CHANGING! Pay attention to this one!

Need to reserve a room? Schedule a meeting? Send a facility request? Use this email address: spaceuse@burnthillsumc.org.

This specific email address helps staff organize requests and handle details. Use this email on a go forward basis. If you previously scheduled a meeting or event, you don't need to send a repeat request.

MOVING! Explorers study group is moving to Mondays at 9:30 AM.

New day. Same people who learn with curiosity and wonder.

Along with the Early Birds, we're launching a 12 week series on *Creation Stories of the Ancient World.* Each week we watch a 30 minute video then gather for questions and discussion. Come as you are able. Contact: BHUMC's Mike Thomas pmthomas6@mac.com

MEETING! Youth Group meets Sundays at 4 PM.

Hang out, laugh, eat, ask questions, make friends, and explore faith on Sundays whenever Sunday School is in session. Don't forget to complete the sign up form with a parent/guardian before you come. Contact: Angie Barclay at youth@burnthillsumc.org

Youth Registration

Sunday School Registration PreK - Grade 12

Contact: jafstgelais@gmail.com

Voices of Hope Registration Grades 6 -12

Contact: jillzygo@gmail.com

Youth Choir Registration Grades 1—6

Contact: jillzygo@gmail.com

Looking Ahead

All Saints Day on November 1 gives us an opportunity to remember our church members and loved ones who passed from November 1, 2025 to November 1, 2026. During this service, we read names aloud, ring a bell, and light a candle to honor their lives.

Please help us collate a list of people whose names and legacies to include in this service. You are welcome to email the church with the following information or ask an usher for the All Saints clipboard. Include the name of the person, pronunciation, your name and phone number. Even if you think church staff knows this information, please tell us again.

Social Justice Action Group is promoting the freedom to read with a **Right to Read Tailgate on October 10.** This event raises awareness about the importance of access to diverse literature for all.

Bring your books, wear comfy clothing, grab a lawn chair or favorite pillow, and get ready for a fun evening with folks who love to read and appreciate the freedom to do so!

Questions? See Shelby Bryson.

Ski, snow, and winter sports season is coming. Sign up to help at our annual winter sports equipment sale on Saturday, October 17 from 9 AM - noon. This event is cost effective way to outfit you or your family for winter fun.

Help to receive and tag consignment items:
Thursday, October 15 from 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Friday, October 16 from 5:00 - 9:00 PM

Help is also needed during the sale on Saturday morning and in the afternoon for consignment item return and/or for clean up.

Sign up on the board outside of Knight Hall or see Greg Adams.

Shopping List for the BHUMC Food Pantry: Shelf stable milk, tuna, tomato sauce, tomato paste, fruit cups, paper towels, dish detergent, and toilet paper. If you are able to shop for an item or two, your kindness and compassion are greatly appreciated

Burnt Hills United Methodist Church

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October 1, 2026

The Best Supper by Jan Richardson

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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