

We are here to: Love God, Love Our Neighbor and Serve the World.
September 10, 2023 9:30 AM Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude *Awake, O Sleeper* Miller

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship (by Enfleshed Liturgy)

From the dust of the earth, the Holy One breathed us into life.
Through the breath of God we are all connected.
 Shaped in God's image, we have been formed with a purpose:
To create, to serve, to tend, to protect, to love
 That life may flourish in all its forms,
May the Spirit of the Living God be manifest in us!

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

Congregational Prayer (by St. Francis of Assisi)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
 where there is hatred, let me sow love;
 where there is injury, pardon;
 where there is doubt, faith;
 where there is despair, hope;
 where there is darkness, light;
 where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as
 to console,
 to be understood as to understand,
 to be loved as to love.
 For it is in giving that we receive,
 it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
 and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.
 Amen.

The Lord's Acre Fair Report

Scripture Reading Matthew 18:15-20

Message "Where Two or Three Are Gathered..." Pastor Brendan J. Fox

Hymn *Wonderful Words of Life* UMH #600

Offering Our Gifts and Our Thanks

Offertory *Gabriel's Mother's Highway Ballad #16 Blues* Guthrie

***Singing Our Praises** *Doxology* UMH #94

***Prayer of Dedication**

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

Our Church Family in Prayer

Rev. Amy B. Gregory

Prayer Song *Make Me A Servant* Willard

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

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.

***Hymn** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* UMH #140

***Benediction**

Postlude *Built On A Rock* Lindeman

Please join us for Punch on the Patio, after the service hosted by the Seekers Study Group.

WEEKLY CALENDAR	
Sunday, September 10 LAF Sunday	
9:30 AM	Worship
10:30 AM	Tent Take Down
Monday, September 11	
12:00 PM	BH-BL Women's Club Luncheon
6:30 PM	Finance Meeting
Tuesday, September 12	
9:30 AM	Tuesday Connections
Wednesday, September 13	
8:30 AM	Fix-its
7:00 PM	AA
7:00 PM	Pub Theology at Pizza Works
Thursday, September 14	
9:15 AM	Seekers
9:30 PM	3 year old preschool begins
7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Friday, September 15	
9:30 PM	4 year old preschool begins
Sunday, September 17 Camp Sunday	
9:30 AM	Worship w/campfire
10:30 AM	Prepare meal for Salvation Army

*To find out the latest event information, please regularly check the **Events Calendar on our website at www.nybhumc.com**. The calendar is constantly updated. To add something your group would like to share, please fill out a Calendar Request Form located in the Main Office or email us at burnthillsumc@gmail.com. to have one forwarded to you.*

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.

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.

Announcements

- **Wildfires in Hawaii:** Wind-driven wildfires on Maui have prompted evacuations and caused significant loss of life and widespread damage. Our hearts are broken by the images and stories we hear. UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) is coordinating with the California-Pacific Annual Conference to provide relief for emergency supplies. Please join UMCOR in prayer for all those affected. BHUMC will send monetary gifts to UMCOR. 100% is used for relief work—no overhead costs. **LAF will match gifts given for Maui up to \$5,000.** Please help spread the word! You can give by marking your check made out to the church: UMCOR or by giving online through our website: www.nybhmc.com and choosing UMCOR. Our gifts will grow quickly to bring hope and care to Hawaii. Thank you for your generosity!
- **Sunday School needs YOU!** We will have some wonderful groups of kids to share the Word with and we can't do it without volunteers!!!! Sunday School runs from mid-to-late September to early June, during the 10:30 Worship Service time (after Young Disciple's Time to the end of the service). Please email jafstgelais@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering and if you have particular preferences (teacher, '2nd adult' helper, and/or substitute). EVEN IF YOU'VE VOLUNTEERED IN THE PAST AND WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE, LET ME KNOW AS I DO NEED CONFIRMATION OF THIS. Without you, Sunday School cannot occur. Thank you!!!!
- If you are interested in having your youth attend Sunday School at BHUMC during the upcoming 2023-24 year, please scan the QR code and complete the student registration code for each of your youth. We have not yet determined grade-level teachers, so this is to get a view of youth numbers and gather their necessary information. If you have any questions please reach out to Jodi Facticeau-St. Gelais or to the Pastors! We understand that some youth may not be available to attend Sunday School every Sunday -- and that's okay! Please fill out the registration form so we have student/family information, so if/when you DO attend, we have the student info and also we can keep you in the loop for special events throughout the year!



Save the Date

- **Confirmation classes are forming now for the fall.** Students entering 8th grade and above are welcome. We will need 2 leaders as well as mentors to pair up with the youth. Please contact Cathy Bryson, catbryson@aol.com, or Robyn in the office to sign up.
- Jonesville UWIF and Red Hatters would love for you to join us on **Tuesday, September 12, 2023 @ 12:30p.m.** for our luncheon and program. Our guest speaker will be Terra Maddalone-Ristau from Care Links, which is a proud program of CAPTAIN Community Human Services. **RSVP to Ginny Rae, Office Manager @ 518-877-8859** so we know how much food to prepare.
- **Saturday, September 23, 10 AM – 2 PM** - Community Rummage sale and Savory Soups at Charlton Freehold Church, 768 Charlton Rd., Charlton. Need to make some space – get rid of things you don't use? Put up your items for sale to become somebody else's treasure. Rent a table and space for \$15.00. For information or to make a reservation: Call 518-399-2873 or email: office@charltonfreehold.org
- **Saturday, October 7,** Fall Festival at Charlton Freehold Presbyterian Church, 768 Charlton Rd., Charlton. **Wanted:** Crafters, vendors, anyone interested in participating in this event. Indoor and outdoor spaces available. For application: call 518-399-2681 or email office@charltonfreehold.org

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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