



BUMC May 2026 Newsletter

Happy Birthday, Church!

This month, at the end of the Easter season, the church celebrates its annual birthday, Pentecost. This year our church is roughly 2,059 years old! This is quite a history to celebrate!

Pentecost Sunday is May 24, and the traditional liturgical color for this Sunday is red – the only Sunday in the church year when red is displayed. This day celebrates the gathering of Jesus's followers, 50 days after Easter, when the Holy Spirit descended on about 3,000 people who were seeking God's guidance. They had come to Jerusalem for a Jewish feast, and Acts 2 describes powerful wind and holy tongues of fire descending upon the people (the color red symbolizes the tongues of fire). All of the people who were gathered and received the Spirit were baptized that day, creating the first Christian church. This all happened 50 days after the resurrection on Easter Sunday – which is why it is called Pentecost (based on a Greek word meaning "fifty").

Isn't it beautiful and important that after Jesus departed and sent the Spirit, that it came not to an individual but to the community gathered together? Of course, this doesn't mean that the Spirit does not speak, guide, and empower each of us individually, but that the initial gift of the Spirit came in community. The Spirit that formed the first Christians has not left us – it continues to move and inspire. At BUMC, we continue the tradition that came long before us and will remain long after us.





HAPPY
**MOTHER'S
DAY**
MAY 10

Parsonage & Church Work Day

**SATURDAY, MAY 9TH
MEET AT CHURCH @9:00AM**



**May 10th Graduation
Celebration**

CLASS OF

2026

FOOD PANTRY

ITEMS NEEDED

Cereal
Canned Green Beans
Canned Carrots
Spaghetti Os



MEMORIAL DAY

This Memorial Day, we remember and honor the
brave men and women who made the ultimate
sacrifice for our freedom



MONDAY, MAY 25

Sunday Servants	Liturgist	Children's Message	Greeters	A/V Tech	Childcare
May 3	Missy Miller	Vicki Stirm	Bev Mann Nancy North	Rich Cash	Stacy Zuelly Jan Robertson
May 10	Jan Robertson	Connie Cash	Rich & Connie Cash	Kirk Grumm	Kate Mansfield Becky Finnegan
May 17	Dixie Thomas	Missy Miller	Scot & Cindy Martin	Jan Robertson	Dixie Thomas Donna Orange
May 24	Cindy Martin	Dixie Thomas	Kenny & Jan Robertson	Luke Mansfield	Sally Kellen- burger Scot Mansfield
May 31	Jan Robertson	Vicki Stirm	Sally Kellen- burger Linda Roy	Rich Cash	Jan Robertson Connie Cash



Graduation Sunday

Graduation Sunday is May 9. We will recognize all BUMC graduates and share a listing of all graduates being celebrated in our BUMC families. If you have a grandchild or other family member who is graduating who you would like to list, please let Pastor Suzanne or Lori in the church office know by Tuesday, May 5.

BUMC Parsonage News

On Sunday, April 26, BUMC members voted unanimously to hire a property management company and turn the parsonage into a rental during this season that the parsonage is vacant. A special Charge Conference was held to approve this decision. A big thanks to the team that researched options and presented information to the congregation: Luke Mansfield, Scot Martin, Randy Stirm, Dixie Thomas, Charles Roth and Pastor Suzanne. The Governing Board will continue to keep the congregation informed as plans progress.

Food Pantry News

On Tuesday, April 21, the food pantry had a guest visitor from Food Finders. It was a pleasure to welcome Heather Zarate. She was very pleased with our food pantry and said it was the only one that she had visited where the community was so involved. We told her we were looking to purchase 2 upright freezers for the food pantry, and she let us know that they are in partnership with Whirlpool and that they offer scratch and dent freezers to food pantries for little to no cost. She has sent me the information on that. She also told us about a government program called T-path that is available to food pantries where we can get food. We will be investigating this program. It was a wonderful visit and all who were there felt it was very well received.

Parsonage & Church Work Day—Saturday, May 9 @ 9:00am

Several projects around our church parsonage and church property need attention. More hands make lighter work! Please sign-up in the narthex if you can help on that day.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 Worship Service 10:30am	4	5	6 Food Pantry 11:30am-1:30pm "Hit & Miss" Bible Study 7:30am	7 Women's Bible Study 9:30am Praise Team 6:00pm Choir Practice 7:00pm	8	9 Parsonage & Church Work Day 9:00am
10 Worship Service 10:30am Graduate Celebration Mother's Day	11 Missions Meeting 6:00pm	12	13 Food Pantry 5:00-7:00pm "Hit & Miss" Bible Study 7:30am	14 Women's Bible Study 9:30am Praise Team 6:00pm Choir Practice 7:00pm	15	16
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24 Worship Service 10:30am Pentecost Sunday	25 Memorial Day	26	27 Food Pantry 5:00-7:00pm "Hit & Miss" Bible Study 7:30am	28 Women's Bible Study 9:30am Praise Team 6:00pm Choir Practice 7:00pm	29	30
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