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You are the Salt of the Earth—Matthew 5:13

**The Saltshaker is now electronic!**

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## *The Pastor's Pen*

The New Year is quickly approaching, not only are we beginning a new year, we are also beginning a new decade. With this season we are granted the opportunity to both reflect on what has passed and anticipate what is to come. Each and everyday, this is the space we live in as Christians: reflecting on what God has done and preparing for what God is going to do next. Seemingly, with each stroke of the new year, I hear people wonder, "will this be the last?" I remember December 31, 1999 sitting in my grandmothers living room, watching old movies. Cars had been lined up at the gas station all day filling their tanks. Some thought, "this is the going to be the end of the world." Others anticipated Christ's return and being elevated into their heavenly homes.\* Either way, people thought something big was going to happen... a new year, a new decade, and a new millennia all in one. And yet, the end of a new year is not about fear, but about hope for a promised future. A new year affords us the opportunity to reset, to reorient. It calls for repentance and for our work at God's children to continue. In the past, I have preached several sermons about our beliefs as United Methodist about the "last things." The fancy theological term for this "eschatology," or the doctrine of the last things; basically what happens in the end. I believe in what scholars call an "inaugurated eschatology," which recognizes the Kingdom of God is already present though the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and it's not yet here as we wait for Christ's return. Personally, I think this is much more hope-filled way to think about heaven. We're experiencing the fullness of God here and now while waiting for it to be fully realized in the future. As I think about the next year, the new decade, I am hopeful for what 2020 will bring, especially knowing God is already here and working on our very midst. My resolution this year and everyday, is to open my eyes to see God at work and refocus on living out the call God has placed on my life. Will you join me in doing this same?

\*For further reading check out a recent article from Time Magazine, "What the New Testament Really Says About Heaven" by N.T. Wright from December 16. <https://time.com/5743505/new-testament-heaven/>

Blessings,  
Pastor Cassie

Adult Sunday School 9:30 AM Sunday  
Children's Sunday School 9:30 AM  
Fellowship immediately follows Sunday Services  
BUMC Ringers Wednesdays @ 6:30 PM  
Sacks to Mats Mondays @ 6:30 PM at Ambulance Bldg.  
Saltshaker articles are due the **23rd** of every month  
Men's Fellowship Breakfast 1st Saturday at 7:30 AM at various locations in Plattsburg

Praise Team Practice 10 AM Sunday  
Church Services start at 10:40 AM  
BUMYouth meet Sundays @ 6 PM  
BUMC Singers Wednesdays @ 7:15 PM  
Alcoholics Anonymous every Thursday at 6:30 PM  
Breakfast on Broadway is the 3rd Saturday at 8:30 AM

Here are the Sunday duties! If you are unable to fulfill your duties please try to find someone to stand in for you. If you are unable to find someone, let the office know as soon as possible so someone else can help. These are crucial functions of our worship service and play an important part of fulfilling our church family.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Greeter/Usher</u>	
1/5/2020	Jim Bonebrake	Keith & Kari S	Communion
1/12/2020	Jim Morris	Ken & Kim T	
1/19/2020	John Enderle	F.Roudebush & H. Whiteley	
1/26/2020	Ken Tongue	Hodges	Birthday
2/2/2020	Kris Torre	Hoovers	Communion
2/9/2020	Kyle Enderle-Miller	Ryan Jensen & Jim Morris	
2/16/2020	Lisa Querrey	Bill & Sandy Jones	
2/23/2020	Natalie Grayson	K. Soldanel & M. Freeman	Birthday
3/1/2020	Robin Dickerson	Marsh/Storm (Mom & Daughter)	Communion

- Who killed Adam and Eve's son Abel?  
a. Cain b. Seth c. Enoch d. Matthew
- Who did God tell to build an Ark?  
a. Moses b. Aaron c. Noah d. Levi
- On what mountain did the ark rest on when the waters went down?  
a. Nebo b. Ararat c. Calvary d. Horeb
- Who killed Goliath with one smooth stone?  
a. Daniel b. Solomon c. Jonathan d. David
- For which of his son's did Jacob make a coat of many colors?  
a. Joseph b. Benjamin c. Judah d. Dan
- What was the name of Hannah's son that she prayed for and then gave to the Lord to work in the temple with Eli the priest?  
a. Reuben b. Samuel c. Saul d. Peter
- What was the name of the leper that Elisha the prophet told to dip seven times in the Jordan River, and his flesh would be clean?  
a. Naaman b. Barak c. Jared d. Issachar
- Who did the king of Babylon throw into the lion's den, because he prayed to his God 3 times a day?  
a. David b. Tamar c. Joshua d. Daniel
- Who did Nebuchadnezzar throw into the fiery furnace, because they would not bow down to his golden image?  
a. Shadrach, Abednego, Daniel  
b. Shadrach, Daniel, Meshach  
c. Daniel, Meshach, Abednego  
d. Abednego, Meshach, Shadrach
- Who was the first King of Israel?  
a. David b. Jonathan c. Samuel d. Saul
- In what place was Jesus born?  
a. Bethlehem b. Nazareth c. Jericho d. Jerusalem
- What was the name of the man who baptized Jesus in the Jordan River?  
a. Judas b. John the Revelator c. John the Baptist d. James

### Prayer Team

The Prayer Team has started meeting every Monday at 10 AM in the Prayer room at the church. You are welcome to join them if you are interested.

Date	Attendance	Average weekly offering for December \$2012
12/1	53	Average Offering Needed Per Week \$2900
12/8	58	
12/15	44	
12/22	47	
12/24	80	
12/29	38	

**HELP WANTED:** Money Counter  
Description – BUMC is seeking more volunteers to help count the offering on Sunday after church. We need two volunteers each week (who cannot be related). This is **NOT** an every Sunday commitment. If you can help please contact the church office.

# Celebrations

## January

### Birthday

- 4 Bob McCush
- 4 Matt Clifton
- 15 Collin Aebersold
- 17 Bruce Hageman
- 24 Callie Dickerson
- 24 Stan Hoover
- 31 Jason Hoover

### Anniversary

- 4 Linda and Russ Brumbaugh
- 27 Berdyna & Lou Proctor

# THANK YOU!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the Christmas card and gift card. I am always thankful for you and your generosity. I am excited to be in ministry here at BUMC and can't wait to see what the next year holds.

Blessings,  
Pastor Cassie

## DUTIES SCHEDULE

1/5/2020	Jim Bonebrake	Keith & Kari S
1/12/2020	Jim Morris	Ken & Kim T
1/19/2020	John Enderle	F. Roudebush & H. Whiteley
1/26/2020	Ken Tongue	Hodge's
2/2/2020	Kris Torre	Hoover's
2/9/2020	Kyle Enderle-Miller	Ryan Jensen & Jim Morris
2/16/2020	Lisa Querrey	Bill & Sandy Jones
2/23/2020	Natalie Grayson	K. Soldanel & M. Freeman
3/1/2020	Robin Dickerson	Marsh/Storm (Mom & Daughter)
3/8/2020	Ryan Jensen	Master's
3/15/2020	Bruce Hageman	N Grayson & D Bonebrake
3/22/2020	Brett Dickerson	P Clifford & S Burton
3/29/2020	Connie Collins	Stayton's
4/5/2020	Helen Whiteley	Tongue's
4/12/2020	Jacob Enderle-Miller	Brumbaugh's
4/19/2020	Jim Bonebrake	C Milliken & C Tharp
4/26/2020	Jim Morris	C Stoneking & F. Roudebush
5/3/2020	John Enderle	R Jensen & H Whiteley
5/10/2020	Ken Tongue	Clifton's
5/17/2020	Kris Torre	Collin's
5/24/2020	Kyle Enderle-Miller	Dickerson's
5/31/2020	Lisa Querrey	Enderle's
6/7/2020	Natalie Grayson	Hodge's
6/14/2020	Robin Dickerson	Hoover's
6/21/2020	Ryan Jensen	Jim Morris & C Stoneking
6/28/2020	Bruce Hageman	Bill & Sandy Jones
7/5/2020	Brett Dickerson	K Soldanel & M Freeman
7/12/2020	Connie Collins	Marsh/Storm (Mom & Daughter)
7/19/2020	Helen Whiteley	Master's

*Pray without ceasing*

Ben Baldwin, Jr.
Bessie Dickerson
Betty Swanson
Cam Collins
Carol Torre
Coby Aebersold
Dana Streeter Clark
Daniel Dickerson
Dorothy Ditmars
Greg Tongue
J. W. Lile
Jackie Swanson
Jerri Morris
Jim Morris
Katherine Hembree
Kim Tongue's Father Marvin Conant
Lindsey Stephens
Vi Bowling's SIL Manuel Jackson
Mary Goldberg
Shirley Boner
Wilma Tippit

The Food Pantry now needs a FREEZER plus a REFRIGERATOR. They are willing to pay!!

## Food Pantry News

117 W. Maple  
816-539-3293 8:30 - 11:15 AM on Thursdays.

The Food Pantry would like to express our sincere thanks to the church family for your faithful giving to the Pantry this past year. As you know we survive on donations - no federal or state funding is involved. Because of your (and others in the community) donations you have blessed so many families in our school district. Again,

THANK YOU!!

# JANUARY 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1 New Year's Day	2 6:30 PM AA Meeting	3	4 7:30 AM Christian Men's Fellowship - BUMC
5 Communion Sunday 6 PM BUMY	6	7	8 Music Rehearsal	9 6:30 PM AA Meeting	10	11
12 6 PM BUMY	13	14	15 Music Rehearsal	16 6:30 PM AA Meeting	17	18 8:30 AM Breakfast on Broadway
19 6 PM BUMY	20 M.L. King Day 9 AM Retired Teachers Breakfast 7 PM Community Choir Practice -BUMC	21 <hr/> 20 6:30 PM BUMC Board Meeting	22 Music Rehearsal	23 6:30 PM AA Meeting	24	25
26 Celebration Sunday 6 PM BUMY	27 7 PM Community Choir Practice - BUMC	28	29 Music Rehearsal	30 6:30 PM AA Meeting	31	1