

**BROADWAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
301 W BROADWAY ST
PLATTSBURG, MO 64477**

***YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH
MATTHEW 5:13***

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THE SALTSHAKER



Michaels Moment: “The Methodist Way”

It's been a busy couple of months at BUMC! In November, our No Hunger November efforts collected nearly 350 meals for the Plattsburg Food Pantry. In December, we wrapped up another successful Forever Christmas—thanks to everyone's efforts, collected and wrapped gifts for 120 local kids through our annual Giving Tree, hosted Dinner on Broadway and Storytime, celebrated a beautiful Christmas Eve service (raising \$1024 for the Plattsburg Senior Center), and enjoyed wonderful performances by our bells and choir. In just the beginning of January we have completed the arduous process of replacing the carpet in the offices and classrooms and hosted another successful Parents' Night Out. Phew!

One might say we've been very “Methodist.” In the 1700s, John Wesley and his friends were so disciplined in prayer, study, and service that others jokingly called them “Methodists.” Wesley taught that both works of piety (prayer, worship, Scripture study, etc.) and works of mercy (putting our faith into action) are means of grace through which we experience God's presence. I hope you've felt God with us during this busy season. Worship and service are at the heart of the Methodist Way.

Like many of you, I'm concerned about what's going on in our world but I'm even more convinced that our Methodist way of following Jesus makes a real, tangible difference. My prayer is that God will show us how to grow His Kingdom in the coming year.

I look forward to 2026 at BUMC, as we serve God and the world as Methodists!

Pastor Michael

BROADWAY SNAPSHOTS



Dinner on Broadway



Sunday School
Nativity Play



Parents' Night Out
Crafts



PNO movie time!



Nuggets and mac n
cheese for dinner



Presents for the
2025 Giving Tree



Nativity Play
preparation



Youth Group making No
Hunger November meals



Mr. and Mrs. Claus at
Forever Christmas

2026 BUMC BOARD

We are welcoming two new members to our board; Christel Gollnick and Kathy Soldanels. Lisa Querrey will be stepping into the role of Board Chair, while Ken Tongue steps down from that role to be a board member. Thank you to all of our Board for serving BUMC and continuing to promote mission work that spreads the love of Jesus Christ.

Food Pantry Report

In December of 2025, the Plattsburg Food Pantry served 55 families comprised of 165 individuals. Two new families received donations from the pantry in December. A total of 23 Christmas dinners were served. Just over 2000 pounds of food was donated, and 535 pounds of food was purchased. 40 volunteers totaled 140 hours of service. Thank you to everyone who donated food, money, and time to this mission.

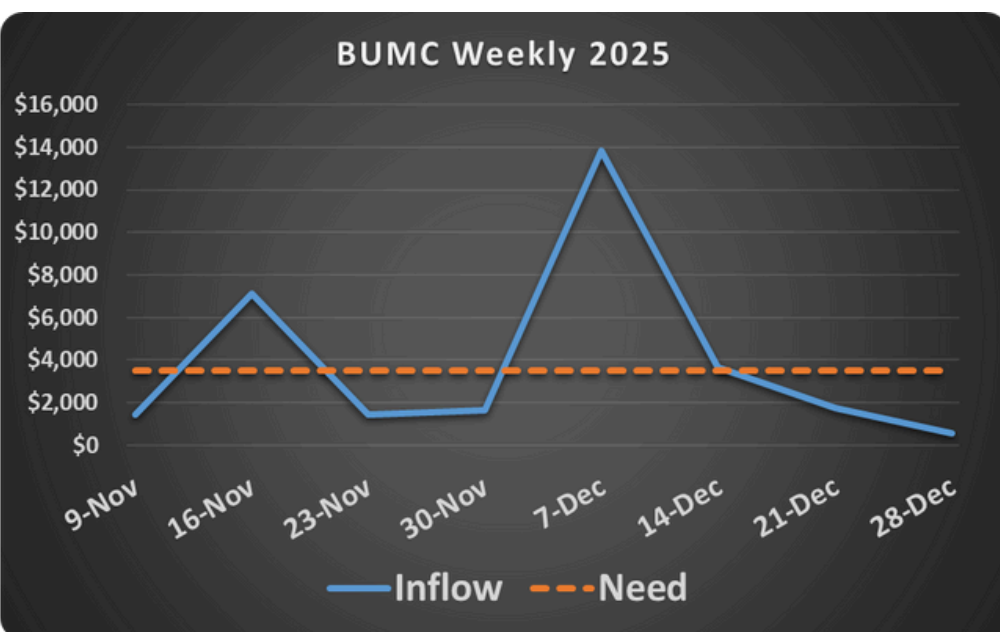
SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

FOOD DRIVE

FEB 8

SOUP COOKOFF

BUMC GIVING SUMMARY



February Celebrations

Birthdays:

Lisa Lollar - 01
Tate Clifton - 01
Lisa Querrey - 10
Marian Freeman - 11
Russell White - 11
Amanda Schaffer - 20
Kathy Mattke - 21

Anniversaries:

Bill and Sandy Jones - 05
Jerri and Jim Morris- 09
A.J. and Ron Cravens - 14

PRAYER LIST

Russell White
Gary McQuerrey
Aimee McLallen
Jerry Moore
Jaxson Grayson
Becky Powers Rogers
Stan Hoover
Jason Hanser
Kim Tongue
Gary McQuerrey
Stephanie Renee Cannon
Becky Rigersy
Christel Ehlers
Kelly Williams
Joyce Cox
Sander Family
Pam Clifford
Davila Family
Vonnie Vanderau
Darcy Bothell and family
Mary Day

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

2/1: Ken Tongue
2/8: Lisa Querrey
2/15: Bruce Hageman
2/22: Nichole Hageman

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

12/7: 61
12/14: 65
12/21: 58
12/24: 68
12/28: 42
1/4: 47
1/11: 55
1/18: 43

December '25/January '26 Board Meeting:

- The board voted and approved donating all Christmas Eve offerings to be donated to the Plattsburg Senior Center.
- New carpet in the office wing and stairs, two new stools, and LVP in the office wing bathrooms was installed in January.
- Tree trimming will take place at the parsonage on Feb. 7th. Please join if you are able to help.
- The board approved a bid from Barnes Plumbing to replace the water heater in the downstairs bathrooms.
- Our annual board retreat will take place on February 28th from 9:00am - 2:00pm where we will discuss goals for 2026.

MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Sundays:

- Sunday School - 9:30am
- Worship - 10:40am
- Bell Choir - 12:00pm
- Youth Group - 6:00pm

Wednesdays:

- Choir Rehearsal - 6:30pm

Thursdays:

- AA Meetings - 6:30pm

3rd Sunday of the Month:

- Nursing Home Service - 12:30pm

4th Monday of the Month:

- Storytime - 10:30am with Free Play from 11:00am-12:00pm
- Dinner on Broadway - 5:30pm

Office Hours:

- Tuesday/Thursday 9:00am-1:00pm
- Monday/Wednesday/Friday by appointment only



Winter/Spring 2026

Coming up at Broadway:

- February 8: SOUPer Bowl Sunday (Food drive and luncheon after church)
- February 9: Board meeting @ 7:00pm
- February 18: Ash Wednesday
- February 22: Parents' Night Out meeting after church
- February 23: Storytime @ 10:30am with free play until 12:00pm
- February 23: Dinner on Broadway @ 5:30pm
- February 28: Board Retreat from 9:00am - 2:00pm
- March 23: Storytime @ 10:30am with free play until 12:00pm
- March 23: Dinner on Broadway @ 5:30pm
- March 29: Palm Sunday
- April 2: Maundy Thursday Dinner
- April 3: Good Friday
- April 5: Easter Sunday