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*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

Junior Church: Children ages kindergarten-5th grade will be dismissed following Children's Moment in the 11:00 service. We will head back to our room(s) (just past the library) in either one or two groups, k-2nd and 3rd-5th, depending on the size of attendance that week. In Junior Church, we will learn more about God's love throughout scripture, have a small snack, and engage in an activity. **Please RSVP for your child here: [Junior Church RSVP](#)**

Volunteer for Junior Church:

We cannot make Junior Church work without help! Please consider volunteering to support BUMC's Children's Ministry. All materials and lessons will be prepped for you and any support you may need or want will be provided. **To volunteer, use this link: [Volunteer RSVP](#)**

Women at the Well| Sunday | 9:50 - 10:45am | Library.

There will be short bible study lessons and discussion questions. Come spend some time with fellow Christian women and learn about different things in the life of our Lord. All women are invited to attend. Please join us, if you have questions or thoughts please contact Kim Szelc 412-908-4723 or kszelc@zoominternet.net

Tuesday Night Bible Study| 6:30-7:30pm| Fellowship Hall

Join together in a study of the Books of James and Jude.

We will see how these books compare to what is going on in the world today. Bring your bible and join in this verse by verse study.



Pastor Keith A. Dunn, Preaching

Welcome! *We appreciate you joining us for Sunday worship at Bakerstown United Methodist . We hope you experience God's presence and love in our midst.*

January 12, 2025 8:30am & 11:00am Worship Service

* Please stand if able where indicated

Prelude

Greeting & Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: Let us worship the Lord who created us and formed us.

People: **We need not fear for God has redeemed us and called us by name.**

Leader: God loves us and is with us.

People: **Let us praise the name of the Lord.**

**Opening Worship*

"Spirit Song"

"Joy To the World (Unspeakable Joy)"

"Come (Holy Spirit)"

#347 ~ 8:30am

Rhythm of Grace

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Opening Prayer

Father in Heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, One God, in glory everlasting. Amen

Ministry of Music

"You Are Mine"

Sanctuary Choir ~ 8:30am

Baptismal Covenant II

#39 ~ 11:00am

Noah Massimo Pelusi

Son of Tracy Hefner & Sean Pelusi

Rachel Bryn Pelusi

Daughter of Tracy Hefner & Sean Pelusi

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology ~ *Prayer of Dedication

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

"I Surrender"

#500~ 8:30am

Rhythm of Grace

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Message

"God's Beloved"

Pastor Keith, Preaching

Baptismal Covenant IV

#50 ~ 8:30am

**Closing Worship*

"Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters"

"Baptized"

#605~ 8:30am

Rhythm of Grace

**Dismissal with Blessing*

**Postlude*

*Tithes or offerings can be placed in the offering plates at the rear of the sanctuary.

The baskets near the offering plates in the rear of the sanctuary are for any giving to the Missions of Bakerstown UMC. These funds are used to bless the community and the world through the work we do and the ministries we support. Thank you!



Bakerstown Methodist Women's Second Annual

"Sleep In Your Own Bed" Retreat!

Ladies – Please join with us on **Friday night February 7th from 7:00pm to 9:00pm and again on Saturday February 8th 9:00am to**

2:30pm at the church. Rev. Alyce Weaver Dunn will be leading this retreat for us. Last year we had 40 women attend!! Come and join us again in 2025 and spend part of a wintery weekend with Jesus and each other. You can even come in your jammies if you want! So grab a friend and sign up!! Snacks will be available Friday night and a Continental Breakfast and a Soup & Sandwich Luncheon will be served on Saturday. No need to bring anything except your Bible and yourself!! Cost is \$20 per person to cover the cost of food and supplies. Please RSVP to Lora in the church office or sign the sign up sheet in the Narthex by Friday January 31st. Hope to see you there!!!!!!!!!!



As we begin the new year and many of our activities start back up, please remember to check with the church office when you are planning to use our building for meetings or ministry opportunities. Our published calendar does not contain all the activities happening in the building, as many are subject to

change. Thank you for helping ministry run smoothly here at Bakerstown UMC.

Day School Open House!

Sunday, January 26 we open our doors to the church and public to visit our day school, meet our teachers and see our beautiful learning spaces. Current day school families will also be here to talk with you and share their perspective on our school. We have a special preview time for church members at 12:00 p.m. We will open our doors to the public at 12:30 until 2:00 p.m. Registration for the 2025/2026 school year will accepted. Please stop by; we'd love to see you! Please spread the word to families looking for classes for children aged 2 up through Kindergarten! More information about the day school can be found on the website at www.bakerstownumc.org

Happy Birthday

01/15 Miriam Perriello
01/15 Benjamin Brennan
01/17 Michelle Fischetti

Happy Anniversary

01/14 Brian & Kim Szelc
01/16 Sam & Julie Cramer

GriefShare's Winter 2024/2025 Schedule

We meet once a month in January and February:

Monthly Winter Sessions

January 15th and February 12th – 7pm to 8:30pm

****New Session Series begins again weekly March 12th.**

January JUMP (Junior United Methodist Program): If you are a 3rd-5th grader, please join us for pizza and games on **Sunday, January 12th**. We will meet in New Fellowship Hall from 12:15-1:45pm for food and fun. This is a drop-off event, but volunteers are more than welcome!

To RSVP for your child(ren) or to sign up to volunteer, please use this link: [JUMP](#)

January Kingdom Kids: Children who are enrolled in Kindergarten -2nd Grade are invited to attend Kingdom Kids on **Sunday, January 26th from 12:15-1:45pm**. Join us in New Fellowship Hall for a Bible lesson, snack, craft, game and more! This is a drop-off event. However, volunteers are always needed!

To RSVP for your child(ren) or sign up to volunteer, please use this link: [Kingdom Kids](#)



The newsletter articles for the February Steeple are due on Monday, January 20th. Thank you



Lighthouse Food Pantry Collection for the month of January are croutons, salad dressings, oil, chili, saltine crackers & chicken noodle soup

NEW - Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study beginning January 9th through February 20th at 9:00am - **The Gospel of John: Savoring the Peace of Jesus in a Chaotic World** by *Melissa Spoelstra*. Life. It seems to move at a break-neck pace. Days are filled with noise, screens, and appointments. Sometimes worry and fear are constant companions. The chaos can leave you looking for a place to be still, but that resting spot always seems to be an elusive destination. Jesus offers a different kind of life. He offers peace. He is peace.

Come join us for this 7-session study on the Gospel of John, where we will be encouraged to slow down and linger with the living Word – to savor the peace of Jesus in a chaotic world. You'll appreciate the pace of the Savior who never hurried but completed all that the Father called Him to accomplish. As you turn the pages of John's Gospel, you'll be challenged to take on the posture of a learner—understanding that the peace Jesus offers is not an ease of circumstances, but a stillness of the soul. As a result, you'll grow in intimacy with Him and learn to live, serve, and rest in His peace in the midst of a hectic life. Sign up in class, in the Narthex, or call the church office. Workbooks are \$18.00.

All-U-Can-Eat Breakfast! |Saturday, Jan. 18 | 8:00-11:00am | Fellowship Hall Breakfast will be served from 8:00 am to 11:00 am, \$7.00 for Adults, \$3.00 for ages 6-12 and under age 6 eat for free. Come and get your choice of Plain, Blueberry, Buckwheat or Chocolate Chip Pancakes and the options of eggs, bacon, sausage and/or home-fries to go with them. Wash it all down with coffee, tea or OJ.

A Stitch and a Prayer |Saturday, Jan. 18 |10am to 2pm| Old Fellowship Hall We sew, knit, and crochet blankets and prayer shawls for Project Linus, baptisms, and those who are ill in our church. We need help sorting, sewing, ironing, pinning, and cutting. All are welcome. Bring a lunch!!!! If you are not able to join us when we meet on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 10-2, please contact Louise Himes, Mary Pouchot or Marge Kirkpatrick if you have questions regarding how you can help.



Bakerstown Youth Group

All youth join us Sunday Nights from 6-7:30pm.

For January: **Series: From Now On**

During his time on earth, Jesus' message was clear-from now on, things will be different. Jesus spent his life showing people how God wanted to connect with them and help them connect with each other. Because

of Jesus, our world can be forever changed-we just need to follow him. In this 4-week series from the Gospels, we'll explore what it means to follow Jesus and look at the life he invites us into. We'll see how we can trust Jesus is with us, how Jesus gives us peace, that we can trust Jesus loves us, and how Jesus gives us a place to belong.

No youth group Jan. 26th due to the Current retreat!

If you want to be involved in our Youth Ministry Program, or have questions concerning a program, contact Pastor Amanda at 724-443-3184 or amitchell@bakerstownumc.org

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
12 9:45am DIGGing Deeper 9:50am Women at the Well 11:00am Junior Church 12:15pm JUMP 6:00pm Ignite	13 7:00pm Finance Team Meeting	14 6:30pm Bible Study	15 7:00pm Church Council 7:00pm Grief Share	16 9:00am Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Rhythm of Grace 7:30pm Sanctuary Choir	17	18 8:00am Pancake Breakfast 10:00am A Stitch and A Prayer	19 9:45am DIGGing Deeper 9:50am Women at the Well 11:00am Junior Church 6:00pm Ignite

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Hoagie Fundraiser

Planning a Superbowl Party? Serve *fantastic* John Marshall hoagies to your crowd! 12" Italian and Turkey hoagies with cheese, lettuce and tomato (wrapped separate) on delicious Breadworks 12" buns. \$8.00 each.

All proceeds will go to the Day School

Turkey _____ Italian _____

Total _____ Total _____

Name _____

Phone _____

Pick up date: Saturday, February 8th time TBA

Please make checks payable to BUMC Day School

All orders and money are due by
Sunday, January 26th



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