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Upcoming Projects

As the summer approaches, our Trustees have been working hard planning for this year's projects. The Fellowship Hall and the former Jr. High Youth Room, soon to be the new classroom for our growing Day School were painted in early May. Other maintenance and repair needs continue to be addressed as they arise.

The big project this summer will be replacing the heating and cooling units for the Fellowship Hall. They are the ones outside of the south entrance and are nearing the end of their service. It is hard to believe that those units like the hall itself are twenty-two years old! The approximate cost of this project is \$70,000.

Several years ago, our Finance Committee and Church Council established a Major Projects fund to help make these larger projects possible. Our church budget set an amount to be deposited monthly into the Major Projects fund for larger items beyond a monthly Trustees stipend for smaller projects such as the painting mentioned above. This approach has served us well. We were able to replace the roof on our entire church building, replace a couple of air conditioning units, and address several other maintenance issues because of the Major Projects Fund.

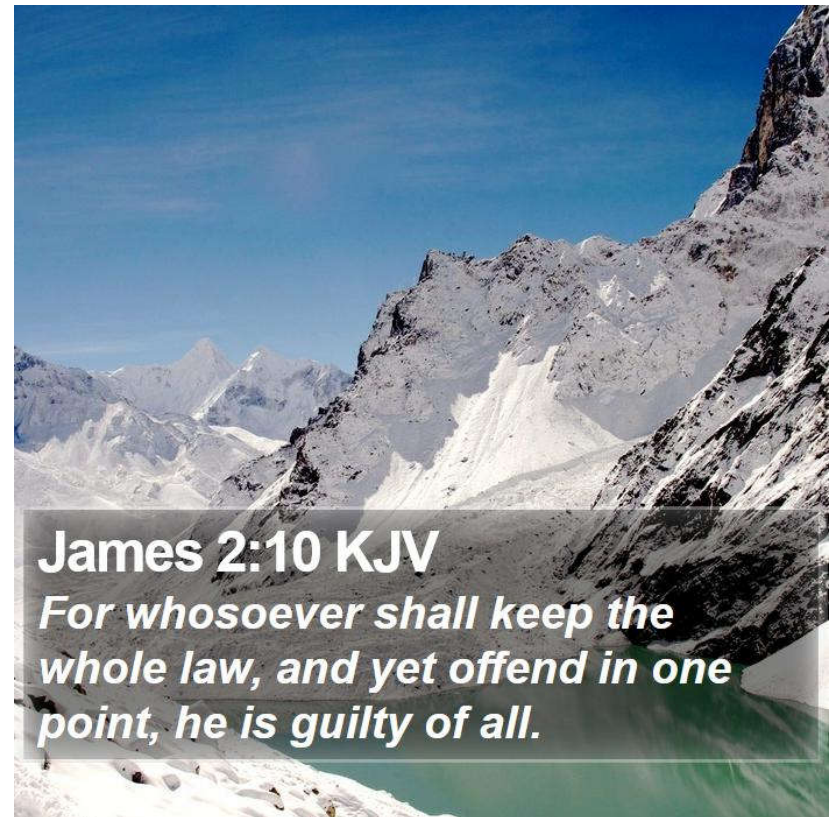
We are getting to the point where our maintenance needs are greater than the income generated by our General Fund budget. The HVAC project will leave us with less than \$15,000 in our Major Projects Fund. If an emergency maintenance issue should arise, we would not have the means to address it without borrowing money. Our Church leaders are asking that people consider making gifts beyond their support of our church to help meet this need. If you would like to help, please indicate "Major Projects Fund" with your gift. Thank you for your continued support of our church's ministry and providing the great facilities we have to make it happen!



Bakerstown United Methodist Church

Rev. Keith A. Dunn, Senior Pastor

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



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.*

May 28, 2023 8:30am & 11:00am Worship Service

* Please stand if able where indicated

Prelude

Greeting & Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: Come, all who seek the presence of the Lord, and let us worship.

People: **In Christ everyone is welcome regardless of wealth or status.**

Leader: We are all God's children, whom Christ died to save.

People: **Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

**Opening Worship*

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #384 ~ 8:30am
"Come Now Is The Time To Worship" Rhythm of Grace
"Open the Eyes of My Heart" Rhythm of Grace

**Opening Prayer*

Holy God, you are greater than we can ever imagine. You love and cherish even those who are the least in the eyes of the world. Forgive us for those times when we want to hold onto your love and not share it with others. Help us to follow your command to truly love one another. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Time With Children

Ministry of Music

"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)" Rhythm of Grace

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication

**Song of Preparation*

"Will Justice Reign" Rhythm of Grace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Hymn of Preparation

"America (My Country Tis of Thee)" #697 ~ 8:30am

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson

James 2:1-13

Message

"Lawful Living"
Pastor Keith, Preaching

**Closing Worship*

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing" #664~ 8:30am
"Shout To The North" Rhythm of Grace

**Dismissal with Blessing*

**Postlude*

**Tithes or offerings can be placed in the baskets and offering plates around 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!



Vacation Bible School registration is now open again and nearing capacity. RSVP soon to claim your spot! For ages 4-5th grade.

[VBS Registration](#)

Here is a list of our current needs:

1. Crew leaders - These volunteers walk small groups of children from station to station around the church. Additionally, they sign children in and out with their parents/guardians each day. NO PREP WORK REQUIRED!
2. Craft leaders - These volunteers give instructions and model how to make the daily craft to each age group. The directions, sample, and materials will all be provided to you. NO PREP WORK REQUIRED!
3. Games leaders - These volunteers give instructions and coach each age group through the daily games. The directions and materials will all be provided to you. NO PREP WORK REQUIRED!

What do I need to do to become a VBS volunteer?

- 1 Be prepared to have fun, act silly, and shine Jesus' light!
- 2 Attend Safe Sanctuary Training on Sunday, June 4th at 9:45am. If you cannot attend, please see Katie.
3. All volunteers must have current Acts 33/34 child abuse clearances on file. Please see Katie for directions.

Safe Sanctuary Training - A large group training session for all children's and youth ministry volunteers will be held on Sunday, June 4th at 9:45am in the church library. Our Safe Sanctuary Policy will be reviewed. Please RSVP by 5/28 to Katie Lowell at klowell@bakerstownumc.org or call the church office. If you cannot attend, please see Katie to make other arrangements.

Happy Birthday

05/29 Derek Zynn
05/30 Susan McGrath
05/31 Roger Cramer
06/01 Christine Negley



Lighthouse Food Pantry Collection for the month of May\June: Taco shells (soft or hard), taco seasoning, taco sauce, salsa and Capri Sun. Thank you everyone who has brought in egg cartons, the Lighthouse is no longer collecting them at this time.



We are looking for help in nursery at 11am. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. You must have your clearances to be able to help. If you would like to help and do not have your clearances, contact the church office for links or if you have any questions.

DIGging Deeper| 9:45am | Wesley Room

We are studying the book "The Holy Scriptures" from the Wesleyan Theology Series. The ancient stories, poems, prophecies, and customs of the Bible have been interpreted in so many different ways for so many different contexts, times, and purposes. How can we find a stable meaning for any passage? Is biblical interpretation solely dependent on the beliefs and values of the interpreter.



"Third Thursdays @ 10:00am!" Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study moves to meeting once a month during the summer. We will gather in Fellowship Hall on **Thursday June 15th, July 20th, and August 17th at 10:00am.** Please consider dropping in and joining us for some great guest speakers and a good Bible study lesson.

The Neighborhood Table | June 1 | Fellowship Hall

BUMC is continuing to partner with the Fox Chapel UMC to provide meals to the Sharpsburg Community.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the meal at BUMC starting at 2:30 PM. The meals are then transported to Sharpsburg and volunteers are needed there to help serve and clean up afterwards. This has been a very rewarding ministry so far, so please consider volunteering by calling Roger Cramer at 724-443-2847.

Drive Thru Dinner | June 6 | Fellowship Hall

The Mission Team has been serving a monthly meal for The Lighthouse. If the Lord is calling you to participate in this ministry either by helping with food prep in the kitchen, packing meals, delivering them to our church friends or to cars, please plan on coming to the fellowship hall at 2:30pm, or if you have any other questions, please contact Carol Skolnik at cniskol@gmail.com.

Our GriefShare weekly support group program will end on Wednesday May 31st. Then we will move to once a month sessions over the summertime. We will meet on **June 14th, July 12th, and August 16th** at 7:00pm in the Wesley Room. New Session Series begins weekly meetings again on September 6, 2023. GriefShare is a drop in program – everyone is welcome!



Recognition of Graduations, Sunday, June 4th

please inform the church office of your accomplishments! Call Lora at 724-443-3184 or

lstafula@bakerstownumc.org, and let us know the graduate's name, from where he or she is graduating, and with what degree, honors, or certificate. Please

have all your information to the church office, no later than Monday, May, 29th All graduates are encouraged to come to either Worship Service.

The Western Pennsylvania Annual Conference will be held at Erie Bayfront Convention Center from **Wednesday, June 14 through Saturday, June 17th**. Pastor Keith and Pastor Alyce, will be attending the conference. Please remember and pray for Pastor Keith and Pastor Alyce as they participate in this year's conference sessions. Ordination Thursday, June 14th at 7:00pm

There will be no DIGging deeper on Sunday, May 28th. We will return on Sunday, June 4th at 9:45am.

Regular Ignite gatherings will return in September. Watch the bulletin for special events!

Junior Church will return in September. Have a great summer!

Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28 8:30am Worship NO Digging Deeper 11:00am Worship	29	30	31 7:00pm Grief-share 7:00pm Memorial Committee Meeting	1 2:30pm The Neighborhood Table Prep 6:00pm Rhythm of Grace	2	3	4 8:30am Worship 9:45am Digging Deeper 11:00am Worship