Ongoing Calendar Events
November 15-21

Sunday
9:45am Coracle Conversations – Fellowship Hall
11:00am Junior Church
6:00pm Youth Group

Monday
7:00pm Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday
5:30pm Friendsgiving
6:30pm Bible Study

Wednesday
7:00pm GriefShare- Surviving the Holidays
7:00pm Church Council

Thursday
9:00am Women's Bible Study
6:30pm Glory Ringer Practice
7:30pm Sanctuary Choir Practice

Saturday
8:00am Pancake Breakfast
10:00am A Stitch And A Prayer

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Happy Birthday
11/15 J.J. Edwards
11/15 Katie Howard
11/17 Patti Sworden
11/19 Julie Cramer
11/21 Larry Halliwell

Happy Anniversary
11/15 Michael & Penny Fischetti

For more details on events happening, please visit the church website www.bakerstownumc.org or pick up a newsletter

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Rev. Keith A. Dunn, Senior Pastor



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

November 15, 2026

Liturgists: 8:30am ~ Paul McLeister 11:00am ~ Tracy Hefner

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: We gather to worship the God we serve.
People: The Lord calls us to love our neighbor, and to care for those in need.
Leader: Family of God, we gather here to grow in love of God, neighbor, self, and all creation. Let us now enter the joy of serving the Lord.
People: We gather to worship God and work for God's purposes until the kingdom comes on earth as it is in heaven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Opening Worship**

"What Gift Can We Bring"	*#87 ~ 8:30am*
"The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)	*Rhythm of Grace*
"Shine Jesus Shine"	*Rhythm of Grace*

Opening Prayer

Loving God, you no longer call us servants but friends. There is so much you have entrusted to us, even the future of your kingdom of justice and love. Give us the grace to work out with you the growth of mercy and goodness in this world. Help us to work together as your people in our living and loving you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Lesson
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Ministry of Music

"Praise To The Lord Almighty"	*Glory Ringers ~ 8:30am*
"It is Well"	*String Trio ~ 11:00am*

Children's Moment

The Offering
Offering of Our Tithes, Time and Lives
Prayer of Thanksgiving - String Trio

***Doxology *Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation

"Take Time To Be Holy"	*#395~ 8:30am*
"Salt and Light"	*Rhythm of Grace*

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson
Matthew 25:14-30

Message
"Enter the Joy"
Pastor Keith, Preaching

***Closing Worship**

"Faith, While Trees Are Still In Blossom"	*#508 ~ 8:30am*
"God Is Good All The Time"	*Rhythm of Grace*

***Dismissal with Blessing**
***Postlude**

**** Please stand if able where indicated***

The baskets on the table 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!

Break Through Prayer
Loving God, breakthrough the busyness of our lives
so that we might stop to hear your voice,
discern where you are leading and
go in the power of your Spirit in Jesus' name. Amen.

Liturgists, Ushers and Greeters will be used at both services; a sign-up sheet is on the stand near the elevator.



The deadline for the December/January 27 Steeple articles will be Wednesday, November 19th. Thank you! Lora Stafura

Coracle Conversations with Pastor Keith –through November 22nd at 9:45 AM, in the Fellowship Hall, we will engage in conversation around discovering where God is leading our congregation. We will discuss the role prayer plays in identifying God's new and next for us, how our gifts help in our discernment, and how God has been at work among us. For more details, please read the Pastor's Page in the October November Steeple. Everyone is welcome to attend.

GriefShare's "Surviving the Holidays" Seminar— Nov.18 at 7pm
All are invited to a special GriefShare Surviving the Holidays Seminar, on Wednesday, November 18, at 7:00pm in the Wesley Room.

All-U-Can-Eat Breakfast! |Saturday, Nov. 21 | 8:00-11:00am | Fellowship Hall Breakfast will be served from 8:00 am to 11:00 am, $8.00 for Adults, $4.00 for ages 6-12 and under age 6 eat for free.

A Stitch and a Prayer |Saturday, Nov. 21|10am to 2pm| Old Fellowship Hall
Sewing, knitting and crocheting blankets and prayer shawls for Linus Project, baptisms and ill in our church. Need help sorting, sewing, ironing, pinning, cutting.....all hands welcome. Bring a lunch!

Lighthouse Food Donations: The Lighthouse is in need of baking supplies/cake mixes, brownie mixes etc., and also snack and breakfast bars.

Hanging of the Greens! Join us on **Tuesday, November 24th at 10:00am** as we decorate the church for the upcoming Advent and Christmas Season. We hope to see you there!

Thanksgiving Service! We will continue our tradition of an online only Thanksgiving worship service this year. The service will be recorded prior to the week of November 22nd. It will be available on our website and YouTube channel on Wednesday, November 25th

Women's Christmas Brunch Saturday, December 5th at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall Every woman of the church is invited to attend our FOURTH Annual Women's Christmas Brunch. Please note this year we are asking for a $10.00 donation to cover the cost of the food.
Come hungry!! Chef Kevin McGrath has kindly offered to prepare our meal again – and the "Men Doing Stuff" group has amazingly offered to take care of serving and cleaning up for us again!! We will enjoy a delicious brunch first, then make an ornament, be entertained by a fun skit, maybe sing a few Christmas carols, and listen to a devotional by Pastor Alyce to inspire our hearts, along with plenty of time to socialize. RSVP to Lora in the office or on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Youth and Children's Ministry Opportunities:

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Our Youth Ministry is in full swing this fall! Here is what you need to know:
Weekly Meetings: Youth Group continues every week from **6:00 PM – 7:30 PM**. Open to all 6th-12th graders.

Holiday Schedule: Please note that there will be **no Junior Church on Sunday, November 29th** due to the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.
We are in need of volunteers for youth and children's ministry

If you are interested in volunteering for either (or both) please fill out this interest form. In order to volunteer, we will need ACT 33, ACT 34 clearances on file and to complete Safe Sanctuaries training. Don't worry! We can help you make sure you have everything you need!

Lighthouse Toy Shoppe at Bakerstown UMC—Pick a paper ornament from the Christmas tree in the Narthex. Bring back an unwrapped gift back under the tree, with your paper tag attached ***by December 6th.***

We will be hosting the Lighthouse Toy Shoppe on Saturday, December 12th 9:00 am— 1:00 pm. Your donations are greatly appreciated. It allows families in need to receive presents for Christmas for their children. **If you would like to volunteer on Saturday, please contact the Lighthouse 724-903- 0064.** We are always in need of younger teenager gifts...some suggestions for them are make-up, jewelry, fishing rods and tackle boxes, hoodies (hooded sweatshirts), nerf toys, remote control helicopters/airplanes/cars, etc. ****The Lighthouse is also giving out $25 gift cards for teenagers aged 13-18 this year, so if you would like to donate one, they'd appreciate it.** Thank you so much for all of your support!**

Sarris Candy Fundraiser
Please help support the Day School by ordering your chocolate for **Christmas** from Sarris. We earn a 25% profit with every online order! Please share this with anyone you think might be interested. Our Group ID# is 10-3713. All orders will be shipped directly to the address you provide. Shipping is FREE, but a $10.00 packaging and handling fee will be applied to each order by Sarris Candies. (Orders must be placed through www.sarriscandiesfundraising.com). **Orders will be taken until December 13.**