

Ongoing Calendar Events

October 18-25

Sunday

9:45am Digging Deeper
11:00am Junior Church
12:15pm Children's Ministry Event
6:00pm Youth Group

Monday

7:00pm Finance Team Meeting

Tuesday

6:30pm Bible Study

Wednesday

7:00pm GriefShare
7:00pm Church Council

Thursday

9:00am Women's Bible Study
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Practice

Friday- 6:30-9:00pm & Saturday-8:30am-2:30pm

Sleep In Your Own Bed Retreat

Sunday

9:45am Digging Deeper
11:00am Junior Church
6:00pm Youth Group

Happy Birthday

10/19 Eliza Khambatta
10/23 Janet Swift
10/26 Devney Amick

Happy Anniversary

10/23 Ray & Mary Ann Wilson
10/29 Mark & Lora Stafura

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



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**"GIVE TO CAESAR
WHAT IS CAESAR'S,
AND TO GOD
WHAT IS GOD'S."**

MATTHEW 22:21, NIV



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

October 18, 2026

Liturgists: 8:30am ~ Mallory Miles

11:00am ~ Mallory Miles

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: We gather today to remember and proclaim that we are God's people.

People: God's presence is here and we belong to the Lord!

Leader: We pass by God's goodness every day in the gracious gifts of creation and in the faces of our neighbors.

People: God, help us notice your goodness in everything and everyone that we meet.

Leader: When we notice God's goodness all around us, we recognize this truth: all things belong to the Lord.

People: Let us give to God the things belong to the Lord!

***Opening Worship**

"We Would See Jesus"

"Who You Say I Am"

"Jesus Messiah"

#256 ~ 8:30am

Rhythm of Grace

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Opening Prayer

Merciful God, we confess that we have not given you the things that are yours. We quibble over technicalities and argue over questions that do not lead us to love you, ourselves, or our neighbors well. We ignore your goodness and we do not allow ourselves to be filled with the Spirit who empowers us to live as people who glorify you. Forgive us, we pray, and free us to live in love and peace with you, with ourselves, and with our neighbors. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Psalms 99

Prayer for those attending the Leadership Gathering

Ministry of Music

Glory Ringers ~ 8:30am

Children's Moment

The Offering

Offering of Our Tithes, Time and Lives

***Doxology *Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation

"Jesus Shall Reign"

"Goodness of God"

#157 ~ 8:30am

Rhythm of Grace

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 22:15-22

Message

"Which One To Pay?"

Pastor Keith, Preaching

***Closing Worship**

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

"Step By Step"

#399 ~ 8:30am

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 Council of Bishops of the United Methodist Church is hosting a Leadership Gathering in Calgary, Canada from October 21st to 24th. There will be three participants from our Annual Conference. Two of them are Mallory Miles and Rev. Sung Chung with a connection to our church. Please pray for them as they travel and attend this event.

Coracle Conversations with Pastor Keith – Beginning Sunday, October 18th 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.

All Saints Sunday, November 1st at both services. We will be honoring all the members of Bakerstown UMC that passed away between -November 2, 2025- November 1, 2026.

Men Doing Stuff | Monday, Nov. 2 | 6:30pm | Fellowship Hall
We’ll enjoy a sweet treat together before getting started on our evening tasks this month we will be packing the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. **For more information, please reach out to Paul McLeister at 412-913-0455.**

The Neighborhood Table | Nov. 5 | Fellowship Hall
Volunteers are needed to help prepare the meal at BUMC starting at 2:30 PM

Drive Thru Dinner Nov. 10 | Fellowship Hall
Volunteers are needed to help prepare the meal at BUMC starting at 2:30 PM

The Bakerstown Book Club | Wed. Nov. 11th | 1:00pm | Church Library. The books that are being suggested to read for discussion are: A Lady's Handbook to Gadgets and Guile by Angela Bell; In a Word, Yes by Kit Tosello; The Undercover Bookshop by Katherine Reay; or The Lost Story of Via Belle By Melanie Dobson. Or - bring along a book you’ve read and enjoyed this Fall – and join us for a fun discussion of the books. There’s ALWAYS chocolate!!

The Fifth Annual **Friendsgiving Dinner** is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 17 at 5:30pm p.m.** The congregation is invited to attend along with our DTD friends. Reservations can be made by calling the church office or emailing bumcmteam@gmail.com.



The Care and Share Team is organizing the third Sunday snacks between services. This has become a tasty tradition, so if you are interested in providing some goodies one month, the sign up sheet is on the information center in the Narthex. Thank you!

Youth and Children’s Ministry Opportunities:

October Event (Sunday, October 18th): Our October Children’s Ministry event takes place on **Sunday, October 18th** following the 11:00 AM service. 12-15-1:45pm in New Fellowship Hall. This is a **drop-off event**, and lunch will be provided! Volunteers are always welcome. If you are interested in helping out, please let Ms. Jennie know. **Register your child [here](#).**

 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.

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!

The Lighthouse has started their collection for Thanksgiving, below are the items they are in need of:

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| Boxes of instant and scalloped potatoes | Cooking oil |
| Mac & Cheese | Canned Fruit (especially pumpkin and pineapple) |
| Cranberry sauce | Cans of Soup (cream based) |
| Applesauce | Cans of yams |
| Broth (chicken, beef, vegetable) | Bottles of juice |
| Stuffing | Can openers |
| Breadcrumbs | Pineapple corers / apple corers |
| Crispy fried onions | New reusable grocery bags |
| Muffin/cake/brownie mix | |

Deadline to drop off items November 1st **It is Operation Christmas Child time!** You are encouraged to bring in items that will be used to pack the shoeboxes that get sent around the world to help spread the love of Jesus. The donation box is in the Narthex. Suggested items are: small balls, dolls, stuffed animals, toy cars, small toys, toothbrushes, socks, combs and brushes, pens, pencils, crayons, markers, coloring books, notebooks. **Do not bring in: soap, candy, gum, toothpaste, food, liquids, breakable items, scary or war related items.**