Ongoing Calendar Events
November 8-15

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

Monday
7:00pm Memorial Committee Meeting
7:45pm Worship Committee Meeting

Tuesday
2:30pm Drive Thru Dinner Prep
6:30pm Bible Study

Wednesday
10:00am Care and Share Team Meeting
1:00pm Book Club
7:00pm GriefShare
7:00pm Trustees Meeting

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

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Happy Birthday
11/10 Donald Allaman Sr.
11/11 Leanne Walker
11/12 Sara Toms
11/13 Jim Skolnik
11/14 Nancy Shipley

Happy Anniversary
11/11 Dave & Kathleen Meuschke
11/14 Dean & Ellen Kelley

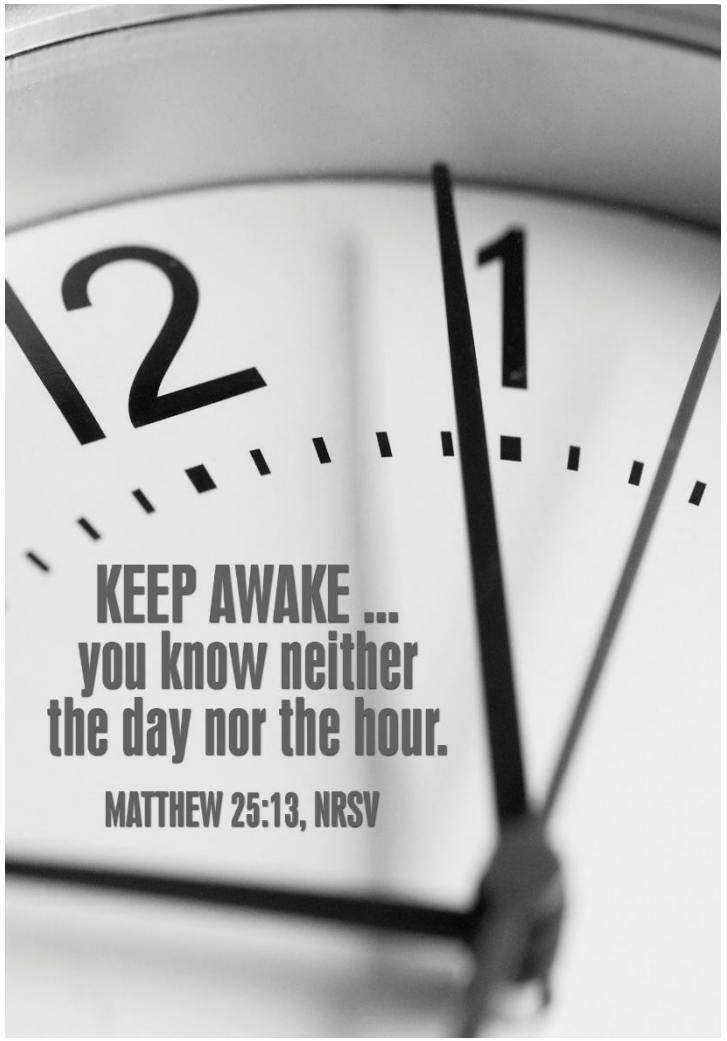
Upcoming Meetings
Finance Team Meeting | Monday, Nov. 16th | 7:00pm | Library
Church Council | Wednesday, Nov. 18th | 7:00pm | Library

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

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

November 8, 2026

Liturgists: 8:30am ~ Jay Martin 11:00am ~

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: The kingdom of God is all around us!
People: We gather to encourage one another to keep awake and watch, for the kingdom of God is at hand.
Leader: Sometimes we grow weary in waiting, and watching for the kingdom.
People: We gather to encourage one another to keep awake and watch, for the kingdom of God is at hand.
Leader: Sometimes God surprises, and we are overwhelmed by joy and wonder at all God is doing.
People: We gather to encourage one another to keep awake and watch, for the kingdom of God is at hand.
Leader: Family of God, whether you are weary or energized, worried or wonder-filled, rejoice!
People: The kingdom of God is all around us!

***Opening Worship**

"Majesty, Worship His Majesty" *#176 ~ 8:30am*
"Come Lord Jesus(Even So Come)" *Rhythm of Grace*
"Revelation Song" *Rhythm of Grace*

Opening Prayer

God of holiness, you do not want us to be ignorant of your dreams and hopes for us, so you speak to us in parables, that we might pay careful attention to your words. Fill us with the holy oil of generosity and grace. Make us ready to welcome Jesus Christ into our lives. Open our hearts to those who are in need. Help us to be ready for the opportunities you give us to serve you. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Scripture Lesson
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Ministry of Music ~ 8:30am
"Not If But When" *Sanctuary Choir*

Children's Moment

The Offering
Offering of Our Tithes, Time and Lives

***Doxology *Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation

"I Love Thy Kingdom Lord" *#540~ 8:30am*
"Turn Your Eyes" *Rhythm of Grace*

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson
Matthew 25:1-13

Message
"Keep Awake!"
Pastor Keith, Preaching

***Closing Worship**

"Rejoice, The Lord Is King" *#715 ~ 8:30am*
"Shout To The North" *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.

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!!

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.

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. Deadline to RSVP, November 10th.

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, $7.00 for Adults, $3.00 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!

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.**

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.

November

Monthly Event Note: There will be **no extra Children's Ministry event in November**. Instead, all families are warmly invited to join the mission team's **Friendsgiving** event!

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!**