

Ongoing Calendar Events September 27-October 4

Sunday

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

Tuesday

6:00pm Church Conference
6:30pm Bible Study

Wednesday

7:00pm GriefShare

Thursday

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

Sunday

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

Coracle Conversations with Pastor Keith – Beginning Sunday, October 18th through November 22nd at 9:45 AM, 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. We would like you to use the sign-up sheet in the Narthex to help us determine where we will meet.

Happy Birthday

09/28 Aaron Stevens
09/29 Terri Murray
09/30 Cynthia Young
10/02 Al Kolbe
10/02 Grace Brumberg

Happy Anniversary

10/01 Skip & Joy Lancaster
10/03 Paul & Marie Edinger
10/03 Matt & Leanne Walker
10/04 Tracey & Michele Rossi

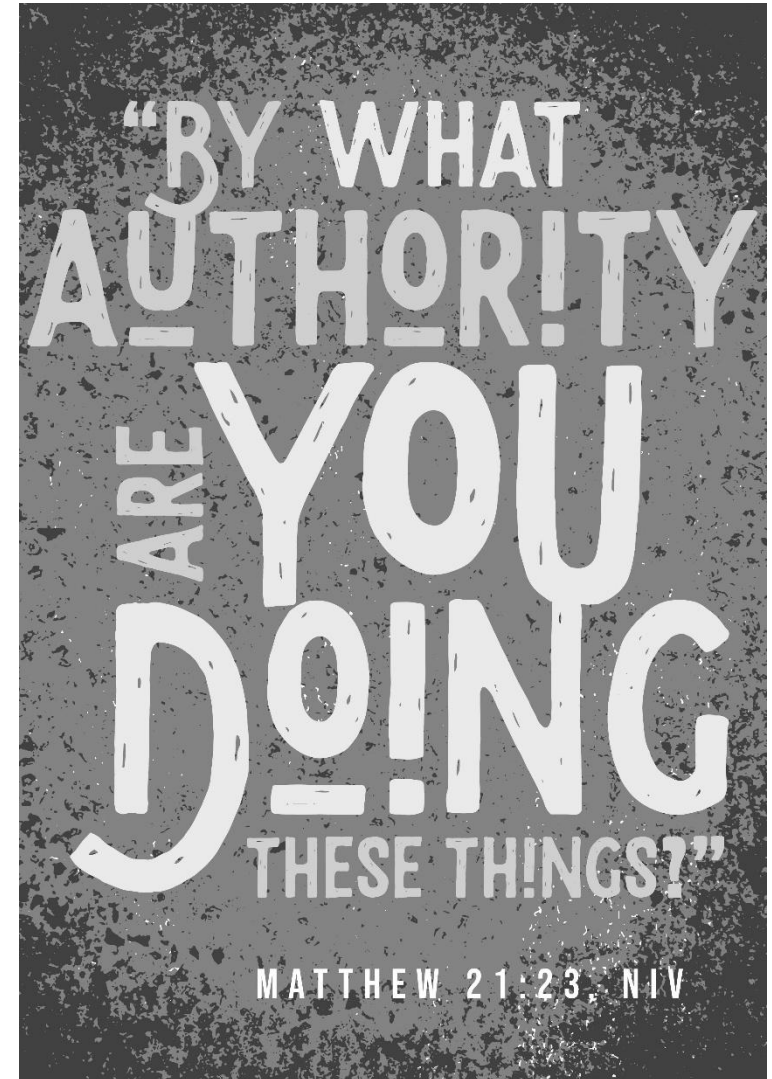
For more details on events happening, please visit the church website www.bakerstownumc.org or pick up a newsletter



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

September 27, 2026

Liturgists: 8:30am ~ Connie Martin

11:00am ~ Julie DeVore

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: Come, let all who would serve the Lord gather now for worship.

People: We are called express our faith by the way we live.

Leader: The Scriptures clearly state that all who sincerely turn to God will be receive mercy.

People: We desire to put our faith into practice by living in obedience to God's commands.

***Opening Worship**

"Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling"

#348 ~ 8:30am

"I Will Follow"

Rhythm of Grace

"Oceans (Where Feet Fall)"

Rhythm of Grace

Opening Prayer

Holy God, you have called us into your service. We have said we will follow you but too often we just do what we please. Help us to earnestly turn to you with a sincerity that will make us new. Empower us to lay aside those things that prohibit us from being the people you want us to be. Free us to joyful obedience. This we ask in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Philippians 2:1-13

Ministry of Music

"The Summons"

Sanctuary Choir ~ 8:30am

Children's Moment

The Offering

Offering of Our Tithes, Time and Lives

"Ancient Words"

Sanctuary Choir ~ 8:30am

***Doxology *Prayer of Dedication**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Song of Preparation

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

#382 ~ 8:30am

"Make Room"

Rhythm of Grace

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 21:23-32

Message

"The Challenge of Authority"

Pastor Keith, Preaching

***Closing Worship**

"Victory In Jesus"

#370 ~ 8:30am

"We Believe"

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.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Fourth grade students and families

On **Sunday, October 14th** at both the 8:30am and 11:00am worship services, we will present new Bibles to our 4th grade students. The students name will be listed in the bulletin and we will call their name to come down front to receive their Bible. Please contact the church office at 724-443-3184 or lstafura@bakerstownumc.org and let us know if you can make it that day so we can include your name in the bulletin and make sure we have enough Bibles.

The Neighborhood Table | Oct. 1| Fellowship Hall
Prep begins at 2:30pm if you want to help!

New Member Class | Sunday, October 4th & 11th | 10:00am in Pastor Keith’s office. You can join the church with a membership transfer or a profession of faith. Anyone interested in joining the church, new to the church or just want to find out more about our church are welcome to this class, led by Pastor Keith. New members are being welcomed into the church on Sunday October 11th at both services. Please contact Pastor Keith at kdunn@bakerstownumc.org or 724-443-3184 if you have any questions.

Men Doing Stuff Returns
After a long and well-deserved **Summer Recess** (because even men who do stuff occasionally need to sit around and do nothing), **Men Doing Stuff (MDS) is back in action!** We’ll be gathering at **6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 5.** So mark your calendar, bring your willingness to help and come join us this fall! **For more information, please reach out to Paul McLeister at 412-913-0455.**

Drive Thru Dinner | Oct. 6 | Fellowship Hall
Prep begins at 2:30pm if you want to help!

Bakerstown Methodist Women’s Third Annual “Sleep In Your Own Bed” Retreat! Ladies – Please join with us on **Friday night October 23rd from 6:30pm to 9:00pm** and again on Saturday October 24th from 8:30am to 2:30pm in New Fellowship Hall. The wonderful Rev. Alyce Weaver Dunn will again be leading this retreat for us and her message to us will be **“The Psalms: Echoes of the Heart”**. You can even come in your jammies if you want! 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 October 16th. Hope to see you there!!!!!!!!!!

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.**

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.

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!

Small Group Opportunities:
Digging Deeper |9:45am |Wesley Room
The Growth of the Early Church: a series on the book of Acts
Tuesday Night Bible Study | 6:30-7:30pm | Fellowship Hall
Come and join us for a study on the Old Testament book of Zechariah.
GriefShare | Wednesday’s | 7:00pm | Wesley Room
GriefShare is a drop-in anytime group and open to anyone in the church or community. All are welcome.
Thursday Morning Women’s Bible Study | 9:00am | Fellowship Hall We are using a study by Lisa Harper - [Song of Songs: The Love We Long For](#)

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

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