



The Circuit Writer

Barts Centenary
United Methodist Church
Littlestown, Pennsylvania 17340

April 2025

**Active Worship In Person Sunday mornings at 8 am
Worship In Person Sunday mornings at 10 AM**

Contact us at 717-359-5600 or bartscentumc@gmail.com or www.bclittlestown.com.



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April Greetings BCUMC Family!

In April Lent will continue, and we will experience both Holy Week and Easter Sunday. I encourage you to make every effort to come out for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday Worship Services, it will deepen your experience on Easter morning a great deal. During the Easter Season we will explore the Apostles Creed as a framework for Christian belief.

As I shared during the March 23rd 10 AM worship service, I am being reassigned in the new appointment year. So, we will spend the next few months preparing the congregation to have a wonderful transition and setting your next pastor up for the same. During this transition, please give me a call or stop in the office if you would like to have a chat or have any questions I can answer. I have been honored to be your pastor these last eight years and am praying fervently for a smooth transition and the continued growth of each of you in your discipleship, the congregation in your shared ministry, and for your new pastor to be the perfect fit for what God has in store for you and your future.

Blessings to you and yours,
Rev. Tammy Blose



April 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 10 am Pastors Bible Study Hungry for More	2 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study Cub Scouts	3 3::30 pm Prayer Shawl	4 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	5
6 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church	7 Boy Scouts	8 10 am Pastors Bible Study 3:30 United Women in Faith 7 pm Church Council	9 ZUMBA 12 GFWC 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study Cub Scouts	10 7 pm Choir 8 pm Praise Team	11 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	12
13 PALM SUNDAY 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church	14 Boy Scouts	15 10 am Pastors Bible Study 6:30 Historical Society	16 ZUMBA 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study Cub Scouts	17 6:30 pm Choir 7 pm HOLY THURSDAY SERVICE	18 Good Friday Cross Walk 7 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE	19
20 EASTER SUNDAY 7 am SUNRISE 8 am Breakfast 10 am EASTER Worship with Childrens Church	21 OFFICE CLOSED Boy Scouts	22	23 Cub Scouts	24 7 pm Choir 7:30 pm Praise Team	25 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	26
27 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Contemporary Worship with Childrens Church	28 Boy Scouts	29 6 pm Cub Scout Leader 7 pm Boy Scout Leader	30 ZUMBA Cub Scouts			



Littlestown Community Cross Walk

Beginning at 10:30 AM on Friday, April 18th

Meet at Redeemers UCC in Littlestown, PA

The group will carry the cross from Redeemers UCC to St. John's Lutheran Church, stopping to hear brief devotional outside of 4 churches. (See the path the walkers will follow below.)

1. Redeemers UCC
2. Barts Centenary UMC
3. St Paul's Lutheran Church
4. St John's Lutheran Church



Littlestown Community Ministry Council Presents

Lenten Lunch & Lecture Wednesdays @ 11:30 am

Donations will go to the Littlestown Senior Center

**Theme - Season of Grace:
Embracing Faith in Later Life**

- 3/12 - St. Paul's Lutheran - Resurrection
- 3/19 - Barts Centenary UMC
Dreaming Dreams-New Beginnings in Ministry
- 3/26 - St. John's Lutheran - Grief and Loss
- 4/2 - Redeemers UCC
Hospice Companionship - walking with others
- 4/9 - Bethel Church - TBA



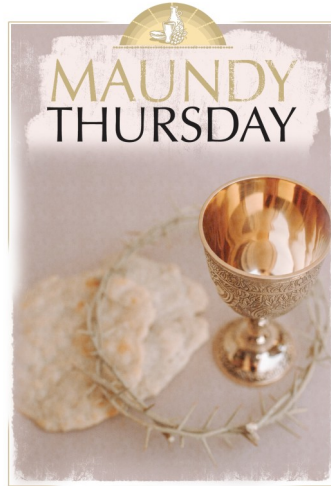
Church Work Day—Save the Date

Church work day will be on May 31st. Helpers needed. Lunch will be provided! If anyone knows of something that needs done please let Ernie or Aaron know.

HOLY Week Schedule



8 am Active Worship & 10 am Traditional Service



7 pm service



7 pm service



7 am SUNRISE service



8—9:30 breakfast



10 am service

Sermon Series: Lent: Spiritual Disciplines



April 6 – Lent 5 - Communion

Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8 Message-
Generosity *Stewardship (generosity)

April 13 – Palm Sunday

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Luke 19:28-40 Message- Glory *worship
(praise)

Thursday, April 17 - Maundy Thursday 7PM– Communion/Hand Washing

Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14 John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Message- Remember
*observing the sacraments

Friday, April 18 – Good Friday 7PM

Hebrews 10:16-25 John 18:1-19:42 Message- Willing Sacrifice *sacrifice

April 20 – Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18 & Luke 24:1-12, Mark 16:1-11, Matthew 28:1-15
Message- Have you heard the good news?

Coming this Spring

Sermon Series: We Believe – Apostles Creed

April 27, 2025 – guest preacher Dave Wolf

Genesis 1:1-5 1 John 4:7-13 Message- God

May 4 – Communion

Isaiah 43:1-7 John 1:1-14 Message- Jesus

May 11 – Mother's Day

Theme text- Acts 3:1-10 Message- Holy Spirit

May 18

Acts 4:32-37 Matthew 28:16-20 Message- The church - Communion of Saints

May 25 – guest preacher Dave Wolf

Romans 5:12-21 Mat. 5:38-48 Message- Forgiveness of Sins

June 1, 2025 – Ascension Sunday – Communion

HYMN SING – Sunday after Conference

Ezekiel 37:1-14. Luke 24:36-49 Message-Resurrection & Life Everlasting

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June 8, 2025 – Pentecost Sunday

John 14:8-17 Acts 2:1-21 Message- Pentecost

June 16, 2025 – Father's Day (Trinity Sunday)

Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15. Message- Three in One



Active Worship is a worship service designed for adults with the same goals we have in mind when we plan worship for children and youth. Goals like making sure the worshippers have the opportunity to be active and engaged. Communion will be received each Sunday, and everyone will be an active participant in the worship experience. Worship engagement will differ from week to week but include opportunities to place yourself into the biblical narrative through imagination and activity and provide time to share in prayer, insight, and questions with others. This is not your parent's worship service! Come out and try something new. Active Worship begins at 8 AM on Sunday, September 8th, in the overflow Chapel.

Pastoral Care Reminder

Hospital

If you are in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please have a family member or friend call me or text me at 717-350-1345, or email me at tblose@susumc.org and let me know you desire a visit. I am more than happy to visit, and to pray for you and with you. Please do not assume I will receive notification from the hospital, that notification is spotty at best, and I also do not want to assume that you want a visit if instead you desire privacy at the hospital.

Home

If you are interested in a Pastoral Visit with or without communion at home, please contact me at the same phone number or email or call the church office 717-359-5600 on Monday or Wednesday from 9-1 and schedule a visit or communion through the office. I will make every effort to connect with you in a timely manner.

Most Sincerely ~ Pastor Tammy



Check out our Pastor's Lenten Bible Study on RightNow Media.

This is a great study to invite your children or grandchildren to do along with you. Check out the trailer in RightNow Media.



March & April.

Who are you Following? By Sadie Robertson Huff on RightNow Media

-7PM Wednesdays, ZOOM Study 19th, 26th, April 2nd, 9th, 16th

Meeting ID: 839 3493 0119 Passcode: 780926

Who Are You Following?

SADIE ROBERTSON HUFF

Following Jesus reminds us of our real identity.

Social media is a great place to keep up with family, friends, and your favorite influencers online, but if we're not careful, we can get caught trying to become who we're following on social media, rather than following Jesus and becoming more like him. We can start trusting voices of people we've never met over the One voice who knows and loves us most.

In this five-session experience, Sadie challenges us to consider who we're following and how we are influenced. What would it look like if we were led by God's love instead of by strangers' likes? Join Sadie Robertson Huff as she answers the tough questions and reminds us of whose glory we're really living for. Together, we will learn how to face our mistakes with divine perspective and discover where our true fulfillment is found in Jesus.

This study is perfect for young Christians wondering how they can live a vibrant, bold, and uncompromising life of faith in God by following the Messiah—the ultimate influencer. Discover the love, purpose, and fulfillment that is found only in Jesus. What's next?

April & May

-7PM Tuesdays, In Person Study 22nd, 29th, May 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, June 3rd

-7PM Wednesdays, ZOOM Study 23rd, 30th, May 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, June 4th

Armor of God by Priscilla Shirer

Please email Pastor Tammy at tblouse@susumc.org if you are interested in participating

ANYONE INTERESTED in the items in the picture? Contact the church office.





CALLING ALL BCUMC WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

Can you cover any of the slots that are open in our calendar for the next 3 months? If you can, please contact Beverly in the church office 717-359-5600 or home at 717-359-9522.

Date	Special Dates	Greeters	Counters	Communion	Liturgists-10:00
April 6 2025		Lynn & Taffy Crosley	Davis/Carter	Peggy Clarke & Gwen Updyke	Peggy Clarke
April 13 2025	Palm Sunday	Penny & Rob Segessenman	Segessenman/Bennett		Penny Segessenman
April 20 2025	EASTER	Joanne & John Bennett	Davis/Carter		Pastor
April 27 2025	Praise Team	Barb Herman & Gwen Updyke	Clarke/Updyke		Praise Team
May 4 2025		Ted & Amy Debnam	Davis/Carter	Kim Frey & Ashley Frey	Penny Segessenman
May 11 2025	Mother's Day Praise Team	Penny & Rob Segessenman	Segessenman/Bennett		Praise Team
May 18 2025		Lynn & Taffy Crosley	Davis/Carter		Gloria Gouker
May 25 2025		Laura Fair & Lisa Wolf	Clarke/Updyke		Kim Frey
June 1 2025		Penny & Rob Segessenman	Davis/Carter	Laura Fair & Dave Wolf	Penny Segessenman
June 8 2025		Ted & Amy Debnam	Segessenman/Bennett		Ted Debnam
June 15 2025	Father's Day	Barb Herman & Gwen Updyke	Davis/Carter		Barb Herman
June 22 2025	Praise Team		Clarke/Updyke		Praise Team
June 29 2025		Lynn & Taffy Crosley	Clarke/Carter		Peggy Clarke

BASKETS OF LOVE will be coming back soon. Megan is looking for small clam shell plastic containers to use for small items in the Baskets of Love. If you get some, bring them in & place them in the marked container in the hall near the New Hope container. If you have any questions, you can ask Megan.

THANK YOU TO ALL SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS

Gwen Updyke

Laura Fair

Lisa Wolf

Amy Debnam

Ted Debnam

Peggy Clarke

Barb Herman

Penny Segessenman

Rob Segessenman

Lynn Crosley

Taffy Crosley

LITURGISTS

Barb Herman

Dave Wolf

Laura Fair

Peggy Clarke

Penny Segessenman

Kim Frey

Ted Debnam

Gloria Gouker

COMMUNION SERVERS

Peggy & Jeff Clarke

Amy & Ted Debnam

Barb Herman

Dave & Lisa Wolf

Laura Fair

COMMUNION STEWARDS

Gwen Updyke

Kim Frey

Ashley Frey

Laura Fair

Dave Wolf

Peggy Clarke

Amy Debnam

All You Can Eat



Spaghetti

Dinner

Fundraiser

and Cake Auction

Benefiting BSA Troop 84 B&G

Saturday, May 10th

5:00 p.m.

Barts Centenary UMC

50 E King St

Littlestown, PA 17340

Tickets \$15.00



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- 1 Bob Rebert
- 1 Paisley Clabaugh
- 2 Barb Herman
- 2 Ken Thomas
- 3 Tammy Blose
- 3 Kristen Thomas
- 4 Luke Young
- 9 Joe Carlson
- 12 Jeff Clarke
- 15 Dave Beaston
- 19 Yvonne Davis
- 22 Sharon Hedges
- 26 Linda Mills



A Prayer Room will be available in the front of the church (The Overflow Room)

Monday and Wednesday from 9 AM – 1 PM for anyone who would like some solitary time in a sacred space, also available before and after worship, and by request (text/call Pastor at 717-350-1345)

Church Office Open Monday and Wednesday
9 AM – 1 PM.

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The Deadline for the May newsletter information will be Wednesday, April 23rd.

PASTOR TAMMY'S CONTACT INFORMATION:

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