



The Circuit Writer

Barts Centenary
United Methodist Church
Littlestown, Pennsylvania 17340

January 2025

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

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2025 Greetings BCUMC!

A new year, with new opportunities to serve God and grow in discipleship has arrived. Will you start it off with a new year hike with our BCUMC Walking Group? Will you study through the book of Revelation in the Pastor's bible study? Will you be part of the BCUMC Music Ministry through the traditional choir or the praise team. Will you start a small group utilizing RightNow Media at your home? Will you rededicate yourself to a time of bible reading and prayer in 2025. Are you called to begin a new ministry this year?

Are you sharing your love of Christ with someone who doesn't know him? Now is the time to focus your time and attention on developing as a disciple.

In the new year we will complete the season of Christmas and turn our attention to what it means to be the body of Christ. May it be the most fruitful year of our ministry together yet!

Blessings,

Pastor Tammy

January 5, 2025 – Epiphany Sunday - Communion

Text 1- Isaiah 60:1-6 Theme text- Matthew 2:1-12 Message- We've Come to Honor Him

January 12, 2025 – Baptism of the Lord

Text 1- Psalm 29 Theme text- Luke 3:15-17, 21-22. Message- Baptism of the Lord

Sermon Series: Being the Body of Christ

January 19 – (MLK)Human Relations Sunday

Text 1- John 2:1-11 Theme text- 1 Cor. 12:1-11 Message- Many gifts, One

January 26

Text 1- Luke 4:14-21 Theme text- 1 Cor. 12:12-31 Message- Every Part Matters

February 2 – Communion – Scout Sunday

Text 1- Luke 4:21-30 Theme text- 1 Cor. 13. Message- Love

February 9

Text 1- Luke 5:1-11 Theme text- 1 Cor. 15:1-11 Message- Receiving and Handing it on Song

February 16

Text 1- Luke 6:17-26 Theme text- 1 Cor 15:12-20 Message- People of the Risen

February 23

Luke 6:27-38 Theme text- 1 Cor. 15:35-38, 42-50 Message- Perishable & Imperishable

January 2025

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| | | | 1 | 2 10 am In Person Bible Study | 3 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 4 |
| 5 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church | 6 Boy Scouts | 7 | 8 ZUMBA Cub Scouts 3:30 GFWC 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study | 9 10 am In Person Bible Study | 10 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 11 Church Council Retreat 8 am to 5 pm |
| 12 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church | 13 Boy Scouts | 14 3:30 United Women in Faith | 15 ZUMBA Cub Scouts 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study | 16 10 am In Person Bible Study | 17 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> | 18 Troop 84G Sleepover |
| 19 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship with Childrens Church | 20 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Boy Scouts | 21 6:30 Historical Society | 22 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study | 23 10 am In Person Bible Study | 24 <i>Pastor's Day Off</i> 6:30 Historical Society Board meeting | 25 Pinewood Derby 10am |
| 26 8 am Active Worship 9 am Sunday School 10 am Contemporary Worship with Childrens Church | 27 Boy Scouts | 28 6 pm Cub Scout Leader 7 pm Boy Scout Leader | 29 7 pm ZOOM Bible Study | 30 10 am In Person Bible Study | 31 | |





**ACTIVE
WORSHIP**
SUNDAYS AT 8 AM
IN OVERFLOW CHAPEL

Beginning September 8th

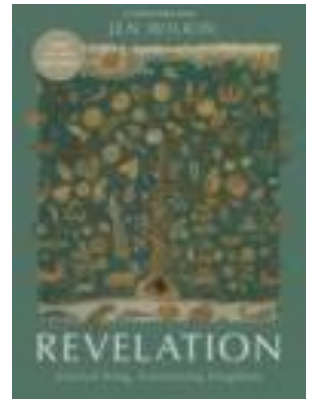
Active Worship is a worship service designed for adults with the same goals we have in mind when we plan worship for children and youth. Goals like making sure the worshippers have the opportunity to be active and engaged. Communion will be received each Sunday, and everyone will be an active participant 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.



New offering envelopes for your use in 2025 are available for your pickup. They are located on the front pew of the church.

If you don't find one with your name and you want envelopes, please see or call Joanne Bennett 717-965-0073.

Please remember to use these envelopes during the calendar year 2025.



-7PM Wednesdays, ZOOM Study Jan 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26, (Tues) March 4

Meeting ID: 839 3493 0119 Passcode: 780926

-10AM or 6PM Thursdays, In Person Study Jan 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, March 6

Revelation: Eternal King, Everlasting Kingdom by Jen Wilkin

Two thousand years ago, John's Revelation was circulated and read aloud among seven churches in Asia Minor. Those who heard the letter understood it and drew encouragement from its message. The same can be true for you today. Over 10 sessions of verse-by-verse Bible study, Jen Wilkin helps you discover how the last book of the Bible—the culmination of God's great story—speaks both a steadying word of assurance and a strong call to endure to the church in every age.

Features

- Verse-by-verse study of the book of Revelation
- 10 video teaching sessions unpacking truths found throughout the study and offering additional insights, available via redemption code printed in the Bible study book
- 9 weeks of personal study featuring illuminating questions to help you focus on and understand Scripture
- Includes the full text of Revelation
- Appendix with helps for interpretation and further study Learn how to read and understand the language and symbols of apocalyptic writing
- Move from confused to confident, anxious to assured, and intimidated to inspired as you study the end times
- Understand Revelation as the culmination of God's great story
- Walk through the book verse-by-verse, from start to finish



2024/2025 Pastor's Bible Study Schedule

March & April

-1PM Tuesdays, In Person Study 11th, 18th, 25th, April 1st, 8th
-7PM Wednesdays, ZOOM Study 12th, 19th, 26th, April 2nd, 9th

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

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

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

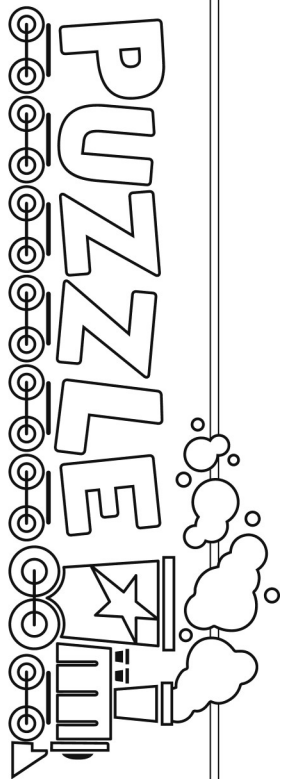




Scouts Fundraiser

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Troops 84B and 84G are having a pizza sale this month! Order forms will be on the bulletin board at the church. Orders are due by Jan.20 and scouts will be making the pizzas on Saturday Feb. 1. We will be making 16" pizzas and offering cheese for \$16 and pepperoni for \$18! You can choose to have your pizza freshly baked (choose when to pick up at the church between 11am-2pm on Feb 1) or get your pizza unbaked to bake at home whenever you'd like! Pizzas can stay refrigerated to bake within a couple of days or frozen to bake weeks or even months later! Thank you for your support of our scouts and their efforts to "earn their way" to camp!!



No kidding

Whatever our age, God calls us to model holy living for others.

Directions: Match the animal young with its parent. Then write the letter answers in order below to complete 1 Timothy 4:12, NIV.

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|-----------------|-------------------|------------|--------------|
| 1. ___ bear | 9. ___ monkey | A. fry | I. hatchling |
| 2. ___ frog | 10. ___ platypus | B. fawn | K. foal |
| 3. ___ owl | 11. ___ alligator | C. gosling | L. owlet |
| 4. ___ horse | 12. ___ giraffe | D. cub | M. pugle |
| 5. ___ kangaroo | 13. ___ goose | E. kid | N. joey |
| 6. ___ deer | 14. ___ swan | F. cygnet | O. pollwog |
| 7. ___ goat | 15. ___ dog | G. infant | P. puppy |
| 8. ___ fish | | H. calf | |

“¹ on’t let any ² ne ³ oo ⁴ down o ⁵ you ⁶ ecas ⁷ you ⁸ re youn ⁹, but set an exa ¹⁰ ple for the bel ¹¹ evers in speec ¹², in ¹³ onduct, in love, in ¹⁴ aith and in ¹⁵ urity.”

1 TIMOTHY 4:12, NIV



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 |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Jan 5 2025 | Communion | Ted & Amy Debnam | Davis/Carter | Kim Frey/ Beverly Carter | Kim Frey |
| Jan 12 2025 | | Penny & Rob Segessenman | Segessenman/ Bennett | | Penny Segessenman |
| Jan 19 2025 | | Joanne & John Bennett | Davis/Carter | | Ted Debnam |
| Jan 26 2025 | Praise Team | Barb Herman & Gwen | Clarke/Updyke | | Praise Team |
| Feb 2 2025 | Communion & Scout Sunday | Ted & Amy Debnam | Davis/Carter | Dave Wolf/ Laura Fair | Scout |
| Feb 9 2025 | | Penny & Rob Segessenman | Segessenman/ Bennett | | Barb Herman |
| Feb 16 2025 | | Joanne & John Bennett | Davis/Carter | | Gloria Gouker |
| Feb 23 2025 | Praise Team | Barb Herman & Gwen | Clarke/Updyke | | Praise Team |
| Mar 2 2025 | Donut Sunday & Communion | Ted & Amy Debnam | Davis/Carter | Peggy Clarke/ Beverly Carter | Peggy Clarke |
| Mar 8 2025 | Ash Wednesday | | | | |
| Mar 9 2025 | Daylight Savings | Penny & Rob Segessenman | Segessenman/ Bennett | | Penny Segessenman |
| Mar 16 2025 | | Joanne & John Bennett | Davis/Carter | | |
| Mar 23 2025 | Praise Team | Barb Herman & Gwen | Clarke/Updyke | | Praise Team |
| Mar 30 2025 | | | | | |

ATTENTION!!! GOOD NEWS!!!

Barts Centenary United Methodist Church (BCUMC) has established a **partnership with Community Aid** wherein BCUMC will receive monetary credit for YOUR donations to any Community Aid location. The closest Community Aid to BCUMC is located in Hanover, Pennsylvania, at 793 Baltimore Street, however, there are multiple Community Aid locations across Pennsylvania, as follows:

1. 2001 Springwood Road, York, Pennsylvania 17403
Located in the Queensgate Shopping Center
2. 4833 Carlisle Pike, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania 17050
3. 4405 Lewis Road, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17111
4. 31 Rohrerstown Road, Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17603
5. 1070 Susquehanna Trail, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania 17870
At 74,000 square feet, this location is America's largest thrift store!
6. 5370 Allentown Pike, Reading, Pennsylvania 19560
Located in the North Reading Plaza

All Community Aid Store Hours: Monday - Saturday 9am - 9pm (sales)

Donation Center Hours: Monday – Saturday - 9am - 6pm (donations)

*Check Communityaid.org online to stay up to date with changes

Procedure for BCUMC to receive credit for your donations:

*pull up to the drop-off location at the side of the Community Aid building.

* there, a Community Aid employee who will accept your donations.

* **BEFORE you unload your car, communicate BOTH the name and partner number of our church -Barts Centenary UMC - 50275**

*Please separate your items by type- separate clothes from home goods, etc.

This will enable Community Aid to weigh and credit them easily.

VERY IMPORTANT!!! To increase our impact, You may give the Partner Number along with the name of the church to ANYONE you know that will donate their items to Community Aid. There is no limit on the number of people that can use the Partner information. Also, remember that there are additional Community Aid locations in Pennsylvania, so relatives, friends, etc. that live near another Community Aid can use the same Partner information to donate and benefit BCUMC.

Thank you in advance for participating in this new endeavor that will benefit our church! Spread the word! Thank you!

| | Donations Accepted | | Donations Not Accepted |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| CLOTHING | New & used men's, women's, and children's clothing | | Garments that are stained, torn, inappropriate, etc. |
| ACCESSORIES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shoes • Purses/Wallets • Backpacks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hats • Belts • Scarves • Ties • Wigs • Jewelry | |
| TOYS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toys • Games • Stuffed Animals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dolls • Puzzles | |
| HOUSEHOLD ITEMS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pots/Pans • Dishes • Glassware | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Appliances • Lamps • Shelves | |
| DECORATIONS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artwork • Collectibles • Stoneware | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baskets • Stationary • Seasonal/Holiday & decorations | |
| LINENS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curtains • Sheets • Towels | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rugs • Fabric • Blankets without fillers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quilts • Any items with batting • Comforters • Pillows |
| ELECTRONICS | In working condition including: | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tube style TVs and computer monitors • Computer CPUs • Devices without sufficient cords |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flat panel TVs and computer monitors • Radios • Alarm Clocks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer accessories (i.e. mouse, keyboard, speakers, etc.) • VCR & DVD players | |
| FURNITURE | Small furniture including: | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upholstered furniture of any type (i.e. mattresses, recliners, sofa, ottomans) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nightstands • End tables | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee tables • Bookshelves | |
| | <i>Large furniture acceptance subject to store space limitations</i> | | |
| MEDICAL EQUIPMENT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheelchairs • Walkers • Crutches | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toilet chairs • Canes • Adult diapers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheelchairs, toilet chairs, etc. with padded seating |
| EXERCISE & SPORTING GOODS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal sports equipment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small exercise equipment (i.e. barbells, free weights, resistance bands) | |
| BOOKS & AUDIO/VISUAL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiction/Non-Fiction Books • Bibles • CDs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DVDs • Video Games • Records | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Textbooks • Library Books • Encyclopedias • Magazines |
| MISCELLANEOUS | cosmetics, personal hygiene products, tools in good condition | | air conditioners, kerosene heaters, tires, weapons, dehumidifiers, gas-powered tools, vehicles, chemicals/cleaning solvents |

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Zumba Gold Group

Each Wednesday
 from 10:00 – 10:45 AM
 For only \$3 per person,
 you can join the class held
 in the Fellowship Room at
 BCUMC. Join the fun as we
 strengthen our bodies and
 spirits!

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 February
 newsletter information will be
 Wednesday, January 22nd.*

PASTOR TAMMY'S CONTACT INFORMATION:

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 in the church office at 717-359-5600,
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