

Bellville Methodist Believer

SUNDAYS

- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (sanctuary)
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (MAC)

DISCERNMENT PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

Thank You that we can rest content and untouched by trouble when we put our faith in You. Thank You that the Holy Spirit will lead us into all Truth as we rely on You, read Your Word, and pray in faith. Open our minds to understand and believe scripture. Thank You that You will make Your way known to us if we seek You with all our hearts.

In Jesus' Name. Amen.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18

ONE SERVICE 10:00 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Lunch

Town Hall Meeting

On Sunday, September 18, we will have one worship service in the sanctuary, followed by lunch and a presentation by the Discernment Task Force.

This will be an informational presentation about the possibility of BUMC disaffiliating from the United Methodist Church. We will also have a straw poll to gauge the feelings of the congregation.

For the meal, we ask that you bring either a side or dessert.

Thank you to the Ruth Circle for providing the main course!!

By last name:

A – M, salad or vegetable.

N – Z, dessert.



WELCOME!

BUMC welcomes Charbel Yubaile as our new choir accompanist!



“JOINING WEDNESDAY”

We know there are people who may want to join the church, but might be hesitant to come forward or stand up in front of the entire congregation. We have decided to have “Joining Wednesday” just for you!

If this sounds like you, if you have been attending BUMC for awhile or have just started attending, and are thinking about joining, here is your opportunity to join as a group.

Wednesday, September 21

6:00 p.m.

Room 204

Please check your membership status. There are copies of the membership list in the Welcome Center or you can call or email the church office

(979.865.5976 or office@bellvilleumc.org)



IN OUR PRAYERS...

Delores Parr	Mary Gibson	Sally Schaefer
Veronica Ashorn	Mike & Pat Aldredge	Doug Lottridge
Michelle Maderer	Katie Huebner	Molly Lottridge
Paul Jones	Ann Kieseewetter	Avis Pouncy
Jane McKinley	Janice Engelking	Billy Armstrong
Jessica Engler	Carrie Steinbach	
Bill Moebes	Winifred Walentine	
Luke Keaton	Kennedy Maderer	
Everly Lunsford	Don Moore	
Bill Schmidt	John Grube	
Kay Marek		
Billie Grounds		
Irene Herreth		
Susan Crutchfield		
JoAnn Gillum		
Jerri Hurta		
JoAnn Hinze		
Sharon Dyer		



SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Hunter Morris
 Chad Holloway
 Sean Whitfield
 Gregory Hill
 Mitch & Emily Bruce
 Maj. Zachary & Lt. Cassidy Jones
 John Lanier
 David Anderson
 Dalton Flannigan
 Jesse Worthen
 Rachel Hoag
 Cheryl Munoz
 Rachel Munoz
 Ryan Tull

All the men/women serving our country and their families



SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 6
 9:30 a.m. Nursing Home Communion
 1:00 p.m. Fun & Fellowship (204)
 6:00 p.m. Building Committee (206)
 7:00 p.m. Methodist Men (204)

Wednesday, September 7
 4:00 p.m. Children's Choir begins (217)

Thursday, September 8
 6:00 p.m. Info Meeting (206)

Sunday, September 11
 Bible Sunday (3rd grade receives Bibles)

Monday, September 12
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study begins (potluck)

Tuesday, September 13
 6:00 p.m. Nominations Committee (206)
 7:00 p.m. Info Meeting (204)

Saturday, September 17
 9:00 a.m. Bible Retreat (3rd -5th grade)

Sunday, September 18
 10:00 a.m. Worship (sanctuary)
 11:00 a.m. Lunch & Town Hall Meeting (MAC)
 4:00 p.m. DS Installation
 (A & M Methodist, College Station)

Tuesday, September 20
 6:00 p.m. Nominations Committee (206)
 6:00 p.m. Ruth Circle (204)
 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee (211)

Wednesday, September 21
 6:00 p.m. "Joining Wednesday" (204)

Friday, September 23
 8:00 a.m. Info Meeting (204)

Sunday, September 25
 4:00 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Training (204)

Tuesday, September 27
 11:00 a.m. Health Fair (MAC)
 6:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting (206)
 7:00 p.m. Church Council (204)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHILDREN

Rm 215 – Nursery
 Rm 214 – 3s - Pre-school
 Rm 217 – K – 3rd grade
 Rm 212 – 4th & 5th grade

YOUTH

Rm 213 (SS Workroom)

ADULTS

Rm 204 – Joy Class
 Rm 206 – Seekers Class
 Rm 208 – Disciples Class
 Rm 211 – Young Families Class
 MAC – Berean Class (all ages)
 (Studying Isaiah)

RUTH CIRCLE

Tuesday, September 20
 Card Writing at 5:30 p.m.
 Meal at 6:00 p.m.

Program: Methodist
 Children's Home

All ladies of BUMC are
 invited.

FOOD PANTRY

For the month of September we
 are collecting 15 oz. cans of
 green beans, corn, and pork &
 beans.

HELP NEEDED

If you would like to help at the
 Welcome Center desk or help
 with snacks on Sundays,
 please contact Linda Ludwick.
 ludwick1950@hotmail.com

We will also soon be looking
 for volunteers for the front
 office reception desk. If you
 are interested in greeting
 people and answering the
 phone during business hours,
 please let Donna know!

FAJITA SUPPER & AUCTION

SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, November 12

BUMC Methodist Men
 Fajita Supper / Auction

Auction items are needed

BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, October 18

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 (MAC)

Free Socks for Donors!



BLUEBONNET OPRY

Bluebonnet Opry holds
 events at the Silver Wings
 Ballroom in Brenham the
 third Thursday of each
 month. Tickets sold at the
 door are \$8.00.

BUMC will take the church
 bus for anyone who wants
 to ride. Please call the
 church office.

Next dates: 9/15, 10/20

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (sanct)
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (MAC)
 5:00 p.m. Youth

Mondays
 8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Out

Tuesdays
 Noon AA (206)

Wednesdays
 8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Out
 6:00 p.m. Youth
 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir (102)

Thursdays
 6:30 p.m. AA & AI Anon (206, 217)
 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (MAC)

Fridays

Dear Church,

As we continue in our time of discernment about our denominational affiliation, I hope you are searching out information and the guidance of the Spirit.

Hopefully by now you have received the initial report from the Discernment Task Force. It's long, but worth your time to read it. They very much want you to not take it as a "final product" but a "current report." To get to the final product, there will be more communication and listening. The biggest of those times is on Sunday, September 18. That day we will have one worship service and then a Town Hall Meeting and Lunch at which the Discernment Task Force makes a presentation. But they also want to hear from you and where you are at in the discernment process.

The Task Force is also hosting some informal times of conversation, the next one being Friday, September 23 at 8 am. One of the members will be available to receive you and talk. They also are glad to have additional conversations as needed.

We are asking everyone to check their membership status. We've printed out a few copies of our full membership roll and have them at the Welcome Center. Please check and see that your name is listed there. If this goes to a vote on October 23, you must be a professing (full) member to vote. If you find your name, please initial beside it. If you don't find your name, and you have already joined the church, please let us know so we can update it. We always try our best to keep the roll accurate, but we are aware that there are times information transfer glitches happen.

I also will be leading a "Joining Wednesday" on September 21 at 6 pm in Room 204. This time is especially for all of you who have been wanting to join but haven't because standing up in front of a Sunday crowd is too overwhelming.

My hope and prayer for this time is that this process draws us closer to God and one another, and frees us to be even better servants of Jesus.

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

- Philippians 4:4-7

Blessings,

John

If you have not received information from the Discernment Task Force and would like to, please contact the church office.

A special thanks to all who helped with the backpack / school supply giveaway. This was a success with the help from our community churches. We gave away over 200 backpacks filled with school supplies!!

Many parents expressed their gratitude for the help. Even when we were down to a few supplies left, one man said it was a help and he graciously thanked us.

Sue Barton
Society of St. Stephen

SILENT AUCTION

Ruth Circle Ticket Silent Auction will be held September 11 – 25 benefitting our Scholarship Fund. Auction sheets are located in the MAC Gathering Area.

4 tickets to the Elephant Preserve in Fredericksburg TX

Winner will be announced Sept. 25.

thank you



MOTHER'S DAY OUT

Mother's Day Out is beginning this new school year with stories about all of God's wonderful creations...night, day, land, water, sky, birds, fish, animals, and US! We are all very excited about having your little ones be part of our program.

A big thank you to our parents and MDO staff for making the beginning of this school year a success. It is going to be a great year!



CHILDREN’S CHOIR

It’s time to raise your voice in praise and song, so join children’s choir and sing along!

K-5th grade

Wednesdays after school

Van pick-up at OBP & OBI

New and returning students, please enroll on the BUMC website



For more information, email Cheryl Pritchett at: Cheryl.e.pritchett@gmail.com

Sing to the Lord, for He has done marvelous things.

Isaiah 12:5



FUN & FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, October 4

Room 204
GAMES & LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

Adults of all ages are welcome!!

Bring a game you’d like to play or let me know and I’ll see if I can round it up!
We meet the first Tuesday of each month.

For more information or if you need transportation contact:
Dianna Norton,
979 270 5075

diannashipmannorton@gmail.com

Hope to see you there!!

Remaining 2022 dates:
October 4
November 1
December 6

WOMEN’S RETREAT

Mark your calendars –

BUMC Women’s Retreat

Round Top, TX
October 14 – 16

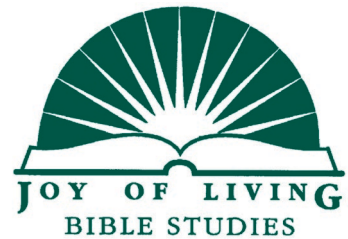
Save the Date cards and registration forms are in the MAC gathering area.

BIBLE STUDY

Bellville Evening Bible Study begins Monday, September 12. We will be studying Genesis from the *Joy of Living* series. \$40/person. I will be ordering books very soon. Ladies, gentlemen, couples, singles, all are welcome! Call Janice Hord (979-877-4430) if you have questions.

This is a really great study which lasts until the end of March.

By the way, we have a Pot Luck Dinner once a month before our study. We have some of the best cooks in Austin County in our Bible Study!!



RUTH CIRCLE

BAKE SALE

Saturday, October 1

Jim Bishop Pavilion

9:00 a.m. – Noon



HEALTH AND WELLNESS EXPO

Tuesday, September 27

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

(MAC)

Call Stefanie for information: 979.877.4242

- Free Lunch
- Glucose Check
- Oxygen Level
- Hearing Tests
- Blood Pressure
- Flu Shot
- Pneumonia Shot
- Door Prizes
- Give-Aways
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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Bible Retreat

Saturday, September 17
3rd, 4th, & 5th graders

We will look at what's in the Bible,
learn how to find things in the Bible,
and have Bible Drills!

Fun Night

Friday, September 23
Kindergarten & First Grade
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Dinner, playtime,
and a mission project
RSVP by noon on Wednesday,
September 21

Children's Choir

Every Wednesday
4:00 p.m.

(Be sure to register on the church website)

Wild Wednesdays / Tween Ministry

Dinner at 5:00 p.m.
Bible Study at 6:00 p.m.

Questions? Contact Laura Stinnett
laura@bellvilleumc.org

Safe Sanctuary Training

Sunday, September 25
4:00 p.m. (Room 204)

If you are planning to help in
Children's or Youth Ministry,
you need to attend.

Acolyte Training

Sunday, October 2
4:00 p.m. (sanctuary)

All children 3rd -5th grade are
invited to come and learn how
to be part of worship.