

Bellville Methodist Believer

SUNDAYS

9:00 a.m. Traditional
Worship
(sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. Sunday
School (all ages)

SOCIETY OF ST. STEPHEN

BUMC Society of St. Stephen is collecting unwrapped gifts for the children in CPS (Child Protective Services). They can be for either a boy or girl, and for any age. (please no toy guns)

Please leave gifts under the Giving Tree in the sanctuary.

ANGEL TREE

Society of St. Stephen also has angel tags you can take from the tree on the Welcome Center desk. These have children's names along with their wish list printed on them. Return the gifts with the tag so it will go to the correct child.

B.A.R.K.

(Bellville Acts of Random Kindness)

Sunday, December 5
12:15 p.m. (MAC)

We will meet in the MAC, have pizza for lunch, and put together bags with items for a Christmas dinner, along with children's gifts. This will be given as a supplement to the food pantry.

Family Service & Live Nativity

3:00 p.m. (sanctuary)

Candlelight Communion

5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

(sanctuary)

 *Christmas Eve Services*

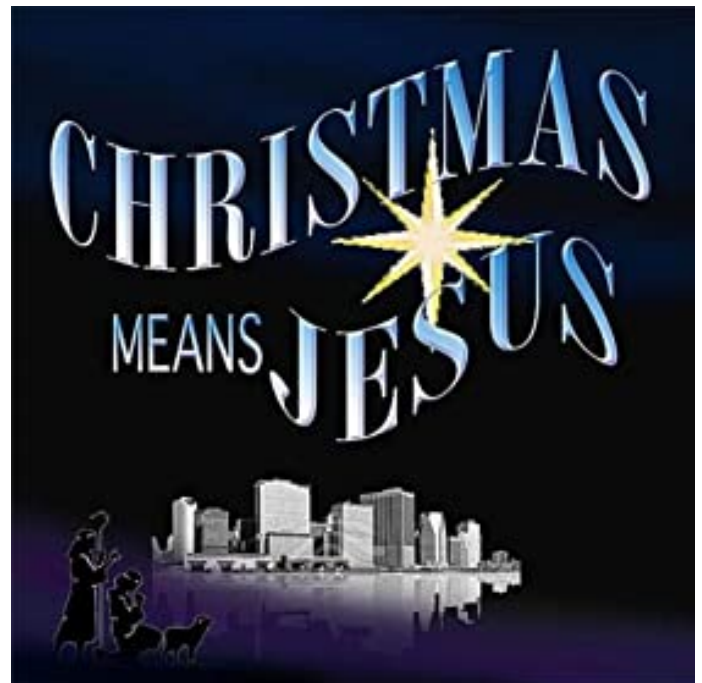


CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Sunday,
December 12

9:00 a.m.
(sanctuary)

"Christmas Means Jesus"
Christmas Cantata
featuring the BUMC
Children's Choir and the
Chancel Choir.





BUILDING UPDATE



Hopefully you were able to view the inside of the two new buildings November 7 when we opened the doors for many to write scripture on the inside of the sheet rock. The sheetrock is almost complete, and taping and floating has begun. This will be followed by inside painting.

We need to complete the HVAC work soon so we can control the inside temperature and humidity as we continue the inside work. This will eliminate the inside walls, furniture, fixtures, floors, etc from swelling.

The windows are being installed and we hope to

receive the exterior bricks within a couple of weeks; they were delayed due to temperature during firing that altered the color. We will then apply the plaster above the bricks followed by painting.

The children and youth playground committee is working with a consultant to prepare the play areas for new equipment and improved landscaping.

Work will start in December on the children's play area located between the new and current buildings, and also on the Prayer Garden.

This will be followed by renovating the existing sanctuary outdoor sign and installing a new sign at the intersection of Austin and Masonic streets.



POINSETTIAS

If you would like to order a poinsettia for the sanctuary, please contact the church office. Cost is \$20 each.

You can dedicate them in honor or memory of special friends or loved ones. The dedication list will be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletin, and you can take them home after the service.



CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

Once again BUMC has put together a few items on a Christmas Wish List for you to prayerfully consider as an additional year end gift.

For many years, this successful program affords BUMC members the opportunity to make year-end designated gifts to the various ministries who have requested specific capital items.

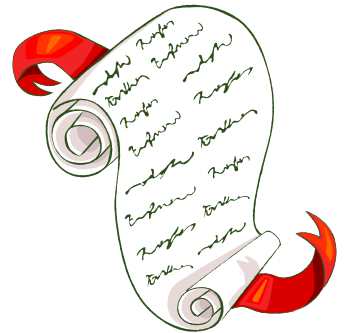
By making a designated gift, the church can expand our ministry without using the annual budget.

Playground – New equipment and landscaping to create age-appropriate play areas for toddler – elementary age children.

Outdoor Kitchen – Area located close to the playground and the youth room; a place to gather and fellowship.

Society of St. Stephen – Serving the church and community through caring acts, such as backpack/school supply giveaway, financial assistance, and other activities.

Thank you for your continued generous support of BUMC.





IN OUR PRAYERS...

- | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Bill Moebes | Anne Wingo | Kennedy Maderer |
| John Adams | Harold Remmert | John Grube |
| John Harle | Laura Mann | Sally Schaefer |
| Luke Keaton | Mike Aldredge | Terri Booth |
| Everly Lunsford | Katie Huebner | David Franz |
| Bill Schmidt | Ann Kieseewetter | Doug Lottridge |
| Kay Marek | Kathryn King | |
| Shirley Skrivanek | Janice Engelking | |
| Bob Jablonowski | Jim Oliver | |
| Billie Grounds | Cyndy Massey | |
| Irene Herreth | June Lynch | |
| Susan Crutchfield | Mildred Jones | |
| Jane Ueckert | Beverlye Dodd | |
| JoAnn Gillum | Carrie Steinbach | |
| Jerri Hurta | Winifred Walentine | |
| JoAnn Hinze | | |
| Sharon Dyer | | |
| Jessica Engler | | |

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
 Hunter Berry
 Rachel Hoag
 Cheryl Munoz
 Rachel Munoz
 Ryan Tull

All the men/women serving our country and their families



DECEMBER CALENDAR

- Friday & Saturday, December 3-4**
 Small Town Christmas
- Sunday, December 5**
 12:15 p.m. B.A.R.K
- Tuesday, December 7**
 9:30 a.m. Nursing Home Communion
- Thursday, December 9**
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- Saturday, December 11**
 9:30 a.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal
- Sunday, December 12**
 9:00 a.m. Christmas Cantata
- Tuesday, December 14**
 1:00 p.m. Fun & Fellowship (204)
 6:00 p.m. Ruth Circle Christmas Party
- Wednesday, December 15**
 6:30 p.m. Last Wild Wednesday 2021
- Tuesday, December 21**
 6:00 p.m. Longest Night service
- Friday, December 24**
 3:00 p.m. Family Service & Live Nativity
 5:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion
 7:00 p.m. Candlelight Communion
- Sunday, December 26**
 10:00 a.m. Worship (one service)

PRAYER

changes things

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHILDREN

- Rm 215 – Nursery
- Rm 214 – 3s - Pre-school
- Rm 212 – 3rd grade
- Rm 217 – K – 2nd grade
- Rm 103 – 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)

RUTH CIRCLE

Tuesday, December 14

Christmas Party
at Martin Farms

Sign up / payment deadline
is December 7.



GUEST MINISTRIES

We are looking for volunteers for Sunday snacks. Please contact Cathryn Van Wormer (281.772.7202) or Linda Ludwick (713.569.5591).

BEREAN CLASS

Adult Sunday School, all ages, in the MAC.
Facilitator: Missy Graham.
Don't miss it! Weekly newsletters, bi-monthly food, and fellowship with our class!
Be a Berean!

BACKPACK BUDDIES

I want to thank all our BUMC members who have donated to our ministry this year. Backpack Buddies continues to provide meals and snacks to our lower income students at O'Bryant Primary, Intermediate, and Junior High schools.

This gives students food for the weekends when they do not receive their school meals. This wonderful ministry would not be

possible without our awesome dedicated team who help prepare the bags. Thank you to Mary Matthews, Pat Ransom, Pat Marquis, Sue Barton, Carolyn Golan, and Cheryl and John Pritchett.

We are excited to provide the students with jackets again this year. It was such

a blessing for the children to have warm jackets last year during our cold weather.

If you would like to make a donation at any time, please designate on the memo line of your check to Backpack Buddies Ministry.

Blessings,
Jane Couch

WEEKLY EVENTS

- Sundays**
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (sanctuary)
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (sanctuary)
 4:00 p.m. Confirmation
 5:00 p.m. MYF
- Mondays**
 8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Out
 7:00 p.m. Bible Study (204)
- Tuesdays**
 Noon AA (206)
- Wednesdays**
 8:00 a.m. Mother's Day Out
 4:00 p.m. Children's Choir (217)
 6:30 p.m. Wild Wednesdays (211)
 6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study (204)
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir (sanctuary)
- Thursdays**
 6:30 p.m. AA & AI Anon (206, 211)
 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (MAC)

FOOD PANTRY

For the month of December we are collecting Mac & Cheese, cornbread, and ramen. Thank you for your support.



Bellville UMC
234 S. Masonic
PO Box 188
Bellville, TX 77418

Phone 979.865.5976
Fax 979.865.0701
office@bellvilleumc.org
www.bellvilleumc.org

*Changing Lives
By the Power of
Jesus Christ*

Bellville UMC
PO Box 188
Bellville, TX 77418

Return Service Requested

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit #25



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR BUMC STAFF!!

**FUN &
FELLOWSHIP**

December 14

1:00 – 4:00 p.m. in Room 204
Games and light refreshments
Adults of all ages welcome!!

For more information or if you
need transportation, contact
diannashipmannorton@gmail.com

**We will meet every month on
the second Tuesday.
Hope to see you there**

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Friday, Dec 24-close at noon
Monday & Tuesday, Dec 27-28
Office Closed
Wednesday – Friday, Dec 29-31
9:00 a.m. – Noon
Monday, Jan 3
Office Closed

ADVENT MISSION PROJECT

BUMC Children’s Ministries will be collecting items for
CASA* (Court Appointed Special Advocate) during
Advent. We have been asked to collect: puzzles for
different ages, fun socks, books/journals/diaries, and
gift cards for fast food.

We are collecting through Sunday, December 12.

Please bring your items to the church office or place
under the Christmas tree in the children’s area. The
donations will be delivered to CASA on Monday,
December 13.

*A Court Appointed Special Advocate is a volunteer designated by a
judge to work in the best interests of children who have been
victimized by abuse or neglect. The CASA will assist victimized
children by working to provide them with a stable network of
support and advocacy that they may otherwise not have access to.

