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In January, the main topic for discussion for Administrative Council was how to reopen the church safely. There were factors to consider: COVID - keeping worshippers at safe distances while meeting spiritual needs, when would the renovations be completed by volunteers who very generously donated their time and hard work to this project, placement of chairs and arranging the stage area, electronic equipment, etc.

This was not a decision taken lightly and required much prayer and discussion among the members. The final decision was made to reopen the sanctuary on Sunday, February 21st at 10:30am.

It has taken a village, as they say, to make this happen. In this case it took some dedicated members from our church, a volunteer sound person from a sister church, and countless hours to bring about this reopening of our church. Please join me in thanking the Trustees, the Finance Committee, the Worship Committee, staff, Pastor, volunteers, and Administrative

Council for working as a team to pull this all together. A special thank you to David Gibbs for all the hours he contributed. Please excuse me if I have forgotten anyone. Thank you to all who worked on this project.

If you want to join us in the reopening, please call Karyn in the church office and make your reservation. Reservations are required as we will be following the protocols for safe distancing set up by the Conference. Masks are mandatory.

Let us give all the glory to the Lord for how far He has brought us during this unusual and trying time. God is good, all the time!!!



Devotional

BY MARY NORTHRUP

Misconceptions

We have a service that comes around the house once a month. The guy is very chatty and often catches me at home for a conversation. One day he opened a conversation with "How can you stand your husband playing computer games all the time?! Is he on there from the minute he gets up until he goes to bed?!" He could see my husband through the window.

Well, if you know my husband you know that that is far from what is going on. He's a systems analyst and works from home. Any weekday that you stop by he'll be hard at it from 9-6 with no lunch break. If he's not programming, he's managing his team or mentoring one of them. Updates are done at night and on weekends.

Honestly, I can't remember when he last worked a 40 hour week. It's been closer to 50 and sometimes 60 or more. This... is a hard working man.

When have you let appearances sway your thinking? Or the idea of what you think someone is like?

Remember the story of the Tax Man and the Pharisee?
Luke 18:9-14



The Thrift Shop

Hours:

Monday 9am – 12pm

Thursday 9am – 3pm

Friday 9am – 3pm

Saturday 9am -12pm

located behind the church



Dinners are free and available for pickup each Wednesday from 5pm to 6pm.

Food Pantry



Ministry

The Food Pantry Ministry at BUMC is open on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 9am to 11:30am. Please bring in non-perishable items on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Prayer & Witness Ministry



Our prayer team continues to meet every Thursday at 10 a.m. in the church. We carefully follow safety regulations. Come pray with us for our church, church family, and any special requests. All are welcome.

Then Jesus went about a stone's throw away from them. He kneeled down and prayed.

Luke 22:41

YOU WERE IN HIS PRAYERS

The final prayer of Jesus was about you. His final pain was for you. His final passion was for you. Before he went to the cross, Jesus went to the garden. And when he spoke with his father, you were in his prayers. . .

And God couldn't turn his back on you. He couldn't because he saw you, and one look at you was all it took to convince him. Right there in the middle of a world which isn't fair. He saw you cast into a river of life you didn't request. He saw you betrayed by those you love. He saw you with a body which gets sick and a heart which grows weak. . .

On the Eve of the cross, Jesus made his decision. He would rather go to he'll for you than go to heaven without you.

And the Angels Were Silent / Max Lucado

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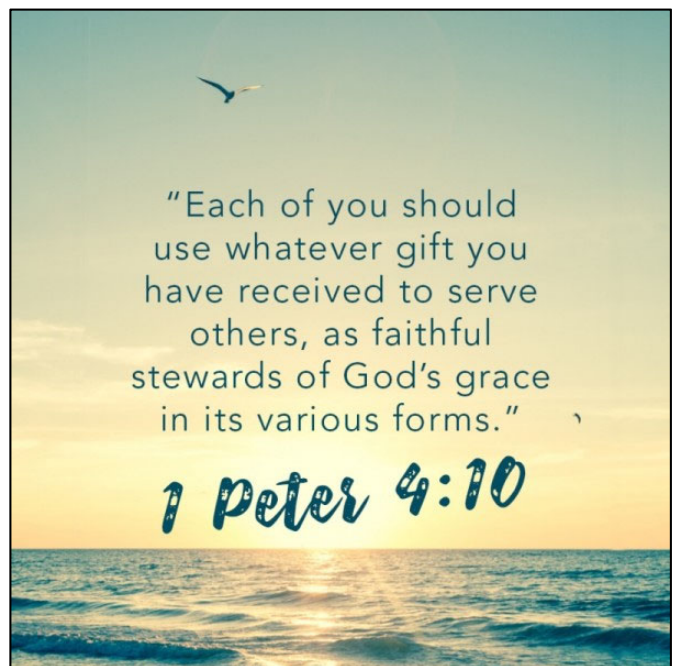
UPDATE



The sanctuary renovation has been completed. We had our first service in the newly changed sanctuary today, February 21. It's was beautiful.

The trustees have voted to sell the church bus and the trailer. In the future the Red Bird Mission has better options to use and the bus is old and is in rough shape. Time to move on.

We have more clean up and renovation projects planned in the near future. Those will be announced as they are completed.



23 Psalm



The Lord is my Shepherd – That’s Relationship!
 I shall not want – That’s Supply!
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures – That’s Rest!
 He leadeth me beside still waters – That’s Refreshment!
 He restoreth my soul – That’s Healing!
 He leadeth me in the paths
 Of righteousness – That’s Guidance!
 For His name sake – That’s Purpose!
 Yea, though I walk through the valley
 Of the shadow of death – That’s Testing!
 I will fear no evil – That’s Protection!
 For Thou art with me – That’s Faithfulness!
 Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me – That’s Discipline!
 Thou preparest a table before me
 In the presence of mine enemies – That’s Hope!
 Thou annointest my head with oil – That’s Consecration!
 My cup runs over – That’s Abundance!
 Surely goodness and mercy shall
 Follow me all the days of my life -That’s Blessing!
 And I will dwell in the house of the Lord – That’s Security!
 Forever – That’s Eternity!

Source Unknown

Breaking Down 2021



By Mary Northrup

In January I asked “What are we going to do for ourselves?” to make life better. I started with self-care. That was my goal for January.

Then came February and a new goal. We can break the year down into manageable parts. Each month can have a different focus.

Now we are in March. I’d like to encourage you to have new goals each month. You can do anything for one month. That’s doable. My focus this month is a healthier diet.

If you haven’t joined me in breaking down the year, it’s not too late to start! I’d like to hear from you. How are YOU breaking down 2021?

FINANCE NEWS

From the Finance Committee – Our Record of Faithfulness

Scripture Thought to Ponder – And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

January 2021 – ?

January 2020 – 134

Giving and Operational Expenses		
	<u>January 2021</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Giving	\$ 17,558.81	\$ 17,558.81
Operational Expenses	\$ 20,370.16	\$ 20,370.16
+/-	\$ 2,811.35-	\$ 2,811.35-

Year-to-date our giving has totaled \$17,558.81 while our operational expenses totaled \$20,370.16 leaving us a year-to-date deficit of \$2,811.35.

UMW Spring Sale Saturday, March 20th, 2021 9am – 2pm

Due to Covid-19, we will not be able to accept any donated baked goods. We will be making our baked goods for the sale in our church kitchen.

We are asking for donations of cookie dough, cake mix/frosting, and brownie mix (any flavor, any brand) so that we can have some baked goods to sell. Please consider donating any of these items. You can bring them to the church Monday-Thursday from 9-12.

At the sale this year we will have yard sale items including clothes, books, plants, and baked goods.

Also, you can purchase a hot lunch which will be made in our church kitchen. The lunch will be in to-go containers that you can take home or eat outside in our pavilion.

You can drop off sale items in the Fellowship Hall - Monday through Thursday 9-12. We are also accepting clothes for this sale.

Thank you for your support!

Let's Celebrate!

March Anniversaries

Stephen & Alicia Askey	03/04
Bob & Mary Lou Murray	03/17
Jason & Cindy Brodie	03/25

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10 (NIV)



March Birthdays

Thomas Gambrel	03/01	Cindy Cheuvront	03/14
Susan Leighton	03/06	Ruby Pelot	03/14
Jean Winstanley	03/06	Pam Ducharme	03/15
Gloria Sousa	03/09	Danny Pauley	03/17
Peg Gray-Craven	03/11	Mildred Denning	03/18
Sueann Kaleida	03/12	Sandy Matheny	03/22
Ronald Sutliff	03/12	Karen Palmer	03/23
Nadine McWalker	03/13	Jeanne Craven	03/31



Please submit your articles and events for the April 2021 BelleRinger newsletter to bellevuebelleringer@gmail.com or leave them in my mailbox outside the church office. All articles must be submitted by Sunday, March 21.

Thank you,
Mary Davis

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"Wireless communication is nothing new.
I've been praying for 75 years!"



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 9am-12pm thrift shop	2	3 5pm-6pm Open Table Drive-Thru	4 9am-3pm thrift shop 10am prayer team	5 9am-3pm thrift shop	6 9am-12pm thrift shop
7 *Communion Sunday 10:30am Worship	8 9am-12pm thrift shop	9	10 9am-11:30am Food Pantry 5pm-6pm Open Table Drive-Thru	11 9am-3pm thrift shop 10am prayer team	12 9am-3pm thrift shop	13 9am-12pm thrift shop
14 *Daylight Saving Time Begins @ 2 a.m. *Food Pantry Sunday 10:30am Worship	15 9am-12pm thrift shop	16	17 St. Patrick's Day 5pm-6pm Open Table Drive-Thru	18 9am-3pm thrift shop 10am prayer team	19 9am-3pm thrift shop	20 1st day of Spring 9am-12pm thrift shop 9am-2pm UMW spring sale
21 10:30am Worship *BelleRinger Deadline for April 2021	22 9am-12pm thrift shop	23	24 9am-11:30am Food Pantry 5pm-6pm Open Table Drive-Thru	25 9am-3pm thrift shop 10am prayer team	26 9am-3pm thrift shop	27 9am-12pm thrift shop
28 Palm Sunday 10:30am Worship	29 9am-12pm thrift shop	30	31 9am-11:30am Food Pantry 5pm-6pm Open Table Drive-Thru			

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March Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship 10:30am (reservations required)

Open Table Drive-Thru, Wednesday's
5pm to 6pm