Our Mission

Berea Friendship United Methodist Church is called to share the good news of Jesus and to serve others in His name.

Our Vision

At Berea Friendship United Methodist Church our vision is to strengthen and encourage our faith journey with others to build meaningful relationships and make disciples of Jesus Christ.

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Attendance For August 14th

Worship – 63

<u>Prayers For BFUMC's Ministry:</u> Pray that glorifying and honoring God is first in all that BFUMC does. Pray that the Holy Spirit inspires and informs every team meeting, conversation, interaction, and decision. Above all pray that we reach people for Christ, guiding them into a growing relationship with Him.

<u>Prayer List:</u> The Family of Bob Helms (his sister Mary Rogers who lived in Hendersonville, NC passed away last Saturday)

<u>Continue To Remember:</u> Bob Dunn, Sally Sue Philpot Hall, Mark Nalley, Martha McWhite, & Bobby Taylor

<u>Continued Prayer For Our Shut Ins:</u> Dr. Eugene Bondurant, Elaine Campbell, Sue Coggins, Blanche Creswell, Shirley Dickson, Millie Dunn, Libby Gilliam, Carolyn Hunter, Gloria Moore, Alex and Janet Stone, & Barbara Thackston



Welcome to Berea Friendship!

August 21st 2022

Berea Friendship United Methodist Church

August 21, 2022

THE PRELUDE

O For A Thousand Tongues

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRINITY CHIMES

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

God Of Great And God Of Small

Natalie Sleeth

*HYMN -No.731

Glorious Things Of Thee Are Spoken

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH -#7

This is God's house, we are God's people.

We believe God is in the business of making all things new:

That God will show us a more excellent way.

We believe God is active in our lives,

Present with us when we are at work,

When we eat as families, and when we are at play.

We believe all things in life have meaning,

And that behind every meaning stands God.

In each of our lives, we pray that we may listen to God's call:

That we may follow his steps, wherever God calls us to go.

Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (ages 3-5th grade are dismissed at this time for Children's Church.)

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Determined God, you ask much more of us

than our superficial affection.

You challenge us to walk beside you and to be your loyal companions,

witnessing your glory and carrying on your mission.

Give us the faithfulness of Elisha,

who stayed with his master Elijah until the very end.

CHORAL ANTHEM

You Are My All In All

Dennis Jernigan

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Pastor

¹When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; the LORD has sent me to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went

down to Bethel. ³ The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, "Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," Elisha replied, "so be quiet." ⁴ Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, Elisha; the LORD has sent me to Jericho." And he replied, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went to Jericho. ⁵ The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, "Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," he replied, "so be quiet." ⁶ Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." And he replied, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So the two of them walked on. ⁷ Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. ⁸ Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. ⁹ When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied. 10 "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not." 11 As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. ¹² Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

SERMON "As The Lord Lives" Pastor Davon Harrelson

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION, PETITION, THANKSGIVING

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Purify My Heart

Leach And Husberg

*DOXOLOGY – No. 95

*HYMN – No.454 Open My Eyes That I May See

*EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go Now in Peace

Natalie Sleeth

(The congregation is invited to sing.)
Go now in peace, go now in peace,
May the love of God surround you everywhere,
Everywhere you may go.

*POSTLUDE Victory In Jesus

* Please stand

Weekly Calendar...

Sunday School...9:00 a.m. in the Huckaby Classroom.

Sunday Morning Worship...10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Choir Practice...on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Quilters & Crafters...on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m-2:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Fitness Fellowship...on Monday & Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall.

Upcoming Events...

Men's Group...Saturday, August 20th at 8:00 a.m. in the Social Hall.

Back To School Bash...Sunday, August 28th 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Thrive Upstate...Friday, September 9th 4:00 p.m. at Ridge Road

Outdoor Evening Service...Sunday, September 11th at 5:00 p.m.

Fish Fry...Friday, September 16th from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Sunday Evening Service...Sunday, September 18th at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Bingo Party...Saturday, September 24th 2022 in the Social Hall.

Fall Bazaar...Saturday, October 15th from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the gym.

Car Show...Saturday, October 15th

Outreach Ministries: will be hosting the back to Bash on August 28th from 2-5 pm. We need everyone's involvement to make this a successful event. A sign up sheet will be on the door at the back of sanctuary. We need a host/hostess at our information table. We need volunteers to help with games. We are also putting together door prizes for the event. If you would like to contribute items for door prizes, we would appreciate it. Susan Kruse is our point of contact for the door prizes. We will have concessions for sale during the event. Josh will be playing music during this event. Please bring your family and come have a fun afternoon with us.

Quilters and Crafters: Mark your Calendars – for NEW DATE – Saturday Oct. 15th We are excited to share news of our annual Quilters Bazaar that is expanding to a Crafters and Quilters Bazaar. In addition to the quality items you have come to expect at the bazaar including beautiful quilts, holiday décor, home items, children's items, delectable jelly, jams, pickles, pastries, baked goods, flavorings and utensils, we are adding more. We have invited more than a dozen other crafters and artists. New items will include hand designed leather good, special goat milk and olive oil. soaps, paintings, jewelry, health food items, specially designed bags, aprons, yard decoration items. The list goes on! Plan to attend and tell your friends, family, and neighbors. A special gift for a hard to buy for person is sure to be found at this exciting event. Breakfast and lunch will also be available – many thanks to our Men's Group for collaborating on this special event.

Thrive Upstate: Friday, September 9th at 4:00 p.m. we are going to Ridge Road. We would like to have as many volunteers as we can get to join us. We will be bringing a meal, spending time with them, & having a sing-along. We will have a caravan leaving the church at 3:30 p.m. or if you'd like to meet us there the address is 1820 Ridge Rd Greenville, SC 29607. Hope you can join us!

New Evening Service: Our new evening service begins on Sunday September 18th at 5:00 p.m. The week before on Sunday September 11th at 5:00 p.m. we are having an outdoor service to help kickoff the new evening service. Thanks so much to all of those who have helped us get to this point & to all of those who have prayed for this service. We need all the help & prayer we can get as we move forward & hopefully reach others in the community who are searching for a church home.

<u>Our BFUMC Policy</u> on Safe Sanctuary and SC Methodist Conferences require that people working with children and vulnerable adults be screened a minimum of every two years. It is time for screening. If you work with children or vulnerable adults, you will receive an invitation from Smart-trak. Smart-trak is the company recommended by conference. Please respond to these invites in a timely manner. Thank you . If you have any questions, contact Jan Smith.

A Message From The Office: If you have any announcements or prayer requests you would like included in the bulletin or the monthly newsletter, please call the church office (864) 246-4311 or email them to BFUMChurch.office@gmail.com by Wednesday of the previous week for the bulletin & by the 20th of the prior month for the newsletter.

Church T Shirts

The outreach committee has designed a t shirt for our members to wear at church events. The cost of the shirts is \$10.00 per shirt. We have pre ordered 100 shirts in various sizes from S-3XL. The shirts will be available to purchase starting Wednesday, August 24, 2022. If you would like to purchase shirts, please contact the church office or any member of the Outreach committee. We would love for everyone attending the back to school bash on the 28th to wear the shirt. If you have questions, contact Vickie Failor, Outreach Committee Chairperson.

Below is a sample of what the shirt will look like the church image will be on the left chest (the enlarged image that sys actual size, is just so we could see the image for proof). On the back of the shirt will be "Ask Me about my church?"







BINGO PARTY! September 24th from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Social Hall.

Each player is asked to bring a wrapped dollar store type prize. \$2.00 or less. It can be something silly or serious. Something useful or totally frivolous. The winner of each bingo game will get to pick a prize. Picking a wrapped prize and having no idea what's inside just adds to the fun. Please bring snacks to share. Drinks will be provided. Hope you'll join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship!!! If you have any questions, you can text or call Laura Childs at (864) 915-9357 or Susan Kruse at (864) 380-5069.