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United Methodist Church

Banner 2026



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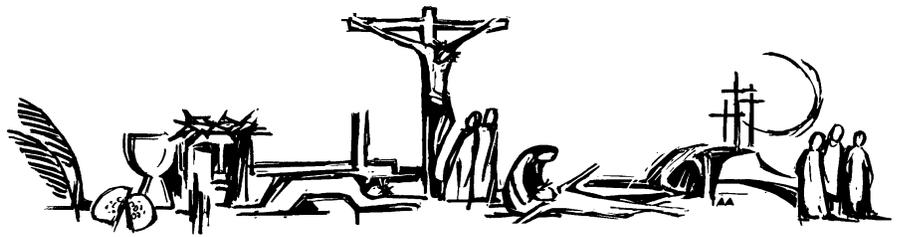
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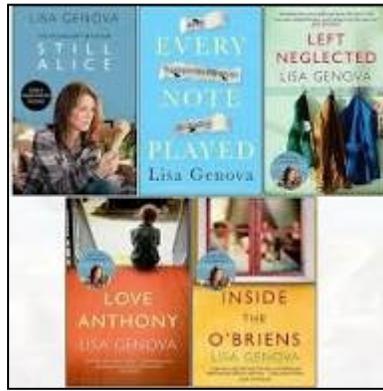
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WELCOME MARCH

May your heart and mind
be open enough to receive
the Blessings of a
New Month.

"Delight yourself in the LORD, and He will give
you the desires of your Heart." - Psalm 37:4



Author of the Month: Lisa Genova

Lisa Genova graduated valedictorian, summa cum laude from Bates College with a degree in Biopsychology and has a Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Harvard University. She has captured a special place in contemporary fiction, writing stories that are equally inspired by neurological conditions and our shared human condition. She is the New York Times bestselling author of the novels *“Still Alice”* (Early Onset Alzheimer's), *“Left Neglected”* (Traumatic Brain Injury), *“Love Anthony”* (Autism), *“Inside The O'Briens”* (Huntington's Disease), and *“Every Note Played”* (ALS). Our library has all of these titles for your enjoyment.

Browse our other titles at: <https://cloud.collectorz.com/bbumclibrary/books>. Check it out!



BBUMC Daytime Book Club

The next book club meeting will be Thursday, March 12 at 11:00 am in the church library. We will be discussing *“Absolution”* by Alice McDermott. If you would like to join us, please see Becky to get a copy of the book.

Please consider joining us for great discussion and fellowship. If you would like to join the book club, please let Becky know and you will be put on the email list. 2026 meeting dates and books are:

May 14: *Beach Music* by Pat Conroy

September 10: *One Hundred Years of Solitude* by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

November 12: *TPL Book Kit*: Title TBD



Let's have some BINGO fun! Join us on Saturday, March 14th at 2:00pm in the Family Center. There will be prizes and snacks will be available. All materials will be provided – the only thing you need to bring is you and some friends! All ages welcome!



Join us on Sunday, March 22nd following the worship service for an Easter Celebration Brunch, hosted by the BBUMC Youth and Education Committee. A variety of yummy items will be served. A free-will offering will be collected to support the youth group. Sign up on the One Stop or in the Narthex.



CHILDREN'S Sunday School

There will be no children's Sunday school on March 29th and April 5th due to spring break. Nursery care and Grace Space will be available.



Get your change ready! March 29th is Noisy Sunday. All the money collected will go to Troy People Concerned. If you would prefer to write a check, make it out to BBUMC with Noisy Sunday in the memo line.



Sunday, April 12th is Confirmation Sunday. We will celebrate our confirmation student as he confirms his faith and officially joins our congregation. Please plan to stay after worship and join us during coffee hour as we will have cake and punch to celebrate this wonderful day.

Easter Celebration Brunch (Family Center)



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March 29th
April 2nd
April 3rd
April 5th

Palm Sunday 10:00am Worship Service
Maundy Thursday 7:00pm Worship Service
Good Friday 7:00pm Worship Service
Easter Sunday 10:00am Worship Service



Reduce the Risk



BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Reduce the Risk training will be held on Thursday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm in the Quad rooms. This training is for people who are interested in working with children and youth and have not been recertified in the past three years or haven't taken the training previously. This will be the last training for the 2025-2026 school year.

Big Beaver UMC Safety Facts



TOPIC: First Aid Kits



Do you know where the two church First Aid kits are located?

The first kit is located under the pew in the Narthex (closest to the office).

The second kit is in the kitchen, hanging next to the pantry door.



BOWLING FUN!



March



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 2nd Sunday in Lent 7:45am Men's Breakfast (Lukich's) 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 11:15am Chili Cook-Off!(FC) 8:00pm AA (FC)	2 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10) 7:00pm Education (L) 	3 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR)	4 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 12:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC) 7:00pm Praise Team Reh. (S)	5 10:00am Bible Study (L) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR)	6 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 7:30pm AA (FC)	7 Turn Clocks Ahead Tonight! 8:30am Pastry Making (FC & K) 
8 3rd Sunday in Lent 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 11:15am Confirmation (L) 4:30pm Girl Scouts (QR) 8:00pm AA (FC)	9 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10) 7:00pm Stewardship (QR) 7:00pm Susanna Circle (YR)	10 Newsletter Deadline 11:00am Sarah Circle (L) 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR)	11 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 10:00am Troy Garden Club (FC,K) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC) 7:00pm Praise Team Reh. (S)	12 10:00am Bible Study (L) 11:00am Book Club (L) 11:00am Outreach Mtg. (QR) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR)	13 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 7:30pm AA (FC) 	14 2:00pm Bingo Event! (FC) 
15 4th Sunday in Lent UMCOR Sunday-Special Offering 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 2:00pm Cub Scout Ceremony (YR, FC & K) 8:00pm AA (FC)	16 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10) 7:30pm Ad Council (QR)	17 St. Patrick's Day 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR) 	18 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 12:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC) 7:00pm Praise Team Reh. (S)	19 10:00am Bible Study (L) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR)	20 9:30am Golden Choralliers (Choir Rm) 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 2:30pm Safety Comm. Mtg. (L) 7:30pm AA (FC)	21 11:00am Red Cross Blood Drive (FC & K) 
22 5th Sunday in Lent 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 11:15am Confirmation (L) 11:15am Easter Brunch 8:00pm AA (FC)	23 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10) 	24 11:00am UFW Mtg (L) 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR)	25 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC) 7:00pm Praise Team Reh. (S)	26 10:00am Bible Study (L) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR)	27 9:30am Golden Choralliers (Choir Rm) 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 7:30pm AA (FC)	28 9:00am Cub Scout Ceremony (YR, FC & K)
29 Palm Sunday Noisy Sunday 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 8:00pm AA (FC) 	30 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 10)	31 7:00pm Disciple Class (QR) 				



ANNIVERSARIES

Ron & Kathy Kerry March 26



BIRTHDAYS

- March 2 Dori Scott, Amanda Worgess
- March 4 Catherine Vanidour
- March 5 Rob Carman
- March 7 Louise Davis
- March 8 Pam Tollafield
- March 9 Sue Patterson
- March 13 Nicole Hierholzer
- March 14 Karan Wiklanski
- March 16 Keith Wimbush
- March 20 Brenda Balas
- March 24 Ellen Glueck, Dan Pace
- March 31 Lynda Meadows



Dear BBUMC,

Thank you so much for the box of snacks & the sweet note. I'm so grateful you guys think of me & enjoy it so much! My roommates & I very much appreciate it :) I hope to be back at the church soon!



Best wishes,
Skylar Lynch

UMCOR SUNDAY

UMCOR Sunday is March 15th. The United Methodist Committee on Relief supports programs that fight hunger and poverty, assist the displaced, and respond to disasters. This is an opportunity for us to contribute to humanitarian relief and disaster response in the United States and internationally.

To learn more about UMCOR's localized empowerment for sustainable solutions, visit umcmmission.org/umcor



Notable Information



Deadline for submission of articles for the April Banner is March 10th.

The church office hours are 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The most current church calendar can be viewed on the church web site, www.bbumchurch.org. Click on calendar, current month calendar, click here to open current calendar. Look through the months by clicking on the arrows on the right or left of the month in the center of the calendar.



March



March 8th



<p>Rev. Susie Hierholzer Suzanne Bianchi</p> <p>Carl Vanidour Becky Lorenz Cindy Gavin Jackie VanDaal Ingrid Hayes</p>		<p>Pastor Organist and Collaborative Pianist Choir Director Christian Ed Director Office Administrator Youth Director Nursery Care</p>
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Sunday Morning

Sunday School for Adults

8:45am—Friendship Class

9:00am—Experiencing God Class

Worship	10:00am
Sunday School (Children)	Following the Children's message

Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00am—1:00pm