



Banner 2025



October 5th



October 12th

BIG BEAVER UMC

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God The Father

Thank you for all the
goodness and blessings
You have given us this
past month. We now
welcome a new month
with open arms. Give us
courage and strength,
Confidence and patience

**May we have
self-love and inner peace.**

**May everyday of
this new month fill our days
with hope, love and energy.**

**We pray in Jesus' name,
Amen.**

Congratulations to the 2025 Greater Detroit Conference Golf Tournament winners! We are ecstatic that the trophy will remain at BBUMC!





Thank
you



Men's BBQ...

We wish to thank everyone who volunteered at the Men's BBQ and for those who came and enjoyed the meal. Thanks to all who helped cook, serve, clean up, furnish desserts, etc.. Special thanks to Girl Scout Leader, Christal Renaud and her Girl Scout Troop for serving, clean up & bussing of the tables. We appreciate your dedication and time. Your generosity and commitment to this important ministry is appreciated. We served 211 dinners with proceeds totaling \$2,091.00.

Sincerely,

Big Beaver United Methodist Men



ACHATZ PIE SALE!

The United Methodist Men will be taking orders for Achatz Pie Company Gift Cards during the month of October and November. Be sure to pick up an order form on the table in the Narthex. (Please pay for your Gift Cards at the time of ordering)

Last day to order for Thanksgiving Gift Cards: **November 2nd.**

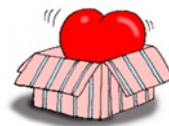
Final day to order: **November 30th.**

Pick up dates TBD.





LOVE BOXES



It's time to send out our Love Boxes to our college students filled with lots of goodies to let them know we are thinking about them. If you have someone in your family who is in college, please contact Becky Lorenz (blorenz@bbumchurch.org) before **October 5th**, with their name and current address.

We welcome donations of individually packaged treats, such as pudding, mac and cheese, and granola bars. These items can be placed in the donation box marked "Love Box" in the Narthex. If you prefer, monetary donations are accepted, and can be placed in an envelope with "Love Box" written on the memo line. Checks are to be made to BBUMC. Thanks so much for all your support!



Operation Christmas Child boxes are due **Sunday, November 9th!** Shoeboxes are available in the Narthex, or see Becky Lorenz for more information.



Sunday, October 12th: There will be no meeting on this day.

Sunday, October 19th: We will be going to Yates Cider Mill! We will meet in the church parking lot at 12:30pm and drive there all together. Pizza will be served before we leave for the cider mill. We will be back at the church by 2:30pm to pack Love Boxes. The youth group will be combining with Faith Warriors for this trip.

Sunday, October 26th: We will be going to watch the Athens Marching Band at their Halloween Parade! Time and place will be announced soon.



Stewardship Corner

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." — 1 Peter 4:10

This fall, our church is launching a three-week generosity campaign called **Grace in Action**. Rooted in the words of 1 Peter 4:10, we are reminded that God has entrusted each of us with unique gifts, talents, and resources—not for our own benefit alone, but to bless and build up others.

On October 12, 19, & 26, we will explore together what it means to live generously. Generosity is more than financial giving—it is a way of life, expressed through our time, our service, our hospitality, and our willingness to share God's love in tangible ways.

On Consecration Sunday, October 26, we will celebrate 30 years of ministry in our current building and give thanks to God for these blessings. You are invited to a **Soup-Off** following worship to continue the celebration!

Our prayer is that **Grace in Action** will inspire us to see generosity as a joyful response to the abundant grace we receive from God. When we put God's grace into action, lives are transformed—ours included.

We invite you to join us in prayer, reflection, and participation in this special season of generosity. Together, let's discover how God's grace flows through us to bless the world.



BBUMC Road Rally

After having such a great time last spring, we decided to do it again! Join us for a day of fun and fellowship as we head out as teams on a scavenger hunt on Saturday, November 15.

We will meet at the church at 2:00 pm. After directions and rules are discussed, groups will head out at 2:15. Upon finishing, each team will return to BBUMC to enjoy a yummy meal together as they share their adventures. People of all ages may participate.

Create your own team or join with others the day of the event. Teams must have a licensed driver. Sign up on the One Stop or in the Narthex.

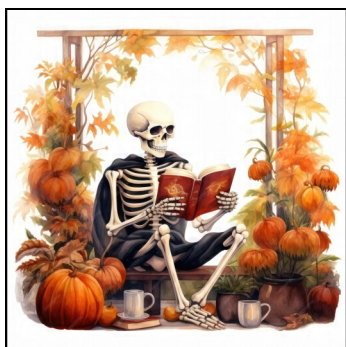


Halloween Trunk or Treat

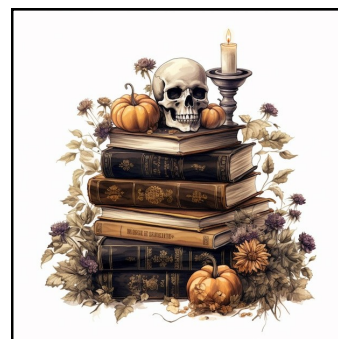
Trunk or Treat will be held in the BBUMC parking lot on Saturday, October 18th at 11:00 am followed by lunch and spooky stories. Children and families are encouraged to dress up. To RSVP to host a trunk, contact Becky Lorenz at blorenz@bbumchurch.org or sign up on the One Stop sign up sheet.



****For those hosting trunks, please no peanut or tree nut treats.
Thank you!****



BBUMC Daytime Book Club



The next book club meeting will be Thursday, November 13th at 11:00 am in the church library. We will be discussing "Trust" by Herman Diaz.

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:

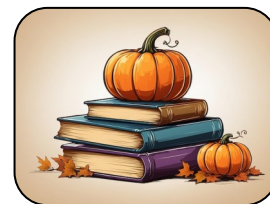
January 8: *The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict*

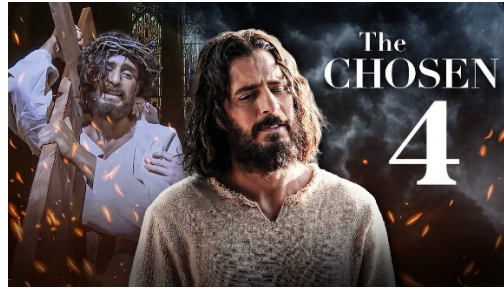
March 12: *TPL Book Kit: Title TBD*

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*





Bible Study: The Chosen – Season 4

This fall we will be watching the fourth season of “The Chosen”. The Chosen is a groundbreaking historical drama based on the life of Jesus Christ seen through the eyes of those who knew him. Set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Israel, the show shares an authentic and intimate look at Jesus’ revolutionary life and teachings.

We will begin the showings on **TUESDAY** evenings (day of the week change) in the Quad rooms beginning on Sept. 23 and will show a new episode each week through Nov. 11 (total of 8 episodes).

You may choose how you would like to participate. You may bring your own dinner and watch the episode at the church from 6:00 – 7:00 pm, followed by a discussion of the episode from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Or you may watch the episode on your own at home and come for the discussion from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. The discussion is also available via zoom. (You may watch the show on various streaming platforms such as The Chosen app, Amazon Prime, Peacock as well as others.)

Book discussion guides are available for purchase for \$10.



Author of the Month: Mitch Albom

Detroit’s own Mitch Albom is our Spotlight Author. Author, screenwriter, philanthropist, journalist, and broadcaster Mitch Albom is an inspiration around the world. His fiction and non-fiction books — which include eight #1 New York Times bestsellers — have collectively sold 42 million copies worldwide in 48 languages.

We have seven of his books in our collection. You can find them online here: <https://cloud.collectorz.com/bbumclibrary/books>



Join us for a
Soup-Off



Sunday, October 26, 2025
following the service

Make your best soup and
try to win a prize!



Come and enjoy the soups
and vote for your favorites.





United
Women
in Faith



United Women in Faith want to send a BIG Thank You to the congregation for the donations collected for our annual Ingathering Project.

This year we collected Holiday Bag items for Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP).

BBUMC has always been very supportive of our mission projects, and United Women in Faith thank you all!!

Save the Date



"Love Grows - Just Ask the Grinch" Potluck

This year we will be celebrating Advent with a potluck lunch on Sunday, December 7th following the service.












Unlike the Grinch, we are hoping to put smiles on children's faces Christmas morning.

We are asking for everyone to bring an unwrapped gift or item for the Cass Christmas Store.

Watch for more details.



OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
October is here! 			1 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 11:00am Kitchen Comm. Mtg. (L) 12:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 13) 1:15pm Staff Meeting (L) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC)	2 10:00am Bible Study (L) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR) 	3 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 7:30pm AA (FC)	4 
5 World Communion Sunday 7:45am Men's Breakfast (Luckich's) 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 8:00pm AA (FC)	6 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 13) 7:00pm Education (L)	7 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR)	8 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 10:30am Troy Garden Club (FC &K) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC)	9 10:00am Bible Study (L) 11:00am Outreach Mtg. 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR) 	10 Newsletter Deadline 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 7:30pm AA (FC)	11 
12 Pastor Appreciation Sunday 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 11:15am Confirmation (L) 8:00pm AA (FC)	13 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 13) 7:00pm Stewardship (QR) 7:00pm Susanna Circle (YR)	14 11:00am Sarah Circle (L) 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR)	15 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 12:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 13) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC)	16 10:00am Bible Study (L) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR)	17 11:00am Cass Luncheon (FC) 2:30pm Safety Comm. Mtg. (L) 7:30pm AA (FC)	18 11:00am Trunk or Treat 
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26 Consecration Sunday 8:45am Adult S.S.-Friendship Cl. (QR) 9:00am Adult S.S.-Exp. God (L) 10:00am Worship 11:15am Savory Soup Event! (FC) 8:00pm AA (FC)	27 6:00pm Sleeping Mat Ministry (Rm 13) 	28 11:00am UWF Mtg (L) 6:00pm The Chosen Bible Study (QR)	29 9:00am Sewing Chicks (YR) 6:00pm Harmony Ringers (S) 7:00pm Pickleball (FC)	30 10:00am Bible Study (L) 6:00pm UIC Choir (CR)	31 9:30am Pickleball (FC) 7:30pm AA (FC) 	

ANNIVERSARIES

Oct. 3 *Keith & Lynda Meadows*
 Oct. 9 *Larry & Betty Keisling*
 Oct. 24 *Gregg & Amy Purcilly*
 Oct. 25 *Chuck & Lauren Huber*
 Oct. 26 *Jim & Kelly Kerry*



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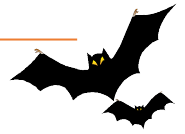
FOR SALE:

Four gravesites at White Chapel Cemetery.
 If interested, please contact the church office.
bbumc@bbumchurch.org
 248-689-1932



BIRTHDAY'S

Oct. 1 Doris Van Allen
 Oct. 2 Len Bianchi, Drew Comer
 Oct. 3 Clayton Osburn
 Oct. 5 Steve Charles, Phil Cohen
 Oct. 6 Barbara LeGrand, Brent Turner
 Oct. 8 Julia Cline, Jack Turner, Owen Turner
 Oct. 9 Lisa Davis
 Oct. 13 Cindy Gavin
 Oct. 17 Brianne Wietecha
 Oct. 23 Lyle Conley
 Oct. 24 Jim Pollock
 Oct. 25 Pat Buller-Verhelle
 Oct. 26 Sue Chick
 Oct. 27 Charlotte Wietecha



BROWN BAGS NEEDED!



The church office is in need of large-handle brown paper bags for our recycling.

Please drop them off outside the office doors at the recycling bins...THANK YOU!!!

Pasties on Pause until March 2026!

Watch for order forms early January...replenish your freezers in the spring!

Pasty Making Date:
 Saturday, March 7th.



Blood DRIVE



Red Cross Blood Drive is Coming...

Thursday, October 23rd from 1:00pm – 7:00pm in the BBUMC Family Center.
 Sign up: www.redcrossblood.org

Notable Information

Deadline for submission of articles for the November Banner is October 10th.
The weekly deadline for articles for bulletin announcements is Tuesday at 12:00pm.
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. Once you are on the website, scroll to the bottom of the main website page, click on "click here to open church calendar", and the current month will open. Look through the months by clicking on the arrows on the right or left of the month.



Fall Blessings Coloring Contest!

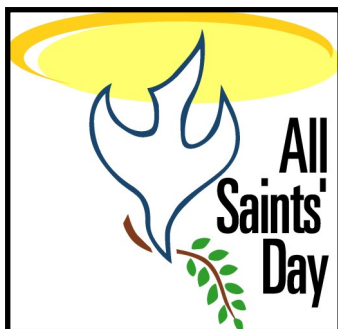
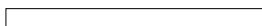
Color this page and bring it to the office...winner gets a treat...no tricks here!

Final submission date: October 26th

NAME: _____



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Sunday, November 2nd

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



Sunday Morning

Adult Sunday School	8:45/9:00am
Worship Service	10:00am
Sunday School (Children)	Following the children's message



Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00-1:00