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The service is streamed live at 10:45 AM, on Sundays, and is archived online for later viewing as well. Share this with persons you know who are out of town or unable to attend our Worship Service in person. **Visit the Church Website at** www.bridgeportumc.org and click "Watch Online".

REVIVE RECOVERY AT JOHNSON AVENUE WORSHIP AT 6:30 PM

Revive Recovery continues to meet each Wednesday evening at our Johnson Avenue campus. Revive Recovery is a program specifically for dealing with the troubles we face in this challenging culture and time. Revive Recovery is, in fact, for all hurts, habits, or hang-ups. Only 1 in 3 are there for substance issues. Sign up to help by preparing a light supper served at 6 PM. Sign up on bulletin board in the main entry.

YOU BELONG HERE! Are you interested in membership at Bridgeport United Methodist Church? Membership at BUMC is open to all people who believe in Jesus Christ and will uphold this Church with their prayers, presence, gifts, witness, and service. If you would like more information about becoming a member of Bridgeport UMC, simply check the box on the attendance register, speak to a pastor, call the Church office at 304.842.6284, or email us at info@bridgeportumc.org. We are excited about what God is doing at Bridgeport UMC, and we would love to welcome you to join us on the journey!

WOMEN IN FAITH RUMMAGE SALE

Spring cleaning? Good news! We will begin collecting items for the rummage sale on May 1. Please put your items in the gym entrance between 8-4 Monday through Friday. Please make sure items are clean and in working order and remove hangers. Please, no tires, electronics or paint. We will collect through May 29. Thank you for your help with this important mission project! If you would like to help sort and/or set up, please contact Cheryl Bramble. The rummage sale will be held early August. More information will come later.

CHOIR RECOGNITION APRIL 28

Breakfast and Awards. Sing for Worship.

SHEPHERDS CORNER COLLECTION

is next Sunday. They are in need of non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies, paper products and hygiene items. You may place your donations in the basket in the Narthex. Thanks for your help!

Weekly Devotional Reading

Sunday: Matthew 18:1-5

Monday: Psalm 19:1-4

Tuesday: I Thessalonians 5:12-16

Wednesday: Hebrews 12:1-11

Thursday: John 16:1-15

Friday: Matthew 14:13-21

Saturday: Psalm 71:7-18

Breath Prayer this Week:

Awesome God, open our eyes to see the wonder and glory of your creation. Amen.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION We are recognizing the Class of 2024 on May 19th during our 10:45 AM Worship Service. If you know of a senior who has not received a letter from the church, please call the Church Office at 304.842.6284. Please email or drop off your senior photo and information as soon as possible.

INTERESTED IN FOSTER CARE...

The All In Foster Care Summit will be held at Trinity Assembly of God Church in Fairmont on Friday, May 3. With the theme of "Finding Beauty in Brokenness," this event aims to unite the church and child welfare professionals to improve the lives of our State's most vulnerable. The Summit will include powerful presentations, moving firsthand stories, and a call to action to support children and families in foster care. For information and registration, visit <https://2024wvfostersummit.rsvpify.com>.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adult Sunday School Classes are:
Bread of Life SS/Library/9:30AM
Faith, Family & Friends SS/Parlor/
9:30AM

AVAILABLE SERVICES—ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE

8:30 Service Childcare - infants-5 years,
Nursery, hallway by back Chapel

10:45 Service Childcare - infants-2 years,
Nursery, hallway by back Chapel

10:45 Service Childcare for 2, 3 & 4 yr.
olds, Educ. Bldg. - 1st room on right

Children's Bulletin available on table in the back of the Sanctuary

10:45 Children's Church - ages 5-2nd grade,
Children's Church Room

Large Print Hymnals at main entrance to the Sanctuary

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

April 20, 2024

6:15 PM

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

GATHERING MUSIC

*HYMNS *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* UMH 136
His Name Is Wonderful UMH 174

*INVOCATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES

~ Use the e-giving tab on the website, mail in your donation, or place it in the baskets at the entryways.

~ Please visit our website, bridgeportumc.org, to register for twice weekly devotional e-mails from our pastors.

MUSICAL OFFERING *Were You There?* spiritual

*SCRIPTURE LESSON *John 10:11-18*

MESSAGE *The Breadth of the Shepherd's Love* Rev. George Bramble

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Spirit Song* UMH 347

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN *God Be with You till We Meet Again* UMH 672

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

FWS-Faith We Sing Hymnal UMH-United Methodist Hymnal
WS-Worship and Song Hymnal

Child Care is available for infants – 5 years old in the Nursery in the back hallway by the Chapel

*Indicates standing

Those Participating in the Service: Jalin Summers - Bassoon,
Don Hamilton - Alto Saxophone, Don Gardner - pianist

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ JOHNSON AVENUE

April 21, 2024

9:45 AM

Gathering to Praise

*Scripture Choruses and Songs Jim Harris

*Prayer of Invocation and Invitation

Growing in the Word

The Word in Music

*Scripture

Today's Message Rick Curtis

Glorifying God Through Communion and Response

Holy Communion

(This sacrament or "Holy Covenant" is a way of visibly remembering God's Sacrificial Love given in Christ Jesus and receiving anew His grace.)

Going Forth to Share and Serve

Ministry Stewardship and Opportunities

*Closing Song

*Benediction and Sending Forth

*Indicates standing

BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

251 WORTHINGTON DRIVE, BRIDGEPORT, WV

April 21, 2024 † 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER WORSHIP CELEBRATION

WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE VISION OF "MATTHEW 25"

We are a community of faith focused on being in ministry with and for the least, the last, the lonely, and the left out. Jesus said, "When you do it to the least of these, you do it unto me." (Matthew 25:40) This is our primary work. Please join us as we strengthen ourselves for the task in worship, prayer, and study and then go forth to serve in Matthew 25 Ministries.

PRELUDE

As we gather, we are mindful of our Maplewood Worship Service.
Today's leader is Griff Cotter.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Reader: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen, indeed!

Reader: We gather in the presence of our Shepherd God,

ALL: who calls us each by name,

Reader: who restores our souls,

ALL: who leads us in the way of righteousness,

Reader: and whose goodness and love never stops pursuing us.

ALL: This is the God we have come to worship! Hallelujah!

*INVOCATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

*HYMN OF CELEBRATION *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* UMH 138



MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES

- ~ Please fill out a prayer card if desired. A steward will collect them during the final hymn.
- ~ Use the e-giving tab on the website, mail in your donation, or place it in the baskets at the entryways.
- ~ Please visit our website, bridgeportumc.org to check for regular updates.

(10:45 Children K-2nd Grade only may leave for Children's Church. Please meet with your leader in the back of the Sanctuary. Younger children see back of bulletin for locations of nurseries.)

***DOXOLOGY** *Sing We to Our King Above* (Tune: Easter Hymn)
Sing we to our King above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

***SCRIPTURE LESSON** *John 10:11-18*
Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

THE WORD IN MUSIC *Feed My Lambs* Natalie Sleeth, arr. Tom Fettke

Feed my lambs, tend my sheep, over all a vigil keep;
In my name lead them forth gently as a shepherd.
When they wander, when they stray, their protector be.
As ye do unto My flock, thus ye do to me.
Unto all who lose the way, hope and comfort be.
As ye do unto My flock, thus ye do to Me.

MESSAGE *The Breadth of the Shepherd's Love* Rev. George Bramble

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Spirit Song* UMH 347

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Romans 8:35, 37-39* UMH 887

Pastor: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

People: No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

MOMENTS OF GUIDED PRAYER

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Reader: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen, indeed!

Reader: Peace be with you!

ALL: And also with you!

Reader: We give you all thanks and praise, O God, for with you as our shepherd, we need nothing more.

At the dawn of time you spread creation out like a banquet and in love brought forth all life on the earth. Through your prophets you promised a good shepherd, who though rejected, would become the cornerstone of salvation for every creature under heaven.

Your promise has been fulfilled in your Son, Jesus of Nazareth, who showed us the fullness of love that lays down even its own life for others. He was crucified, but you raised him from the dead, and through his love we have the boldness to approach you. Because he abides in us and in all who listen to his voice, our cup overflows with goodness and love and our feet find safe paths leading to your house where we will live forever.

ALL: And with our hearts lifted high, we will offer you thanks and praise at all times through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* UMH 381

***TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

***SENDING FORTH**

***POSTLUDE**

*Indicates standing

Those participating in the Service - Tom Price - organist, Chancel Choir, Rev. Dr. Dan Kimble - Liturgist

Christian Sympathy to Greg and Judy Groves on the death of their son, Gregory Groves, Jr.

The Rose on the Altar is in celebration of the birth of *Emberly Skye Parrish*, daughter of Austin & Kristen Parrish born April 9th. The proud grandparents are Don and Michelle Kyker.



Mark your calendars! Vacation Bible School 2024

will be held on Sunday through Tuesday, July 21, 22, and 23 from 6:00-8:00 pm each evening. Our theme will be

"Trading Places: Where Jesus Makes a World of Difference."

Make plans for your children ages 3 and up to join us!

Look for more details - including opportunities for you to serve - soon!

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BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh, Senior Pastor † Rev. Ben Randolph, Associate Minister
Rev. George Bramble, Rev. Jim Lang, Pastoral Care † Sarah Carr Parsons, Director of Music Ministry † Nathan and Tricia Price, Coordinators of Youth Ministry
Brett Miller, Organist † Jim Harris, Tom Price, Accompanists † Russ Francis, Treasurer
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Katherine Hughes, Jubilate Director † Jennifer Lawson, Cherub Choir Director
Dorothy Prunty, Denny Owens, Cathy Hamilton, Michael Moran, Facilities

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK (April 21 - April 28)

SUNDAY

8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Bread of Life Sunday School	Library
9:30 AM	Faith Family Friends SS	Parlor
9:30 AM	WOW Children's SS (Pre K3-5th)	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Youth Sunday School	Education Building
9:45 AM	Worship @ Johnson Ave.	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM	Maplewood Worship Service	Maplewood
10:45 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
5:30-6:00 PM	Seraphim Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
6:00-7:00 PM	Youth Meeting	Education Building
6:00 PM	Handbell Rehearsal	Balcony

MONDAY

7:00 AM	AA Morning Meditation	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM	Preventicare	Nursery

TUESDAY

10:00 AM	Staff Meeting will not meet	Fowler Heritage Room
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WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM	Revive Recovery	Johnson Ave. Campus
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY

7:00 AM	Men's Prayer and Coffee	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM	PreventiCare	Nursery
10:00 AM	Lectionary Class	Library
6:00 PM	Sweet Hour of Prayer Meeting	Johnson Ave. Parsonage

FRIDAY

7:00 AM	AA Morning Meditation	Johnson Ave. Campus
8:30 AM	Sister's Bible Study	Fowler Heritage Room

SATURDAY

6:15 PM	Saturday Evening Service	Sanctuary
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WONDERS OF WORSHIP
Come Hear and See
Under the
Story Telling Tree

"THE HOUSE BUILT ON THE ROCK"

Ages Pre K3 - 5th Grade 9:30 -10:30 AM
every Sunday!

9:30 AM gather in Sanctuary
10:30 AM dismiss in Fellowship Hall