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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.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) continues its efforts to help Ukraine. 100 percent of your donation goes to your chosen mission. If you would like to donate to help those in Ukraine, please make your check out to BUMC and in the memo write Ukraine.

PRAYER STEWARDS

If you would like to serve as a prayer steward, please sign up on the bulletin board or contact Yvette Hunt at 304-203-6760 or Kevin Hunt at 304-365-3917.

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2023

This year we are having a confirmation day apart on Saturday March 11th from 9 a.m. until noon. This year's theme will be: "FAITH THAT LASTS A LIFETIME." We will meet in the classroom behind the balcony. We truly hope you will make every effort to be a part of this important time. Confirmation is the time in which young people receive instruction in the faith and make the decision to commit their lives to Christ and also become full members of the church. If you are a sixth grader or older and have not received information and would like to attend, please call the Church Office at 304.842.6284.

WOW ATTENTION 4TH and 5TH GRADERS Beginning Sunday Feb. 5, your WOW opening will be on the stage in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 AM. All others (Pre K 3 - 3rd grade) will meet in the Sanctuary.

Weekly Devotional Reading

Sunday: I Corinthians 2:1-7

Monday: Isaiah 58:1-9

Tuesday: I Corinthians 2:8-12

Wednesday: Isaiah 58:10-12

Thursday: Matthew 5:13-20

Friday: Psalm 112:1-9

Saturday: Proverbs 19

Breath Prayer this Week:

"Give me strength for today,
O Lord."

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

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

PLEASE NOTE: All Adult Sunday School Classes listed above will begin at 9:30 AM beginning TODAY, Sunday, Feb 5.

USHERS NEEDED

As we continue to rebuild and move forward we need ushers for the 10:45 AM Worship Service and the 9:45 AM Worship Service at Johnson Ave. You will only need to serve every 4 months. This is a great opportunity to serve within your church. Volunteer! Call Tim Morgan at 304.288.9532

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
Extra Copies of Our Newsletter, "Steeple Talk" available in the Narthex
Prayer Cards to indicate special concerns are located in the pew racks
Membership Directories are available in the Church Office.

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

February 4, 2023

6:15 PM

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

Don Gardner

GATHERING MUSIC

*HYMN

Maker, in Whom We Live

UMH 88

*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.

WORD IN MUSIC

Be Thou My Vision

*SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Corinthians 2:1-12

MESSAGE

Faith Down Under

Rev. Dr. Ken Ramsey

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

UMH 671

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

FWS-Faith We Sing Hymnal UMH-United Methodist Hymnal

WS-Worship and Song Hymnal

*Indicates standing

Those participating in the Worship: Libby Summers, Molly Broadwater, Sarah Carr Parsons

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ JOHNSON AVENUE

February 5, 2023

9:45 AM

Gathering to Praise

Scripture Choruses and Songs

Tom Price

Prayer of Invocation and Invitation

A Service of Christian Baptism *Gage Christopher Fox*

Ministry Stewardship and Opportunities

Growing in the Word

The Word in Music

*Scripture: *I Corinthians 2:1-12*

Today's Message

Faith Down Under

Rev. Dr. Ken Ramsey

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

Closing Song

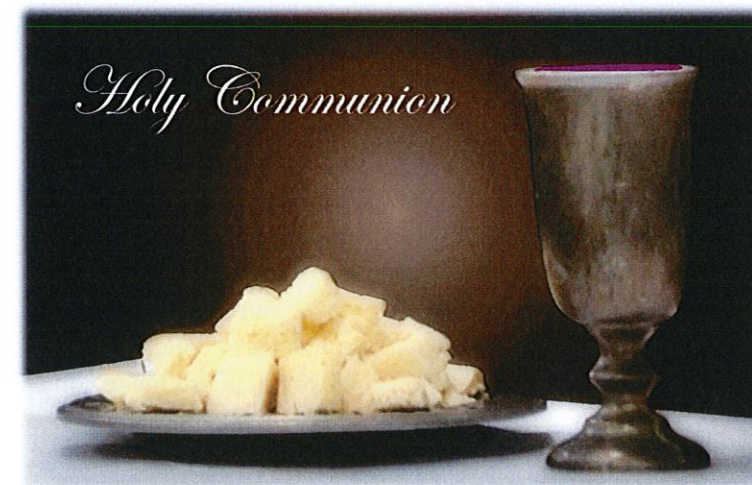
Benediction and Sending Forth

Child Care is provided and is located at the house across the parking lot.

BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

251 WORTHINGTON DRIVE, BRIDGEPORT, WV

FEBRUARY 5, 2023 † 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND HOLY COMMUNION

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/GATHERING MUSIC

Please sign the attendance register

As we gather, we are mindful of our Maplewood Extension Worship Service. Today's Leader is Rick Curtis.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND THE WORD

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather in the name of Jesus.

People: We gather to exalt our Lord and our God.

Leader: His name is above all names.

People: In the name of Jesus we find hope, healing, wholeness and joy! Praise be to the Lord.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Maker, in Whom We Live

UMH 88

*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

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.
~ Please fill out a prayer card if desired. A steward will collect them during the final hymn.

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

THE WORD IN MUSIC *God of the Deep* Dan Forrest
text by Ellen Berry

Each time I stand and wonder at the vastness of the sea,
I know that there are mysteries too great and deep for me;
The wide expanse of water reaches far beyond my sight,
And yet I know the One to whom its depth are full of light.

The mighty waves roll in to shore and break upon the sand,
Compelled by unseen forces that I cannot understand,
The currents run beneath the waves in perfect, charted paths;
A skillful hand directs their courses, as it ever has.

The ocean teams with living things who never see the sun,
And yet there is an eye who sees and knows them, every one;
And that same eye has fathomed all the mysteries of my days,
When tears have dimmed my sight, a heart of love still charts my ways.

When simple explanations lie too deep for me to find,
I rest in God who holds the whole creation in His mind.
I hope in Him whose skill and wisdom far exceed my own.
The secrets of the hidden depths belong to God alone.

*SCRIPTURE LESSON *I Corinthians 2:1-12*

1 When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. 2 For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. 3 And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. 4 My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, 5 so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. 6 Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. 7 But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. 9 But, as it is written, 'What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him' 10 these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. 11 For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. 12 Now we received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

MESSAGE *Faith Down Under* Rev. Dr. Ken Ramsey
I. He's Underneath us.
II. He Understands us.
III. He Undergirds us.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP
COMMUNION MUSIC
(Please come as directed, praying for discernment and wisdom in following Christ. You will receive an individual piece of bread and a separate cup as you come forward. The cups are disposable and there are trash cans as you exit in which you can drop your cup.)

*PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING
Leader: You have given Yourself to us, O God.
People: Help us to give ourselves for others.
Leader: Your love makes us new people.
People: Empower us to share that love with all. Amen

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* UMH 671
*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD
*SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

*Indicates standing
Music Participants: Larry Parsons - organ, Barbara Sullivan - piano, Chancel Choir

UPCOMING SERMONS AND SCRIPTURES

February 12 • "Coworker from Heaven" • I Corinthians 3:1-9
February 19 • "O Say Can You See?" • Matthew 17:1-9

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK (February 5 – February 12)		
SUNDAY		
8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Sunday School	
9:45 AM	Worship @ Johnson Ave.	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM	Maplewood Service	Maplewood
10:45 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:00-6:30 PM	Senior/Mid High Youth Group	Youth Room (Ed. Bldg.)
6:30-7:00 PM	Senior/Mid High Seraphim	Stage
MONDAY		
7:00 AM	AA Morning Meditation	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM	Preventicare	Nursery
10:30 AM	Lydia Circle Meeting	Library
7:00 PM	Proverbs 31 Circle Meeting	Johnson Ave. Parsonage
TUESDAY		
10:30 AM	Esther Ruth Circle Meeting	Library
WEDNESDAY		
6:30 PM	Revive Recovery Worship	Johnson Ave. Campus
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir	Stage
THURSDAY		
7:00 AM	Men's Prayer and Coffee	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:00 AM	PreventiCare	Nursery
10:00 AM	Lectionary Class	Library
FRIDAY		
7:00 AM	AA Morning Meditation	Johnson Ave.
	Sister's Bible Study	Shepherds Corner
SATURDAY		
6:15 PM	Saturday Evening Worship	Sanctuary
SUNDAY February 12		
8:30 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:30 AM	Sunday School	
9:45 AM	Worship @ Johnson Ave.	Johnson Ave. Campus
9:45 AM	Maplewood Worship	Maplewood
10:45 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:30 PM	Senior High Seraphim will not meet	Stage
6:30 PM	Mid High Youth Group will not meet	Youth Room (Ed. Bldg.)
7:00 PM	Mid High Seraphim will not meet	Stage
7:00 PM	Senior High Youth will not meet	Youth Room (Ed. Bldg.)



WONDERS OF WORSHIP

WONDERS OF WORSHIP is a new approach to Christian education and spiritual formation for children ages 3 thru 5th grade. Through music, lessons, and creative activities children learn the importance of worship and a worshipful lifestyle.

9:30 - 9:45 AM Pre K 3 -3rd grade meet in Sanctuary
4th and 5th grade meet on stage in Fellowship Hall

9:45- 10:15 AM Message and Music
Cherubs meet in Children's Chapel
Jubilate Choir meet on Stage/Fellowship Hall

10:15 - 10:30 AM Activity for all in Fellowship Hall