WATCH BRIDGEPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ONLINE

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** meets each

Wednesday at 6:30 PM at our Johnson Avenue Campus.

YOUNG EXPLORERS SUNDAY SCHOOL (ages 3-5th grade) meets at 9:30 AM in the Primary Chapel. Each week, children will explore God's love through Relationships, Experience, and Wonder with interactive Bible lessons,

play based learning, and caring volunteers who help faith come alive. THE FAITH, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS

Sunday School class will meet in the Parlor at 9:30 AM for a 6 week Bible study, Creed: What Christians Believe and Why, by Adam Hamilton. All are welcome!

L.I.F.E. (Living in Faith Everyday) Looking for a place to connect, share, and grow in how faith meets real life? Join us for L.I.F.E. (Living in Faith Everyday), a small group designed to help us apply our faith to the challenges and questions we all face. Whether you're curious, wrestling with questions, or simply seeking encouragement, you'll find a welcoming space for honest conversation and support. We will meet Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm at the Johnson Ave Campus.

ATTENTION YOUTH: DON'T MISS **FALL WORKSHOP 2025! NOVEMBER 14-16 AT CAMP** COWEN

Get ready for a weekend packed with worship, friends, campfires, laughter, and life-changing moments! Fall Workshop brings together youth (grades 6–12) from across the West Virginia Conference to grow in faith and have serious fun. All BUMC students will receive cost assistance, and transportation is available. Questions? Contact Rev. Sarita Robinson or visit

wvumc.org/2025-fall-workshop.

OUR ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE will be held on Sunday, November 9, following the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service in the Main Campus Sanctuary. District Superintendent Neil Leftwich will preside as we receive ministry reports and approve officers for the coming year. All are welcome to attend.

Weekly Devotional Reading

Sunday: Romans 8:26-28 Monday: Hebrews 12:1-13 Tuesday: Psalm 103:1-12 Wednesday: Exodus 4:10-16 Thursday: John 4:4-14 Friday: Isaiah 41:9-13 Saturday: Psalm 100:1-5

Breath Prayer This Week

Dear Father, you are able to do far more than we can even imagine. Help us to speak up and share your goodness with others whenever we have the opportunity. Amen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND BIBLE STUDIES

Adult Sunday School Classes: Bread of Life SS/Library/9:30AM Faith, Family, Friends/Parlor/9:30 AM Youth SS/Education Building/9:30 AM Young Explorers SS/ages 3-5th grade/ Primary Chapel/9:30 AM

Nursery Care/Infant-2 year old/ Nursery/9:30 AM

Children's Church Ages 5 thru 5th grade/10:45 AM/Children's Church room, back of Sanctuary

Lectionary Bible Study/Thursdays/ Library/10:00 AM

Revelation Bible Study/Sanctuary overflow/Thursdays/7:00 PM

L.I.F.E. Bible Study/Johnson Ave. Campus/Tuesdays/ 7:30 PM

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AVAILABLE SERVICES—ASK AN USHER FOR ASSISTANCE

6:15 PM SATURDAY EVENINGS, infants through age 5, Nursery, hallway by back Chapel

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

Large Print Hymnals at main entrance to the Sanctuary

Prayer Cards to indicate special concerns are located in the pew racks Membership Directories are available in the Church Office.

SATURDAY EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

6:15 PM **November 1, 2025**

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

GATHERING MUSIC Tom Price

*HYMN How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely

FWS 2042

*INVOCATION

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES

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WORD IN MUSIC

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 5:1-12

MESSAGE **Pronouncements of Grace** Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh *HYMN OF RESPONSE FWS 2155 **Blest Are They**

THE NAMING OF THE SAINTS

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN For All the Saints Who've Shown Your Love FWS 2283

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

*SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE

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

*Indicates standing as able.

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ JOHNSON AVENUE

November 2, 2025

9:45 AM

Gathering to Praise

*Prayer of Invocation and Invitation

*Scripture Choruses and Songs

Jim Harris

Growing in the Word

*Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12

Today's Message

Pronouncements of Grace Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

Glorifying God Through Communion and Response

The Naming of the Saints

Holy Communion

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

Going Forth to Share and Serve

Ministry Stewardship and Opportunities

*Closing Song

*Benediction and Sending Forth

*Indicates standing as able.



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Bridgeport United Methodist Church November 2, 2025 † 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM



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.

GATHERING MUSIC

PRELUDES When the Saints Go Marching In

Saints of God

arr. by Joel Raney Llovd Larson arr. by Dale Wood

There is a Happy Land As we gather, we are mindful of our Maplewood Worship Service. Today's leader is Jay Larry.

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND THE WORD

INTROIT A Call to Joyful Praise

Joseph M. Martin

O God, who reigns on high, your glory we proclaim. We gather now to worship you and praise your name.

Come before the Lord with joyful singing.

Come into his gates with tuneful praise.

Come into his courts with glad thanksgiving.

Alleluia, sing to the Lord a new song.

We are the people of the covenant. We are the children of the Lamb.

We are made for alleluias. We are instruments of grace.

We are a symphony of praise. ...

Sing to God. Sing, sing an alleluia. Sing unto the Lord. Sing hosanna. All people, come with joyful singing! Alleluia!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Reader: We gather with the saints of every age,

ALL: We gather with those blessed not because of their power but because of God's mercy.

Reader: In the world's eyes, they were weak—

ALL: yet in God's kingdom, they shine with glory. Reader: Christ is risen, and their hope is ours.

ALL: For grace has the final word!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Reader: God of every generation, we give you thanks for the great communion of saints - for those whose faith shaped our own, whose mercy reflected your heart, and whose hope rested in your resurrection power. You bless not the proud and powerful, but the poor in spirit, the meek, and the merciful. You lift up those the world forgets and crown them with your everlasting grace. Gather us now into that same fellowship of love. Open our eyes to see your kingdom among us where sorrow turns to joy, and death gives way to life. By your Spirit, make us participants in the blessedness Christ proclaimed, until your will is done on earth as

ALL: Through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord and the joy of all the saints, we pray. Amen.

*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 WORSHIP

Sing with All the Saints in Glory

UMH 702

(Tune: HOLY MANNA)

(10:45 Children K-5th Grade only may leave for Children's Church. Younger children see back of bulletin for locations of nurseries.)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Pronouncements of Grace Rev. Dr. Matthew Paugh

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Blest Are They

FWS 2155

THE NAMING OF THE SAINTS

Reader: O God, we remember this day the great cloud of witnesses – the saints who have gone before us into your eternal joy. They are the poor in spirit who found their riches in Christ, the mourners who are now comforted, the meek who have inherited the earth, the merciful who have received mercy.

ALL: We give thanks for their lives, for the light they shone among us, and for the grace that now enfolds them.

Reader: God, we give you thanks for these saints who have finished their course and now rest from their labors:

Nancy Martin Dotson Richard Shepherd Davis Jerry Duane Ayers Gene Taylor Dodd Marcia Yvonne Conley Alice "Allie" Steele Bayne Carol Betler Curtis

Mary Lou Horter Middaugh Karen Elaine Marks Wade Dotson Sarah Ann Lynch Carr Haeley Elizabeth Harman Lois Louise Snider

Mike Rawlinitis Richard Lee Hickman, Jr. George Steven "Steve" Sly Jane Downin Alderman Margaret Ann Mayo Linda Jane Gimmel Robert "Bob" Eugene Twigg

Mable Beatrice Somerville A Tom "Tommy" Lynn Fogg A Marjorie Jannett Berry Keith Alan Mackey

For these, and for all the saints, O God, we give you thanks.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Reader: Blessed are those who die in the Lord, says the Spirit. They rest from their labors, and their works follow them.

ALL: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Eternal God, keep us in communion with all your saints - past, present, and yet to come – so that, strengthened by their witness, we may run with perseverance the race set before us.

Grant that we, too, may live as people of the Beatitudes – poor in spirit, yet rich in grace; meek in heart, yet strong in mercy; mourning, yet filled with hope; persecuted, yet rejoicing in resurrection life. Until that day when your kingdom is fully revealed, and all your saints shine in glory.

ALL: we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who is the Resurrection and the Life. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

> Lift up your hearts to God, and give the Lord your praise! we lift them to the throne above: we lift them to the throne above; our grateful songs we raise, our grateful songs we raise. You spoke, and light was born; the earth and stars obeyed.

You formed us in your image, Lord, you formed us in your image, Lord, and by your grace we're made, and by your grace we're made.

We turned away from you and failed to love you, Lord; yet through your prophets came the word, yet through your prophets came the word: "God's steadfast love endures,

God's steadfast love endures." So with your saints on earth and all the saints above,

we praise your holy name, O Lord, we praise your holy name, O Lord, and raise this hymn of love,

and raise this hymn of love: Refrain: We give you the glory. Holy, holy, holy.

Hosanna in highest heav'n, O powerful, almighty God.

We bless the Son of God, who gives us peace within. He suffered, died, and rose again, he suffered, died, and rose again, to save us all from sin, to save us all from sin.

Tune: Marching to Zion

Tune: When the Saints

And on that holy night, he took the cup and bread. "This is my body and my blood, This is my body and my blood, for you and all," he said. "For you and all," he said.

So we proclaim our faith: Christ died to set us free. Christ rose, and he will come to reign, Christ rose, and he will come to reign,

for all eternity, for all eternity.

Pour out your Spirit, Lord, upon this bread and wine; make us one body in your love, make us one body in your love, a holy, living sign, a holy, living sign.

And so with all your saints, we'll run with joy this race, until Christ comes in victory, until Christ comes in victory. and hosts the feast of grace, and hosts the feast of grace.

Now, through your Son, the Christ, and with the Holy Ghost, we honor you, O Lord our God, we honor you, O Lord our God, with all the heav'nly host. with all the heav'nly host.

> We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion; we're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Reader: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Send us forth in the strength of this meal to live as people of the Beatitudes – poor in spirit yet rich in mercy, meek in heart yet strong in hope.

ALL: And when our journey is done, bring us to that great banguet where all your saints rejoice in unending praise. Through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

MINISTRY STEWARDSHIP AND OPPORTUNITIES

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*SENDING HYMN

For All the Saints (verses 1-4, 6)

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

SENDING FORTH AND POSTLUDE For All the Saints

arr. by Janet Linker

UMH 711

5:30 PM

6:00-7:00 PM

*Indicates standing as able.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK (November 2–November 9) SUNDAY 8:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary 9:30 AM Bread of Life Sunday School Library 9:30 AM Faith, Family, Friends SS Parlor Young Explorers SS (Pre K3-5th) Primary Chapel 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School **Education Building** 9:30 AM Worship @ Johnson Ave. 9:45 AM Johnson Ave. Campus 9:45 AM Maplewood Worship Service Maplewood Worship Service 10:45 AM Sanctuary 5:00 PM Cherub Choir Primary Chapel 5:00 PM **Jubilate Singers** Children's Church Room Children's Church Room 5:30 PM Children's Handbells Fellowship Hall 5:30 PM Seraphim Singers 6:00-7:00 PM Mid/Sr. High Youth **Education Building** 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 Johnson Ave. Campus Proverbs 31 Circle Meeting **TUESDAY** 10:00 AM Staff Meeting Fowler Heritage Room 10:30 AM Esther Ruth Circle Meeting Bride's Room 7:30 PM L.I.F.E. Johnson Ave. Campus **WEDNESDAY** Johnson Ave. Campus 6:30 PM Revive Recovery Fellowship Hall 7:00 PM **Chancel Choir THURSDAY** Johnson Ave. Campus Men's Praver and Coffee 7:00 AM Nursery **PreventiCare** 9:00 AM Library **Lectionary Class** 10:00 AM Johnson Ave. Campus Sweet Hour of Prayer Meeting 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall 6:30 PM Greater Clarksburg Parish Mtg. Back of Sanctuary Bible Study 7:00 PM **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 SUNDAY, November 9 8:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary 9:30 AM Sunday School Worship @ Johnson Ave. 9:45 AM Johnson Ave. Campus 9:45 AM Maplewood Worship Service Maplewood 10:45 AM Worship Service Sanctuary Charge Conference 12:00 noon Sanctuary 5:00 PM Cherub Choir Primary Chapel 5:00 PM **Jubilate Singers** Children's Church Room 5:30 PM Children's Handbells Children's Church Room

Participants in the Service: Brett Miller – organist/pianist, clarinetist: Chancel Choir; Handbell Choir; Rev. Sarita Robinson; Cheryl Bramble- liturgist

Fellowship Hall

Education Building

Seraphim Singers

Mid and Sr. High Youth Group

Christian Sympathy to Betty Hager on the death of her sister. Tressa DeShong. Teresa Musgrave on the death of her brother, Johnathan Barnes.

The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Wyatt Kenneth Creed, born October 21. The parents are Josh and McKenna Creed and the grandparents are Tom and Betsy Price.

