

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

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| Gathering Music | Ben Slaughter |
| | “Emmanuel” arr. Lloyd Larson “People, Look East” arr. Lloyd Larson |
| Welcome | Rev. Brad Dulaney |
| *Call to Worship | Rev. Brad Dulaney |
| | Sing, and rejoice, O daughter Zion! For lo, I will come and dwell in your midst, says the Lord. Many nations shall join themselves to the Lord in that day, and shall be my people; and I will dwell in your midst. |
| *Opening Hymn UMH 202 | Chancel Choir & Congregation |
| | “People, Look East” |
| Lighting of the Advent Candle | Dave & Faye Crist |
| Musical Response UMH 207 | Chancel Choir & Congregation |
| | “Prepare the Way of the Lord” |

WE HEAR AND RESPOND

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| Children’s Message | Rev. Brad Dulaney |
| Scripture Lesson | Matt Chan |
| | Matthew 3:1-12 (NRSV) |
| Sermon | Rev. Brad Dulaney |
| | All the Good 1: “Practicing Advent” |
| Musical Call to Prayer | Ben Slaughter |
| | “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” arr. Carol Turnquist |
| Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer | Rev. Brad Dulaney |

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.

Giving God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

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| Offertory | Chancel Choir |
| | “Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow” arr. John Leavitt |
| *Doxology UMH 94 | Chancel Choir & Congregation |
| | “Praise, God from Whom All Blessings Flow” |

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| Prayer of Thanksgiving | Rev. Brad Dulaney |
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WE GO FORTH TO SHARE

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| Connection Points | Matt Chan |
| *Passing of the Peace | |
| *Closing Hymn | Chancel Choir & Congregation |
| | “View the Present Through the Promise” |
| *Commission with Blessing | Rev. Brad Dulaney |
| *Exiting Music | Ben Slaughter |
| | “It is Well With My Soul” arr. Mark Hayes |

(*) Please rise as you are able. Hearing assistance devices are available from ushers. UMH refers to The United Methodist Hymnal. TFWS refers to The Faith We Sing.

Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Brad Dulaney, Lead Pastor
Rev. Philip Waltz, Pastor of Congregational Care
Lay Liturgist: Matt Chan
Lighting of the Advent Candles: Dave & Faye Crist
Musicians: Chancel Choir
Dir. of Worship Arts: Cristen Mitchell
Pianist/Organist, Orchestra Dir.: Ben Slaughter
Assistant Music Dir.: Cindy Blevins
Violin, Worship Operations Manager: Matt Chan

CONNECTION POINTS

Today

Cultivate: Sowing & Growing for 2023 // Finalizing Commitments

Generosity begets generosity. Those who freely give inspire others to “pay it forward.” If you haven’t yet done so, we ask for you to consider your current level of giving and take a next step toward greater generosity in 2023. Find a commitment card in your pew hymnal rack; complete it and place it in today’s offering. You may also pledge online at blacksburgumc.org/pledge. If you need help with your electronic giving or adjusting your electronic giving for your 2023 Pledge please contact Pam Winkler @ finance@blacksburgumc.org or 540-552-5424 ext. 8. Thank You.

All the Good Advent Study & Series // Spiritually Prepare for Christ

The season of Advent offers time and space for Christians to prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas through reflecting on the story of salvation. In, *All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas*, join an Advent journey guided by the practices in John Wesley’s means of grace. In addition to these themes in worship, the following adult Sunday school classes invite you to join them for small group study: Journey, Gunnar Teilmann, Logos, Koinonia, and Families with Young Children (FWYC). Visit www.blacksburgumc.org/sundayschool to contact a leader.

Walk with BUMC in Holiday Parade // Friday, Dec 2 at 7pm

Join your church siblings as we walk in the Blacksburg Holiday Parade on December 2nd. We are welcoming walkers to represent Church St., edges, & preschool. To sign up, see our weekly enews or contact the church office. Support this ministry also by coming out Nov 29 at 7 pm to the Whisner Building to assist with candy preparations.

Special Food Collection // Donate to VT’s 209 Marketplace

209 Marketplace provides food (and hygiene products) twice a week for food insecure students. This mission relies on donations, which have been lagging! Needed items include cereal/oatmeal, granola bars/ snack foods, condiments, juice, pasta, rice, canned fruits/veggies, beans, mashed potatoes, or hygiene items like toothpaste, soap, deodorant, and feminine products. Please place your donations in the receptacle outside of Whisner from Sun Nov. 20 through Sun Dec. 4. Thank you!

Poinsettias Everywhere // Nov 27 – Dec 12

It’s that time of year again. Order your poinsettias in memory or in honor of a special someone today. Poinsettias cost \$12 each. Ordering deadline is December 12th at noon. Forms should be turned into the church office.

Global Ministries Luncheon // Saturday, Dec 10 at 12pm Whisner

Jennifer Moore, Global Ministry Missionary in No. Macedonia (Balkans) will be speaking at a luncheon. Please call or email the church office to make a reservation.

Christmas Offering for Ukraine // Throughout Advent and Christmas

Our 2022 Christmas offering will be going to the Ukraine ministry to support our brothers and sisters in Christ from the Spring of Life UMC in Kyiv. Most of its parishioners have dispersed to safer places during the war, but Pastor Vladimir keeps in touch with them using a computer we purchased for this purpose. We have also provided money for wintertime supplies given the devastation to the energy infrastructure, and we plan to use Christmas offering funds to help refugees in shelters, Spring of Life parishioners who have no means of income, and disabled children left behind in Kyiv. Earmark your donation as “Christmas Offering.”

2023 Mission Trip to Guatemala // May 27, 2023 – June 3, 2023

BUMC is taking a mission team to Guatemala with our partner, Impacto Ministries. The all-inclusive cost per team member is \$1,500. Donations can be made to provide need-based scholarships for team members or to purchase supplies. Earmark gifts to BUMC as “2023 Guatemala Mission.” If interested, contact Jeff Parks at jparks@vt.edu before January for more details.

Upcoming

This Week



WE INVITE YOU TO WORSHIP

- 8:30am Word & Table** Worship (Sanctuary - Church St.)
- 9:40am Sunday School** (Church St.)
- 10:30am edges** (Harding Ave.)
- 11:00am Sanctuary** Worship (Sanctuary - Church St.)

WELCOME, Visitors and Guests! We pray that our worship and hospitality help you to taste and know life abundant! As those who follow Christ, we invite you to be a part of the journey. If you'd like to learn about joining Blacksburg UMC, we invite you to speak with one of our pastors, or check "Wish to Join" when you complete the Connection Card (located on the pew back) and place it in the offering.

| Sunday School Class Locations | | | |
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| Children | Room 211 | Logos | Annex Bldg |
| Youth | Room 212 | Gunnar Teilmann | Central Conf |
| Koinonia | Room 203 | Pairs & Spares | Room 108 |
| Journey | Room 210 | FWYC | Room 112 |

Blacksburg United Methodist Church

Office Hours: 8:00am – 4:00pm
Monday-Friday
www.blacksburgumc.org

Join Our Email List to receive timely info concerning church events and ministries, weather-related announcements, funeral notifications, etc. Sign up online at <http://www.blacksburgumc.org/email> Prayer lists are available in the church lobby and front Sanctuary entrance off Church St.

SERMON NOTES

All the Good
1: "Practicing Advent"
Matthew 3:1-12

SANCTUARY WORSHIP

11:00



November 27, 2022

Welcome to Blacksburg UMC!

here are the top 3 things to know this week...

- 1. All the Good Advent Study & Series // Begins Today**
Join an Advent journey guided by the practices in John Wesley's Means of Grace. See Connection Points inside for details.
- 2. Christmas Offering for Ukraine Ministry // Beginning This Week**
BUMC's Christmas offering will be going to the Ukraine ministry to support our brothers and sisters in Christ from the Spring of Life UMC in Kyiv. See Connection Points inside for details.
- 3. BUMC in Holiday Parade // Friday, Dec 2 at 7 pm**
BUMC Church Street, edges, and BUMP will participate in the Blacksburg Holiday Parade. Come walk with your family in Christ. See Connection Points for details.

