

**Broad Street United Methodist Church**  
**24th Sunday After Pentecost**  
November 12, 2023

Welcome to the Broad Street United Methodist Church.

We are happy you are here today.

The order of worship is found in this bulletin.

\*Indicates congregation stands, if able.

PRELUDE

Judy Schetler

GREETING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor James

\*CALL to WORSHIP (responsive)

Pastor James

Upon my bed at night I sought him whom my soul loves;

**I sought him, but found him not; I called him, but he gave no answer.**

I will rise now and go about the city, in the streets and in the squares;

**I will seek him whom my soul loves.**

I sought him, but found him not. The sentinels found me, as they went about in the city.

**Have you seen him whom my soul loves?**

*-Song of Solomon 3:1-3*

\*HYMN

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

UMH 384

OPENING PRAYER (pray in unison)

Rob Danser

**O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might  
destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God  
and heirs of eternal life:**

**Grant that, having this hope,**

**we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again**

**with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal  
and glorious kingdom;**

**where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy**

**Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*-Book of Common Prayer*

HYMN

*Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness*

UMH 612

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Helen Rainier

ANTHEM

*Heal Our Land* arr. Orrin Hatch

Sanctuary Choir

## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (pray together)

Rob Danser

**Open wide the window of our spirits, O Lord,  
and fill us full of light; open wide the door of our hearts,  
that we may receive and entertain thee with all our powers  
of adoration and love. Amen.**

*-Book of Worship*

PSALTER	Psalm 78:1-4, 9-20, 32-38	led by Barbara Miller	UMH 799-800
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Matthew 25:1-13		Barbara Miller
THE MESSAGE	<i>Tending to our Flame</i>		Pastor James
HYMN	<i>Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying</i>		UMH 720

## WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS TO GOD

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE (pray responsively)

Rob Danser

Let us ask the Lord to strengthen in all Christians faith in Christ, the Savior of the world.

**Listen to us, O Lord.**

Let us ask the Lord to sustain and guide Christians with his gifts along the way to full unity.

**Listen to us, O Lord.**

Let us ask the Lord for the gift of unity and peace for the world.

**Listen to us, O Lord.**

Let us pray. We ask you, O Lord, for the gifts of your Spirit.

Enable us to penetrate the depth of the whole truth,

and grant that we may share with others the goods you have put at our disposal.

Teach us to overcome divisions. Send us your Spirit to lead to full unity

your sons and daughters in full charity, in obedience to your will;

through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*-United Methodist Hymnal*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, we pray for \_\_\_\_\_.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

## WE OFFER OUR GIFTS TO GOD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Pastor James

HYMN

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

UMH 462

\*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER (pray together)

Pastor James

**Almighty and most merciful God, from you comes every good and perfect gift. We give you praise and thanks for all your mercies.**

**Your goodness has created us, your bounty has sustained us, your discipline has chastened us, your patience has borne with us, your love has redeemed us.**

**Give us a heart to love and serve you, and enable us to show our thankfulness for all your goodness and mercy by giving up ourselves to your service, and cheerfully submitting in all things to your blessed will; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*-Book of Worship*

## WE SCATTER TO SERVE CHRIST IN THE WORLD

\*HYMN

*Blessed Assurance*

UMH 369

\*WORDS OF BLESSING (Responsive)

Pastor James

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

*Amen*

POSTLUDE

Judy Schetler

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The altar flowers this morning are dedicated in loving memory of my beloved mother, Florence Burkley, given by Faye Habingreither.



Please remember our families and friends in prayer

Frank Becker, Dale Crocker, Lina Jaskot, Ken Jaskot

Requests for inclusion on the prayer list, removal from the list, or to have a name remain on the list longer than two weeks can be emailed to:

office@broadstumc.org or placed in the offering plate.

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer list in previous weeks.

## **76th Thanksgiving Breakfast**

Thursday, November 23, 2023 8:00 AM

Tickets available during church or at the entrance day of!

Volunteers and Helpers should contact Jeena Sheppard at [sheppardjeena@gmail.com](mailto:sheppardjeena@gmail.com)  
or Jalyn Sunshine at [jalynsunshine@gmail.com](mailto:jalynsunshine@gmail.com).

Thanksgiving eve prep on Wednesday November 22, 2023 at 5:30 PM and

Thanksgiving morning setup on Thursday November 23, 2023 at 7:00 AM.

Youth ages 8-18 encouraged to come and help! Young at heart ALWAYS welcome!

## **Veteran's Day was Saturday, November 11.**

We salute our Veterans and all they have done....and still do for our country.

In the Chapel we have a display of flags, one for each branch of the service. If you haven't already seen the display, please stop in the Chapel at some point in the next few weeks.

We especially thank Helen Rainier for lending us the flags for this tribute.

Check out the church website ([www.broadstumc.org](http://www.broadstumc.org)) for more information on upcoming activities.

## THIS WEEK:

Extended to mid-November – Clothing Drive – see flyers hanging in church

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – UWF Meeting 1:00PM - putting together Advent Bags

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – Worship Committee Planning Session 4:30PM Villa Rosa

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – Bible Study on Romans 6:00PM Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 – Girls of Grace Meeting 7:00PM

Saturday, November 18, 2023 – Decorate the Church Sanctuary for Christmas 9:30AM



## Planning ahead... mark your calendars

Sunday, November 19, 2023 – Admin Council Meeting 7:00PM

Tuesday, November 21, 2023 – Bible Study on Romans 6:00PM Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 22, 2023 – Thanksgiving Breakfast Prep Time 5:30PM

Thursday, November 23, 2023 – Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast 8:00AM

Friday, November 24, 2023 – *A Christmas Carol* with Gerald Dickens 1:00PM / 7:00PM

Saturday, December 2, 2023 – Annual Christmas Tea 12:00PM – 3:00PM

Sunday, December 3, 2023 – Pledge Sunday

Sunday, December 10, 2023 – Advent Covered Dish Dinner and Carol Sing

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 – Bus Trip to Sight and Sound for *The Miracle of Christmas* 9:30AM

Sunday, December 17, 2023 – Sanctuary Choir Christmas Cantata

Sunday, December 17, 2023 – Blue Christmas Service 7:00PM

Sunday, December 24, 2023 – Sunday School 9:45AM Worship 11:00AM

Sunday, December 24, 2023 – Candlelight Christmas Eve Service 7:00PM

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Tuesday December 12, 2023, the bus trip to  
Sight and Sound will be leaving at 9:30 AM  
from in front of Broad Street UMC  
36 E. Broad St., Burlington.  
PARKING is behind Edmar's Restaurant  
Supply across from the church.



Any questions call Susan at 856-873-1479.