



# What's Happening at Bluffton Presbyterian Church

## March 2020

*Growing in Faith • Sharing God's Love*

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Sunday, March 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent / Communion**

**3 Cents a Meal Offering**

Special Music: Julia Szabo

Sound: Jay McCracken / Slides: Julia Szabo

Liturgist: Carole Enneking

Greeters: Phill and Michelle Talavinia Family

Acolytes: McVettas

**Sunday, March 8 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Food Pantry Offering**

Choir

Sound: Bob Hursh / Slides: Diane Winebar

Liturgist: Dick McGarrity

Greeters: Ryan and Sarah Brauen

Acolyte: Avery Talavinia

**Sunday, March 15 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Praise Team**

Sound: Mike Rhonemus / Slides: Talavinias

Liturgist: Adam Shanaman

Greeters: Jeremy and Julia Szabo

Acolytes: Owen Brauen and Ethan Friesel

**Sunday, March 22 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Choir**

Sound: Jeff Gillen / Slides: Cathy Carroll

Liturgist: Diane Winebar

Greeters: Craig Bowman and Chris Dorsey

Acolyte: Avery Talavinia

**Sunday, March 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent  
Special Music**

Mike Rhonemus / Slides: Diane Winebar

Liturgist: Jay McCracken

Greeters: Don and Jodi Brauen

Acolytes: Brauens and Ethan Friesel

**Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday/Confirmation  
Sunday/ Communion**

Sound: Jay McCracken / Slides: Julia Szabo

### Mark Your Calendars!

- March 1 – Home Communion at Maple Crest 1:30 PM in the Patio room
- March 5 – BAMA meeting – 9:00 AM fellowship hall
- March 6 – World Day of Prayer – BAMA Prayer Service – Noon BPC Lawn
- March 8 – Fellowship Time following worship hosted by Session
- March 8 – Daylight Savings Time begins – spring forward
- March 11 – New Beginnings – 7:30 PM
- March 11 – Praise Team Practice – 7:30 PM
- March 12 – Session – 7:00 PM
- March 14 – Lima Rescue Mission – 4:30 to 6:30 PM
- March 15 – Potluck following worship
- March 15 – Youth Group Game Night and Faithline – 6:00-8:30 PM
- March 18 – Mission Committee – 7:30 PM
- March 19 – Deacons – 6:30 PM
- **March 22 – Newsletter Items Deadline**  
[Gillen3072@roadrunner.com](mailto:Gillen3072@roadrunner.com).
- **April 2** – Session – 7:00 PM
- **June 7-11** – The Bluffton Community Vacation Bible School will be held at First Mennonite Church. Note this is earlier than years past. More details to follow.

### Announcement Procedure

If you have an announcement to be shared in worship or in the bulletin, please get it in to the church office by Thursday morning.

### Word in the World at McDonald's

You are invited to Word in the World discussions with Pastor Karol on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 10:00 AM at the Bluffton McDonald's. We enjoy connecting God's word to today's world!

## Pastor's Letter

As we begin the season of Lent, take time to reflect on these words that comprise the introduction to the Presbyterians Today 2020 Lenten Devotional, "Becoming a Beloved Community: A Matthew 25 journey to the cross," by Donna Frischknecht Jackson. For those who do not subscribe to Presbyterians Today, but would like to have a Lenten devotional, copies will be available in the sanctuary for you to take home.

The season of Lent has often been a time to give up a vice or an indulgence (did someone say chocolate?) or to take on a spiritual discipline such as fasting or meditation. What if this Lenten season, though, we looked beyond personal disciplines and committed to creating beloved communities in our own backyards – communities reflecting the inclusive and healing love that Jesus modeled as he made his way to the cross?

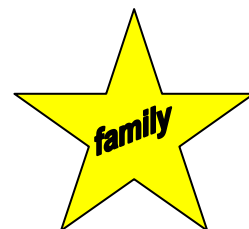
"Beloved Community" was first coined by 20<sup>th</sup>-century American philosopher Josiah Royce. However, it was the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. who popularized it, using "beloved community" often in speeches to illustrate God's kingdom as truly a kin-dom. King's beloved community was not a far-fetched utopia, though, but rather an attainable society based on justice for all and selfless love of one another. For King, a community became "beloved" when every person had their basic needs met.

In creating this devotional, I thought about the commitment many of our PC (USA) congregations are making to become Matthew 25 churches. By doing so, they are building beloved communities that are dismantling racism, eradicating poverty, and revitalizing ministries by serving others boldly. I wanted to capture the many ways Jesus' words in Matthew 25 are being lived out and, thus, creating beloved communities. This devotional itself is a reflection of a beloved community, featuring the voices of 19 men and women who are passionate in wanting to see God's reign among them; they belong to the Presbytery of the Pacific –where "Matthew 25 work has been going on for years," says the Rev. Heidi Worthen Gamble, mission catalyst.

As you journey with these writers, it is my prayer that a vision for how to become a beloved community where God has placed you dawns this Easter.

In Christ,

*Pastor Karol*



## Star Word: Family

Here is a star word reflection from one of our members:

My star word is "Family." I shook my head with a sense of irony when I picked that word because I am getting a heavy dose of family interaction these days. The matriarch of my spouse's family has been having significant health challenges the past few months. Group texting seems to be the preferred method of communication by certain siblings. My spouse and I prefer vocal conversation for communicating anything more complicated than "On my way home now" or "At the store, need anything?" Indeed, when my own mother passed away without warning, the gathering of family to take care of the details was not a tension-free affair.

This past weekend, our teenager enjoyed a wonderful time out of town (without us) with some of my side of the family. On the ride home from the train station, I learned about individual interactions they had. These interactions teach each of us how to get to know another person and how to allow other people to get to know us. Interactions with family members help us define our values, our passions, and how we want to contribute to society. That's a gift! I'd rather have a family (texts and all) than not have one.

Every time I see my star word "Family" as I pass my refrigerator, I am reminded to treat each family member with love and compassion, even if our preferred communication methods are dissimilar.

## Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday February 26, stop by in front of the church on your way to work or school and receive **Ashes to Go**. Pedestrians, as well as drivers and passengers of vehicles who pull over, will be invited to participate. We offer Ashes to Go because the reminders of need, humility, and healing shouldn't be confined to church buildings. We probably need them more in the midst of daily life! The ashes are to remind us throughout the day of our need for God, and of God's call to us. There is much more to the beginning of Lent than ashes alone, and we still encourage making time for worship with a community of faith, for support from others and from the great traditions of faith in our work of repentance and renewal.

Then in the evening, join us for a **traditional Ash Wednesday service** at 7:00 PM at Emmanuel United Church of Christ (8375 Phillips Road). This service of worship will include the sacrament of communion and the imposition of ashes. Members of Emmanuel UCC and St. John's UCC will be invited to join us when we host a Maundy Thursday worship service on April 9.

## Season of Lent

The whole season of Lent is a period of 40 days, occurring this year February 26 through April 11. Sundays are not included in the count, as Sunday is a day of resurrection. Its name is derived from the Middle English "lente," which means "springtime." In the early church, Lent was a time for people who wanted to become members to study, pray, fast, and be examined, in order to join the church Easter morning. Later, the season developed into a time for all Christians to prepare themselves for Holy Week, through confession, repentance, and rededicating themselves to Christ.

## Lenten Sermon Series: Asking Big Questions

March 1: What tempts us?  
March 8: What will we risk to be close to Jesus?  
March 15: Does Jesus know us?  
March 22: Do we know Jesus?  
March 29: Where is Jesus when things go wrong?



## We are a Matthew 25 Church!

Our congregation has accepted the PC(USA)'s invitation to follow Jesus' teachings in Matthew 25:31–46 by becoming active disciples and making a difference in our community and the world. As part of our Matthew 25 commitment, we pledge to embrace one or more of these three areas of focus:

- Building congregational vitality by deepening and energizing our faith and growing as joyful leaders and disciples actively engaged with our community as we share the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed.
- Dismantling structural racism by fearlessly applying our faith to advocate and break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color.
- Eradicating systemic poverty by acting on our beliefs and working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor.

To learn more and for ideas on how to get involved and do your vital part as a member of a Matthew 25 church, please visit [pcusa.org/matthew25](https://pcusa.org/matthew25).

## Sermon Videos Available Online

Did you know that if you miss worship, you can still hear the message that was shared? Most sermons from recent months can be viewed on our website: [www.blufftonpc.org/sermons](https://www.blufftonpc.org/sermons).



## Highlights of February Session Meeting

- Clerk submitted following reports online – four to Maumee Valley Presbytery (Necrology, Church Information, 2020 Mission Pledge, and 2020 Terms of Call), 2019 General Assembly Statistical report, and two Clerk questionnaires for General Assembly. Approved Baptisms of Bowen and Cooper Hochstetler, sons of Jade and Tyler Hochstetler, on January 26 – Pastor Karol met with parents prior. Mary Barnett passed away on January 17 – Pastor Karol officiated at services on January 25.
- Working on creating BPC business cards for congregation to carry and distribute when out in the community. Creating several designs and will secure input from church family. Chris Hochstetler has volunteered to address/send postcards to new parents of babies born at Bluffton hospital, informing them that our Little Free Pantry carries general baby necessities for unexpected needs. New Beginnings team provided/served a pizza supper for clients of the Lima Rescue Mission on January 11.
- Souper Bowl of Caring was a success with over \$200 in donations (after expenses) given to the Bluffton Community Assistance Program. Confirmation Class (four girls) is going well – each participant has a mentor from the congregation. First Mennonite Church will host Community Vacation Bible School – Sunday-Thursday, June 7-11.
- January Pastoral Care: 7 home/hospital/nursing home visits; 5 conversations 14 cards sent. Congregational activities: Worship, Faith Formation/Confirmation Class, Faith Formation Intern Supervision, served dinner at Lima Rescue Mission with New Beginnings, Youth Group/Faithline, Claralice Circle, Word in the World, met with Jade and Tyler Hochstetler regarding Baptism of Bowen and Cooper, funeral services for Mary Barnett, Leadership Retreat, Souper Bowl of Caring (youth prep and event), and committee meetings. Presbytery activities: Commissioned Ruling Elder Committee, New Pastors' Group, and Discipleship Team meeting. Community Engagement activities: Bluffton Chamber Breakfast and Cory-Rawson Girls' Basketball game. Ending regular meetings of Pastor Relations Committee which was very helpful for Pastor Karol's initial two years as pastor – thanks to Sarah Brauen, Don Carroll, Darlene Hey, George Stultz, and Diane Winebar for faithful service for two years. Pastor Karol continues to be open to any direct feedback from church family.
- Repairs at manse – sanded bedroom door, fixed door latch, changed furnace filter, repaired shower floor in basement, fixed shower head in basement, closed crawl space opening in furnace room because cold/heat causing condensation on furnace, and fixed door sweep on French doors. Warped board on deck will be fixed in warmer weather and will be looking into fixing corners of foundation. Repaired toilet in men's restroom at church. Approved Tawa Tree to spray 5 trees/1 bush on church yard for bagworms – \$650. Approved First Klass Lawn Care to provide five lawn treatments at manse (\$322) and church (\$400). Approved hiring Wellmann Brothers to seal masonry at church for \$7,700 to come from Building Fund. Checking into painters for painting wood trim along edge of church roof. Connected with Drew concerning snow removal contract – at church (no minimum amount) cleans for \$50, ice melt \$35, manse driveway (3-inch minimum) \$25.

- To create a more welcoming atmosphere on Sunday mornings, front outside lights are turned on prior to worship and kept on throughout. Joining with UCC churches for Ash Wednesday/Maundy Thursday. Emmanuel will host Ash Wednesday and we will host Maundy Thursday.
- Shelly Miller from Allen County Health Department has written a grant for Bike Racks in Bluffton. She approached church to see if we would be interested in having one on church property (no cost to us). Approved to support Bike Rack proposal with exact location yet to be determined.

## Small Groups

Sister Min Circle meets at 2:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month at Maple Crest.

Claralice Circle meets at 6:30 PM on Tuesdays at the church.

Jayne McGarrity (419) 234-8325 or Diane Winebar (419) 957-4046 are always happy to talk with you about small groups.

## Deacons

The Deacons made a contribution to Bluffton Community Assistance.

Moderator – Helen Hawk  
 Assistant Moderator – Laura From  
 Community Meal Coordinator – Dave Van Eman  
 Funeral Dinner Coordinator – Tanya Best  
 Prayer Chain Coordinator – Craig Bowman  
 Nominating Committee Rep. – Jeanette Warren



## Fellowship Committee

On **March 15** we will have a potluck following worship. Please bring a dish to share. Drinks will be provided.

On April 12 we will serve an Easter Breakfast. Pizza and Bingo night date to be announced.

## Updating Contact Directory – Submit Changes

We will soon be publishing an updated church contact directory. Please inform Cathy Carroll if you have had any changes in address, phone number, and/or email address. Also, if your birthday or anniversary has not been included in the newsletter, please let Cindy Gillen know.

## January 2020 Financial Report

Thank you for financially supporting the church's budget.

## 2020 Per Capita

Maumee Valley Presbytery per capita dues are \$35.70 per active member for 2020 and our church's total per capita bill is \$3,677. You are invited to help cover the per capita cost of your membership by making a special donation to our congregation as part of your discipline of stewardship. We thank you for your assistance.

## Stewardship Strategies

Did you know that if you are 70 1/2 or over and have an IRA you can donate to the church or any other charity and reduce your income tax bill even if you take the standard deduction? The way to do this is to ask the custodian of your IRA to make out a check to the Bluffton Presbyterian Church for the amount you wish to donate. You should ask the custodian to put your name on the advice line so the church will know where the contribution comes from. You should make a copy of the check when you receive it so you can give it to your tax preparer who will then reduce your taxable income by that amount thereby reducing your taxes. If you have any questions please ask your tax preparer or a member of the Stewardship Committee.



## Youth Group

The youth will be having a game night on March 15 starting at 6:00 PM. We will then head over to Faithline around 7:00 PM for dinner and worship.

We are looking to do a spring skit on April 26 during Sunday morning worship.

Thanks to everyone for making this year's Souper Bowl event such a success! After expenses we raised \$384 for the Bluffton food pantry! A special thanks to Tenna, Michelle, and Jana for making soup!

## FAITHLINE...

*A GATHERING FOR Middle School & High School Students*

March 15 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM worship with "The Fallout" message by Ryan Dunlap. First Methodist Church, 116 Church St., Bluffton, OH. Join us for dinner at 7:00 PM followed by a time of faith sharing and worship.

## Children's Sunday School Teachers Needed

We are seeking a volunteer to help teach the Children's Sunday School class on April 5. You will be provided a detailed lesson plan which contains a variety of options from which to choose for the day's activities. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary or contact Tenna Rhonemus.

## Decorate the Sanctuary for Easter!

If you wish to help decorate the sanctuary for the Easter Season, the Worship Committee requests that you use the form included in this newsletter or the church bulletin to make a monetary donation. Please send names and money to church office by March 29.

The money collected will be used to purchase Easter Lilies and other items needed during the Easter season. The money can be given in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one. Please place your completed form in the collection plate or send it to the church office at P.O. Box 149, Bluffton OH 45817.

## Weekday Christian Education Walkers

We have two dates in March to fill with volunteers to walk the children from the elementary school to the First Mennonite Church for Weekday Christian Education. If you are willing to volunteer, please sign up in the back of the sanctuary or contact Tenna Rhonemus. The dates are listed below.

<b>Friday March 13 Grades 1-5</b>	<b>Thursday March 19 Kindergarten</b>
	8:25 – 8:55
8:50 – 9:20	9:25 – 9:55
9:25 – 9:55	10:00 – 10:30
10:30 – 11:00	
11:50 – 12:20 Cindy Gillen	
12:25 – 12:55 Cindy Gillen	
1:00 – 1:30 Cindy Gillen	
1:40 – 2:10	
2:25 - 2:55	

## Mission Committee

Please remember to bring food for the food pantry the second Sunday of March. This month items needed are **kleenex**, **paper towels**, and **canned soup** or any other food items you wish.

## Mission Co-Worker Connections

Presbyterian World Mission

P. O. Box 643700

Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

Read more online:

[pcusa.org/ian-and-jhan-vellenga](http://pcusa.org/ian-and-jhan-vellenga)

***Thank you** for supporting Ian Vellenga and Jhan Dortel-Velenga's ministry in Nicaragua. Your prayers and financial support make a difference to the lives of people in Nicaragua.*

## Community Chili Cook off

Another successful Community Chili Cook off was held on February 18. With the help of eight area churches and ten chili cooks, the event raised \$1,380 for the Bluffton Food Pantry. Chili recipes were provided by Cathy Carroll (BPC), John Hochstetler (BPC), Missy Pilash (Bluffton Baptist), Jesse Owsley (Emmanuel UCC), Mike Edmiston (First Mennonite), Tom Downey (St. Mary's Catholic), Mennonite Home Communities, Julie Yoder, Zac Kohli and J.W. Shannon (Bluffton Community Assistance). Close to 180 people sampled the chili recipes while others purchased sandwiches and treats. The People's Choice Award was claimed by John Shannon, with John Hochstetler (2019 winner), and Jesse Owsley close behind. Several bins of donated canned and boxed food items were collected that night, as well.

Special thanks to Jodi Brauen for all her work organizing the kitchen, and Lynda Best and Carole Enneking for coordinating the event. Concession volunteers included Cindy Gillen, Dave Van Eman, Betsey Angus; Laura & Tyler From collected food donations; Molly McCracken and Owen Brauen handled the voting; Sue Van Eman organized the entertainment; Jayne McGarrity and Clair Winebar covered the payment table; Chris Hochstetler, Don Brauen, and Diane Winebar filled in where needed. Donations and additional volunteers were provided by English Lutheran, St. John's UCC, First Methodist churches, and others.

Students of Dancer's Elite (Debbie Garlock) and Krysti's Music Studio entertained the crowd. This event shows how well the Bluffton community works together to meet the needs of our neighbors.



## Little Free Pantry!

*Giving Hope, Sharing God's Love*

Food insecurity in Bluffton is real. Our church's Little Free Pantry helps those struggling with this problem. The LFP is open 24/7. That's good news for people with immediate food needs. When donating items to the LFP, please remember:

- ☺ **No cans during the winter, no glass anytime.**
- ☺ **Check items for expiration dates.**
- ☺ **Have lots to donate? Bring extras to the church office.**

You are welcome to help keep the LFP looking neat and tidy. Feel free to organize and check items. As we work together, we truly are making a difference in the lives of those who use the LFP.

*Your support of this important mission project is appreciated!*

P.S. Bluffton Presbyterian Church people aren't the only ones contributing to the LFP. Members of the community are too!

## One Great Hour of Sharing

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be collected through Easter Sunday. One Great Hour of Sharing is the single, largest way that Presbyterians join together to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Your donation to the OGHS offering will be joined with others to make a worldwide impact.

## Join the New Beginnings Team!

Have ideas? A vision? Want to contribute in a creative way? Consider joining New Beginnings. Reach out to any team member with questions or interest. Members include Tenna Rhonemus, Diane Winebar, Tammie & Bob Hursh, Dick McGarrity, and Sarah Brauen. Please join me in thanking Lin Rumer for her several years on New Beginnings as she completes her assignment!

## New Beginnings Update

A few updates:

- Chris Hochstetler has offered to send the Little Free postcard to new parents communicating the availability of diapers, wipes, and formula in the pantry. Thanks Chris!
- Spice up your heart and Saturday night! A Moment for Mission will share "Pizza Night" opportunities to serve dinner at the Lima Rescue Mission; look for a sign up at the back of church.
- We are exploring creation of church brochures and connection cards. Connection cards are kind of like business cards for church members to share our church with others. Reach out to Sarah Brauen if you would like to help with either of these efforts!

## New Beginnings - Lima Rescue Mission

Recently, a group from New Beginnings took a step toward identifying a mission opportunity for our church. The pizza supper we served at the Lima Rescue Mission was a big hit, and the one-on-one time spent talking with those there helped us relate to them as *people*, just like us. Stay tuned for developments!



## Share the Spirit

Marilyn Bullock  
700 Maple Crest Crt W152  
Bluffton, OH 45817

Sheila Hurlburt  
115 E. College Ave. Apt. D2  
Bluffton, OH 45817

Hazel Rodabaugh  
700 Maple Crest Crt E103  
Bluffton, OH 45817

Sally Reeder  
The Springs of Lima  
370 N. Eastown Rd. Apt. #205  
Lima, OH 45807

Jean Szabo  
Frieda House  
103 Willow Ridge Dr.  
Bluffton, OH 45817

June Strahm  
11365 Snider Rd.  
Bluffton, OH 45817

Judy Evans  
609 Crimson Maple Crt  
Bluffton, OH 45817

Dorothy Hursey  
700 Maple Crest Crt  
Bluffton, OH 45817

Mariah Pneuman  
208 N. Cable Rd.  
Lima, OH 45805

Peggy Hursey  
Putnam Heritage  
1380 N. Locust St. #116  
Ottawa, OH 45875

Jeanette Warren  
Good Samaritan Home  
100 Powell Dr. #208  
Arlington, OH 45814



## Birthdays

March	1	Greg Culbertson
	2	Emily Sycks
		Jane Benroth
	3	Jacob Szabo
	9	Tom Hursey
	13	Hazel Rodabaugh
	14	Erin Hotmire
	16	Jana McVetta
	24	Darrel Hotmire
	26	Laura From
April	28	Drew Gable
	31	Lindsay McCracken
	1	Megan Sycks
	2	Danielle Rhonemus
	4	Beth Buist
	5	Helen Hawk



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Dear Partners in God's Mission,

We give thanks to you for your support of Special Offerings, our collective witness to the love of Jesus Christ. By participating in Special Offerings, your congregation joins other churches to change lives around the world through ministries of compassion, advocacy, development, peacemaking, Christian formation, education, and witness.

On December 31, 2019, we received \$54.00 for the Pentecost Offering and \$177.32 for the Peace & Global Witness Offering. Your congregation's giving, when combined with that of others, will share the love of Christ with those in need.

With gratitude to God for our shared mission,  
Bryce Wiebe, Director  
Special Offerings and Appeals

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**Prayers** for our members and friends serving in the armed forces: especially Kyle Begg, Andrew Warner, and Lucas Woodward.

**Prayers of Healing** for Tom & Rebecca Hursey, Ben & Judy Miracle, Alicia DeMarco, Jean Szabo, Anessa Samsal, Walter Schmidt, Jeanette Warren, Joan Badertscher, Lexie Roth, Sylvia Morman, Jan Romes, Hannah Fenzel, Missy Bishop, Beth Buist, Connie Burke, and Marlene Karrick, Mike Wildermuth and family, Scott Benroth, Brady Zaller, Sharon Calvelage, Jay Begg, Family of Bob Gratz, and David Rempelsmucker.

## BPC Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request, please contact Craig Bowman (XXX). PLEASE leave a message if no answer. Or call the church office (419-358-5806) with your prayer request, and we will pass along the information. If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain other than yourself, please be sure to get their permission first. Names and circumstances can be kept confidential, if desired. God knows for whom we pray. If you would like to be part of the chain or would like more information, please contact Craig or another deacon.

## We Lift Our Prayers



Put a prayer request in – take a prayer request out. Look for prayer request slips in the pews and near the prayer box. Or use your own paper. Requests can be as simple as “I’m having back pain,” or “My son is looking for a job.” The slips can be placed in the box or in the offering plates. Prayer requests can be submitted anonymously. Allow someone in your church family to support you in private prayer.

## Fellowship – Bowling/Lunch Sunday, February 16







## Decorate the Sanctuary for Easter!

If you wish to help decorate the sanctuary for the Easter Season, the Worship Committee requests that you use the form below to make a monetary donation.

The money collected will be used to purchase Easter Lilies and other items needed during the Easter season. Please place your completed form in the collection plate or send to the church office (P.O. Box 149, Bluffton OH 45817).  
Thank you.

I/We wish to donate: \$\_\_\_\_\_

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**112 N. Main St., P.O. Box 149**

**Bluffton, OH 45817**

**419-358-5806**

[blufftonpc.org](http://blufftonpc.org)

Faith Formation: 9:00 AM

Sunday Worship: 10:15 AM

Pastor: Rev. Karol Farris Schilling

Phone: 419-581-9232

Email: [pastor@blufftonpc.org](mailto:pastor@blufftonpc.org)

Office Hours: Mon 1-4; Tues, Wed, Thurs 9-12;  
and by appointment

Secretary: Cathy Carroll

Email: [bpcbluff@wcoil.com](mailto:bpcbluff@wcoil.com)

Office Hours: Tues & Thurs 8:30-12:30

Treasurer: Julia Szabo

Email: [treasurer@blufftonpc.org](mailto:treasurer@blufftonpc.org)

Faith Formation Intern: Adam Shanaman

Email: [shaa-a@bluffton.edu](mailto:shaa-a@bluffton.edu)

Organists: Jayne McGarrity and Sue Van Eman

Choir Director: Linda Sycks

Nursery Helpers: Kori Phipps and Shawna Anderson

Custodian: Roger Brodman

**2020 Church Officers**

*Session*

Clerk of Session – Lori Schmidt

Buildings & Grounds – Lynda Best

Faith Formation – Tenna Rhonemus

Fellowship – Jodi Brauen

Finance & Stewardship – Clair Winebar

Mission – Carole Enneking

New Beginnings – Sarah Brauen

Nominating – Lynda Best and Tenna Rhonemus

Personnel – Betsey Angus

Presbytery Commissioner – Lori Schmidt

Worship – Diane Winebar

Members at Large – Sarah Brauen, and Lori Schmidt

*Board of Deacons*

Moderator: Helen Hawk

Assistant Moderator: Laura From

Members: Tanya Best, Craig Bowman,  
Dave Van Eman, and Jeanette Warren