

We Welcome the In Motion Praise Dance Team Today!
The Praise Dance Team from In Motion Dance Studio will be leading worship. They are excited to share with us and hope that you are blessed by experiencing worship in a new way.

Directors:
Alaina Pfeiffer
& Grace Towns
Student Leader:
Abigail Miller

Dancers:
Hailey Morris
Victoria MacFarland
Teagan Quinn
Peyson Liskey
Kendall Ruliffson
Miriam Farrell
Wrenn Mapstone
Lizzie Druga
Lillian Miller
Ansley Leach
Leyna Liskey
Taelyn Walker
Ella Pfeiffer



Backpack Blessing
Next Sunday, Aug 24
Bring your backpack or school bag to worship.



**It’s time for
Operation Christmas Child!**

Our goal again this year is 100 boxes to include school supplies, hygiene items, and lots of other fun things for children in need. In August, we will be collecting school supplies. Lots of items are on sale in preparation for back-to-school. We need:

- pencils

scissors

erasers

colored pencils
- crayons

glue sticks

stickers

pencil sharpeners.
- black ink pens

Post-it notes

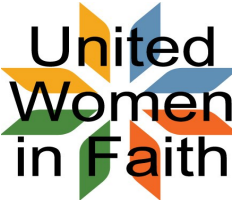
small notepads

We appreciate the church’s support for this important project for children!! Thanks, Johna McFarland

UWF Reading Program

The UWF Reading Reports will be due on August 24th. If you have a report to turn in, you can get it to Kathi Hemmis, or leave it in the container on the reading cart. There is still time to read another book before the deadline.

There are plenty of good books! In December Kathi will be taking the 2020 books off the shelves.
We have some really good books, so take a look! Recently we have several new books generously donated by Johna McFarland. ~ Kathi Hemmis



Youth Group Announcements

Church Zoom Prayer For Teens & Youth
Starting this evening, **August 17, & EVERY SUNDAY** following **All church members, parents, & teens** are invited to join us in prayer for the teens in our church, Bridgewater, Harrisonburg, and our area as we pray for their safety, well-being, and faith walk.
6:45–7:00 PM–Prayer for teens in church & community. (All church members invited.)
7:00–7:15 PM – Teen Check-In (For teens only.)
Join Zoom Meeting:
Meeting ID: 336 202 6286
Passcode: 122281

Blessings, Jomo
(240) 328-5847 dumbumyouth@gmail.com

A huge thank you to everyone who attended & assisted with our Vacation Bible School!

*When you need Jesus, he will step right up.
When Jesus calls you, step right up!*

Next Sunday, Aug 24th, will be Back to School Sunday!
We will say a special blessing for everyone going back to school & pray for our Sunday School classes.

Also, Children’s Church will be returning on Aug 24!

Contact Gracen through the BUMC Kids Group Me, gracenkelley123@gmail.com or phone (call, text) 804-867-6143

THANKS to Our VBS Volunteers!

We welcome prayer requests

Please share your prayer request with us on the Prayer Request Card found in your pew. Place the card in the offering plate.

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be one of our prayer chain partners, please contact the church office at 540-828-0890.

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 AM - 3 PM (Closed Friday)

Welcome to
Bridgewater
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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540-828-0890 www.bridgewaterumc.com

August 17, 2025



**LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR
AS YOURSELF.**
Luke 10:27

Greetings from the congregation of Bridgewater UMC! We are certainly blessed to have you worship with us. We pray that you will feel welcomed and loved. Do you need assistance today? Please speak with any of our worship leaders or ushers. If you have questions during the week about the church, please call Pastor Mary Dadisman at 540-828-0890.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 17, 2025

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

TFWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

W&S = Worship & Song (Green)

* = Please stand in body or spirit

Ring the Bell

Announcements

Prelude

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee ”
D. Wood

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn UMH 402
“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

*Opening Prayer

Offertory “The Abundant Life ”
G. Parker

*Doxology “Seek Ye First” UMH 405

Affirmation of Faith UMH 881

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Luke 10: 25-37

InMotion Dance Program

Clean Eyes
Robbers on the Road
Those Who Pass By
Brother
Which of These?
Neighbor

*Closing Hymn UMH 432
“Jesu, Jesu”

*Benediction

In Our Prayers

Joys and Answered Prayers

Thank you God for the love of Jesus, our church, our family
and our friends
We give thanks for God's grace and mercy

Prayers of Sympathy for the families of

Holly Hatcher, murdered at her home in
Broadway

Current Prayer Concerns

Carolyn VanDyck
Dorice Graham
Spencer & Michael Hatcher
Katrina Davis
Becky Crawford



Ongoing Prayer Needs of our Congregation

Georgia Lee Byerly	Dorothy Lion	Sandra Stroud
Grace Fishback	Shirley Creekbaum	Vic Taylor
Betty Foley	Ray Michael	Nancy Thomas
Henry Graham	Stephany Plecker	Marcia & Gary
Casey Hartman	Mitzi Puffenbarger	Tyeryar
Rodney Hildebrand	Joanne Simpkins	Donald Usry
Deidra Hill	Bonnie & Tom	Doris Waters
Barbara Kiracofe	Snook	

-For those affected by fires and natural disasters, & the people helping them
-For all involved in the protests & ICE raids around the country
-For our nation, the decisions of the administration, congress and the courts; may God bless & guide America
-For peace in Ukraine & Middle East; for people living there
-For immediate action to provide food and medicine to those starving and suffering in Gaza.
-May there be peace on earth, & may it begin with us
-For Bridgewater UMC - for growth in spirit & faith
-For all active duty military, veterans & first responders
-Our children, grandchildren, families, & friends
-For students in all grade levels, their learning & grades
-For better health, more strength, successful treatments
-For patience
-For strength to spread the gospel even when it's hard
-Help us to put God first in everything we do
-Those who think that God has deserted them in the midst of today's world circumstances
-Those in mourning, afraid, & for all fighting cancer
-For people and families dealing with depression, anxiety, mental illness, & addiction
-For less death in our family; peace & grace facing grief & loss

Serving Us in Worship

TODAY, Aug 17 (3rd Sun)

NEXT SUNDAY, Aug 24 (4th Sun)

Greeters	Jim & Judy Tongue	Chuck & Sue Rexrode
Ushers	Don & Jason Gilkeson	Kathi Hemmis & Johna McFarland
Reader	Shadrach Baako-Amponsah	Dan Plecker
Audio-Visual	Mark Kipps	Mark Kipps
Acolytes	Madelyn & Nolan Gilkeson	Sydney & Reese Leach
Sanctuary Servers	Kathi Hemmis	Don & Sue Gilkeson

OUR CALENDAR

TODAY	Welcome the InMotion Summer Praise Dancers 9 AM Coffee Social (Fellowship Hall) 9 AM Sunday School 10 AM Worship Service 7 PM Youth Zoom Check-in
MON	6 PM Choir Room Reserved
WED	10 AM Prayer Team
THU	6:30 PM Wing Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
NEXT SUNDAY	Back-to-School Sunday / Backpack Blessing 9 AM Sunday School 10 AM Worship Service 1:30 PM Worship at White Birch Communities 7 PM Youth Zoom Check-in

Pastor Mary will be away... as they say, “The lake is calling and I must go...”
Pastor Mary will be attending the Festival of Wisdom and Grace at Lake Junaluska in North Carolina from August 18-23 for spiritual renewal and education. Please contact our Lay Leader, Karen Chamblee, if you have a pastoral care need (540-234-8737). Karen can direct you to the pastor on call, if needed.



Attendance and Stewardship for last Sunday

Attendance: TBA Sunday School: 26 Total Giving: \$20,999

We welcome you, and as an act of hospitality, we offer several ways for you to participate in giving. Please find the most comfortable way for you.

♦ Offering Plate is passed during Sunday Worship Services

♦ Drop off or mail a check to the church at BUMC, 219 North Main St., Bridgewater VA 22812

♦ Online Giving at BUMC Web Page
www.BridgewaterUMC.com/give

♦ App for Giving @ Tithely.com
Download the app, find BUMC, and give!

♦ Secure, locked communication box outside at Green Street entrance in which you can leave papers for the church

