

Buffalo United Methodist Church

October 11, 2020 10:00am

Pastor: Rev. Deborah Coble

Accompanist: Mary Raynes

Ministers: All of the members of Buffalo United Methodist Church

***Call to Worship**

Praise be to God, who has brought us here this day.

Praise and thanks to God for all the blessings we have received.

What joy we have in God's presence!

What peace is brought to us in God's house!

This is truly the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

The Word in Music

Opening Prayer

Gracious heavenly Father, we call upon you this day to open our hearts to your love, our ears to your words, our eyes to see the needs of those both near and far, and our spirits to do your will. Be with us and give us courage and inspiration for the future of your world, O Lord. Amen.

Scripture Lesson Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus responded by speaking again in parables: ²“The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding party for his son. ³He sent his servants to call those invited to the wedding party. But they didn't want to come. ⁴Again he sent other servants and said to them, ‘Tell those who have been invited, ‘Look, the meal is all prepared. I've butchered the oxen and the fattened cattle. Now everything's ready. Come to the wedding party!’” ⁵But they paid no attention and went away—some to their fields, others to their businesses. ⁶The rest of them grabbed his servants, abused them, and killed them.

⁷“The king was angry. He sent his soldiers to destroy those murderers and set their city on fire. ⁸Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding party is prepared, but those who were invited weren't worthy. ⁹Therefore, go to the roads on the edge of town and invite everyone you find to the wedding party.’

¹⁰“Then those servants went to the roads and gathered everyone they found, both evil and good. The wedding party was full of guests. ¹¹Now when the king came in and saw the guests, he spotted a man who wasn't wearing wedding clothes. ¹²He said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without wedding clothes?’ But he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to his servants, ‘Tie his hands and feet and throw him out into the farthest darkness. People there will be weeping and grinding their teeth.’

¹⁴“Many people are invited, but few people are chosen.”

Message

Rev. Deborah Coble

Call To Prayer And Prayers Of The People

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

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.

Invitation to the Offering

Special Music

*** Doxology**

UMH 95

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

*** Offertory Prayer**

Prayer of Dedication

Mighty God, deserving of all honor and praise: we bring our gifts this morning, remembering that the offering you truly seek is the offering of our whole lives. Help us, we pray, to live a life that is worthy in your sight. When we struggle and stumble, help us up and put us on the path. On the advice of the apostle Paul, may our lives be focused on “whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable” (4:8), so that our offering may be pleasing in your eyes. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

Dismissal with Blessing

**Life is short and we have too little time to gladden the hearts
of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love
and make haste to be kind,
and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be with you now and always. Amen.**

A Look Ahead



October 18, 2020
**UNDIE
SUNDAY!**

Please bring to your local church
NEW socks, underwear, long johns,
and t-shirts to support the ministry of
our **WVUMC** Mission Projects!

Buffalo Community Food Pantry would be blessed by donations of breakfast cereal and instant oatmeal packets. Thank you for your support of our community food pantry!

Upcoming:

November 8 – Captain Jenna Moon will preach as we give thanks for our Veterans during our Veterans Day worship service.

November 29 – first Sunday in Advent, decorate church after worship

December 23rd – Christmas Eve – Eve worship service

Please stay after worship today to discuss additional activities in the life of our church as we look forward to fall and Christmas!