

Scripture Luke 24: 13-35 Dave Snyder

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SERMON

"Returning to Hope" Pastor Matthew Johnson

HYMN #2197 (TFWS)

Lord of All Hopefulness Vocal Ensemble

- Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy: Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- (3) Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace: Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- (2) Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- (4) Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm, whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm: Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray, your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

Invitation to Ministry and Blessing

Pastor Matthew Johnson, Pastor BUMC

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First Sunday Family Gathering is today from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Our family ministries team will bring the children to the dining room following JAM Sunday School, where parents can pick them up and stay to enjoy coffee, juice, and snacks.

Children this morning | Children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to "Jesus and Me" Sunday School after children's time in both services. Our May theme is "Truth or Dare...Are you up for the Challenge?"

Youth this morning | 6th through 12th-grade students are invited to gather at 10:30 a.m. in the youth room. We are talking about Women in the Bible. We can't wait to see you!

Hearing God in the Defining Moments of Your Life

Wednesday, April 30 through May 28 from 7 to 8:30 in Room 111 or on online

During Eastertide, our worship will look at 'Defining Moments', the instant when the true nature of a situation is revealed and the faithful responses offered. Gather with us on Wednesday evenings to explore our own defining moments using a biblical roadmap laid out by UMC Deacon Julie Ann Allen.

This class is a chance to respond to and go beyond our Spring worship series. We will consider the role of the Holy Spirit in our very human decision-making both biblically and personally. You will be able to prepare several scriptures in advance of each class or drop in as you are able. Join us as we seek to build resilience, strengthening our own relationship to God and the Holy Spirit. Facilitated by Sharon Orr and Kurt Richter. Scan the QR code to join online.

Free Books Available!

Looking for something new to read? Explore a wide selection of books now available in the far section of the Youth Room (near door #3). These books cover many topics—you're welcome to browse and take home as many books as you'd like. This special collection will be on display through May 25, so stop by and see what catches your eye!

Celebration of Ministry for Pastor Matthew Johnson | Friday, June 6th at 6 p.m.

All are invited as we celebrate the ministry of Pastor Matthew Johnson! Come and share on this special occasion as we honor Pastor Matthew and give thanks for his ministry at BUMC!

Donations for Pastor Matthew's Love Gift may be given in the following ways:

Checks made out to "BUMC Johnson" with 'Matthew Love Gift' in the memo line

BUMC App - Select "Love Gift - Pastor Matthew"

Visit: barringtonumc.com/give - select "Love Gift - Pastor Matthew"

Online Giving - payment types accepted: credit card, Venmo, Google Pay, PayPal, ACH

Northern Illinois Food Bank In December 2020, as the pandemic raged and many avoided group settings, the Northern Illinois Food Bank needed volunteers. Remembering Jesus' call to "feed my sheep," a team from BUMC masked up and got to work. Over four years later, we still send teams twice a month—on the first Tuesday afternoon and third Tuesday morning. Join us in serving our hungry neighbors!



Dive into Volunteering at Scuba VBS!

Scuba VBS is coming June 16–20, and we need your help to make waves! Kids will dive deep into an incredible undersea adventure where they'll discover God's ever-flowing, never-ending love. Volunteers are essential to bringing this unforgettable week to life—sign up today and be part of something meaningful and fun! We're also looking for supplies to help transform the church into an underwater world! If you have blue cellophane, blue tablecloths, or pool noodles to donate, we'd love to use them for decorations. Thank you for helping us create a fantastic experience for our kids!



Save the Date for the 2025 Barrington Area CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday, Oct.12 at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 421 E. Main St., Barrington.

United Women in Faith Gathering | Wednesday, May 14, 10 a.m. - noon

Our United Women in Faith will gather for a program about our Methodist Foremothers, followed by a light lunch in BUMC Room 111. The focus will be historical, but hopefully we'll also be encouraged to celebrate our continuing witness as women in the Methodist tradition. Everyone is welcome. You may also join via Zoom by scanning the QR code.



Just Geraniums Orders for geraniums can no longer be placed but there will be some available on Sunday, May 11. Stop by and take home one (or more) of these lovely plants. We'll accept cash and checks payable to BUMW.

Mission u 2025: Practicing Hope

This year's Mission u, sponsored by United Women in Faith, invites all—women, men, and children—to explore what it means to practice honest, restorative, and courageous hope. Choose from a weekend retreat July 18–20 at the Carmelite Spiritual Center in Darien, or a one-day overview on Saturday, August 2 at Neighborhood UMC in Maywood (includes a children's session). For more info, contact Linda Osikowicz at lmosikowicz@comcast.net.

Save the Date - 91st Annual Rummage Sale!

As you spring clean, set aside treasures to donate for our Rummage Sale, happening Oct. 3–4. Donations will be accepted Sept. 28–Oct. 1. Set-up begins Sept. 26–Oct. 3—join the fun, meet new friends, and help with this long-standing service project! Questions? Contact Sydney Whitley (sparkerwhitley@gmail.com) or Linda Osikowicz (lmosikowicz@comcast.net).

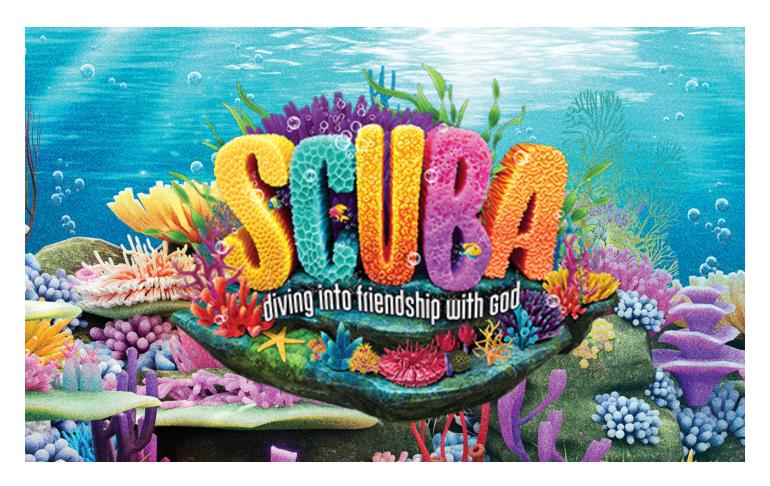
Join the BUMC Garden Team!

Help us grow food and hope! The BUMC Garden has provided over 230,000 pounds of fresh produce in the last 10 years to local food pantries and our Community Meal. We need your help to keep it going! This year, we'll grow zucchini, tomatoes, peppers, pumpkins, and more—and your time and energy can make a real difference.



We're looking for volunteers to help with planting, weeding, harvesting, and more—come as you're able, especially in the mornings. No experience needed—we'll teach you! It's a great way to serve, enjoy the outdoors, and even spend some quiet time with God.

Visit barringtonumc.com/get-involved and click Congregational Garden to sign up. Questions? Contact Bill West (wlwest@att.net) or Ron Schneider (Schneidly@aol.com) or scan the QR code to fill out our form.



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Volunteer!

