

Buffalo United Methodist Church

August 2021

1000 30th Street NE
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402



BuffaloUMC 145th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, August 14

6:30 pm: Camp Meeting & Hymn Sing with dedication of Sam Hahn
Memorial Sculpture (bring a chair)

Sunday, August 15

10:30 am: Worship Service, Reverend Paul Akin and the
Cedar River First Nations Community

12:00 pm Noon: Catered Lunch, Buffalo Burgers plus.

Reservations required by August 6. Suggested donation \$10.

2 pm: Dedication of Buffalo Labyrinth and a Memorial Service

A version of this advertisement will appear in the *Gazette Hoopla* and the *Penny Saver*.

New Pew Bibles

Thanks to a recent sale at Cokesbury Publishing, Buffalo was able to obtain fifty new copies of the Common English translation of the Bible. Forty of these copies have now been distributed among the pews in the worship center, making it possible for everyone both to hear and see the scripture during our worship services.

The Common English Bible (CEB) is not an updated version of an older translation but rather a new translation that attempts to be at a “comfortable reading level” for the majority of English readers. The translation was begun in 2008 by over 120 scholars from 24 different denominations (including Reform Judaism) and completed in 2011. This project was funded by an alliance of several denominations, including the Presbyterian Church, the Episcopal Church, the United Church of Christ, and the United Methodist Church.



Administrative Board Meeting

The Board made several scheduling decisions at the July 21 meeting:

- Coffee after church will resume Sunday, July 25.
- The Neighborhood Pot Lucks will resume on Thursday, September 9 at 11:30 am. Everyone is welcome; please invite your friends and neighbors to join us as we take one more step in renewing this important church program.
- Linn Community Food Bank. Pastor Carol has challenged the congregation to donate a minimum of 100 regular-size cans of soup (preferably tomato or chicken noodle). The donated soup needs to be at the church by Sunday morning, September 26.
- The 2021 Buffalo Fall Bazaar has been scheduled for Saturday, October 23. This popular fund-raising event will include a soup lunch and the selling of baked goods, crafts, white elephants, and our famous home-made noodles.

August 15 Lunch Reservations

Reservations are required—with a deadline of August 6. If you have not yet signed up, you have three options for getting your name on the list:

- (1) Enter your name (and number of other family members and guests) on a sign-up sheet at the back of the worship center.
- (2) Call Chris at 393-5000.
- (3) Send Bob an email at rmarrs@coe.edu.

We are advertising the meal as free and no one will be required to hand over any dough in order to receive a meal, but donations are welcome and encouraged.

A Bunch of THANK YOU Notes

- A big THANK YOU to Chris, Barb, and Linda, who spent many hours in the playground area pulling weeds, weeds, and more weeds. If you know anyone who would like to be hired for pulling up the next crop of weeds, please encourage them to step forward.
- Another big THANK YOU to Judy and Gary for donating to the church a new ladder (so Gary has a firm footing while changing light bulbs), to Judy for cleaning the coffee pot (assisted by a lot of hot water, baking soda, and scrubbing), and to Gary for installing three dusk to dawn security lights at the back doors of the church building.
- And another big THANK YOU to Pastor Carol for working to improve our church telephone system so phone messages will receive a personal, timely response.

Hy-Vee Receipts

We continue to collect Hy-Vee Receipts to help raise funds for the purchase of educational materials at Garfield Elementary. Receipts can be placed in the big glass jar at the back of the worship center.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:45 am Worship Service Communion Sunday	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 8:45 am Worship Service	9	10 B145 Committee Meeting (9:30 am)	11 Buffalo Guys 'n Gals Church Cleaning (9:00 am)	12	13	14 Camp Meeting, Hymn Sing (6:30 pm)
15 10:30 am Worship Service Lunch (12:00) Memorial Service (2:00 pm)	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 8:45 am Worship Service	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 8:45 am Worship Service	30	31	September 1	RADA knives are reduced by 20% (think Christmas). Some items available include heavy duty paring knives, knives to cut bagels and cheese, vegetable peelers, and French Chef's knives. Contact Barb Crawford (826-2468) if you have questions.		

August Birthdays: 9 - Jan Kittrell 10 - Hugh Weis
 12 - Cameron Kelley 17 - Jamie Fredericksen

Wedding Anniversaries: 24 - Tom & Pat Ferguson

It Is Still Not Too Late to Volunteer for the 145th Birthday Celebration

Here are a few jobs for which we need volunteers. You can enter your name on the sign-up sheet available in the back of the worship center or contact Bob Marrs (email: rmarrs@coe.edu; home phone: 319-362-9494).

- Help distribute flyers/brochures, inviting Buffalo's neighbors to the celebration.
- Help with mailing of post cards and other phone or email communications.

- Help bake Buffalo cookies and prepare other goodies for Saturday and Sunday events.
- Help set up and serve food for Saturday and/or Sunday events.
- Help with Sunday afternoon memorial service.
- Help clean up after Saturday and/or Sunday events.
- Help with Saturday evening hymn sing (hand out programs, set up sound system, etc).
- Offer to assist with a task not identified on this list.

Buffalo's 145th Anniversary Celebration Schedule Details

The last week in July we will begin distributing fliers advertising our big celebration on August 14-15. Please help us spread the word by signing up to cover all the streets in the Buffalo neighborhood.

The B145 Committee will meet at 9:30 am on Tuesday morning, August 10. We will walk through the weekend schedule and make sure we have all t's crossed, all I's dotted. Please join us in the meeting room for our final planning session.

The Saturday night camp meeting and hymn sing will be held outside, in front of the Hahn Memorial Sculpture. Feel free to bring your own folding chairs or whatever you wish to use during the hour-long service. The program will include an opportunity to sing some of our favorite old-time hymns and be followed by summer-time refreshments (e.g., lemonade and cookies).

The Sunday morning worship service will begin at 10:30 a.m. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Paul Akin. For many years he was the pastor at Lovely Lane and prior to his retirement was at First Methodist in

Iowa City. Music for the service will be provided by members of the Cedar River First Nations Community. In the afternoon this group may also be providing music (perhaps with drumming and dancing).

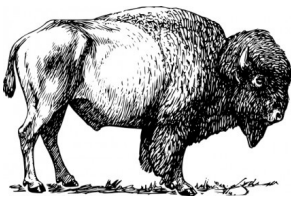
The catered lunch will be from Nelson's Meat Market and Deli. The menu includes a sloppy joe mix (with Buffalo meat), potato salad, baked beans, various salads and salad dressings, condiments, drinks, and dessert. After the lunch there will be a group photo by a professional photographer from the Quad Cities.

The dedication of the Buffalo Labyrinth and the service in memory of Buffalo members and friends of the congregation will begin at 2:00 pm. The labyrinth is already open and available for anyone who wants to use the site for meditation and prayer. Prior to the dedication, a formal entrance, a structure for holding wind chimes, and three benches will be installed. Brass name plates will be placed on the benches in memory of the people being honored with the Labyrinth memorial.

For up-to-date information on the 145th Anniversary Celebration, visit the church's website home page:

<http://buffalounitedmethodist.weebly.com/>

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