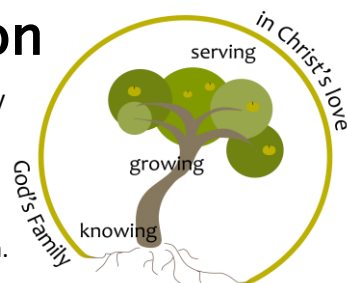


How to Become a Christian

"Dear Lord, I want to know You personally. I know that I have done wrong and I am sorry. I am willing, with Your help, to turn away from my sins and turn to You. I believe, Jesus, that You died and rose again for me. Please come into my life. I receive You as my Saviour and Lord, and surrender my life to Your care."

Our Mission & Vision

- 1 BFMC is a community of believers intentionally planted by God in Barrie, working together as members of one body. (*Romans 12:4-5*)
- 2 Our purpose is to live like Christ, leading people into an authentic relationship with Him. (*2 Corinthians 5:20*)
- 3 We are committed to making and becoming Christ's disciples; to maturing together (*Ephesians 4:14-15*) as we find our place in ministry – within our walls, in the community, and around the world. (*Galatians 6:9*)
- 4 All that we do is grounded in Christ's love, because without it, nothing else matters. (*1 Corinthians 13*)



Sunday Worship

Order of Service

Welcome (10 AM)

Worship

Offering / Announcements

Children/Youth (Age 3–Gr 8) are dismissed

Sermon

Worship & Prayer (Communion Oct 29)

Benediction

Sermons

"Real Life Conversations – Psalms of Life"

"Get Smart – Life Hacks from Proverbs"



CD's of today's and previous sermons are available at the welcome centre. You can also listen to and download sermons online from our website.

Contact Us!

705-737-2113 info@bfmc.org www.bfmc.org

Church Office Hours: Mon–Fri, 9 AM–5 PM

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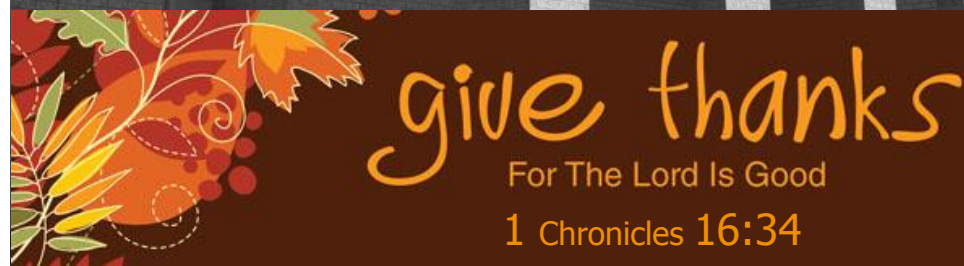
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Welcome!

to BARRIE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

BULLETIN

OCTOBER 2017



Getting Connected

Welcome Centre... Stop by and say hello!

We'd love to meet you, show you around & answer your questions. Fill out and drop off a "VISITING TODAY" card, and pick up our visitor info pack. And stop by He-brews Café for a complimentary coffee or tea!

Next Steps... make BFMC your church home

Pick up our Next Steps card and fill it out to help get you started. We'd love to connect with you:

Ask Anything! Want to know more about Christianity, Baptism, becoming a member? Want to join a group or meet with a pastor? Let us know and we'll contact you. Ask to get on our weekly BFMC Check-in email list!

Request a Mail Folder/Church Directory Church mail folders and the directory are another great way to connect and get to know one another.

Offering – Online or Personalized Envelopes Use the card to request personalized offering envelopes or pre-authorized online offering, or you can contact our Financial Administrator, Diane Osborne, at diane@bfmc.org.



BFMC Leaders/Church Family News... Check the board!

Our Leaders Board will help you to match a name to a face. You can also pick up a handy Leadership Contact sheet at the board.

Celebrating Church Family – We want to celebrate with you! ...New baby? Milestone birthday or anniversary? Engagement or wedding? Let us know and we'll post it to share with your church family. Photos are encouraged! ☺

BFMC Community Board... Church family helping one another

Accommodations, Employment, BFMC Business Directory, the Give 'n Take... to post an ad on the board, call the church office or email office@bfmc.org:

"BFMC Ministry Opportunities" – Our ministries meet real needs both within and outside our church family. Specific needs are posted in the flyer but there is always a place to serve at BFMC. Want to volunteer? Let us know!

"Give 'n Take" – This is an online program where no money changes hands. It's a place for church family to advertise items needed or to give away. Request to join our Facebook group "BFMC Give and Take" or email giveandtake@bfmc.org.

BFMC Business Directory – We want to use businesses and services we know and trust... the BFMC Business Directory is all church family. Pick one up today!

Prayer/Care – Let us pray for you... **speak with a pastor**; meet in the **prayer room** for one-on-one prayer Thurs, 1-4pm; fill out a **Prayer Request card** at the Community Board; or email prayer requests to our confidential prayerchain@bfmc.org.

Transportation Ministry – Need a ride to church? Contact the church office and we'll post it here. Check the board for postings and let us know if you can give a ride.



Weekly in October

For more information check out our **website**, or **contact us** at the church office!



Mondays

9:30 am **MOPS / MOMSNext Group** – we meet twice monthly (Oct 2 & 16)

4-5 pm **The Sports Zone (for kids Gr. 1-6)** – in the gym

TBA **Men's Pick-up Ball Hockey** – postponed (watch for start-up again soon!)

Tuesdays

10 am **Young at Heart Bible Study "Max Lucado - Revelation"** – room 116. All 50+ adults welcome! (Buffet Luncheon & Special Guest on Oct 10)

7 pm **GriefShare Support Group** – room 116. Newcomers welcome anytime!

Wednesdays

7 pm **YOUTH Wednesday Night LIVE (for Gr. 6-12)** – Worship, Bible study groups & fun electives. New youth always welcome... invite your friends!

7:30 pm **Church Family Prayer** – room 113. Come & pray together!

Thursdays

10 am **Women's Bible Study "She's Still There - Rescuing the Girl in You"** – room 116 (starts Oct 12 for 6 weeks)

1-4 pm **Intercessory Prayer** – prayer room (church office basement)

6:30 pm **The Alpha Course** – dinner 6:30pm/course 7:30pm, both in room 115/116

6:30 pm **"A Life Worth Living" Course** – dinner optional, course in rm 111 at 7:30 pm

Fridays

7 pm **YOUTH Friday Night LIVE (for Gr. 6-12)** – a different fun activity each week. Pick up a calendar at the Youth board in the foyer for details.

Sundays

TBA **Men's Drop-in Bible Study** – Watch for start-up coming soon.

9 am **Women's Drop-in Bible Study (Book of Genesis)** – room 116. All welcome!

10 am **Worship Service** – in the auditorium

- **Nursery** (Birth to Age 2) – drop off/pick up in room 103.
- **Children's "Discovery Zone"** (Age 3 to Gr. 6) – Kids start out in the service. Note: Parents with children age 3 to grade 3 must check in prior to the service at the children's desk at entrance to auditorium.
- **Jr Youth "Sunday Morning Live"** (Gr. 6 - 8) – start out in the service then move to room 115. Every week except Communion Sundays.

(Communion is on the last Sunday of the month.)



October Happenings



Sun, Oct 1 Plan to Protect – Annual Recertification

11:30 AM (in the sanctuary following the service) Annual recertification is mandatory for anyone wanting to continue volunteering with children, youth or other ministries involving vulnerable persons. Tip: Don't let your certification lapse or you'll have to take the new orientation all over again! For questions, please speak to Pastor Velma.

Financial Administrator Job Posting – Application Deadline Oct 2/17

We are accepting applications for a permanent part-time Financial Administrator at BFMC. Job posting available at the Welcome desk or by contacting the church office.

Tue, Oct 10 “Young at Heart” 50+ Buffet Luncheon

10 AM (room 116) All 50+ adults are invited to join us for a morning of fellowship and inspiration with special guest, teacher and writer Carolyn J. Morris. Topic: From the Stonepile to Railfence Books. Her books will be available upon request. Lunch will be served buffet style. Please sign up at Welcome Center and pick up an invitation card to give to a friend! Hope to see you there.

starts Oct 12 Women’s Thurs Morning Bible Study – “She’s Still There, Rescuing the Girl in You” by Chrystal Evans Hurst

10 – 11:30 AM (room 116) What if you look in the mirror and realize the life you want is not the life you're living? This 6-session video Bible study will help you rediscover the girl you once saw in the mirror... she's still there! Pick up our **BFMC Women's Ministry flyer** in the foyer for details. To register, please email women@bfmc.org or sign up at the Welcome desk – (optional) Book \$20, Study Guide \$15 - pay at first class, order now!

Sun, Oct 15 “Discovering BFMC” Luncheon

11:30 AM (room 116) This is our “get-to-know-you-and-introduce-you-to-who-we-are”! If you are new within the last year, or just visiting for the first time, we invite you to come meet our pastors and some of our ministry leaders, and hear a brief introduction to BFMC. Kids are welcome! Please sign up at the Welcome desk or contact the church office if you would like to attend.

Sat, Oct 21 Men’s Breakfast

8 - 10 AM (room 115/116) Come out for a great breakfast and connect with other men in your church. **Please sign up in advance** at the Welcome desk so we can plan for enough food. Cost: \$5 - pay at the door. For questions, contact Rob Webb at men@bfmc.org.

Oct 20–22 Sr. Youth Retreat

For youth grades 9-12 (at Ontario Camp of the Deaf in Parry Sound)

Watch for registration forms at the youth board in the foyer or at the Wednesday or Friday youth night. Stay in the loop – ask join our weekly “Youth Scoop” by emailing Youth Leaders, Dan & Alicia at youth@bfmc.org.

Coming this month... BFMC “Fall Family Fun Night” – for all ages! BBQ, treats, games, costumes and more! Stay tuned for details coming soon.

Sun, Oct 29 World Relief Sunday – helping to stop world poverty

Each year we join with other churches across Canada and the rest of the world in supporting World Relief. We will be handing out information pamphlets that contain a donation envelope, and collect them the following Sunday Nov 5th to send all together from our church. Please make cheques out to WORLD RELIEF CANADA.

Mon, Oct 30 Women’s IF:Table Treats (monthly get-together!)

7 PM (room 116) Join us for conversations around the table about Life and Faith...and dessert! RSVP your yes to women@bfmc.org. ☺ We want to set a place for you! Pick up our Women's Ministry flyer in the foyer for more ways you can connect!

Coming in November...mark your calendar!

Nov 5 – BFMC Membership Class (12–4pm) If you are considering or have decided to make this church your home, we encourage you to attend this class! We will talk about what we believe and our vision as a church. We will also outline what membership means at BFMC. All are welcome to attend. **Please sign up** at the Welcome desk.

Nov 5 – Daylight Saving Time Ends! Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hr.

Nov 10 – Life 100.3 MOVIE NIGHTS – “The Case For Christ” (7pm) Showing here at BFMC! This is a great opportunity to invite someone you know who is questioning Christianity. (Admission by donation)

Nov 17/18 – Men’s PromiseKeepers Conference “All In” Our Men's Ministry has pre-purchased **10 tickets at a special group rate of \$55** – A sign up sheet is already at the Welcome desk – **reserve your ticket now** – first come, first serve! Pick up a flyer for details. For questions, speak to Paul Knicley.

THE BLESSING OF GIVING

“Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.” – Proverbs 11:25

Benevolent Sunday

On Communion Sundays, please prayerfully consider a special offering (over and above your regular tithe). This special gift is to be designated to the Benevolent Fund which is used in so many care ways in our church life: groceries, heating bills, phone bills, clothing, car repairs...all for church family who just need a little help in any particular season, especially at this time of the year. Simply write “benevolent” beside the amount on your offering envelope.

Thanksgiving Sunday – October 8th

Georgian College Food Locker – The Food Locker provides canned/packaged goods to any student in need. On Thanksgiving Sunday, if you are able please bring a non-perishable food item to church and place in the bin located by the front entrance. Did you know? When the Food Locker receives more food than they can use, they donate it to the Barrie Food Bank! 😊

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes – 7,000 sent from Cdn churches last year!

Bless a child overseas! Pick up a shoebox from the foyer and fill with small toys, school supplies, hygiene items, etc. (see pamphlet for packing instructions). Please return your (unwrapped) shoebox to the church by SUNDAY, NOV 12th.

Kids Need Coats

Bless a child, and encourage a family by donating money to our Kids Need Coats campaign. Thank you to all who contributed last year! Cundles Public School and the families were so very grateful as we were able to fill every request we received for coats, boots, shoes, hats & mitts! But there are already more requests again this year.

To give, write “Kids Need Coats” beside the amount on your offering envelope.



Volunteering at BFMC!

Also a blessing, is your gift of time and talents. We currently have many ministries that are looking for people who can give a little time through the week or on a Sunday morning. Ask God where He would have you serve? ...helping in one of our children’s programs, ushering on Sunday mornings, mentoring moms through the MOPS program, volunteering in the church office, providing a ride to someone who is unable to come to church, joining our maintenance team or A/V team or kitchen team, or maybe God is putting on your heart to lead a ministry – small groups, special events, local missions, young adults? **Pick up our BFMC Ministry Opportunities flyer for more info, or arrange to meet with Pastor Jenn!**