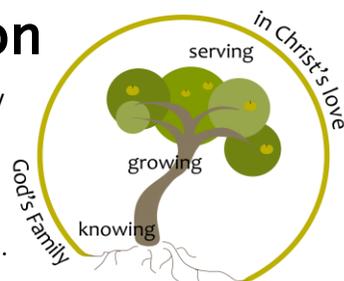


## How to Become a Christian

"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 Nov 26)

Benediction

### Sermons

"LIFE HACKS – Wisdom from the book of 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!

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# Welcome!

to BARRIE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

**BULLETIN**

**NOVEMBER 2017**



*Lest we forget*



# 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** Our church mail folders and church directory are two other great ways that we use to connect with one another.

**Offering – Online or Personalized Envelopes** Use the card to request personalized offering envelopes or pre-authorized online offering, or contact the church office through the week.



## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 November

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 (Nov 6 & 20)

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

## Tuesdays

10 am **Young at Heart Bible Study "Max Lucado - Revelation"** – room 116. All 50+ adults welcome! (Pot-Luck Luncheon & Games on Nov 14)

7 pm **GriefShare Support Group** – room 116. Newcomers welcome! (to Nov 21)

## 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 111. Come & pray together!

## Thursdays

10 am **Women's Bible Study "She's Still There - Rescuing the Girl in You"** – room 116 (to Nov 16) (IF:Table Pot-luck Brunch on Nov 23)

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

6:30 pm **The Alpha Course** – room 115/116 (to Nov 16)

7:30 pm **"A Life Worth Living" Course** – room 111 (dinner at 6:30 pm) (to Nov 16)

## 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

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.)*

# November Happenings!

## Sun, Nov 5 **BFMC Membership Class**

**11:30 AM - Lunch provided (room 111) Class from 12 – 4 PM.** If you are considering or have decided to make BFMC your home, we encourage you to attend this class! (This is also a prerequisite to membership.)

## Fri, Nov 10 **Life 100.3 MOVIE NIGHTS – “The Case For Christ”**

**7 PM (in the auditorium)** All are welcome! Cost of Admission (donations only)... and the popcorn is free! We are encouraging everyone to invite a friend, neighbour, or coworker who has doubts about the Christian faith. Just like the author of the well-known book by the same name, **this movie will open their eyes to the truth of who Jesus is!**

## Sun, Nov 12 **Christmas Child Shoe Box Return**

Now is the time to finish your shopping and pack your shoeboxes! Be sure to read the pamphlet for proper packing instructions. Also, remember to include the BOY/GIRL label on the top of your box and a \$10 cheque for shipping costs inside the box. **Forgot to get your box this year? No problem... there are more in the foyer or you can use a regular shoebox!** Please return your unwrapped shoebox on Nov 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Tue, Nov 14 **Young at Heart Pot-luck Luncheon & Games**

**10 AM (room 115/116)** All 50+ adults are invited to come for fun morning of games, conversation, and a pot-luck lunch! **Please bring a salad, main course or dessert.** Coffee, tea and cold drinks provided. New people always welcome! For questions, contact Pastor Phyllis at [youngatheart@bfmc.org](mailto:youngatheart@bfmc.org).

## Nov 17/18 **“All In” – Men’s PromiseKeepers Conference**

**Fri evening & Saturday (in Toronto).** Our Men’s Ministry has pre-purchased 10 tickets at a special group rate of \$55 – we have 8 men going from our church so far! Sign up at the Welcome Centre and we will get in touch with you about carpooling. Payment will be collected on the Saturday of the conference. Pick up a flyer for details. **For questions, speak to Paul Knicley or email [plknicley@yahoo.com](mailto:plknicley@yahoo.com).**

## Sat, Nov 25 **Surviving the Holidays**

**10 AM – 12:30 PM (room 115/116).** Grief is hard; grieving during the holidays can be especially painful. There is hope and help! Join us for Surviving the Holidays by GriefShare and learn how to plan and prepare for the coming holiday season. Meet others who, like you, are grieving the loss of a loved one. Please come, bring a friend... you’ll be glad you did! **See insert for ticket information.**

**Sat, Dec 2 **Decorate the Church for Christmas!**** Tara Aselton is looking for people to help decorate the church for Christmas. This is always a fun day for all involved. If you can help, **please contact Tara at [decorating@bfmc.org](mailto:decorating@bfmc.org).**

## November IF:Tables – For Women of All Ages!

Join us for conversations about faith & life, over a meal. IF God is real... then we want more than anything to live like it!

**Thur, Nov 23 (10am–12pm)** – IF:Table Midweek Brunch (pot-Luck)

**Mon, Nov 27 (6:30–8:30pm)** – IF:Table Dinner (provided), \$ donations welcome

Sign up at the Welcome Desk or by contacting us at [women@bfmc.org](mailto:women@bfmc.org). (Do we have your current email address? Be in touch!)

## The BFMC Benevolent Fund – Christmas

**Our benevolent fund has been depleted over the past few months and needs an infusion!** Your donations to this fund are used in so many care ways in our church life, and with Christmas around the corner the need is especially high. **Please prayerfully consider a special offering (over and above your regular tithes)... write “benevolent” beside the amount on your offering envelope.** Thank you!

## “Kids Need Coats” – a BFMC local missions project



Bless a child, and encourage a family by donating money to BFMC’s “Kids Need Coats” program. **Our mandate is that no child will go cold in our neighbourhood this winter!** We do this by partnering with elementary schools in our parish who let us know when a child in their school is in need of a coat, boots, shoes, hat or mitts. To give, write “Kids Need Coats” on your offering envelope. Thank you!

## Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Drive ON NOW – Volunteers Needed!

This is a great way for a small group, a family, or a group of friends to serve in your community. If you would like to give a couple of hours of your time to stand (or sit) beside a kettle this year please **contact Flo Sharples (Salvation Army) at 321-2474.**

## Coming in December...mark your calendar!

**Sun, Dec 3 – Annual Church Family Christmas Lunch!** Join us as we kick off the Advent season with Christmas family meal all together!

**Dec 15/16 – BFMC Multi-Media Christmas Celebration: “Put a Little Love in Your Heart”** Two Performances! 7 PM at the church. Start spreading the word!

## Men’s Ministry – Watch for Start up in the New Year:

- Men’s Pick-up Ball Hockey – Mondays 7 PM
- Men’s Thursday Night Bible Study – Thursdays 7 PM
- Men’s Sunday Morning Bible Study – Sundays 9 AM