

Life and work *at* Bridgenorth United Church



At BUC we offer a "Junior Church Program" for Children; a Teen Group (grade 6,7,8); Confirmation Classes; a unique Bible Study called "Cracking the Cover"; a Men's Breakfast Club; Video Series "Living the Questions"; Junior Choir, Senior Choir, Praise Singers: The Tarnished Angels Labyrinth Walks.



Special Worship Experiences

Christmas Calm Service
Remembrance Sunday Service
Advent begins - late November
Candle light service - mid December
Good Friday service - every spring
Easter Sunday service - every spring

Community Building

Lunch Bunch • Library • Day Care
Seniors group • Boy Scouts • Hey Day
Fall Event • Special Concerts
Turkey • Beef • Ham Dinners

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Minister: Rev. Dr. Anne Gowans-Blinn

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.

Junior Church: 10:30 a.m. Sunday

Choir Practice: Thursday 7pm

Junior Choir: Wednesdays 3:15 - 4:15

United Church Women:
first Thursday of the month



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**... to serve the
whole family, and
provide a
family for those
who need one.**

Please join us for :

- creative, inspiring, thought provoking, worship with traditional and contemporary music,
- interpretive Bible research,
- a welcoming community that honors spiritual practise,
- strong children's church program,
- opportunities and groups to get you involved at whatever level you feel comfortable.

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Six complaints about Church

1. The sermons made me feel guilty or they put me to sleep.
2. The prayers always sound the same.
3. I hated wearing a tie and forcing the kids to dress up.
4. The people were all so stuffy and it was torture to sit on the church pews.
5. Sunday School was punishment.
6. The music was slow: the songs too long and I was tired of singing the same old thing.



Rev. Dr. Anne Gowans-Blinn

What's in store for you when you visit Bridgenorth United Church

1. Anne, our minister, has her doctorate in divinity. But, she explains the complexities of the Bible stories in easy to understand terms. Those lessons from over 2,000 years ago are brought to life with meaning in our everyday lives. Her stories touch the mind, heart and spirit.

2. Anne's prayers are one of the many rewarding parts of the service. Most ministers run through a prayer like they are shopping in a grocery store—you know where they are headed before they get there. With Anne, we feel the power of the silence as she weaves the worries and problems of the day into a prayer of thanks. Few leave without being touched.

3. What we wear doesn't matter. Traditional dress code is gone from Bridgenorth United. We want you to enjoy the worship just as you are.

4. It is amazing what happens when people come in. You feel welcome from the moment you step in the door. Of course you get a formal greeting to start but, sit in one of our comfortable chairs and be pleasantly surprised by the warmth of those around you.

You will know what it is like to be part of a community.

5. The words *fun* and *Junior Church* can now be used in the same sentence. Our volunteer leaders have developed a series of activities that will teach your children when they least expect it — while they are having fun. Whether it's the computer based



Tarnished Angels Praise Singers at the Labyrinth

stories and activities or the crafts and music, your children will enjoy the casual learning experience at Bridgenorth United.

6. Our Choir provides a mix of traditional and gospel

songs to add to the Sunday morning worship and exciting doesn't begin to describe the sound of our special added singing group — ***The Tarnished Angels***. With 8 to 10 members in the band, the group provides modern Christian music that livens up your spirit whenever they play.

There is much more to Bridgenorth United than our 10:30 Sunday morning services. We have dinners, spring and fall sales, visiting music groups, day care services, Kindermusic, social groups, adult learning and much more.

Join us and see for yourself?

