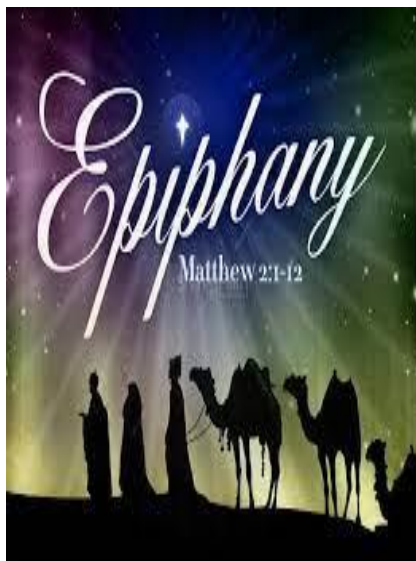




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# EPIPHANY SUNDAY

**New Year's Day  
Holy Communion**

**10:30 am, Sunday, January 1, 2023**

*\*Mark invites you to stand, as you are able.  
Please turn off all cell phones, or set on vibrate!  
Let us be in the spirit of worship, centering around  
God the Creator, Son the Redeemer  
and Holy Spirit the Sustainer who invites us into  
their presence, heal us and mold us into the image of God!*

## COMING TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP SERVICE

Greeter: Linda Walton  
Usher: Gbenga Olayomi

- \***ZOOM** host will guide you as you join online worship from 10:15 am
- \*\*You will find blue buttons on our church website (brentwoodumc.org) to join either **Live Zoom** Worship Service or **YouTube Live** Stream
- \*\*\***Recording** of Sunday Worship Service will be available after 7 pm Sunday on church website

**SOUND OF THE GONG 10:30am**

Polly Gallagher

**PRELUDE, ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER**

Jenny Green, Emma Smith

**WELCOME & MISSION/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

Polly Gallagher

**PRAYER OF THE NEW YEAR (Responsively)**

Leader: Creative God, you make all things new in heaven and earth.

**Congregation: We come to you in a new year with new desires and old fears, new decisions and old controversies, new dreams and old weaknesses.**

Leader: Because you are a God of hope, we know that you create all the possibilities of the future.

**Congregation: Because you are a God of love, we know that you accept all the mistakes of the past.**

Leader: Because you are the God of our faith, we enter your gates with thanksgiving and praise.

**Congregation: We come into your presence with gladness and a joyful noise, and we serve and bless you. Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "Morning Has Broken" (#145 UMH) Together

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES** Rev. Hyesung Lee  
**LORD'S PRAYER**

**ANTHEM** Larry Schaffer

**OFFERING of PLEDGES & THANKSGIVING** Prayer: Polly Gallagher  
\* Doxology #94 (UMH) Usher: Gbenga Olayomi

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**\*SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 2:1-12 (NRSV) Polly Gallagher

**MESSAGE** "New Journey with God" Rev. Hyesung Lee

### **SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Prayer of Confession

**We search for your light, Star Caster, but too often end up settling for the dimness of temptation. Our motives for seeking to find Christ are not always pure, for we expect him to fulfill our desires, rather than your hopes for us. We want the gifts of wealth, health, success, fulfillment, rather than those of servanthood, of compassion, of peace. Forgive us, Shaper of our lives, that we are so foolish to put our needs ahead of your grace. Help us to be like those wise people of so long ago, who found hope, instead of a destination; who found grace, instead of gratitude; who found salvation, instead of a sign. As we journey with your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, fill us with the light of your joy and love.**

*Silence*

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Up, on your feet! Grace has been poured into our hearts, love has flooded our souls, the light of hope shines in us.

**This is the light which has come to all, the light we will carry and give to everyone we meet. Thanks be to God. Amen**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** "We Three Kings" (#254 vs. 1,3 & 5 UMH) Together

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Hyesung Lee

**POSTLUDE, ACOLYTE & CRUICFER** Jenny Green, Emma Smith



***"Brentwood Community United Methodist Church is a welcoming and reconciling congregation, affirming its ministry with the whole family of God regardless of age, race, ethnic origin, economic situation, gender identity, sexual orientation, or marital status."***

# *MISSION & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES*

**1. MEETINGS & GATHERINGS (Online or In-Person)**

- **UMM Breakfast:** 8am Sat Jan 7<sup>th</sup> (Fellowship Hall)
- **Worship Committee:** 10am Tues Jan 10<sup>th</sup> (Fellowship Hal)
- **Young Christian Ministry:** 7pm Tues Jan 10<sup>th</sup> (Youth Rm)
- **SPRC:** 7pm Mon Jan 16<sup>th</sup> (Fellowship Hall)
- **Finance Committee:** 6pm Tues Jan 17 (Fireside Rm)
- **LGBTQIA+:** 6:30pm Wed Jan 18<sup>th</sup> (Online)
- **CCN:** 10:30am Wed Jan 25<sup>th</sup> (Fellowship Hall)
- **Ad Council:** 7pm Wed Jan 25<sup>th</sup> (Online)

2.



Join us on **January 8th Sunday right after Worship at 11:45 am** to take down our Christmas decorations. We'll gather together in the sanctuary after a brief fellowship time in Social Hall, then the de-hanging will begin. Help us make sure everything gets put away well for next year.

**3. SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

1/1/23	WORSHIP COMMITTEE
1/8/23	RECONCILING MINISTRY
1/15/23	ENDOWMENT & MEMORIALS
1/22/23	NOMINATION
1/29/23	UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH



**4. YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE** (For 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

Sun 1/8 Movie Night *"I Can Only Imagine"*

Sun 1/22 Bowling

Sun 1/29 Dinner/Bible/Games

\*\*Please RSVP by the Friday to Cheryl Breitenbucher (Youth Director) at [youth@brentwoodumc.org](mailto:youth@brentwoodumc.org)

**5. Adult Bible Studies Winter 2022-23 (Power & Love)**

**December 4 through February 26 2023**

Theme: Power and Love

This winter, our Bible lessons follow the theme "Power and Love."

The lessons first challenge us to try to understand Scripture, particularly the Nativity accounts, from the position of vulnerability and powerlessness.

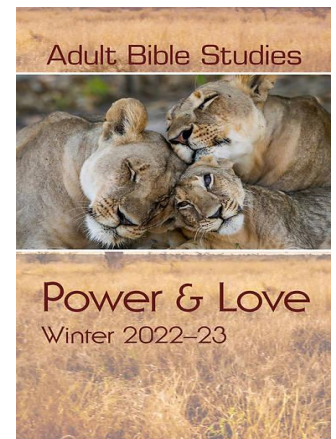
When: December 4, 2022

Who: Open to All

Where: BCUMC Youth Classroom

Time: 8:30am Fellowship & Video, Start Class 8:45am To 9:45Am

**Come Fellowship and grow with us**



**6. NEW MEMBER ORIENTAION**

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12pm to 1:15pm (Quiet room)



**7. D'S AND O'S JANUARY EDITION**

January's is published for you. If you wish to receive an electronic version or a hard copy, please contact Michelle at the church office ([admin@brentwoodumc.org](mailto:admin@brentwoodumc.org); 925-634-3093). Editor, Bob Clarke, always welcomes your articles or news for our monthly church newsletter. Due date is 28<sup>th</sup> of the month. Bob's email is [bbclarke@comcast.net](mailto:bbclarke@comcast.net)

**8. PRAYER CHAIN**

Provides prayers for those who request their concerns anytime. Please contact Linda Barnhill (925-628-9018; [donnlin1103@gmail.com](mailto:donnlin1103@gmail.com)) with your prayer requests!

**THOSE SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY**

<b>Ministers</b>	All Who Follow Christ	<b>Greeter(s)</b>	Linda Walton
<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Hyesung Lee	<b>Usher(s)</b>	Gbenga Olayomi
<b>Choir Director</b>	Alivia Logan-Kumagai	<b>Acolyte</b>	Jenny Green
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Polly Gallagher	<b>Crucifer</b>	Emma Smith
<b>Accompanist</b>		<b>Audio/Visual</b>	David Funk
<b>Sunday School</b>	Chris van Ruiten	<b>Nursery</b>	Not Open

**Attendance for Christmas Eve: 57**

Adults: 45	Children/Youth: 3	Zoom: 2	YouTube: 7
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**Attendance for Christmas: 30**

Adults: 21	Children/Youth: 4	Zoom: 2	YouTube: 3
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