

Deeds and Opportunities

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JANUARY 2019



2019 January Worship Schedule

SUNDAY	Scriptures & Sermon theme	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACTIVITIES
Epiphany of the Lord January 6	Ephesians 3:1-12 Epiphany of the Lord	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Holy Communion ▪ 5:30pm – 7 pm MTJ (Middle School) ▪ 7:30pm – 9 pm YAHS (Young Adults and High School)
Baptism of the Lord January 13 <i>First Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Baptism of the Lord	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New Member Orientation (1): noon in Quiet Room ▪ 5:30pm – 7 pm MTJ (Middle School) ▪ 7:30pm – 9 pm YAHS (Young Adults and High School)
Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 20	John 2:1-11 Invitation to See	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New Member Orientation (2): noon in Quiet Room ▪ 5:30pm – 7 pm MTJ (Middle School) ▪ 7:30pm – 9 pm YAHS (Young Adults and High School)
Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 27	Luke 4:14-21 Invitation to Hear	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 5:30pm – 7 pm MTJ (Middle School) ▪ 7:30pm – 9 pm YAHS (Young Adults and High School)

WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR JANUARY

Sunday	Acolyte	Crucifer
1/6	Robin Bliss	Christian Belino
1/13	Maeci Scott	Abbie Scott
1/20	Grace Charpentier	Madeline Charpentier
1/27	Jamie Feldermann	Zeke Canonica

† *Pastor's Letter* †

Dear Friends in Ministry

Happy New Year! I pray that you and your family may continue to involve in meaningful ministries and find more and more joy as you all take faith journey together in each day of the New Year 2019. As we welcome another New Year, let us remember some wise words from the Bible that talks about “time”:

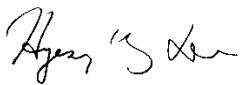
“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to search and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.” (Ecclesiastes 2)

Some “times” seem to be comforting to our ears like “a time to heal...a time to build...a time to laugh...a time to dance...a time to embrace...a time to love...a time for peace” while others discomforting to our minds like “a time to die...a time to kill...a time to tear down...a time to give up...a time to throw away...a time for war.” We may all have a tendency to think that former “times” are “good” and the latter “bad.” But the wisdom of the Book tells us that all these “times” are necessary. There are no “good” or “bad” but only “necessary” times. And all these times will help us to move forward and not to be stuck in unhealthy situations.

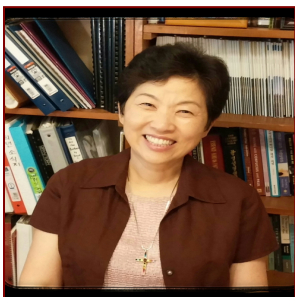
Do you have something in your life that is better to be “uprooted” or “thrown away”? Would you be willing to “give [them] up” and move forward? Do you have something in your life that is better to be “kept” or “embraced”? Would you be willing to “keep” and “embrace” them so for you to be able to move forward?

I pray that we all may receive wisdom to discern between various “times” and find courage to take necessary actions with the help of the Holy Spirit. Our small brave action may save someone from helpless situation. Our small faithful action may give hope to someone in hopeless situation. Let us remember that we are God’s hands and feet in this world! I am so thankful that I take my journey with you!

Rejoice in all circumstances, pray without ceasing, and give thanks always!



Your Pastor, Hyesung Lee



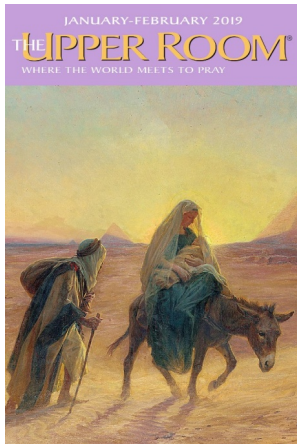
Let Us Pray for the Following Members and Friends of BCUMC!

Barbara Bonnickson, Lou Bronzan, Cliff Fortner, Joyce Heflin, Diana Easley, Bev Johnson, Beverly Hendrix, Fred Schults, Debra Urzua, Gordon Fong, Diane and Carey Hutchison, Gabriel Charpentier, Galen Tidrick, Heather Lawrence (Larry Schaffer's stepdaughter), Richard Wisdom, John D. Moore, Jo Merritt, Diane Lee's grandson Dylin, Eric von Forstmeyer (Michelle's Dad), Arlene Bowie (Adella Logan's mom) and the Byron UMC congregation.



We pray for you and your care-givers that God may fill you every day with strength, faith, love and peace!

This list is provided by our Congregational Care Network of Brentwood Community UMC.
If you want to add names or make any change in this list,
please contact Linda Barnhill at 634-8521 or Michael Ann Honea at 516-9541



THE UPPER ROOM – SMALL GROUP Every Sunday morning at 9:30am in the Quiet Room

The January/February issue of the Upper Room is now available and can be found in the Fellowship Hall. If you don't already have a subscription to The Upper Room, please feel free to take a copy to enjoy. Please consider starting the new year off by joining the small group on Sunday mornings to discuss what moved you, got you thinking, etc. from the devotions read during the week. This is a low-key, no pressure, come when you can group; a time of fellowship to discuss the devotionals. I hope you'll join us on Sundays at 9:30am in the Quiet Room. If you have any questions, please contact Heidi Stark at 925-216-4709 or hstark@cobaltc.com

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER

continues to open to welcome anyone who would like to sit in the sanctuary for a time of prayer. You may stay as long as you want between 6:00 pm and 7: 00 pm! Candles will be provided for those who wish to light a candle for someone or for some causes. You may leave your prayer request in the basket for which the prayer team will pray!



NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION

Sundays January 13 and 20 from 12 pm to 1 pm

In Quiet Room (behind the choir room/fireside room)

You are invited to this orientation if you have a desire to (1) **join** our church as a committed member or (2) **just learn** more about our church. This orientation will include (1) sharing of faith journeys; (2) United Methodist Church Beliefs and Mission; and (3) our B.C.U.M. church mission. If you are interested, please let the pastor know by contacting her at 925-303-9339 (cell) or hslee3@gmail.com.
Or you may just show up! This is always a very enjoyable and spiritual time for all participants.



5 Craig Bronzan
12 Vickey Barriner
15 Margo Wentz
16 Pete Cruz
18 Heidi Stark
19 Frank Lundrigan
21 Jackie Hanel
23 Jacob Lukacs
24 Wyatt van Ruiten
25 Horace Gipson
27 Audrey Dunn
28 Rachel Simas

Happy Anniversary

16 Edie & Galen Tidrick

MEN'S BREAKFAST

**Saturday – January 5th
8:00-9:00 am**

FIRST SATURDAY of each month -
All men are invited to
breakfast and fellowship.
Please call Dave Funk (925-513-0020)
with any questions.

NEW YEAR

What if – in these early days
Of the new year – with the wind blowing
And parts of our world touched
By deep white winter days of snowing
I gather together all the sticks
And twigs of all my mistakes
And broken dreams of this year past
And put them all in a big pile
And touch it all with an imaginary
Lighted match – and watch
As it quickly flames up
Soon leaving only trailing wisps
Of disappearing smoke – and old dashed hopes
And resentments – and days of unforgiveness
And grey stories of misunderstandings
Were also released and let go of
On the pile of burning sticks and twigs
What if – then, who knows, maybe
I can start fresh – begin anew
Take my time – and see what
Comes forth – is revealed – is discovered.
I hope I can – but if not
I tell myself: just do something.
God says: “I love you.
I will help.”

Happy New Year!

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Ecumenical Paradise Fundraiser

2pm - 4pm Saturday, January 19, 2019
St. Bonaventure Catholic Church - 5562 Clayton Rd, Concord

4 Choirs Singing, Free Will Donation

4 Pastors from *Paradise* will speak on their experience with Camp Fire

**Rev. Bob Chicou (a former pastor at Byron UMC) will be one of the speakers*

**Sponsored by Concord United Methodist Church; Clayton Presbyterian;
Good Shepherd Lutheran; St. Bonaventure Catholic Church**

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR ALL CHURCH OFFICERS

WHEN: 12 pm to 2 pm Sunday February 3, 2019

WHERE: Fellowship Hall

WHO: All Committee Chairs & Members as listed below in “2019 Ministry Teams and Structure”

WHAT: *Potluck* at noon and Programs prepared by Nomination & Leadership Development Committee

Brentwood Community United Methodist Church
2019 MINISTRY TEAMS AND STRUCTURE

[* indicates the first year in 2019]

CONNECTING MINISTRY: WORSHIP SUPPORT

MUSIC COMMITTEE

Chair: Edie Tidrick Members: Dave Funk, Michael Ann Honea, Cheryl Breitenbucher

WORSHIP STEWARDS

Ushers: Martin Tucker, Joyce Sorenson, Bob Clarke, Luther Belino, Don Barnhill, Nick Luoma

Altar Guild: Roxanna Simas, Barbara Pinkston

Acolyte/Crucifer Coordinators: Ginny Driscoll, Vickey Barriner

Greeter Coordinator: Linda Walton

Communion Stewards: Donna Baker, Hisako Suzuki*

Social Hour and Flower Coordinator: Betty Gaughan

Video/Audio: Dennis Buckley (Recording & Audio System), Mike Johnson*, Paul Slay, David Funk (PPT Clickers)

CREATIVE WORSHIP TEAM Leader: Barbara Pinkston, Pastor: Hyesung Lee

2019 Barbara Pinkston (Leader), Roxanna Simas

2020 Linda Barnhill, Ginny Driscoll, Vickey Barriner,

2021 Bonnie Larrabee*, Rene McCarter*, Eileen Newill*

GROWING MINISTRY: INTENTIONAL SPIRITUAL FORMATION SUPPORT

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Rebecca Feldermann, Michelle Monsef

YOUTH COMMITTEE: Chair: Scott Baxter *

2019 Scott Baxter, Connie Azevedo, John Moore

2020 Chris van Ruiten, Bob Clarke, Heidi Retzer

2021

CREATIVE INTENTIONAL SPIRITUAL FORMATION TEAM (+ Disciple Making Process)

Julius Lukacs (Leader), Charlene Dobson, David Funk, Hyesung Lee

SERVING MINISTRY: MINISTRY AND MISSION SUPPORT

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL Chair: Julius Lukacs Council Secretary:

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Pastor: Hyesung Lee Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs

Lay Members to Annual Conference: _____ *

Membership Secretary: JoAnn Funk Finance/Stewardship: _____ *

Trustees: Dennis Buckley Staff-Parish Relations: Polly Gallagher

Congregational Care Network: Linda Barnhill HOPE HOUSE Committee: Robin Vaughn

United Methodist Women: JoAnn Funk United Methodist Men: David Funk

Reconciling Ministry: Jen Dunn Creative Worship Team: Barbara Pinkston

Youth Committee: Scott Baxter* Youth and Children's Ministry: Becca Feldermann

Music Committee: Edie Tidrick

Treasurer/Communication Coordinator: Betty Gaughan

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chair: Dennis Buckley

2019 Dennis Buckley Joyce Sorenson Don Barnhill

2020 Kevin Gray David Funk Betty Gaughan

2021 Jim Roberts* Alvin Simas*

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

Chair: Polly Gallagher

Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs

2019 Linda Walton Carey Hutchison

2020 Polly Gallagher Rosemary Wood Shirley Gray

2021 Heidi Stark* Katie Moore*

FINANCE-STEWARDSHIP

Chair: _____ *

Treasurer: Betty Gaughan
Financial Secretary: Debra Urzua

2019	Tom Miller	(Jerry Walton)	
2020	Adella Logan	John Moore	
2021	Larry Schaffer*	Joy Kick*	Jere Retzer*

NOMINATIONS & LAY DEVELOPMENT Chair: Hyesung Lee Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs

2019	JoAnn Funk	Rebecca Feldermann	
2020	Beverly Tucker	Diane Lee	Michael Ann Honea
2021	Jerry Walton*	Rick Dunn*	

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Membership Secretary: JoAnn Funk

Friends in Faith Ministry: Linda Walton, Eileen Newill, Dorothy Pontsler*

CCN (Congregational Care Network)

Coordinator: Linda Barnhill

Barbara Pinkston	Michael Ann Honea	Eileen Newill
Beverly Tucker	Katie Moore	

HOPE HOUSE COMMITTEE

Director: Robin Vaughan	Assistant Director: Kathie Gulizia
David Funk, Jerry Walton,	Katie Moore

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

President: JoAnn Funk

UNITED METHODIST MEN

President: David Funk

ENDOWMENT & MEMORIALS

Chair: Dennis Buckley

	Martin Tucker,	Linda Barnhill,	Joyce Sorenson,
<u>Memorial Card:</u>	Cheryl Breitenbucher		
<u>Memorial Dinners:</u>	Robin Vaughan,	Dolores Hauan	
<u>Historians:</u>	Polly Gallagher,	Dennis Buckley	

RECONCILING MINISTRY COMMITTEE:

Chair: Jen Dunn

2019	Jen Dunn		
2020	Martin Tucker	Dennis Buckley	
2021	David Funk	Zeke Canonica*	Koo Kim*

TO ALL COMMITTEE/TEAM CHAIRS

From Pastor Hyesung Lee

Thanks for all your hard work in 2018! As a chairperson, you have several important things to do as you welcome the New Year 2019! Here are some items:

- 1) **Invite new members** to the first meeting in January, 2019 (You may find their names in "2019 Ministry Teams and Structures" which is included in 2019 January D's and O's. Their email addresses are in our church directory)
- 2) Give new members **an orientation** to the general work of the team before the first meeting
- 3) Make sure that members going off at the end of 2018 give their **work folder to new members**. If you are a chairperson going off, please give your work folder to the new chairperson as soon as possible with some alerts for critical matters at hand.
- 4) Encourage all members to attend **LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR ALL CHURCH OFFICERS** at ***12 pm Sunday February 3rd*** which begins with a Potluck Lunch.
- 5) Review **Church Leadership Covenant** with all members and get their signatures at the first meeting (This Covenant will be approved by Ad Council in January 9th and given to you).



Sunday School continues to be fun and well attended, while learning too. We finished our series on Kings and Queens in the Bible and had multiple lessons centered around the Birth of Jesus. Last Sunday, during Fellowship, you may have been gifted with a small care package by one of our Sunday School children. We decided to make these after reading about Ruth & Boaz. We will be making another “batch” of these, so be on the lookout during Fellowship! We are excited for all the great things this year has in store from our awesome lessons and outside of church activities including another Downtown Date at the Delta. Please look to our giving tree throughout the year for anything our Sunday School classes might need. Right now, Dixie cups and snack items would be greatly appreciated!

By Rebecca Feldermann

The middle school group, otherwise known as MTJ, and the young adult/high school group, also known as YAHS, have been meeting most Sunday nights. We continue to have great discussions on issues such as thinking things through, life choices, and continually getting to know each other. On December 16th we were treated to a Persian meal from Michelle Monsef and her mother-in-law, Marie. It was so delicious, and neat to hear about some of the cooking techniques and ingredients that are common in Persian cooking.



Our youth have also been busy in other ways. They have helped serve the community at the BRCC toy and food sort. A group of our MTJers also served at Glide and some of our youth attended the Walk Through Bethlehem, held at Antioch Wesleyan Church. The food and fellowship have been wonderful with these awesome youth and we all look forward to meeting each weekend. MTJ meets from 5:30-7:00pm in the Youth Room/Fellowship Hall & YAHS meets from 7:30-9:00pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The youth event calendar is tentatively finalized (based on youth and chaperone availability) and is available online on our website, brentwoodumc.org.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

- Sunday, January 6th, Fast Food Progressive Dinner MTJ 4pm-6pm
- Sunday, January 6th, Fast Food Progressive Dinner YAHS 7pm-9pm
- Sunday, January 13th, “Beat Michelle Monsef” Cooking Competition
 - Saturday, January 19th, tentative SSP Day of Service



HELP WANTED!!!

We are currently without a custodian. Presently, custodial tasks are being done by volunteers. Many thanks go out to Adella and Alivia Logan for cleaning the Sanctuary, Roxanna Simas and Betty Gaughan for cleaning the kitchen, and Dennis Buckley for various other areas. Trustees and SPRC are considering several options.

The easiest option would be to hire a licensed and bonded company to do the cleaning tasks, however they are very expensive. Another option would be to find a person who does house cleaning and make arrangements for that person to come in and clean. We could advertise and hire a new employee or we could continue to rely on our volunteers.

The Trustees would like to talk to some people who clean houses. We estimate that the job would total ten hours per week, split between two or three different days. If you use a housekeeper you like or know of someone who would do a good job cleaning the church, please let Polly Gallagher or Dennis Buckley know.

VOYAGERS

SATURDAY JANUARY 19th

3:00-6:30 pm

CHILI / BINGO NIGHT

In the Fellowship Hall

Hosted by Robin and Bill Vaughan!



For more information, contact Katie Moore at 925-392-8765
or iamktmoore@hotmail.com



Statement of Inclusion:

***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.***

Bishop Minerva G. Carcaño

Los Rios District Superintendent: Rev. Schuyler Rhoads

Pastor: Hyesung Lee ☩ Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs

Secretary: Debra Urzua

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TIME DATED MATERIAL

