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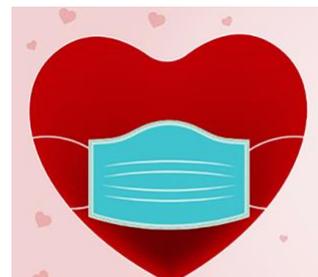
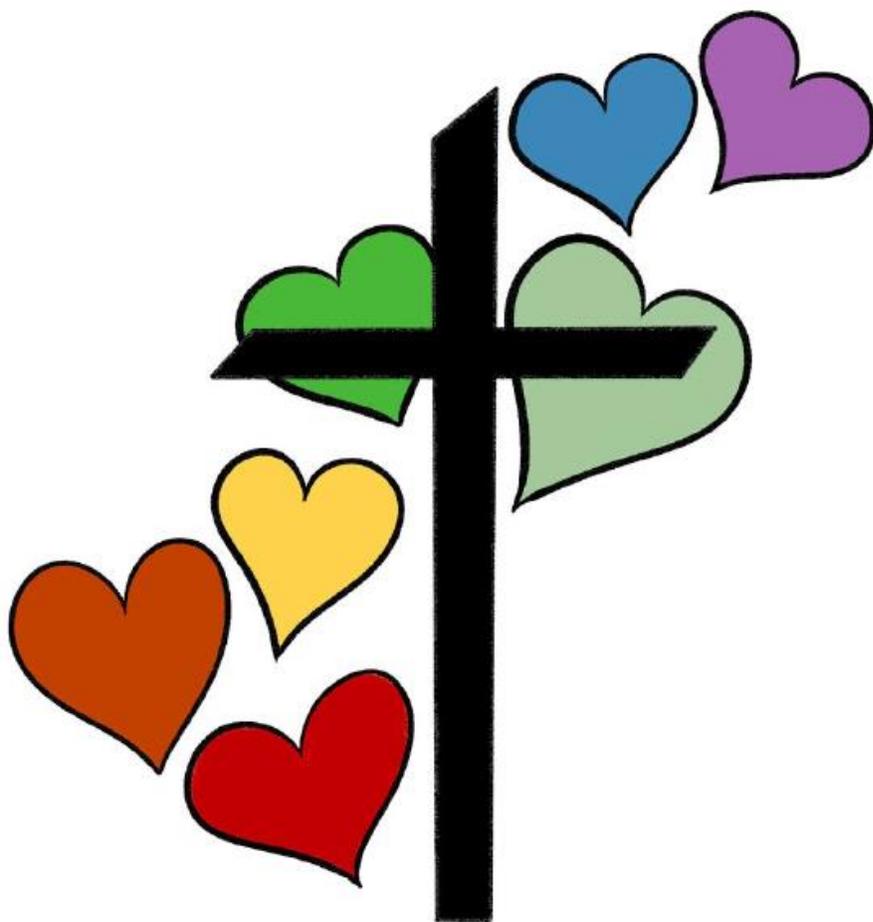
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FEBRUARY 2021



2021 FEBRUARY Worship Schedule

***** All Worship Services are Online!**

Come Join Us in Various Worship Services on Church Website and Facebook:

<https://www.brentwoodumc.org/bcumc/home>

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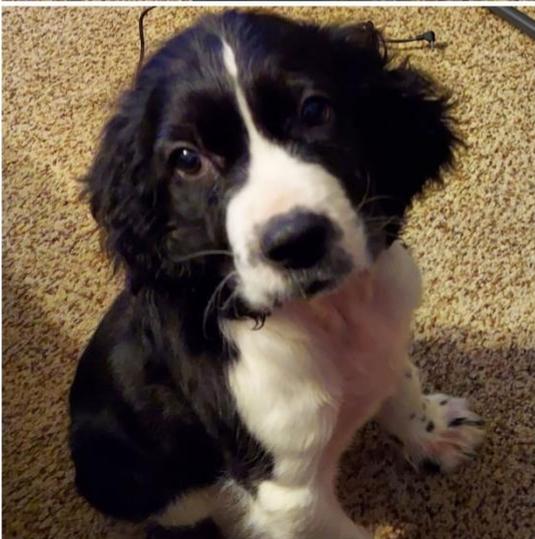
WORSHIP Online	Scripture/ Message	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACTIVITIES
Feb 7, 2021 10:15 am – 11:30 <i>am</i> On ZOOM	FIFTH SUNDAY After EPIPHANY <u>Isa 40:21-31; Ps 147:1-11,</u> <u>1 Corinthians 9:16-23</u> <u>Mark 1:29-39</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holy Communion • Piano: Kevin Fallon • Worship Leader: Larry Schaffer • Usher: Barb Pinkston
Feb 14, 2021 10:15 am – 11:30 <i>am</i> On ZOOM	TRANSFORMATION SUNDAY <u>2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6</u> <u>2 Corinthians 4:3-6;</u> <u>Mark 9:2-9</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Leader: Polly Gallagher • Anthem: Joe Kick • Piano: Kevin Fallon • Singer: Larry Schaffer, Edie Tidrick • Usher: Barb Pinkston
Feb 17, 2021 Wednesday 7:00 pm On Zoom	ASH WEDNESDAY <u>Joel 2:1-2, 12-17</u> <u>Psalm 51:1-17</u> <u>2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10</u> <u>Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21</u>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Leader: Larry Schaffer • Piano: Greg Pacquer • Usher: Edie Tidrick
Feb 21, 2021 10:15 am – 11:30 <i>am</i> On ZOOM	 FIRST SUNDAY In LENT <u>Genesis 9:8-17;</u> <u>Psalm 25:1-10</u> <u>1 Peter 3:18-22;</u> <u>Mark 1:9-15</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Leader: Becca Feldermann • Piano: Kevin Fallon • Usher: Jamie Feldermann
Feb 28, 2021 10:15 am – 11:30 <i>am</i> On ZOOM	 SECOND SUNDAY In LENT <u>Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16;</u> <u>Psalm 22:23-31;</u> <u>Romans 4:13-25;</u> <u>Mark 8:31-38</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worship Leader: Larry Schaffer • Piano: Kevin Fallon • Usher: Becca Feldermann • Anthem: Joe Kick

† Pastor's Letter †

Dear My Beloved Family of God

When this February edition of D's and O's is published, I will be on vacation. I will try to go hiking (since it looks like there will be rain every day during my vacation) and walking with my family and also go down to San Diego to see our daughter and son-in-law before they move to Texas in the middle of February. Their moving has something to do with the pandemic. They are hoping for more financial stability and affordable living condition there.

Before they moved, they gave us a beautiful gift - a new puppy, Sammy, a two-month-old Russian Springer Spaniel last November. His is now four-month-old, full of energy, affectionate and playful. Every morning we go for a walk with him to a nearby park where we often meet our neighbors with various kind of dogs. We enjoy meeting them repeatedly over the last 2 months.



We often find our relationship with God in Sammy's relationship with us. One day, a big dog, unleashed, began to run toward Sammy. The owner didn't do anything about it while his dog was running toward us. My husband quickly pulled Sammy up high and help him tight in his arms. Somehow that big dog stopped coming. Sammy

had no idea what just happened. He didn't even notice the dog running after him. He was just happy that his protector held up high and hugged him tight for whatever reasons. We thought...how many times God must have done the same thing to protect us from dangers and harms which none of us didn't even notice.

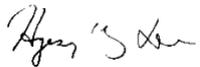
While we were yet sinners and not knowing what we were doing or what situations we were in, God sent his only begotten Son (see Romans 5:8). Jesus Christ came in flesh, went through all the trials and tribulations, died on the cross and destroyed the power of sin and death to save us. How many of us would actually understand what kind of acts of love and sacrifice our God and the Son had done for us? We are eternally humble and grateful for all the graces, known and unknown, freely given to us.

So, let us continue to worship our God. I hope and pray that all of you may continue to participate in our live worship service every Sunday. You will continue to receive ZOOM invitation with Sunday Bulletin every Friday. You still have three options as follows:

1. **Watch and interact** on **ZOOM**
2. **Watch without interaction** live on **YouTube** (There are clickable links on our website home page and our Facebook page for the Live-Stream Service)
3. **Watch the recorded service** on our web page and FaceBook after **7 pm** Sunday

We will continue to be together and connected through prayers, praises, ministries and worship! I am thinking of you every day and praying for you. Let us keep moving forward with our Risen Lord in our hearts!

“Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you!” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)



Your Pastor, Hyesung Lee

Dear Members and Friends of BCUMC

Our dear friend and faithful church member, Carey Hutchison, passed away Friday January 22nd at home surrounded by his family members. I had a chance to see him Wednesday for a departing prayer. Carey worked hard for the work of our church as a Finance chair, SPRC member, Men's Group officer, and so on. We will miss him so much. His wife, Diane, is now with her children. They will not have a funeral service.

May God comfort and bless them with peace and the gift of light in their hearts! Your condolences may be sent to Diane Hutchison at 454 Tayberry Lane, Brentwood, CA 94513. Thanks for your support and prayers!

Pastor Hyesung Lee



SPRC Surprised the Pastor Family!

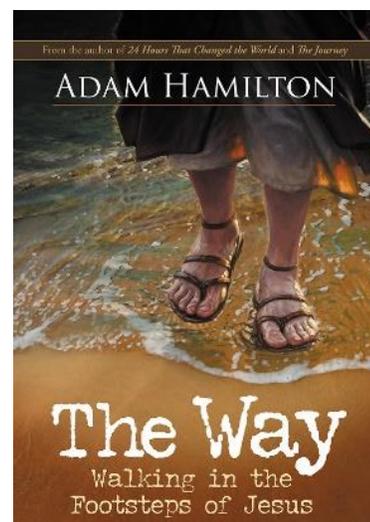
On January 25th (Monday), all the pastors of California-Nevada Conference of UMC gathered together via zoom for the annual Gathering of Orders with Bishop and all the conference staff. Usually, it is held at a big church with delicious foods and extra-nice hospitality for three days in order to help the pastors feeling rested and nurtured. This year, due to COVID-19, it was done virtually from 9 am to 3 pm just for one day. The leadership team came up with a creative idea for the lunch and sent out a letter to all the chairs of SPRC in the Conference, asking them to provide a nice

luncheon at noon for that day. Our SPRC - Heidi Stark (chair), Katie Moore, Miranda Smith, Fran Bowman, Dennis Buckley - discussed this matter and Katie volunteered to cook an Italian food (in consultation with the pastor) for all three family members. She brought Lasagna, salad, bread, dessert, and the Holy Communion elements along with beautiful flowers. The whole family enjoyed this delicious food and felt so loved and supported by the congregation. The pastor wrote: "Katie is a world top class chef! Everything was so perfect! THANK YOU SO MUCH for your love and support, Your pastor Hyesung"



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus Rev. Adam Hamilton)

- you can purchase the book here
- <https://www.cokesbury.com/The-Way-1>)
- **6 Sundays:** Feb 21 to March 28 at 2 pm – 3:30 m (Zoom)
- Travel with Adam Hamilton as he retraces the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. Fascinating video from his personal travels to the Holy Land give you a “first-person” experience while his biblical wisdom and historical knowledge provide thoughtful and insightful commentary.
- For registration, contact pastor Hyesung Lee (925-303-9339; hslee3@gmail.com)
- See the introductory video: <https://youtu.be/IINtroDIKq0>



WE LIFT UP OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES IN OUR PRAYERS

This list is provided by our Congregational Care Network of BCUMC. If you want to add names or make any change in this list, please contact Linda Barnhill at 925.628.9018 or donnlin1103@gmail.com

For Healing and Strength for the Sick:

Heather (daughter of Eugene/Jenny Davis, open heart surgery), **Kelly** (granddaughter of John Moore, COVID) **JoAnn and Laura** (Grandma and mom of Cheryle Breitenbucher, COVID, cancer), **Mike & Adella, Alivia & Jeff Logan-Kumagai** (COVID-19), **Audrey Dunn** (daughter of Jen/Rick Dunn), **Keith Hicks** (recovery from shoulder surgery, our church custodian), **Jeremy Tucker** (grandson of Martin T, COVID-19), **Marla** (neighbor of Waltons, breast cancer), **Don and Marty** (neighbors of Robin Vaughan), **Anita Dillon** (hospice, a friend of Michael Ann), **David Hopkins** (COVID-19 Joyce S nephew), **Chris & Dan Tano** (COVID, niece of Barb Pinkston), **Rebecca Franks** (cancer, aunt of Diana Lane), **Grace Olayomi** (wife of Gbenga), **Dad of Julie Clarke** (cancer), **Billie Ebert** (cancer, mom of Lynn Austin), **Kristi Vest** (sister of Polly G.), **Doreen Smith** (a cousin of Bob Clarke), **David Funk** (cancer), **Jon Kurz** (cancer surgery), **Gabe Charpentier** (chemo), **Vincent Cortese** (dad of Ramona Baxter), **Joan Wood**, **John Logan Gonzales, Gordon Fong, Beverly Tucker**

For Peace and Comfort for Those Who Have Lost Love Ones

Arlene Bowie (mother of Adella Logan) passed away on January 18, 2021
Carey Hutchison passed away January 22, 2021

For Healing and Strength for the Homebound

Barbara Bonnicksen, Diana Easley, Jo Merritt, Ethel Badham,
Esther Riney, Esther Graham, Joyce Heflin, Kittie Piotrowski,
Verna Kruse, Diane Hutchison

Safety for First Responders During COVID-19:

Medical: Ezihe Ekpemiro (hospital RN), Luther Belino (Care Home),
Christopher Janzen (RN), Ashlin Greene (RN), Cory Hartley (RN),
Cheryl Dobson (RN), Teresa Romero (RN),
Diane Taylor (RN) (Larry Schaffer's daughter),
Tori Kuwahara (provides Hospice Care),
Respiratory and Pulmonary Therapists at El Camino Hospital
and John Muir Healthcare

Firefighter: Brett Holm, Robert Ruddick (Captain CC Fire Protection),
Lee Taylor (San Jose, Larry Schaffer's son-in-law)

Police: Lee Davis (Michael Ann's nephew), Michael Brunicardi (Heidi Stark's son in-law)

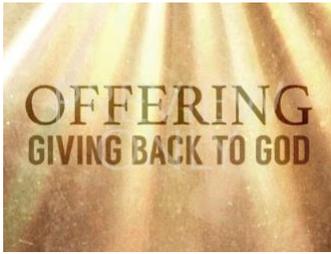
School: Teachers, Staff, Cafeteria Workers and Volunteers at local school districts

Food Ministry: HOPE HOUSE volunteers

Military: Steve Clarke (son of Bob Clarke), Murphy Slay, U.S.Army (son of Paul & Lisa Slay)
Alexandra Reece, U.S.Army medic in Kabul, Afghanistan (Kathy and Fred Gulizia's granddaughter)
Christian Ramsay, U.S. Airforce (Shirley Gray's nephew)



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



YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT IS CRITICAL TO THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH!

Even though we do not meet in person every Sunday as we used to, the church is still working to be the church for all the people in the world. Ministries, done by clergy, staff and lay leaders, continue to serve God and His children in the following areas: WORSHIP, PRAYER, CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, CARING MINISTRY, CONNECTING MINISTRY, OUTREACHING MINISTRY, etc.

Please send your donations to the church

(1) by check (to 809 Second Street, Brentwood, CA 94513) or

(2) by using Paypal or Credit Card online (https://www.brentwoodumc.org/bcumc/make_donation)

YOUR DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!



- 1 Steve Bronzan
- 2 Jan Nixon
- 8 Jeff Schults
- 9 Kevin Gray
- 11 Mary Jean Spediacci
- 13 Blake Kurz
- 14 Hannah Bartlebaugh
- 14 Veronica Hanel
- 16 Mark Azevedo
- 18 Marsha (Sorenson) Carlson
- 19 Nancy Schaffer
- 22 Eugene Davis
- 25 Jerry Walton
- 28 Martin Tucker



- 11 Lian and Luther Belino
- 14 Melissa and Chris van Ruiten
- 14 Marcie and Julius Lukacs

LOVE IS GOOD

Love can come as a surprise
Sometimes simple – maybe wise
Showing us things we thought
We'd never know.
Turn a corner – opens doors
Turn a page – learning more
God's gentle guidance showing us
The way to go.

Years of struggle – old confusions
Letting go of old delusions
Love can be practical and strong.
Valentines across the years
Jesus taking our old fears
Relieving grief and falling tears
Sun is rising – hope arising
As our days move along.

Breath of God – peace of God
Shows us places saints have stood
Things are changing – rearranging
So good to know – God is good
And love is good.
The songs all say it
Smiles relay it
God is good
Love is good!

SPRC – Connecting the Pastor, Staff & Congregation

There are specific tasks that guide the Staff Parish Relations Committee:

- Encourage, strengthen, nurture, support and respect the pastor and staff.
- Promote unity in the church with open and clear communication.
- Confer with staff on the effectiveness of their roles, especially in the use of their gifts, skills and time, and any possible impediments to their effectiveness.
- Routine evaluations, clergy housing, salary recommendations and job descriptions.

Having open and clear communication is key to building trust and lasting relationships so that the whole church continues to grow and thrive. During this time when we cannot meet in person it is especially important that we strive to stay in touch. Please reach out to a SPRC committee member to express your hopes, dreams, compliments and concerns. Each committee member has a specific liaison, but we are all happy to talk with you anytime.

COMMITTEE MEMBER	STAFF
Heidi Stark, SPRC Chair – email hstark@cobaltc.com or call 925-216-4709	Pastor Hyesung Lee
Dennis Buckley – email buckleydennis@hotmail.com or call 925-584-0252	Office Administrator, Michelle Carrillo
Miranda Harmon-Smith – email miranda_harmonsmith@yahoo.com or call 925-997-2796	Nursery Staff, Position is presently unfilled
Miranda Harmon-Smith – email miranda_harmonsmith@yahoo.com or call 925-997-2796	Youth Director, Rebecca Feldermann
Katie Moore – email iamktmoore@gmail.com or call 925-360-4065	Custodian, Keith Hicks
Fran Bowman – email franbowman@gmail.com or call 925-200-2759	Accompanists, Kevin Fallon & Greg Pacquer
Fran Bowman – email franbowman@gmail.com or call 925-200-2759	Choir director, Alivia Logan-Kumagai



United Methodist Women

By Heidi Stark

Our January Zoom meeting was led by Cheryl Breitenbucher with six women in attendance. The topic was The Dignity of Work, and the discussion centered around women in the workplace and the importance of a living wage.

UMW continues to collect items for care packages for deployed female soldiers once a month through an organization called Soldiers' Angels. Great items to send are snacks, body scrubs/lotions, facial masks, hairbands, shampoo/conditioner, feminine hygiene products, deodorants, and leisure materials such as books, magazines, or crossword puzzles. If you would like to help, please drop off items at Cheryl Breitenbucher's porch (address is in the directory). The overall theme for UMW this year is Knitted Together for God's Good Work. If you are a knitter, please consider knitting newborn and preemie hats. The hats can be dropped off with Charlene Dobson (address is in the directory) and her daughter will take them to the hospital she works at. If you have yarn to donate, let UMW know and we will get it to a knitter. We appreciate everyone's generosity.

Our next UMW meeting will be on Zoom on Monday, February 15th at 7pm. Jan Schults will lead the program titled Knit Together Against Violence. We'll learn about the structural sin of racism and how it affects women, and we'll learn how to respond to God's call to love justice with our lives and actions.

Please consider joining us for fun, fellowship, and spiritual growth - all women are welcome! Please email Cheryl Breitenbucher at cbreitenbucher@sbcglobal.net for the meeting Zoom link.

Please join us on Monday, February 15th at 7pm.

ONLINE WEBEX/ZOOM MEETINGS

- **UM Men's Group**: All men are welcome! 8 am Saturday February 6th
- **Re-Opening Task Force**: 7 pm Tuesday February 9th
- **Staff Parish Relations Committee**: 4:30 pm Wednesday February 10th
- **Young Christians Ministry Committee**: 6 pm Thursday, February 11th
- **Trustees**: 7:00 pm Thursday February 11th
- **UM Women's Group**: All women are welcome! 7 pm February 15th
- **Finance Committee**: 6 pm Tuesday February 16th
- **Congregational Care Network**: 10 am Wednesday February 24th
- **Ad Council**: 7 pm Wednesday February 24th (**Anyone who wish to join Ad Council is asked to contact Julius Lukacs for the link prior to the meeting!*)



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

California-Nevada Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church

Los Rios District Superintendent: Rev. Shinya Goto

Pastor: Hyesung Lee † Lay Leaders: Julius Lukacs and David Funk

Administrative Assistant: Michelle Carrillo

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TIME DATED MATERIAL

