



BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Passion for Christ, Compassion for All

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Blessing of the Animals

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am, Sunday, October 8, 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: Michael Ann Honea
Usher(s) Bob Clarke

Assistive listening receivers and headsets are available for members of the congregation who would like to use them.

***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

WELCOME (Sound of the Gong)

Larry Schaffer

***OPENING HYMN**

"All Creatures of Our God and King" (#62 UMH vs. 1, 2 & 4)
(Words by St. Francis of Assisi, 1225)

Together

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Words by St. Francis of Assisi, 1225)

Larry Schaffer

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

**Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;**

Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy;

O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
**To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.**

For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

MISSION/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES Larry Schaffer

INTROIT BCUMC Choir

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Hyesung Lee

LORD'S PRAYER

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Preschool to 5th Grade)

ANTHEM BCUMC Choir

OFFERING of PLEDGES & THANKSGIVING

Prayer: Larry Schaffer

Ushers will be passing the offering plate

Offertory Music

* Doxology #94 (UMH)

TIME FOR COMMUNITY From Zoom & Sanctuary Rev. Hyesung Lee

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Passing of the Peace

***GOSPEL READING** Matthew 10:29-31 (NRSV) Larry Schaffer

MESSAGE "Compassion for All Creatures" Rev. Hyesung Lee

ANIMAL BLESSING SONG

(Words by Hyesung Lee; to be sung in tune of Come, We That Love the Lord, UMH #732) Together

Litany on Behalf of God's Creatures (read responsively)

Leader: Gracious God, you created the earth and all that is in it and proclaimed it good. All this belongs to you, and yet we harm your creation. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to be champions of all those who suffer, so that we may be channels of your goodness.

People: Hear us, O Lord!

Leader: We give you thanks, O God, for animals who live in our homes, on farms, in the wild, and in havens of refuge. Make us ever aware of our stewardship of creation, and help us to be faithful in caring for all you have created.

People: Hear us, O Lord!

Leader: We pray today for animals who are mistreated in any way... Help us to stop abuse in any form. Open our mouths to the defense of the defenseless, and above all, open our lives to your ways.

People: Hear us, O Lord!

Leader: We ask forgiveness for the part we have all played in systems that employ violence and promote hardness of heart.

People: Hear us, O Lord!

Leader: We remember before you our companion animals who have died. We remember at this time also, those animals who are lost or separated from their owners.

People: Hear us, O Lord!

THE BLESSING

**Animals will be blessed individually. Pastor will come to you. You may depart in peace after your animal companions have been blessed.

Rev. Hyesung Lee

POSTLUDE WITH RECESSIONAL

Greg Pacquer



“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.”

Today & Upcoming Schedule

| DATE | TIME | GROUP | ROOM |
|---------------------------|---------|--|--------------------------------|
| Sun. Oct 8th | 8:45 am | Adult Bible Study | Youth Room |
| | 10:30am | Blessing of the Animals | Outside on 2 nd st. |
| | | Sunday School After Time with Young Disciples | Sunday School Room |
| Tues. Oct 10th | 10am | Worship Committee | Fellowship Hall |
| Wed. Oct 11 th | 4:30pm | SPRC | Quiet Room |
| Wed. Oct 11th | 7pm | Ad Council | Fireside Room |
| Mon. Oct 16th | 7pm | United Women in Faith | Fellowship Hall |
| Tues. Oct 17th | 6:30pm | Finance Committee | Fireside Room |
| Thurs. Oct 19th | 6:30pm | Communications Committee | Fireside Room |

1. SCAM ALERT

Members have been contacting the office regarding text messages from scammers posing as Pastor Hyesung Lee. These texts are typically asking for an urgent favor. DO NOT RESPOND TO ANY TEXT OR EMAILS! Please remember that Pastor Lee would not contact a member directly with an emergency request for cash, gift cards or any favors. If you are unsure if an email or text is “real”, please contact Michelle in the office, or reach out to Pastor Lee, or Lay Leaders, Dave Funk or Heidi Stark before taking any action. AGAIN, DO NOT RESPOND TO ANY TEXT OR EMAILS without verifying the validity of the message!

1. NEW MEMBERSHIP ORIENTATION

TODAY! and Oct 15th from 12pm to 1:15 (Quiet Room) If interested please contact Pastor Hyesung either by phone 925 303 9339 or email hslee3@gmail.com or you may just show up! Our gathering is always enjoyable and spiritual.



2. UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH are hosting Trivia, Treats and Treasures on Saturday, October 14 from 6:30-8pm. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a fun family evening of tasty treats, trivia competitions, and a treasure trove of amazing raffle baskets. Event and raffle basket tickets can be purchased October 1, October 8, and at the door on October 14. Event tickets are \$15/person or two for \$25 and include treats, trivia competitions, and two raffle tickets/event ticket. No charge for kids! Additional raffle tickets will be available for purchase – 1 ticket for \$1, 7 tickets for \$5, or 15 tickets for \$10. Even if you can't

attend the event, you can still participate in the raffle basket drawings. All funds raised will go to support United Women in Faith mission projects. Please plan to attend this fun family event and support worthy causes. Questions, please contact Jan Schults, United Women in Faith President at 925-890-6296. All are welcome!

3. GARDEN POTLUCK

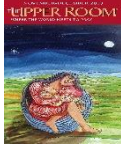

Come join us for a potluck in the garden with songs played by our String Band at 5pm on Saturday, Oct 21st.

4. SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE FALL/HALLOWEEN POTLUCK

Please plan to attend this fun family event on Sunday, October 29, 5-7pm. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a potluck and some fun Fall/Halloween activities. This event is open to all ages and **costumes are encouraged**. We'll enjoy a variety of cozy Fall dishes and tasty treats. We'll also have some fun Fall/Halloween activities appropriate for all ages. A sign-up sheet is available in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy dinner and some fun fellowship with your Church family! All are welcome!

5. 2023 ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE: 2pm Sunday, November 12th in the Sanctuary.
All members and friends are welcome to attend.

6. FELLOWSHIP HOUR We will continue to share the responsibility of making coffee, providing juice, and goodies and treats with the general congregation on a freewill basis **with a Sign-Up Sheet made available on the Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Hall**. join in this endeavor, which, of course, includes set-up and clean-up.

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| Friday Email | Weekly News | Deadline: Thurs at noon | Contact: Michelle admin@brentwoodumc.org |
| Upper Room | November-December Edition |  | Contact: Church office if you wish to receive a copy 925 634 3093 |
| D's and O's | BCUMC Monthly Newsletter | Editor: Bob Clarke bbclarke@comcast.net Deadline: 28 th of the month | Contact: Church office if you wish to receive a copy 925 634 3093 |
| Prayer Chain | Contact Linda Barnhill 925 628 90187; lindalucy1103@outlook.com with your prayer requests | | |
| Suggestion/Feedback Box | Let us know how we are doing. You can confidentially leave messages or requests in the box in the back of Sanctuary. Your input is important to us. | |  |

THOSE SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY

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| Ministers | All Who Follow Christ | Greeters | Michael Ann Honea |
| Pastor | Rev. Hyesung Lee | Usher(s) | Bob Clarke |
| Choir Director | Alivia Logan-Kumagai | Acolyte | TBD |
| Worship Leader | Larry Schaffer | Crucifer | TBD |
| Accompanist | Greg Pacquer | Audio/Visual | Dennis Buckley |
| Sunday School | TBD | Nursery | |
| Altar Flowers | Flowers provided by Joyce Sorenson in memory of Daughter Marsha Carlson | | |
| Attendance from Previous Sunday: 60 | | | |
| | Adults: 47 | Children/Youth: 4 | Zoom: 5 |
| | | | YouTube: 4 |

All Creatures of Our God and King #62

WORDS: Francis of Assisi, ca. 1225; trans. by William H. Draper, 1925, adapt. 1987

1. All creatures of
our God and King,
lift up your voice
and with us sing,
O praise ye! Alleluia!

O brother sun
with golden beam,
O sister moon
with silver gleam!

Refrain O praise ye!
O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!

2. O brother wind,
air, clouds, and rain,
by which all creatures
ye sustain,
O praise ye! Alleluia!

Thou rising morn,
in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening,
find a voice!

4. Dear mother earth,
who day by day
unfoldest blessings
on our way,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The flowers and fruits
that in thee grow,
let them God's
glory also show!

Refrain O praise ye!
O praise ye!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia!