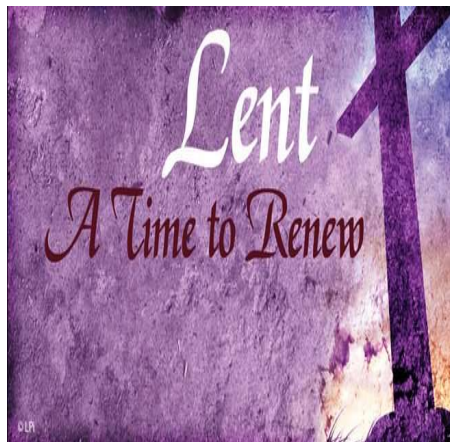




BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Passion for Christ, Compassion for All

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Second Sunday in Lent

10:30 am, Sunday, March 5, 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

Ushers: Scott Baxter & Gbenga Olayomi



Assistive listening receivers and headsets are available for members of the congregation who would like to use them. Please contact the greeter or an usher if you are interested.

***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

Kevin Fallon, Victoria & Chimela Ogbonna

WELCOME & MISSION/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Polly Gallagher

INTROIT

BCUMC Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

We are learning to follow Jesus.

When God says, "Go!" without telling us the destination,

Show us, Christ, how to go forward in faith.

When re-birth is the impossible way forward,

Christ, be our midwife as we accept God's call to be reborn.

When we find ourselves in the in-between of where we've been and where we're going,
Christ, meet us on the way and bless us in the going.

Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!
We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Director of Worship Arts, August 2022.

***OPENING HYMN** "God Has Spoken by the Prophets" (#108 UMH) Together

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Rev. Hyesung Lee

LORD'S PRAYER

SUNDAY SCHOOL (Preschool to 5th Grade) Judy Bieger

ANTHEM BCUMC Choir

OFFERING of PLEDGES & THANKSGIVING Prayer: Polly Gallagher

* Doxology #94 (UMH) Accompanist: Kevin Fallon

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Ushers: Scott Baxter & Gbenga Olayomi

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** John 3:1-17 (NRSV) Polly Gallagher

MESSAGE "Guided by the Holy Spirit" Rev. Hyesung Lee

HOLY COMMUNION

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, Creator of all that is, Donor of Grace, and Giver of Life:
Hear our prayer.**

**There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us
From one another and from You.**

**We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow,
For fear of admitting our part in the separation,
For fear of being rejected when we reach out.**

**You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships,
To a wholeness with each other and with You.**

**Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations
Through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

*Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good.' Used with
permission. <https://holdfasttowhatisgood.com/liturgy/prayer-of-confession>.*

***CLOSING HYMN** "I Know Whom I Have Believed (#714 UMH vs 1, 3 & 4) Together

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Hyesung Lee

POSTLUDE, ACOLYTE & CRUICFER Kevin Fallon, Victoria & Chimela Ogbonna



"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)

- **SPRC:** 4:30pm Wed March 8th (Quiet Room)
- **Ad Council:** 7pm Wed March 8th (Fireside Room)
- **Worship Comm:** 10am Wed March 14th (Fellowship Hall)
- **United Women In Faith:** 7pm Mon March 20th (Fellowship Hall)
- **Finance Comm:** 6:30pm Tues March 21st (Fireside Room)

2. SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR

3/5/23	SPRC
3/12/23	TRUSTEES
3/19/23	MEMBERSHIP & FRIENDS IN FAITH
3/26/23	WORSHIP



3. YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE (For 6th to 12th graders)

March 5th 5:30 Sierra Service Project

March 12th 5:30 dinner/bible/games

**Please RSVP by the Friday to Cheryl Breitenbucher (Youth Director) at

youth@brentwoodumc.org

4. 2023 LENTEN BIBLE CHALLENGE

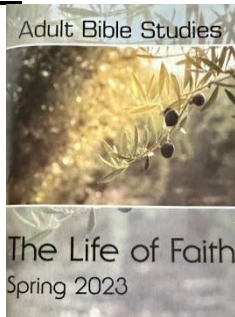


When: Feb 22 (Ash Wed) to April 8 (Sat) (40 days except Sundays)

What: One Chapter a Day (16 chapters of Romans + 24 chapters of Luke)

How: (1) Answering three questions to each chapter on Weekly Journal (available through Sunday Bulletin and Friday Email); (2) Joining a Zoom Meeting to share your journey with others on 7 pm Sundays of 3/5 & 3/19 & 4/2.

5.



Adult Bible Studies, "The Life of Faith"

Includes Lenten Bible Challenge Discussion & Questions.

This spring, our Bible lesson follows the theme "Faith." The lessons explore the concept of salvation and God's gracious acts in redeeming us. They challenge us who have experienced God's gracious salvation to work for freedom and justice on behalf of others.

They acknowledge that as we do, we will encounter those whose beliefs and values are different from our own, so they encourage us in ways to remain faithful to our beliefs while we act as neighbors to others.

Adult Bible Studies Booklet, "The Life of Faith" Spring 2023

When: March 05 to May 28, 2023

Who: Open to all. Drop "INS" are welcomed.

Where: Brentwood Community UMC Youth Classroom.

Time: Start Class 8:45am with Video after Lenten Bible Question discussion. Class ends at 9:45am.

Come fellowship and grow with us

6. UMM ANNUAL BEAN FEED Drive-Thru Event Sunday March 26th, 2023; from 4 until 6:30 P.M. The United Methodist Men (UMM) will be sponsoring this year's Bean Feed at the above date and time. This year we will be holding the event in the same fashion as last year. After a good discussion about the status of COVID and masking in public settings we decided it would be safer for everybody to not have the annual event indoors with the auction, raffle, and potluck dinner. Hopefully next year we will continue with our traditional evening of fun and fellowship. Again, in Lieu of the traditional event UMM will be catering a delicious meal directly to your car as you drive by the side entrance of the church. Traffic Directions: On Midway Street (the alley), please come in from the HOPE House side (Pine Street). All you need to do is drive up to the side entrance door and we will be waiting. Hand us your ticket or purchase one at the door and we will deliver a plated, wrapped, delicious tri-tip or mac & cheese casserole meal with potato salad and baked beans, dinner roll, carrot cake, and a bottle of water. All the makings for an easy and delicious Sunday night dinner! We will also have a delivery service for shut ins. Most of the proceeds go to the UMM scholarship fund. Some of the proceeds have been used in support of other ministries in our church, such as HOPE House. This worthwhile event has been an annual tradition of Brentwood Community United Methodist Church (BCUMC) for 38 years. UMM has always had the goal of providing scholarships to young adults, and in some cases, older adults, during their academic journeys. For 2022, UMM will provide 5 scholarships of \$750 for college expenses on March 19th, 2023. We are asking for a minimum \$15.00 donation for a plate. Please see one of the men of BCUMC UMM for a ticket or purchase a ticket at the door. Thank you for your support!

7. PALM SUNDAY SERVICE 10:30am April 2nd



8. GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7pm April 7th Worship both in person & Online

9. BCUMC EASTER SERVICE Sunday April 9th
6am Sunrise Service Location: Lawn on 2nd Street
7am -10am Easter Breakfast (by UMM) Fellowship Hall
10:30am Easter Morning Service



10. SAVE THE DATE SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2PM BCUMC will host a free community concert performed by the **CELEBRATION RINGERS** handbell choir. Mark your calendars, bring your family, invite your friends and plan to attend!

11. SUNDAY SCHOOL is currently looking for another teacher or two that would be willing to teach one Sunday a month. Lesson plan ideas, curriculum, and supplies can all be provided for anyone willing to teach - and if you're on the fence, anyone is welcome to come down to "student teach." Please contact Chris van Ruiten (christopher.vanruiten@gmail.com, 916-541-8412) if you'd like more information or like to volunteer!



12. DATA ENTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT HOPE HOUSE

Monday or Wednesday Mornings Please volunteer to help with HOPE House data entry. We are open to our clients from 9 am to 12 noon on Monday and Wednesday. We need volunteers to work at the computer from 8:30 am to about 12:45 pm. We are happy to train anyone who would like to help with the data entry. It is not difficult. It involves entering dates and client information into an Excel file on the computer. Also, we process applications for new clients, update the applications yearly and do miscellaneous clerical tasks to keep our records organized. We at HOPE House are a friendly and supportive bunch. We'd love to have you join us. You may volunteer to help out on an occasional basis, or to work one or two specific days per month, or more. Joy Kick - phone: 925-434-8968, email: joy.stephenson.kick@gmail.com Shirley Gray - phone: 925-634-8082, email: graysquirrel@gmail.com

13. Cross-Cultural/Intercultural Training—Culture labs 1&2

Saturday, March 11, 9-12 pm

A *must* for clergy and their leadership team in cross-racial, cross-cultural (CRCC) appointments, but open to all clergy and laity. Maximum capacity of 300 registrants. Eligible for Clergy Continuing Education Units of 0.3 CEU to meet the Intercultural Competency requirement.

The Zoom link will be in your confirmation email.

Registration deadline: March 5!!

Registration link: <https://calnev-reg.brtapp.com/CRCCMarch2023>

14. FLOWER SIGNUP

A signup sheet is on the bulletin board in the social hall for people to bring flowers for the sanctuary. Share flowers with everyone to celebrate someone's anniversary, birthday, memory, honor or any occasion. Contact: Barb Pinkston for further information 925 783 9560

barbpink1939@gmail.com **Sign up to bring Easter lilies from April 9th**



15. D'S AND O'S

March's newsletter 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; 925-634-3093). Editor, Bob Clarke, always welcomes your articles or news for our monthly church newsletter. Due date is 25th of the month. Bob's email is bbclarke@comcast.net

16. PRAYER CHAIN

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

17. BCUMC EMAIL

We are still having difficulties with our email server and are working on getting these issues resolved. Please continue to use our temporary email at:

brentwoodcommunityumc@gmail.com

18. Address Update:

Mel & Bea Strong
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Brentwood, CA 94513

THOSE SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY

Ministers	All Who Follow Christ	Greeter(s)	Margo Wentz
Pastor	Rev. Hyesung Lee	Usher(s)	Scott Baxter & Gbenga Olayomi
Choir Director	Alivia Logan-Kumagai	Acolyte	Victoria Ogbonna
Worship Leader	Polly Gallagher	Crucifer	Chimela Ogbonna
Accompanist	Kevin Fallon	Audio/Visual	Dennis Buckley
Sunday School	Judy Bieger	Nursery	Not open
Altar Flowers	<i>Scott & Carl Kammeyer 2/26/23</i>		<i>Larry Schaffer 3/5/23</i>

Attendance for Previous Sunday: 75

Adults:55	Children/Youth: 8	Zoom: 6	YouTube: 6
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FEEDBACK/SUGGESTION BOX



Please let us know how we are doing. You can confidentially leave messages or prayer requests – whatever you want us to know. We’re hoping that you will let us know your hopes and dreams for BCUMC. Also, let us know what you like or don’t like (sermons are too short or too long, more music, less music, study ideas, small group ideas, fellowship ideas, etc…) Your input will inform our actions and we want to make sure we are accurately reflecting the wants and needs of our congregation.

From Lay Leaders, David Funk & Heidi Stark

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