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2018 FEBRUARY Worship & Preaching Schedule

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SUNDAYS	Scriptures & Sermon Theme	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACCTIVITIES	
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany February 4, 2018	Isaiah 40:21-31 Mark 1:29-39 "Focus"	Holy Communion	
Transfiguration Sunday February 11, 2018 PULPIT EXCHANGE	Matthew 5:9 "Be a Peace-Maker" Preacher: Rev. Sungho Lee (Concord UMC)	 Confirmation Class (11) MTJ (Middle School) at 5:30 pm – Bible Olympic with Potluck VOYAGERS (60 and older)at 4:00 pm 	
Ash Wednesday February 14, 2018 AT 7 PM	Isaiah 58:1-12 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 "Mortality in Grace"	 Wed Prayer at 6 pm – 7 pm (Sanctuary) Holy Communion Ash Imposition 	
First Sunday in Lent February 18, 2018	Genesis 9:8-17 Mark 1:9-15 "Wilderness Journey"	 Lent Study "Moses" (1) at 8:45 am Confirmation Class (12) 	
Second Sunday in Lent February 25, 2018	Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Mark 8:31-38 "Ministry of Intervention"	 Lent Study "Moses" (2) at 8:45 am Confirmation Class (10) BEAN FEED at 5:00 pm 	

WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY

Sunday	Acolyte	Crucifer
2/4	Christian Belino	Jamie Feldermann
2/11	Robin van Ruiten	Wren Driscoll
2/18	Abby Scott	Trevor Austin
2/25	Dylie Slay	Jacob Lukacs

Staff Liaison Assignments

Please contact the appropriate SPRC person to communicate any praise, suggestions or concerns regarding any of our staff members. The assigned liaison(s) for each staff person is as follows:

Staff Person <u>Liaison</u>

Hyesung Lee, Pastor Jennifer Dunn & John D. Moore

Debra Urzua, Office Manager

Blanca Malagon, Housekeeping

Alivia Logan, Choir Director

John D. Moore

Linda Walton

Carey Hutchinson

Jordan Pospisil, Nursery Care Joy Kick Ryan Pospisil, Nursery Care Joy Kick

Lugh Baxter, Part-Time Accompanist

To be assigned by 2018 SPRC

Rebecca Feldermann, Youth Director Rick Dunn

Note: Carlos Malagon, our Gardener, is not a staff member. Please direct any comments regarding grounds maintenance to Debra Urzua in the church office.

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

(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)

For Homebound: Barbara Bonnickson, Lou Bronzan, Randy Fortner, Cliff Fortner

Geraldine Dupuich (Diana Easley's mom), Laura Breitenbucher (Cheryl's mom)

Nadden Mills (Mother of Roxanna Simas), Joyce Heflin, Renee Miller

Marsha Carlson (Joyce Sorenson's daughter)

For Healing: Beverly Hendrix, Diana Easley, Esther Graham, Galen Tidrick

Ethel Badham, Fred Schults (Jeff's brother), Debra Urzua

Diane Hutchison, Nick Luoma, Chris Baldwin Beverly Johnson, Martha Bryning (Beverly's sister)

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





OFFERTORY SONG
Pat Solero and Bob Harrison



New Members Received ~ Sunday, January 28th

Please welcome the four people who joined as members of our congregation. They are: James Bartlett, with Dave Funk as his Friend in Faith,
Brenda Coatsworth, with JoAnn Funk as her Friend in Faith,
Debbie Lopuszynski, with Linda Barnhill as her Friend in Faith,
and Alfred Narayan, with Linda Walton as his Friend in Faith.

◆ Pastor's Letter ◆

Dear Friends in Ministry

How was your first month of 2018? I hope you began your new year with something meaningful and soul-nurturing experience! I was very grateful for Sunday Night Live on January 21 for Labyrinth Prayer Walk. It was a wonderful NEW experience for many participants. 23 adults and 12 kids have come and enjoyed this simple but mysterious prayer walk! Many people said it was peaceful, a different kind of prayer experience. I loved the fact that it was a multi-generational event from a small kid to an elderly member. All the kids were behaving excellently by staying engaged in the program and respectful toward everyone. They were so curious and interested in what was going to happen on that new journey. I was so happy to know that they would never forget that night for the rest of their lives.

I was also very happy to see that our congregation was united in prayer. The whole setting was beautifully decorated with many candles. Literally we walked the path of light (see the pictures). One of the participants shared his experience with me. While walking the Labyrinth, he realized that throughout his life he has tended to rush to the conclusion so quickly. He wanted to have an instant fix to all his problems. But he realized that for everything there has to be a walk in between, a process, a journey that you don't take alone but with other people. You've got to let the walk keep going in prayer...then the road will lead you to the center and back to your life, renewed and re-spirited. He kept telling me how good it was to him.







There are so many small group activities all around the year. Please look at our CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR in the Fellowship Hall and find something relevant to your life and spiritual journey!!!

Sincerely,

Your Pastor, Hyesung Lee

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER

Wednesday Night Prayer continues 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!



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PULPIT EXCHANGE on February 11

Rev. Hyesung Lee and her husband Rev. Sungho Lee (senior pastor at Concord United Methodist Church) will have a Pulpit Exchange on **Sunday**, **February 11th**.

Pastor Sungho Lee is a Korean American pastor who was born and raised in Korea. He moved to the USA when he was 27 years old, spent more than 27 years in USA and is now a USA citizen.



He graduated from Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary (M.Div) and Northwestern University (Ph. D. in the Hebrew Bible and Communication Studies).

He was ordained elder in the Northern Illinois Annual Conference where he served South Suburban Chicago KUMC, Salem KUMC, Belvidere UMC, and Orland Park KUMC. He was appointed to the Santa Clara KUMC in 2003 and transferred to the California Nevada Annual Conference. Then he was appointed to our Concord UMC in 2010.

He is serving on the New and Vital Congregation Committee and UM Foundation as well as our church. He also serves many pastors through Small Group Leader Training and Spiritual Formation Academy. He preaches at many revival meetings and gatherings. He has passion for the elderly and the homeless people.



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

7:00 pm February 14th in the Sanctuary

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday Service with the imposition of ash and the Holy Communion.

Check out the

CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

located in the Fellowship Hall.
Chairs of Committees and Teams are asked to update each group's activities as soon as determined.

VALENTINES DAY

An early morning fog
Things are not so clear
Still a certain beauty
Has come to visit here.
White blossoms on the trees
Nature waking once again
New hope and new life stirring
Brought on by sun and rain.
Life is full of many things
And when I stop to pray
There is the subtle loving Presence
The true Love - of Valentines Day.

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- 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
- 25 Jerry Walton
- 28 Martin Tucker



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BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

If your birthday or anniversary is in February and your name is not listed here, please let me know! Betty Gaughan: partgone@sbcglobal.net or 925.513.3863

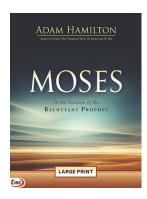
PLEASE COME AND CELEBRATE ESTHER GRAHAM'S 100th BIRTHDAY





WEDNESDAY - MARCH 28th 2 - 5 pm

at the home of Barbara Pinkston 140 Pleasant Place - Antioch



Six Week Lenten Study

Moses: In the Footsteps of Reluctant Prophets (Rev. Adam Hamilton)

February 18 – March 25 (Six Sundays)

8:45 am - 10 am

Sunday School Room

Facilitator: Rev. Hyesung Lee

Text Book: \$15 (available on Feb 4th)

**Sign-Up Sheet is in the Fellowship Hall

It doesn't get much more dramatic: rescued baby, life in the courts of Pharaoh, parting the Red Sea, leading his people out of Egypt...Moses' life was one challenge after the next, but although he resisted God's calling, by the end of his life he successfully fulfilled the role he was given. Join award-winning author Adam Hamilton as he travels from Egypt to Mt. Sinai, the Nile, the Red Sea, and the wilderness exploring the sites of Moses' life. As Hamilton shares historical information, archaeological data, and biblical text, you'll gain a better understanding of Moses' significance in your life today, and you'll discover how you, too, can turn your own reluctance into boldness.

Benefit Concert for North Korea Refugee



- When: Feb. 24th, Saturday, 7 PM
- Where: Concord United Methodist Church [1645 West St, Concord, CA 94521; (925) 685-5260]
- Music by Master Chorale (Korean Choir in Bay Area) and Brass Fire Quintet (Concord)
- Free Will Offering is appreciated!

Sponsored by Mustard Seed Mission Society (President: Pastor Sungho Lee)

SPRC Training (Los Rios District)

What: This training is for the members and chairs of the Staff Parish Relations Committee and will explore its function.

When: Feb. 17th, 2018 (Saturday) from 10:00 AM until 2:00PM Where: Antioch UMC (50 Walton Lane, Antioch, CA 94509)

Fee \$10 Here's the link for registration: https://calnev-reg.brtapp.com/2018SPRCTrainingLosRiosDistrict

LENT BIBLE BLAST

This Lenten season, BCUMC will participate in a church-wide activity...Reading the WHOLE Bible over a period of 40 days! Everyone is encouraged to participate...from young to old!



How do you join in the fun?

In the Fellowship Hall there is a poster of the Bible broken down into different books and chapters. Some smaller sections are a whole book; others are 6 or 10 chapters to read, depending on what you sign up for. You can sign up to read one (or more) on your own sometime during the season of Lent. Once you read your chosen section(s), you'll color in the corresponding square you signed up on.

When we're done, we'll have a colorful Bible poster to display, and we'll have completed an awesome activity together!

Some passages will be extra blessed with surprise gifts inside (to be announced at the end of Lent).

For Questions, Contact Youth Director Becca Feldermann at (925) 876-0562.

Read-The-Bible-In-A-Year class

will meet next on Thursday, Feb. 15th in the Quiet Room. The calendar of verses to read are posted to our Facebook page where they can easily be downloaded and printed out. Everyone should feel free to jump in and join us! Call Dave Funk at 628-8938 for more information.

Monday, February 19, Priscilla Circle of United Methodist Women will be meeting at Panera's on Lone Tree at 6:30 PM All Women Are Welcome!

Announcing the 36th (or something near that number) Annual

BEAN FEED!

Sunday -- February 25th -- 5:00 PM

UMM will provide: Tri-Tip & Chicken grilled and drinks All proceeds go to the UMM scholarship and mission funds.

Bring your favorite Bean recipe or salad along with your family & friends!

Tickets are available from any United Methodist Man.





The month of January was a fun and fast one for Sunday School. Both our PreK-2nd grade & 3rd-5th grade classes started lessons on Parables. The PreK-2nd grade class has learned about The Good Samaritan, The Lost Sheep, The Prodigal Son, and the Parable of the Sower. The 3rd-5th grade class spent the month breaking down and learning about the Parable of the Sower.

Please keep an eye on our bulletin board for updates, or for new leaves to 'pick' on our Giving Tree!



The 2018 confirmation class began their 9th lesson on January 21—the first in a two-part series on Theology. The confirmands have continued meeting with their mentors as well. The confirmands will have an opportunity to attend the Bishop's retreat on either March 17-18 or April 7-8.

Please continue to pray for the confirmands, their mentors, their parents, and the teachers as they continue this important faith journey.



The middle school group, otherwise known as MTJ, had a fairly low key January. We met 3 different Sundays and discussed music, social issues, and wisdom. We took a break on the 21st to attend the Sunday Night Live "Labyrinth Walk". What a moving spiritual experience!

MTJ will take Superbowl Sunday off, then resume for a special themed event on February 11th — the Bible Olympics! This will take place from 5:00-7:30pm and will include a potluck—each MTJer will bring a food from their heritage or "country" (to celebrate the Olympic spirit).

We will have regular meetings for most of February, with the last Sunday being a game night. This information can also be found on the bulletin board and will be in the weekly newsletter.

The youth group also had a low-key January. Things will pick up in February starting with the Fat Tuesday Pancake Feed on Tuesday, February 13th followed by some fun events in March.

Please look to the website (www.brentwoodumc.org) and the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for the most up to date information.



TRIVIA, TREATS and TREASURES Saturday – February 3rd – 7 pm

WALK-INS ARE WELCOME!!

This event is a fun night for ages 10 and up. This year teams will consist of six members (we are using our new round tables). The first place team will receive \$120 and the second place team will receive \$60. There are two rounds of about 15 questions. Questions are varied, so it does help to have a diverse age group on your team.

Treasures will consist of a wide range of raffle baskets and perhaps other surprises. Treats are small snacks sweet and savory to help keep your energy up during the contest! Tickets are \$10. Any questions? Contact Polly Gallagher at 634-8773 or vingal@pacbell.net



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

El Camino Real District Superintendent: Rev. Schuyler Rhoads Pastor: Hyesung Lee 🏚 Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs Secretary: Debra Urzua

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TIME DATED MATERIAL

