

Deeds and Opportunities

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JUNE 2018



FATHERS DAY SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30 am Sunday June 17th

Carnations to all men at the church 🌸🌸🌸 All women singing for all men in the church

2018 JUNE Worship & Preaching Schedule

SUNDAYS	Scriptures & Sermon Theme	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACCTIVITIES
Second Sunday after Pentecost June 3, 2018	1 Samuel 3:1-10, Mark 2:23-3:6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Holy Communion ▪ Staff Appreciation Picnic at 4 pm at Veterans Park (3841 Balfour Road)
Third Sunday after Pentecost June 10, 2018	1 Samuel 8:4-11, Mark 3:20-35	
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 17, 2018 FATHER'S DAY	1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13 Mark 4:26-34	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Giving carnations to all men; all women singing a special song for men during Worship Service
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost June 24, 2018	1 Samuel 17: 32-49 Mark 4:35-41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LGBTQ Plus OPEN DISCUSSION: noon in Fireside Room

WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR JUNE

Sunday	Acolyte	Crucifer
6/3	Christian Belino	Jamie Feldermann
6/10	Robin van Ruiten	Alex Dunn
6/17 Father's Day	Maggie Monsef	Jacob Lukacs
6/24	Maeci Scott	Kaela Scott

Staff Liaison Assignments

There have been some changes in the assignment of some of our staff liaisons. 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:

<u>Staff Person</u>	<u>Liaison</u>
Hyesung Lee, Pastor	Polly Gallagher
Debra Urzua, Office Manager	Rosemary Wood
Blanca Malagon, Housekeeping	Linda Walton
Alivia Logan, Choir Director	Carey Hutchinson
Jordan Pospisil, Nursery Care	Joy Kick
Ryan Pospisil, Nursery Care	Joy Kick
Clara Crowell, Substitute Nursery Care	Joy Kick
Lugh Baxter, Part-Time Accompanist	Shirley Gray
Greg Pacquer, Part-Time Accompanist	Shirley Gray
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.

◆ *Pastor's Letter* ◆

Dear Friends in Ministry

In June, California-Nevada Annual Conference will celebrate its 170th Session in Modesto, California, from Wednesday, June 20, 2018 to Saturday, June 23, 2018. Around 450 clergy members and 500 lay delegates to Annual Conference will represent nearly 80,000 people of faith from 370 United Methodist Churches and Fellowships across the Conference. We are all from diverse cultures and diverse geography, and are united in a belief in the One we call Jesus Christ.

Annual Conference takes care of the following usual agendas:

- (1) Giving account to God of the work they have done and their stewardship of the resources God has given them since they last met.
- (2) Having a holy time to discern God's will for their future
- (3) Persons called to ordained ministry are commissioned and ordained
- (4) Both clergy and lay personnel and financial resources are deployed for ministry.
- (5) Retiring clergy members are honored and those who have departed during the year are remembered
- (6) The annual appointment of each clergy to a particular church is finalized and announced.
- (7) Above all, annual conference sessions have been connectional gatherings where the gathered have experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit and have been revived for God's holy work.

In this year, we will have a special election to elect delegates to represent us at the special General Conference February 23-26, 2019, in St. Louis, Missouri. We will be electing 3 clergy delegates and 3 lay delegates. They will work to decide for the future of our denomination in relation to the issue of inclusion of ALL people.

In the meantime, the Council of Bishops of UMC had offered their recommendation for the special agenda of 2019 General Conference. Please read the following new release by the Council of Bishops on May 4, 2018:

United Methodist bishops, meeting in Chicago, engaged in a prayerful process to discern a way forward. At the conclusion of the discernment process, the Council of Bishops strongly approved the following motion and rationale:

Having received and considered the extensive work of the Commission on a Way Forward, the Council of Bishops will submit a report to the Special Session of the General Conference in 2019 that includes:

- **All three plans (The Traditionalist Plan, The One Church Plan and the Connectional Conference Plan) for a way forward considered by the Commission and the Council.**
- **The Council's recommendation of the One Church Plan.**
- **An historical narrative of the Council's discernment process regarding all three plans.**

Rationale: In order to invite the church to go deeper into the journey the Council and Commission have been on, the Council will make all the information considered by the Commission and the Council of Bishops available to the delegates of the General Conference and acknowledges there is support for each of the three plans within the Council. The values of our global church are reflected in all three plans. The majority of the Council recommends the One Church Plan as the best way forward for The United Methodist Church.

Guided by the [mission, vision and scope document](#), the bishops agreed to recommend the One Church Plan. This plan provides conferences, churches, and pastors the flexibility to uniquely reach their missional context while retaining the connectional nature of The United Methodist Church.

The One Church Plan allows for contextualization of language about human sexuality in support of the mission; and allows for central conferences, especially those in Africa, to retain their disciplinary authority to adapt the Book of Discipline and continue to include traditional language and values while fulfilling the vision of a global and multicultural church.

This plan also encourages a generous unity by giving United Methodists the ability to address different missional contexts in ways that reflect their theological convictions. The One Church Plan removes the restrictive language of the Book of Discipline and adds assurances to pastors and Conferences who due to their theological convictions cannot perform same-sex weddings or ordain self-avowed practicing homosexuals.

The Council's discernment process was guided by the over-arching desire to strategically help the General Conference do its work and to honor the General Conference's request for the Council to help the church find a way forward.

"With convicted humility, bishops want to be pastors and shepherds of the whole church in order to maximize the presence of a United Methodist witness in as many places in the world as possible and with as much contextual differentiation as possible," said newly installed Council of Bishops President Ken Carter.

The bishops expressed deep appreciation for the diligent work that the 32-member Commission on a Way Forward did in formulating the three plans: the Traditionalist Plan, the One Church Plan and the Connectional Conference Plan.

While the bishops recommended the One Church Plan, they affirmed that the Connectional Conference Plan and the Traditionalist Plan held values that are important to the life and work of the church and will be included in the final report to the Special Session of General Conference that the bishops have called for Feb. 23-26 in St. Louis, Missouri, USA.

Bishop Carter, who served as one of the moderators of the Commission, said the bishops are adopting a spirit of collaboration with the Commission, and an attitude of respect for the delegations who will take up this work on behalf of the whole church.

"The Council's prayerful deliberation reflected the diversity of the global denomination on the matter of homosexuality and many other matters. The Council affirms the strength of this diversity and our commitment to maintain the unity of the church," Bishop Carter said.

Full details of the plans and accompanying legislative proposals will be released as soon as final editing of the entire report is completed and translated into the official languages of the General Conference. It is estimated this will be no later than July 8.

Let us pray for our Church as we work hard to make the right decision for the future!

Sincerely,



Your Pastor, Hyesung Lee



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, Cliff Fortner

For Healing and Strength: Beverly Hendrix, Diana Easley, Galen Tidrick
Fred Schults (Jeff's brother), Mike Logan, Loren & Robin Jenks
Gabriel Charpentier, Michelle Hill, Carey & Diane Hutchison
Debra Urzua

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



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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All Church Breakfast

Sunday, June 10th

8:30 am to 10:15 am

Hot Pancakes and Syrup

Scrambled Eggs and Sausage

Fresh Fruit

Coffee and Juice

Provided by the Men's Group





4 Cheryl Dobson
4 Luther Belino
5 Savannah Weekes
8 Linda Barnhill
8 Bob Clarke
8 Chris van Ruiten
9 Jillian Stirling
9 Don Hughes
15 Rebecca Schults
16 Larry Schaffer
18 Fran Hassler
18 Debra Urzua
18 Lian Belino
19 Edie Tidrick
25 Roxanna Simas
25 Jonathan Cruz
25 Hunter Austin
25 Doug Umana
26 Lola Hansen
27 Jan Schults
27 Cheryl Breitenbucher
28 Samuel Lukacs

Happy Anniversary

2 Kathie and Fred Gullizia
5 Mary Jean and Urb Spedicacci
13 Betty and Jack Gaughan
18 Adella and Mike Logan
19 Katie and John D. Moore
25 Diana and Robert Easley

HAPPY FATHERS DAY

“The best time to plant a tree
Is twenty years ago.
The second best time
Is today.”
Words of wisdom from my Dad
Who left this earth
Now more than twenty years ago.
We all have stories and memories
Of our fathers – things we cherish
And perhaps things we wish
Hadn’t happened.
Life is a school – with opportunities
To grow – in love and patience
In understanding and forgiveness.
Whatever happened – or didn’t happen
I believe we love our fathers
And they loved us
Doing their best – a channel of God’s love.
Happy Fathers Day, Dad
Thanks for everything.
I think I’ll go plant a tree.

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MEN’S BREAKFAST

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH – 8:00 AM

BCUMC Fellowship Hall

All men are invited to breakfast.

Come and Join in a great breakfast and fellowship.
Heart-healthy food to be included.

We will meet this **SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd.**

Bring a friend. His breakfast is free!

Call Dave Funk, 925-997-5018

with any questions

“CAUGHT” IN STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

• *By Jerry Walton*

- **Dolores Hauan** has sent over 20 cards every week to shut-ins, thank-yous, and words of encouragement to friends and church family members . . . and every Sunday morning you might be enjoying her home-baked goodies at the fellowship hour.
- **Donna Baker** has baked home-made bread for Holy Communion for several years every first Sunday of the month.
- **Charlene Dobson** has been making her special home-made soups for our “Sunday Night Live” and other functions.
- The **Staff-Parish Relations Committee** has been working diligently to cover the church office responsibilities while Debra is on medical leave.
- The **Confirmation Committee** finished several months of ministry to help our confirmands complete they’re journey. Thank-you Julius, Rebecca, Marcie, Jen, Rick, Michelle, and Pastor Hyesung.

**Next time you see these wonderful stewards of our church,
give them a very warm handshake!**

Support And Help For BCUMC Ministries

Thank-you everyone for all you do to support and energize our Ministries here at Brentwood Community United Methodist Church! With your strong support we were able to pay all the bills and support Hope House and the Conference “Peace With Justice Sunday (\$240).” It is truly a blessing to be able to support God’s ministry!

VACATION ALERT!

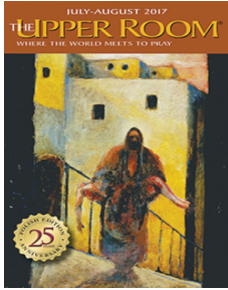
We are entering the Vacation time of the year, when we all take some much-needed time with family and friends to rejuvenate and reward ourselves for hard work and commitments. Unfortunately, our Church’s obligations can’t take vacations and we usually fall behind on paying our bills during the summer months.

Please keep our Church in your thoughts and prayers this summer.

Jerry Walton, Finance Chair

SPECIAL SUMMER MUSIC NEEDED

While the choir is taking a break, you can volunteer to offer special music during Sunday Worship Services. Your contribution will be greatly appreciated.
Please don’t be shy...just call Pastor Hyesung at 925-303-9339 or email at hslee3@gmail.com



New Small Group - The Upper Room

Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the Quiet Room

I am sure many of you are familiar with The Upper Room magazine and its daily devotions. I found this lovely little booklet years ago at the church I attended, and it quickly became part of my daily devotional time. I have had a subscription for many years and consider it a wonderful resource. Each day has a short scripture reading, followed by a devotion written by someone like you or me, a concluding prayer, a thought to remember, and a daily prayer focus. A whole lot packed on one page a day. My desire is to connect with other readers of The Upper Room and hear what moved them, what struck a chord, what made them think; I find this type of exchange enlightening.

I am gifting the Church with 12 copies of the Upper Room for the next year; you can expect to find them 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 join me on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the Quiet Room to discuss what moved you, got you thinking, etc. from the devotions read during the week. My plan is for this to be a low-key, no pressure, come when you can group; a time of fellowship to discuss the devotionals. – Heidi Stark

Memorial Service for Dorothy Moran

Dorothy Moran, mother of Staci Webb, passed away recently. The family is planning to have a small ceremony at Brentwood Cemetery in the morning of Saturday June 23rd and then a time to share memories with loved ones at the Fellowship Hall in Brentwood Community U.M.C. from noon to 2 pm. You are all invited to come and express your love and condolences to the family. Staci's email is < londonluv@comcast.net > and home address is 905 135th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98332.

*Please Come to Celebrate
the Retirement of John McLaughlin
Saturday June 9th • Open House • 12 noon to 4:00 pm
Holy Cross UMC
1200 West Hammer Lane, Stockton, CA
Regrets only to Lori 925-550-1530*



**SUNDAY
SCHOOL**

This Sunday, June 3rd, we will be recognizing our wonderful Sunday School students during the service. We have had a great year teaching & learning with all of our fantastic children. **New this year: Sunday School will be held during the summer months.** If you are interested in helping, please contact Connie Azevedo, Bob Clarke, or Pastor Hyesung.



Our 2017-2018 calendar of events for the Youth Group has come to a close. We will begin again with our weekly meetings and 2018-2019 calendar of events after summer break. What a fantastic and full year we've had! From our Sunday night MTJ (Middle School group) to service work to YAHS (Young Adult/High School Group) to fun & friends, it has been a truly blessed & awesome year.

Thank you to all of the chaperones and volunteers, to our congregation for supporting and encouraging our youth, and to our Pastor for her constant support. And a BIG thank you to our outstanding youth for making this a marvelous year!



LOOK! A NEW FENCE AROUND THE GOOD NEWS GARDEN!

Thanks to Zachary Ellington, who chose to replace the very old fence around the BCUMC garden for his Eagle Scout Project.

Project Benefit:

Currently, there is a temporary chain-link fence that is not supported in the ground. The church would like to have a permanent fence built and installed to house the garden area.

The garden supplies produce to the H.O.P.E. house ministry, which is a food and clothing distribution ministry serving the needs of individuals and families in Brentwood, Knightsen, Bethel Island, Discovery Bay, Oakley, and Byron.



Project Description:

Remove temporary fencing, build and install permanent aluminum decorative 4' fence panels and 3 gates (~ 63.5 feet total) with in-ground posts. Fence will be installed adjacent to the Methodist Church garden.





What's Up with the new signs, Reconciling Committee?

By Jennifer Dunn, Dennis Buckley and Tristan Mendoza

Quite a lot, actually! A few months ago, one of our BCUMC members was at the optometry department at the Kaiser Delta Fair Medical building in Antioch. On his way back to his car after the appointment, he noticed a sign next to the doors. It was a “Safe Zone” sign with a rainbow triangle in the center and text in English and Spanish, affirming that the “organization respects all aspects of people including their race, ancestry, . . .”. While it was apparent to him that the sign was to affirm Kaiser's non-discrimination policy, it made him feel good to know that he would be treated just like everybody else at Kaiser. He left with the hope that the sign also indicates that someone who was being harassed outside could come into a Kaiser facility for safety.

The statement is similar to our Reconciling statement with the UMC flame sign on our front steps, and the Reconciling Committee has been working over the past few months to determine a way to create a similar feeling in those who pass through our doors...a feeling of safety and welcome acceptance in God's love. Working with Trustees, we took our first opportunity in celebrating Pride Month this June.

In case you are learning as we are, June is the traditional Pride Month for the majority of the LGBTIQ population in this country. This was born out of the Stonewall riots that started on June 28, 1969 in New York City with a notable background of smaller riots at Cooper Do-nuts in 1959 (Los Angeles) and Compton's Cafeteria in 1966 (San Francisco). These riots gave rise to the gay rights activism we see today. Since 1969, major LGBTIQ groups in different cities have declared June as Pride Month or the month LGBTIQ folks celebrate their many sociopolitical advances.

So, as you pass the new signs at the Midway door or as you exit toward Second, we hope you feel a part of something big, you are! We are all part of welcoming all of God's children to experience his love, no matter how He made all of us.

The Committee continues to work toward inclusion and celebration...we are looking forward to sharing our ideas as we approach our Reconciling Congregation anniversary celebration in August.



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. Staci Current

Pastor: Hyesung Lee ✝ Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs

Secretary: Debra Urzua

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TIME DATED MATERIAL

