

Deeds and Opportunities

Brentwood Community United Methodist Church

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OCTOBER 2020



Outdoor Worship Service



1. **WHEN:** Sunday, October 11, 2020, 10:30 am
**Online Service (Zoom Worship, Livestream on YouTube, and Recording on Church website) will be available as usual!*
2. **WHERE:** on our church lawn on 2nd Street
3. **THEME:** HOPE HOUSE SUNDAY
(in celebration of “World Food Day” and 9th Anniversary of HOPE HOUSE)
4. **PREPARATIONS**
 - DS Approval
 - **RSVP by October 4th** – Becca Feldermann (rfeldermann@yahoo.com)
 - Safety Actions by Re-Opening Task Force Members
 - Celebration – HOPE HOUSE Committee (Jerry Walton, Director)

2020 OCTOBER 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>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/28404281274/>

WORSHIP Online	Scripture/ Message	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACTIVITIES
18TH Sunday after Pentecost October 4, 2020 10:15 am – 11:30 am On ZOOM	WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY Psalm 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Communion Sunday • *Special Offering will be received! • Holy Communion • Old Choir Anthem: "Neighbor" (Sep 25, 2016)
19TH Sunday after Pentecost Oct 11, 2020 10:15 am – 11:30 am On ZOOM	OUTDOOR SERVICE 9TH ANNIVERSARY of HOPE HOUSE Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OUTDOOR SERVICE • 9th Anniversary of HOPE HOUSE • WORLD FOOD DAY • New Member Orientation (1) at noon via zoom
20TH Sunday after Pentecost Oct 18, 2020 10:15 am – 11:30 am On ZOOM	LAITY SUNDAY 1THESSALONIANS 1:1-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laity Sunday • Old Choir Anthem: "Go in Love" (May 8 2016) • New Member Orientation (2) at noon via zoom
Reformation Sunday Oct 25, 2020 10:15 am – 11:30 am On ZOOM	REFORMATION SUNDAY 1THESSALONIANS 2:1-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reformation Sunday • Old Choir Anthem: "Hope of the World" (Sep 30, 2018)



In 2019 , United Methodists gave **\$663,666** towards the ministries funded by the **World Communion Sunday** offering. This offering supports diverse mix of national and international ethnic young adults to make a global impact for Christ. **THANK YOU!**

† Pastor's Letter †

Dear My Church Family

Thank you so much for participating in our church-wide SURVEY ON BCUMC WORSHIP DURING PANDEMIC in September! I received 30 surveys total. I reviewed them with the members of Re-Opening Task Force and Ad Council and learned the followings:

- All of us are terribly missing In-Person-Worship Service
- Many are missing “Sunday School class” “hugging people” “singing together” “socializing” “being there” “being with friends” “Youth” “choir” “being in God’s house” “ALL of it” “inspiration and experiencing God’s presence with one another” “a cookie at social time” “live music” “connecting with others, being able to exchanging information” “sense of togetherness” “the atmosphere of worship” “a time to say hello/hi/catch up”
- What people are least missing are “nothing” “getting dressed up and coming to church early” “waiting for husband to get ready for the church” “whispering members during service” “bring kids to church on time”
- While missing in-person gathering very much, people are also very cautious about coming back to in-person service for safety reasons
- There are many reasons why we need to provide ONLINE SERVICE even after the Pandemic is over. Online services will be needed when:
 - People are sick
 - People are out of town or working or unavailable
 - People need extra assurance on the safety of all people
 - People are living far away
 - People are somehow late to the service

Based on your suggestions, we decided to make some changes in our Worship Service:

- Reading Prayer List: We will not read the ever-getting-longer prayer list every Sunday during Worship. We will show the list of names on slide while praying in silence and then offer a pastoral prayer for those who are recently lifted up during that week.
- Singing Hymns: We decided to use more familiar hymns and sing up to three verses maximum
- Youth Participation: We will encourage youth members to make a recording of reading the Scripture text for the Sunday
- Sending Sermon-in-Hands: Sermon summary will be mailed or emailed to those who have requested

We still have several things to do more in addition to the changes mentioned here. They include ●Bible story time for children; ●Utilizing more people to spread the workloads (will be possible after COVID-19 gets more controlled). Someone wants all of us on ZOOM to “unmute” ourselves and sing together but this will be such a mess, technically not a good idea.

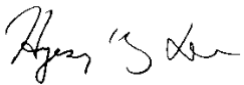
I appreciate so many positive feedbacks and appreciating/encouraging words. Someone said “All worship team members have done an amazing job” “Being able to go these services over the internet has kept my faith alive during the COVID shutdown”

Let us continue to worship our loving God together. Our online live worship continues. I am so thankful that many of you have been participating in our live worship service every Sunday. You will continue to receive a ZOOM invitation with the Sunday Bulletin every Friday. You still have three options as follows:

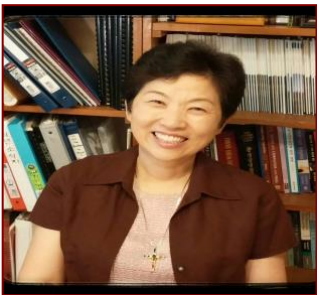
1. **Watch and interact on ZOOM**
2. **Watch without interaction** live on YouTube (There are clickable links on our website home page and our Facebook page for the Live-Stream Service)
3. **Watch the recorded service** on our web page and FaceBook after **7 pm** Sunday

We are apart from one-another but we are together and connected! 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



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF OUR CHURCH AND MINISTRIES

During this difficult time of sheltering in place, the BCUMC Finance Committee has an encouraging update on church finances. As of September 28, total income was 92% of this year's budget to date.

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!



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 Michael Ann Honea at 516-9541

For Healing and Strength for the Sick

Don & Kim Fraley, Beverly Tucker, Cathy (Joyce Sorenson Friend), **Gordon Fong, John Logan Gonzales, Judy Bieger, Joan Wood** (mother-in-law of Rosemary, COVID-19, now in hospice), **Jon Kurz** (chemo), **Vincent Cortese, Rena** (Becca's friend), **Gabe Charpentier** (chemo), **Gayle Autentico** (Barb P.'s friend), **Rick Graham, Rick Porter** (cancer, father of Ashley), **Doreen Smith** (lung cancer, a cousin of Bob Clarke), **Cindy Aguilar** (a friend of Adella), **Shery Flake** (covid-19 related; friend of Barb P), **Joshua Funk** (son of David/JoAnn Funk), **Haeran Lee** (sister-in-law of Pastor Lee, surgery on Sep 29th), **Mgbechi Oji** (father of Ezihe Ekpemiro), **David Funk, Betty** (a neighbor of Katie Moore), **Penny** (a colleague of Rick D.), **Pat** (cousin of Shirley Gray), a family member of Jeanette (cancer), **Adella Logan** (surgery on Oct 26th), **Michelle Carrillo** (surgery on Oct 14th),

For Condolences and Comfort for the Loss

Whelan family for loss of husband and father
(friends of the Feldermann Family)
Family of Chris Patton (a nephew of Katie Moore)
Family of Mary Clarke Fisher (a cousin of Bob Clarke)
The Family of Joe Nehl (a brother-in-law of Greg Pacquer)
Family of Brad (a friend of Melissa van Ruiten)

For Healing and Strength for the Homebound

Barbara Bonnickson, Diana Easley, Jo Merritt, Ethel Badham,
Esther Riney, Esther Graham, Joyce Heflin, Kittie Piotrowski,
Carey and 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
(from Michael Ann)

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, and Volunteers at local school districts

Food Ministry: HOPE HOUSE volunteers

Military: 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. Navy (Shirley Gray's nephew)



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



United Methodist Women

By Heidi Stark

While our BCUMC UWM circles are currently unable to meet in person, we continue to meet via Zoom to enjoy fellowship, grow spiritually, learn about global and local mission needs, and provide support through the sharing of our time, talents and treasures. Our September program focused on caring for each other, provided a history of our UMW giving – such as, Mary Elizabeth Inn, Gum Moon, Angel Tree (prison ministry), and UMCOR water sanitation and hygiene program. UMW pledges provide support to local and worldwide missions.

The Priscilla Circle has been collecting 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).

All women are welcome; please consider joining us at the next UMW Priscilla Circle meeting on Zoom on **Monday, October 19th at 7pm**. Polly Gallagher will be presenting our October program – Righteousness Flows Like a Stream which will explore climate change and its effects on women and children worldwide.

Join the Zoom Meeting

<https://brentwood-k12-ca-us.zoom.us/j/83055617662?pwd=R1RHQ3hxWFoyU1FqRThPTDNMYXYwQT09>

Meeting ID: 830 5561 7662

Passcode: UMWomen

A LETTER FROM LUGH BAXTER in WISCONSIN



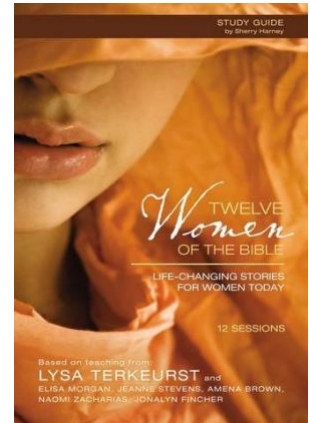
I was thinking of you all at the church on Sunday morning, so I thought I'd share this with you! There are *TWO* UMC churches in Appleton, Wisconsin, and this one (on the right) is just a block away from my campus! It's a lovely old building just like our church.

I was emailing Michelle a few days ago; she wanted to know if I could do any Sundays this month, so I just wanted you to know that if you need me to play anything while I'm gone (if both Greg and Kevin are ever unavailable), I can record music for Dennis to play during the service. Thought I'd put that out there as a last resort if you ever need it.



WOMEN in THE BIBLE

- Wednesdays: 10/7, 10/14, 10/21 at 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
- This study is the continuation of the last Women's Small Group that was held in the summer of 2019.
- Six Women for this time: Eve, Hanna, Gomer, Mary of Bethany, Martha and the Syrophoenician Woman
- ZOOM invitation is sent to those who register!
- Register by calling or emailing to pastor Hyesung Lee (925-303-9339; hslee3@gmail.com)
- Facilitator: Pastor Hyesung Lee



NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

October 11th and 18th from 12 pm to 1 pm

In ZOOM Room (link will be sent to you)

You are invited to this orientation if you want to (1) *join* our church as a committed member or (2) *just learn* more about our church. This orientation will include (1) sharing of faith journeys; (2) United Methodist Church Beliefs and Mission; and (3) our B.C.U.M. church mission. If you are interested, please let the pastor know by contacting her at 925-303-9339 (cell) or hslee3@gmail.com. Zoom link will be sent to you prior to Sunday! This time is always very enjoyable and spiritual.

Hope House Lost a Community Hero Richard Gonzales

Our dear friend Richard Gonzales departed this life on August 9, 2020 at the age of 91 in Tracy California. In the last five years, Richard worked behind the scenes carrying out an important job of recycling food and cardboard weekly at Hope House. Richard also picked up recycling for others in the area.

We greatly appreciated and respected Richard for his countless hours at Hope House and he appreciated and respected our volunteers. Richard's passing comes with sorrow and loss here at Hope House for those who knew him, for his family, and for the Brentwood community. Richard was known for his kindness and compassionate personality throughout the community that he served. Prayers would be appreciated for Richard's family in their loss of such an exemplary community servant and family man.



Thank You "City of Brentwood"

On August 19th Hope House was blessed to receive a second grant from the City of Brentwood to help with our Hope House Food Pantry. Hope House is now serving 500 to 600 families each month and is an essential service in our community. Hope House (HH) is getting many new clients who have lost their jobs during this pandemic and are in desperate need of support. This grant helps HH to purchase more food and foods that are more expensive like meat and dairy.

This grant comes at a crucial time and we really appreciate the support as we pass along this benefit to the needy in our community *Thank You "City of Brentwood!"*



4. Kayla Umana
6. Wiley Slay
14. Ann Cruz
15. Dylie Slay
16. Pat Balzell
16. Diana Easley
18. Katie Moore
19. Alivia Logan
24. Debbie Lopuszynski
24. Jack Gaughan
26. Betty Gaughan
26. Carol Green
27. Diane Hutchison
29. Robin Vaughan
30. Carol Bronzan
30. Mel Strong

! *Happy Anniversary*

3. Roxanna and Alvin Simas
3. Kim & Don Fraley
10. Carol Green and Daniel Vitello
11. Jennifer and Rick Dunn
17. Polly and Vince Gallagher
25. Ann and Pete Cruz

YOU NEVER GIVE UP ON US

Dear God – the greatest treasure
You never give up on us.
When I wander too close to the edge
Of life's dangerous cliffs
You gently bring me back to safety.
When we forget all about you
Or ignore – or refuse to listen
There you are - waiting
Patiently – for us to remember.
Through all the twists and turns
Of our life journeys - maybe
We include you – in our plans
Yet often not.
Still you always include us
And we always have a place.
Sometimes foolishly
Even unknowingly
We draw a circle
That keeps others out.
While you draw a circle
That draws us all in.
You never give up on us.
You never give up on me.
Grateful.

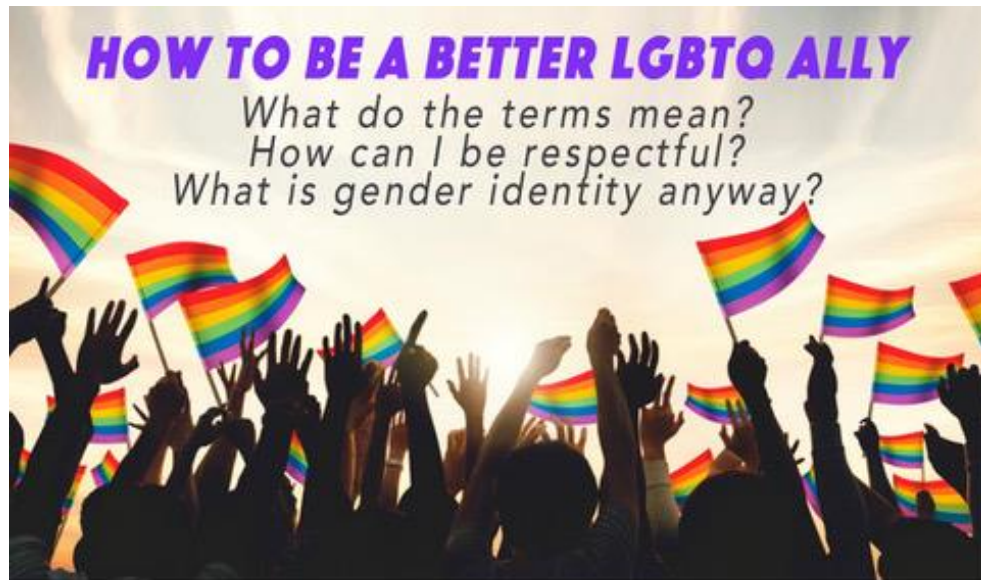
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ONLINE WEBEX/ZOOM MEETINGS



1. **Finance Committee**: 6 pm Tuesday Sept 29th
2. **Membership/Phone Tree**: 1 pm Thurs Oct 1st
3. **Nomination Committee**: 7 pm Thurs Oct 1st
4. **UM Men's Group**: 8 am Saturday, October 3rd
5. **Re-Opening Task Force**: 7 pm Tues, October 6nd
6. **Congregational Care Network**: 10 am Wed Oct 28th
7. **Ad Council**: 7 pm Wed Oct 28th

TransFamily Fun Family Online Event. For more information, contact Jennifer Dunn.



SATURDAY OCTOBER 17, 2020
11:00AM PDT virtual

Come learn all this and how to be a supportive ally.
register: tinyurl.com/allytfss

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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

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TIME DATED MATERIAL

