



# BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Passion for Christ, Compassion for All

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## Second Sunday after the Epiphany Human Relations Day 10:30 am Sunday, January 14, 2024

*\*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): Scott Baxter, Gbenga Olayomi & Cici Kirchner

**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

<b>WELCOME</b> (Sound of the Gong)		Jan Schults
<b>*OPENING HYMN</b>	“How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely” (#2042 TFWS)	Together
<b>CALL TO WORSHIP</b>		Jan Schults
<b>MISSION/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES</b>		Jan Schults
<b>TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES</b>		Rev. Hyesung Lee
<b>BIBLE PRESENTATION</b>		
<b>LORD’S PRAYER</b>		
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> (Preschool to 5th Grade)		
<b>ANTHEM</b>	“Grace”	Christine Nelson
<b>OLD TESTAMENT READING</b>	1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NRSV)	Jan Schults

**OFFERING of PLEDGES & THANKSGIVING**

Offertory Music  
 \* Doxology #94 (UMH)

Prayer: Jan Schults

**TIME FOR COMMUNITY** From Zoom & Sanctuary

Joys and Concerns  
 Pastoral Prayer  
 Passing of the Peace

Rev. Hyesung Lee

**HYMN OF FAITH**

"More Like You" (#2167 TFWS)

Together

**\*GOSPEL READING**

John 1:43-46 (NRSV)

Jan Schults

**MESSAGE**

"Following Jesus - Surrender and Listen"

Rev. Hyesung Lee

**CLOSING HYMN**

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" (#2129 TFWS)

Together

**BENEDICTION**

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. Jan 14th	10:30am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
		Sunday School After Time with Young Disciples	Sunday School Rm
Mon. Jan 15 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	United Women in Faith	Fellowship Hall
Tues. Jan 16 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Friends in Faith	Fellowship Hall
Wed. Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	10am	CCN	Fellowship Hall

<b>Friday Email</b>	Weekly News	Deadline: Thurs at noon	Contact: Michelle admin@brentwoodmc.org
<b>D's and O's</b>	BCUMC Monthly Newsletter	Editor: Bob Clarke <a href="mailto:bbclarke@comcast.net">bbclarke@comcast.net</a> Deadline: 28 <sup>th</sup> of the month	Contact: Church office if you wish to receive a copy 925 634 3093
<b>Prayer Chain</b>	Contact Linda Barnhill 925 628 9018; <a href="mailto:lindalucy1103@outlook.com">lindalucy1103@outlook.com</a> with your prayer requests		
<b>Suggestion/ Feedback Box</b>	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.		

Online Offering	If you would like to donate to BCUMC use the QR code or, you can go directly to our Vanco donation page at: <a href="http://www.brentwoodumc.org/bcumc/make_donation">www.brentwoodumc.org/bcumc/make_donation</a>	
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1. **DE-HANGING OF THE GREENS**

**TODAY!** after the service, the Greens will be taken down. Everyone is invited to join the crew for this event.

2. **YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE** (For 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders)

- Sun 1/21 Bowling Alley *Time will be determined*
- Sun 1/28 Rock n Jump *Time will be determined*
- Fri 1/26 Meet at BCUMC at 6pm Temple Israel Service in Stockton.

**\*\*Please RSVP by Jan 19<sup>th</sup> to Cheryl Breitenbucher (Youth Director) at [cbreitenbucher@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cbreitenbucher@sbcglobal.net)**

3. **MY TAKE-AWAY**

**Lesson 6 – The Wisdom of the Magi**

Jan 7, 2024

Focal Passages: **Proverbs 2:8-9** and **Matthew 2:1-12**

Purpose Statement: **To Identify the Marks of True Wisdom in Our Discipleship Journey**

In Matthew’s account of the birth of Jesus we learn that the Magi, these **gentile** visitors from the East, “*were filled with joy when they saw the star*”. By inspiration, they began a lengthy trip to Jerusalem, to come and honor the newborn king of the Jews. They arrived in Bethlehem when Jesus was a toddler and “*falling on their knees, they honored him*”.

We might ask ourselves, how did these people from far-away lands know what was happening thousands of miles away and how did they know what it meant?

The Magi were educated people in science and astronomy, and they realized that something unusual was happening. They had the **knowledge** to notice that an unusual star was shining in the firmament. They knew by tradition that such occurrences meant something significant was happening. But this is as far as their **knowledge** can carry them. The inspiration to follow the star and to know what it meant could only come from God. This is how the Magi paints for us a picture of a true disciple. We can acquire knowledge from different sources: the Bible, prayer, preaching, and fellow Christians but all that accumulated knowledge is worthless without its proper application to our everyday life decisions. That is where **wisdom** comes in. Wisdom in a gift from God. How “wise” we are is therefore a reflection of how closely we listen to God and how in-tune we are with the promptings of his Holy Spirit.

*This take-away snippet is written by participants of the BCUMC’s Adult Bible Study class and is shared for the benefit of all members of the congregation. Today’s author: Diego R. Garcia*

4. **CHURCH LEADER TRAINING BY THE CONFERENCE**

On Saturday, Jan 20th 9am to 12:30pm (via zoom), there will be training session by conference leaders for pastor, Lay Leader, Treasurer, Trustee, Council/Board Chair, or on SPRC, Nominations or Finance Committees. For questions, contact [zohrehs@calnevumc.org](mailto:zohrehs@calnevumc.org)  
 REGISTER here: <https://calnev-reg.brtapp.com/2023ChurchLeadersTraining71>  
 Registration by Jan 15th 2024.

5. **NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION**

Sun. Jan 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 12pm to 1:15 in the Quiet Room  
 All Who Want to Join the Church Are Welcome!



6. **3 WEEK SMALL GROUP**

**Book:** *HALF TRUTH* (by Adam Hamilton, Abingdon Press, 2016).  
 You may buy the book at Cokesbury.com or Amazon.com

**Facilitator:** Pastor Hyesung Lee

**When:** 3 Thursdays at **7pm** (via zoom)

*Thurs. Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Chapters 1 & 2*  
*Thurs. Feb 8<sup>th</sup> Chapters 3 & 4*  
*Thurs. Feb 15<sup>th</sup> Chapter 5 & Epilogue*

**\*\*Zoom link and passcode can be found in the Friday email.**

We will learn, explore, discuss why the following phrases are half-truths:

- “Everything happens for a reason”
- “God helps those who help themselves”
- “God won’t give you more than you can handle”
- “God said it, I believe it, that settles it”
- “Love the sinner, Hate the sin”

**THOSE SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY**

<b>Ministers</b>	All Who Follow Christ	<b>Greeters</b>	Michael Ann Honea
<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Hyesung Lee	<b>Usher(s)</b>	Gbenga Olayomi, Scott Baxter & Cici Kirchner
<b>Choir Director</b>	Alivia Logan-Kumagai	<b>Acolyte</b>	TBD
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Jan Schults	<b>Crucifer</b>	TBD
<b>Accompanist</b>	Greg Pacquer	<b>Audio/Visual</b>	Dennis Buckley
<b>Attendance from Previous Sunday: 72</b>			
	Adults: 49	Children/Youth: 6	Zoom: 10    YouTube: 7

**Brentwood UMC Contacts at Your Fingertips!**

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