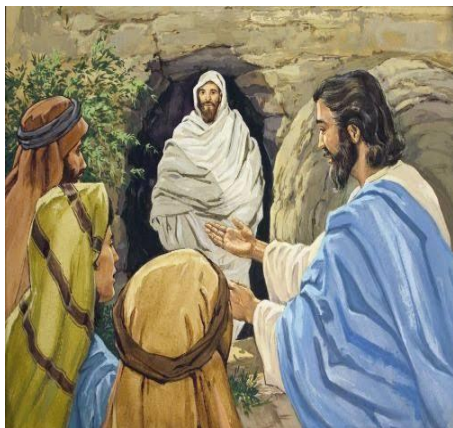




BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Passion for Christ, Compassion for All

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:30 am, Sunday, March 26, 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: Margo Wentz

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

David Funk

PRELUDE, ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER

Greg Pacquer, Chinedum Ekpemiro

WELCOME & MISSION/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

David Funk

INTROIT

BCUMC Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God Calls us from the valley of dry bones.

Come, listen for a word from our God.

We hear God calling us in a far distant voice.

We had nearly forgotten God's care for us.

The spirit breathes life into our dry bones.

God offers hope when we have lost our way.

Our souls wait for the refreshment God offers.

Our spirits are filled with great expectation.

Christ came as light to all the world.
 Christ comes among us today to light our way.
We hear the teacher calling for us.
Christ unbinds us that we may see and believe. Amen

*OPENING HYMN	"This is a Day of New Beginnings" (383 UMH vs 1, 2 & 3)	Together
TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES		Rev. Hyesung Lee
LORD'S PRAYER		
SUNDAY SCHOOL (Preschool to 5th Grade)		
ANTHEM		BCUMC Choir
OLD TESTAMENT READING	Ezekiel 37:1-10	David Funk
OFFERING of PLEDGES & THANKSGIVING		Prayer: David Funk
Ushers will be passing the offering plate		
Offertory Song		
* Doxology #94 (UMH)		
TIME FOR COMMUNITY From Zoom & Sanctuary		
Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Hyesung Lee
Passing of the Peace		
*SCRIPTURE READING	John 11:32-45 (NRSV)	David Funk
MESSAGE	"Unconditional Grace to Breathe"	Rev. Hyesung Lee
*CLOSING HYMN	"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" (420 UMH)	Together
*BENEDICTION		Rev. Hyesung Lee
POSTLUDE. ACOLYTE & CRUCIFER		Greg Pacquer, Chinedum Ekpemiro



"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)**
 - **UMM Breakfast:** 8am Sat April 1st Fellowship Hall
 - **Young Christians:** Tues 7pm April 4th Youth Room
 - **Trustees:** 7pm Wed April 5th Online
 - **Ad Council:** 7pm Wed April 12th in person
 - **Finance Committee:** 6:30pm Tues April 18th Fireside Room

- **LGBTQIA+:** 6:30pm Wed April 19th Online
- **CCN:** 10am Wed April 26th Fellowship Hall

2. SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HOUR

3/26/23	WORSHIP
4/2/23	CCN
4/9/23	ENDOWMENT & MEMORIALS
4/16/23	NOMINATION
4/23/23	UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
4/30/23	UNITED METHODIST MEN



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

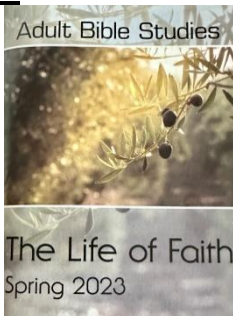
April 16th Sierra Service Project
 April 22nd Youth Service
 April 30th 5:30-7:30 Dinner/Bible/Games
 **Please RSVP by the Friday to Cheryl Breitenbucher (Youth Director) at youth@brentwoodumc.org

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 we 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

6. UMM 38th ANNUAL BEAN FEED Drive-Thru Event

TODAY!, 2023; from 4 until 6:30 P.M.

The United Methodist Men (UMM) will be sponsoring this year's Drive=Thru Bean Feed
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.

There is a **delivery service for shut ins.**

Purpose of Bean Feed is to raise funds for scholarships to support young adults.

With 2022 fund, 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. SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE – Game Night - April 30, 5-7pm in the Fellowship Hall!

Join us for a family game night/appetizer and dessert potluck. We're asking everyone to bring an appetizer and/or a dessert to share. We'll provide the drinks, plates, silverware, and games. Come enjoy food, fun and fellowship.

11. 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!**

12. 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!

13. 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 p.m. 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: graysquirl@gmail.com

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; lindalucy1103@outlook.com with your prayer requests.

THOSE SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY

Ministers	All Who Follow Christ	Greeter(s)	Margo Wentz
Pastor	Rev. Hyesung Lee	Usher(s)	Scott & Gbenga
Choir Director	Alivia Logan-Kumagai	Acolyte	Chinedum Ekpemiro
Worship Leader	David Funk	Crucifer	
Accompanist	Greg Pacquer	Audio/Visual	Dennis Buckley
Sunday School		Nursery	Not open
	Happy Anniversary Eugene & Jenny Davis		<i>Celebrating</i> 60 <i>Years...</i> 
Attendance for Previous Sunday: 57			
	Adults: 51	Children/Youth: 0	Zoom: 1 YouTube: 5

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.