

# *Deeds and Opportunities*

## **Brentwood Community United Methodist Church**

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*April 2018*



### **EASTER SERVICES**

Sunday, April 1st

#### ***SUNRISE SERVICE***

at HOPE HOUSE

218 Pine Street

6:00 am


#### ***MORNING SERVICE***

In the Sanctuary

10:30 am

*(See details on Page 3)*

## 2018 APRIL Worship & Preaching Schedule

SUNDAYS	Scriptures & Sermon Theme	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACTIVITIES
<b>Resurrection of the Lord</b> April 1, 2018 <i>Easter</i> <b>Sunrise</b> at 6am (HOPE HOUSE) <b>Morning</b> at 10:30 am (Sanctuary)	 <i>Mark 16:1-8</i> "Because He Lives"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Holy Communion</li> <li>▪ 6am Easter Sunrise Service at HOPE HOUSE</li> <li>▪ 7am Easter Breakfast (by Men's Group)</li> </ul>
<b>Second Sunday of Easter</b> April 8, 2018	1 Samuel 18:1-9 John 20:19-31 "David in the Time of Exploration"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Announce WINNERS of Lent Bible Blast during the service</li> </ul>
<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> April 15, 2018	Acts 3:12-19 Luke 24:36b-48 "David in the Time of Trials"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Youth "Moses" Study</li> <li>▪ New Members Orientation (1) noon in the Quiet Room</li> </ul>
<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> April 22, 2018	<b>Pulpit Exchange</b> of East Contra Costa Circuit Preacher: Pastor Kevin Dotts (Antioch Church on the Rock UMC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New Members Orientation (2) noon in the Quiet Room</li> <li>▪ Sunday Night Live at 5pm</li> </ul>
<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> April 29, 2018	Preacher: Julius Lukacs (Lay Leader)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Youth "Moses" Study</li> </ul>

### WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR APRIL

Sunday	Acolyte	Crucifer
4/1	Christian Belino	Jamie Feldermann
4/8	Maeci Scott	Wren Driscoll
4/15	Kaela Scott	Alex Dunn
4/22	Robin van Ruiten	Griffin Slay
4/29	Abby Scott	Trevor Austin

### 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:

<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
Ciara 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.

🌸🌸🌸 **EASTER SUNDAY (April 1st, 2018)** 🌸🌸🌸

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE at 6 a.m.**

Where? at HOPE HOUSE (218 Pine Street, Brentwood) for Worship Service  
and Fellowship Hall for Breakfast

What? Worship Service and Holy Communion with HOPE HOUSE clients  
Blessing of HOPE HOUSE (Prayer and Canned Meat Foods)  
Sharing the Joy of Easter with our Neighbors (Easter Basket by Youth Group)  
Easter Peace Walk around the block  
Easter Breakfast at Fellowship Hall

How? Please bring Meat Canned Foods (Chicken, Turkey, Beef, Tuna, Salmon, etc.)!



**EASTER MORNING SERVICE at 10:30 a.m.**

Where? at Sanctuary

What? Holy Communion and Special Songs by Choir

How? Please bring Meat Canned Foods (Chicken, Turkey, Beef, Tuna, Salmon, etc.)  
for HOPE HOUSE



**NEW MEMBERS ORIENTATION**

**April 15 and 22 from 12 pm to 1 pm (Quiet Room)**

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.C. church mission. If you are interested, please let the pastor know by contacting her at 925-303-9339 (cell) or [hslee3@gmail.com](mailto:hslee3@gmail.com). Or you may just show up! This time is always very enjoyable and spiritual.

# 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 6:30 pm and 7:30 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!



## SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE

### "TAIZÉ SERVICE"

**5–7:30 pm** Fellowship Hall

**Sunday April 22, 2018**

"A Taizé worship service involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, a period of silence, and liturgical readings. There is no preaching. The style of prayer practiced at Taizé has attracted many worshipers from around the globe and from many different denominations."

Everyone is invited to join in a simple meal of bread and soup, music, fellowship and a special spiritual practice (TAIZÉ SERVICE) and a time for personal prayers and healings!

Contact: Julius Lukacs (415-518-0584; [Julius.lukacs@hotmail.com](mailto:Julius.lukacs@hotmail.com))

### *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, Joyce Heflin,  
Marsha Carlson (Joyce Sorenson's daughter)

For Healing: Beverly Hendrix, Diana Easley, Esther Graham, Galen Tidrick  
Fred Schults (Jeff's brother), Debra Urzua  
Diane Hutchison, Carey Hutchison, Chris Baldwin,  
Beverly Johnson, Debbie Geren,  
Michele (friend of Katie Moore)

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



## † *Pastor's Letter* †

Dear Friends in Ministry

Happy Easter! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Because He lives, we have a new life, not just a second chance but rather a new life in God, the Creator, the Redeemer and the Sustainer. So our past is forgiven, our present is driven with holy purposes and our future is given with unfailing hope!

Where do you see EASTER around you? I see EASTER in the renewed commitment of my fellow disciples of Jesus Christ to the ministry of the church. There are so many people who have transformed themselves from church-goers to ministers of the church. I see pure desire in their hearts to be there for the work of the church. I also see EASTER in the re-spiked passion of people who have transformed themselves from “participating” disciples to “leading” disciples and disciples who “make” disciples. As our church grows, there are new empty positions to fill, new roles to play, and new responsibilities to take. And I see people who answer to those calls. Halleluiah! Thanks be to God!

One of the ministries that has been re-organized and re-energized is HOPE HOUSE! It has been always the place of joy and hardship, celebration and challenge, and grace and patience. HOPE HOUSE leadership team and volunteers are growing together beautifully. And God has been sending more workers who understand the ministry and can carry out the work faithfully and effectively. **So here comes an opportunity to help them.** Their two-door refrigerator is broken. We need to buy a new one that will cost between \$2,300 and \$2,500. So together with the Church Ad Council, *I appeal to the whole congregation to give to an EASTER SPECIAL OFFERING for HOPE HOUSE to buy a two-door refrigerator.* This will help HOPE HOUSE to thrive its ministry during the hot summer time as well as all other seasons. I thank you in advance for your generous donation.

See you at 6 am at HOPE HOUSE for Easter Sunrise Service on April 1st!

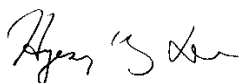
See you at 7 am at Fellowship Hall for Easter Breakfast! (THANKS TO MEN'S GROUP!)

See you also at 10:30 am at the church for Easter Morning Service on the same day!

Before I close my letter, I want to THANK Dennis Buckley (chair of Trustees) and Jerry Walton (chair of Finance) who have spent countless time to fill the huge administration responsibility gap that has occurred during the sudden medical leave of our office manager, Debra Urzua. Because of their work, our emergency has been responded to properly. I want to also thank SPRC members and our lay leader for their good help too. May God continue to heal Debra and help Rick with hope and faith!

EASTER HOPE never fails!

Sincerely,



Your Pastor, Hyesung Lee





- 7. John Moore
- 9. Donna Baker
- 12. Joey Zamjahn
- 15. Murphy Slay
- 16. Jill Price
- 21. Greg Pacquer
- 21. Ellen Rowan
- 22. Jenn Dunn
- 25. Paula Gallagher
- 26. Adam Simas, Jr.
- 27. Beverly Tucker
- 29. Charlie Johnson

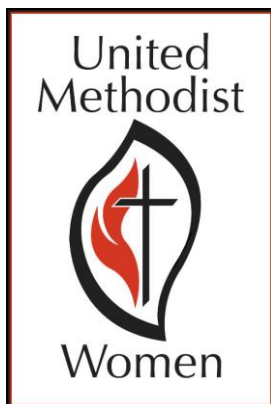
! *Happy Anniversary*

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## EMBRACING HOPE

A way in the wilderness  
 Rivers in the desert  
 God whispers as we journey onward  
 “I am about to do a new thing  
 Now it springs forth –  
 Do you not perceive it?”  
 Something stirring in my soul  
 The expectation that Spirit  
 Is at work in my life  
 In all of life.  
 How it will express  
 I may not yet see.  
 Still I await in  
 Excited expectation.  
 In full awareness  
 Of the divine loving Presence  
 I embrace hope.

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**UMW News** – Jesse Lee and Priscilla Circles of BCUMC United Methodist Women are planning a Welcome Brunch on Saturday, May 5, at 11:30. New women members of our church will be invited, but all women who would like to know more about United Methodist Women are welcome. Next year is the 150th Anniversary of our Society and we are proud of our History. We would like to share it with you and tell you about the works of our two Circles as well. Please plan to join us. There will be a sign up in the Fellowship Hall on the last two Sundays in April.

By Donna Baker

The month of March was a rather rainy, but fun one for Sunday School. We have been so blessed to have so many young children attending! Both our PreK-2nd grade & 3rd-5th grade classes continued lessons on Helpers in the Bible. The PreK-2nd grade learned about helpers like Elisha, John the Baptist, Mary Magdalene, and Ananias. The 3rd-5th grade class learned about helpers like Mordecai and the Thief on the Cross. The month of April finishes our series on Helpers in the Bible. For the PreK-2nd graders we will continue learning about Special People of the Bible. For the 3rd-5th graders we will learn about the Garden of Gethsemane and start on a lesson on Philippians. We look forward to learning about some lesser known characters of the Bible this month. Keep an eye on our bulletin board for updates, or for new leaves to ‘pick’ on our Giving Tree.





Monday, April 2nd, Jennifer Dunn & Cheryl Breitenbucher will be taking a group of youth to the city to Glide Memorial for a volunteer opportunity & some fellowship & fun. They will leave the church at 7am and return by 5pm. They will be accepting donations of travel sized toiletries and new adult socks to take. There will be a basket in the narthex on Easter Sunday for any donations.

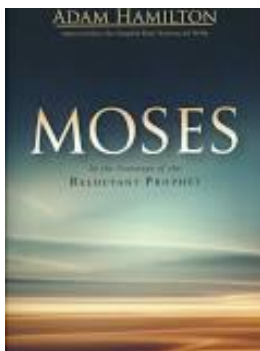


The middle school group, otherwise known as MTJ, had a slimmed down March, due to Spring Break. March 4th we had a Mystery Potluck—continuing the Methodist potluck tradition with the new generation! On the 11th we had nachos and a shorter discussion, as we made Easter baskets for our Midway neighbors for the youth to hand out on Good Friday. We will begin meeting again at our regular time on Easter Sunday. Hope to see all you MTJers there!

The youth also participated in a day of service with Sierra Service Project in Rancho Cordova on March 10th. We had a great group and spent the day painting the exterior of a house and loading up some torn down fencing to be hauled away. Afterwards we went to Crepeville for a well-earned snack!



Thank you to all those who came & volunteered their time & spirit. A big thank you to the congregation for always supporting our youth in their efforts.



## Youth Small Group for Middle School & High School

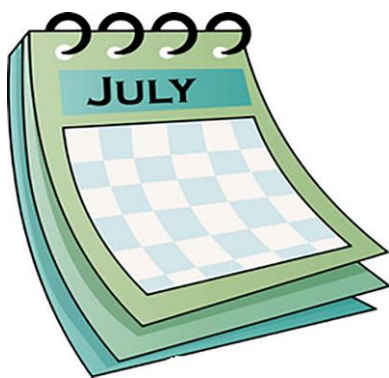
**Dates:** 5 remaining sessions to take place on March 11, April 15, April 22, April 29, May 27

**Time:** To take place during Sunday service, during Sunday School time. May run 15-20 minutes after service.

**Facilitator:** Rebecca Feldermann

This Youth Study takes the ideas presented in Adam Hamilton's book and interprets them for young people grades 6-12, including games, activities, crafts and of, course, discussion.

## BCUMC CALENDARS



The **official** Facility Use Calendar for our church *is on our website*. There you can see when meetings are scheduled and you can also see when outside organizations are using our rooms. *The link to our website is: [www.brentwoodumc.org](http://www.brentwoodumc.org)*. Once you get on our website, click on the tab at the top marked “Facility Use Calendar”.

The “old style” paper calendar in the Social Hall is there as a convenient reference but may not be totally up-to-date. Activities written on the paper calendar must also be entered on the official Facility Use Calendar on the web site.

We are developing a form that you can use to get the information to the church office. When we get the forms printed, they will be on the bulletin board next to the paper calendar. We will need the name of your group, the date you want to meet, the starting and ending times of your meeting and the room you want to use. Fill out the form and take it to the office. If the office is closed, please put the form in the “OFFICE” mailbox in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the office.

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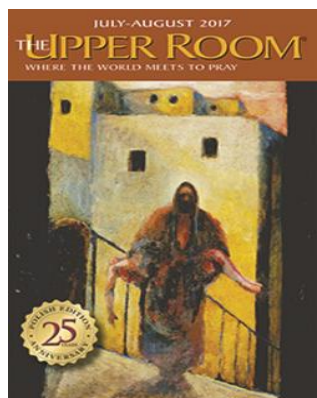
### New Small Group - Starting Sunday, May 6

## THE UPPER ROOM

Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Quiet Room

By Heidi Stark

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 the May/June issue in the Fellowship Hall very soon. 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 9:30am 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. I hope you'll join me starting on Sunday, May 6 at 9:30am in the Quiet Room. – Heidi Stark

# **PULPIT EXCHANGE**

## **of EAST CONTRA COSTA U.M.C. CIRCUIT**

**10:30 am Sunday, April 22, 2018**

Participating Churches: Brentwood, Byron, Pittsburgh, Antioch and Martinez

\*Pastor Hyesung Lee will preach at Byron United Methodist Church on the same Sunday.

### **A Brief Bio of Pastor Kevin Dotts at Antioch Church on the Rock UMC**

\*He will preach at Brentwood Community United Methodist Church on April 22 Sunday.



I am married to Michelle Dotts and we have three children: Dorion, age 20; Faith, age three; and Maddison, age two, as well as our daughter-in-law, Kaitlin, age 21, and our grandson Owen who turned two in July. We love to travel and spend time with family and friends.

I am a native of Ohio where I have served five churches (two, two-point charges and one single charge) over the past 12 years in the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church. I am a 2010 graduate of the University of Findlay and a 2015 graduate of Asbury Theological Seminary. I was made a Provisional Elder in the West Ohio Annual Conference in 2015.

Due to family circumstance, in early 2016 my wife and I began to earnestly pray that God would open a door for us to serve in one of the two United Methodist Church annual conferences in California. God answered our prayer in a wonderful way and we became a part of the family at Antioch Church on The Rock in Antioch, CA in July of 2017. It has been a wonderful adventure to move to Antioch and be given the opportunity to serve this community.

I am a born again, Spirit filled, disciple of Christ. I love Jesus with my whole heart and I love teaching and preaching the Good News. I desire, above all else, to be a faithful witness for Jesus and though I know that I fail every day, I know that God is ALWAYS faithful!

## **DISTRICT CONFERENCE - TRUSTEE AND FINANCE TRAINING**

### **(10 am - 4 pm Saturday May 12)**

California-Nevada Conference offers this day of Training for church officers.

District Superintendents will lead the training.

The Place for this Conference will be announced later!

## **LOS RIOS DISTRICT CAMP for ALL AGES**

### **(May 25<sup>th</sup> - May 28<sup>th</sup>)**

Place: Camp Lodestar (6135 Blue Mt. Rd, Wilseyville, CA)

Time: 6 pm May 25<sup>th</sup> to 1 pm May 28<sup>th</sup>

Cost Adults \$200 Children(6-11) \$120 Kids under 6 Free

Register at [clanevypm.org](http://clanevypm.org), click on "camp and events" tab



*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

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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

