

# *Deeds and Opportunities*

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***JUNE 2015***



**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

**Sunday, June 21st**



## BCUMC YOUTH PERFORM MISSION WORK IN SAN FRAN by Julius Lukacs

The BCUMC Youth started the month with a great evening of fun and games - lots of Wii, board games, and Ping Pong on our new wonderful Ping Pong table. This yearly event of youth game night is always a hit.

The BCUMC Youth then traveled to San Francisco. They visited Mission Dolores and learned the history of San Francisco mission work. We spent the night at the United Methodist Waller Center, in the heart of the Haight Ashbury neighborhood. where we participated in an evening workshop on Faith and Discipleship. Youth got a chance to express their faith and learned the importance of mission work.



At 5:30am we got up to a light breakfast and headed to Glide Memorial Church to serve breakfast to the needy. We were able to serve over 900 meals to the needy. The youth got a real chance to put their faith into action while meeting some very inspirational people. It was truly an unforgettable experience for all.



We spent the afternoon with some good old San Francisco Wharf fun. Some went on boat rides while others took in shopping and sightseeing. We all ended up at the new San Francisco Dungeon attraction to end this great trip.

When you get a chance, ask the youth about "B" lifers. We are really looking forward to our next trip together.

## ◆ *Pastor's Letter* ◆

Dear Friends and Members of BCUMC

I am very sad to say that our long time wonderful pianist/organist Greg Pacquer will have his last worship service “officially” with us on this coming Sunday, May 31, 2015. Thankfully he will be around and available as a substitute from time to time. We still can see him as our schedule works out. In the meantime our Staff Parish Relations Committee (chair Rebecca Feldermann) is working hard on finding and hiring our new pianist.

I’ve worked with many organist/pianists during my 22-year ministry. Greg definitely stands out as the best-skilled, the most-friendly and the best-looking pianist ever among all those pianists. He can work with anybody with smile. He has served our church faithfully and sacrificially for over 10 years. His presence has brought peace and joy to our congregation. His music has inspired and comforted us all. His laugh has lifted us up for a long time. We will miss him very much. We wish him the best. May God bless him abundantly with much happiness and love!

On the same Sunday we are voting on our becoming “Reconciling Congregation.” Many people have worked hard for this day with conviction that we as a church should be open to all with the same acceptance and fellowship. God’s grace has been given to all of us at our baptism as we are accepted as God’s beloved children. The same grace has been given to all of us at our communion as we are accepted as God’s forgiven people. The same grace has been given to all of us at our service to the church as we are accepted as God’s called ministers. God’s grace is unconditionally given to all who believe and desire to receive. As a reconciling congregation, we will be able to share this wonderful blessing with all brothers and sisters in LGBTQ community with joy and thanksgiving. May God be with us all as we pray for and vote on this matter!

With love,

Your Pastor, Hyesung





## 2015 *JUNE* Worship & Preaching Schedule

| SUNDAYS  | SCRIPTURE   | SERMON TITLE        |
|--|---|---------------------|
| June 7, 2015<br>2nd Sunday after<br>Pentecost [Green]<br><i>Holy Communion</i> | 1 Samuel 8:4-20; Psalm 138;<br>2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1;<br><b>Mark 3:20-35</b>   | Jesus and Baalzebul |
| June 14, 2015<br>3rd Sunday after<br>Pentecost [Green]                         | 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20 or<br>Ps 92:1-4, 12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:6-<br>10;<br><b>Mark 4:26-34</b>                       | Jesus in the Field  |
| June 21, 2015<br>4th Sunday after<br>Pentecost [Green]                         | 1 Sam 17:32-49; Ps 9:9-20 Father's<br>Day (USA);<br>2 Cor 6:1-13; <b>Mk 4:35-41</b>   | Jesus in the Storm  |
| June 28, 2015<br>5th Sunday after<br>Pentecost [Green]                         | 2 Sam 1:1, 17-27; Ps 130;<br>2 Cor 8:7-15; <b>Mk 5:21-43</b><br>• John Wesley born June 28, 1703<br>• July 4 Independence Day | Jesus in the Crowd  |

## ACOLYTE AND CRUCIFER SCHEDULE for *JUNE*

| Date | Acolyte         | Crucifer           |
|------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 6/7  | Wren Driscoll   | Ike Esomonu        |
| 6/14 | Audrey Dunn     | Murphy Slay        |
| 6/21 | Jacob Lukacs    | Sam Lukacs         |
| 6/28 | Ogechi Ekpemero | Chineyere Ekpemiro |

### 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)

Diane Hutchison,  
Norma Hall,  
Lou Bronzan,

Cliff Fortner,  
Mike Logan,  
Homer Richardson,

James Collins,  
Vernon Noble,  
Phil White

Helen Curtis,  
Joan Peterson,

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



*Thank you to everyone for  
donating paper towels for May.*

*Our clients were thrilled.*

*There is a basket marked "HOPE  
HOUSE" in the entrance to the  
Sanctuary for your items.*

***The item for June is toothbrushes.***

*Thank you for your support.*



## **HOPE HOUSE CLOTHES CLOSET**

needs large storage tubs and lids for  
keeping out-of-season items in the  
shed. *Volunteers would appreciate  
donations of your empty, un-needed  
large tubs and lids.*

Thanks, Marge Walton

## **YOU ARE INVITED TO SUNDAY SUNDAES**

**JUNE 14th**

*after worship in the Fellowship Hall*



Donations will be accepted to The JACOB'S WELL MINISTRY  
This ministry provides clean water to African families.  
Each \$25 will provide a filtering system.  
All donations are sent to UMCOR to be distributed

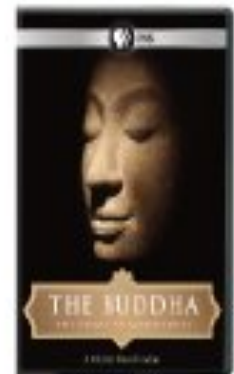
And Jesus said: "I was thirsty and you gave me water to drink" Matthew 25:35

Jacob's Well is located in **Mercy Hall** year round. Please feel free to donate any time. Thank you.

## **SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP**

*by Mel Strong*

The 9am Sunday morning discussion group will be viewing two PBS DVD's this summer. On June 7th and 15th we will be viewing "The Buddha: The Story of Siddhartha". It is a story about an Indian Sage who attained enlightenment as he sat under a fig tree two and a half millennia ago. The Buddha never claimed to be God or God's emissary on earth. He was a human being who, in a world of unavoidable pain and suffering, found serenity that he taught to others.



Our second PBS DVD viewing this summer will be a five-part series titled "The Story of the Jews" by Simon Schama. This series explores the Jewish experience from ancient times to the present day. Drawing upon original scholarship and Schama's own family experience, we are taken on a journey to the Middle East, Eastern Europe, New York, Berlin, Cairo and Jerusalem. This is a celebration of the ways in which Jewish thought, Jewish imagination and achievement has helped transform the world. We will be viewing "The Story of the Jews" on Sunday mornings at 9am from June 21st through July 26th.

When school starts in the fall we will be reading and discussing Marcus Borg's last book (he passed away several months ago) "Convictions, How I learned What Matters Most." More to follow.



4 Cheryl Dobson  
 8 Linda Barnhill  
 8 Bob Clarke  
 5 Savannah Weekes  
 9 Jillian Stirling  
 15 Rebecca Schults  
 18 Fran Hassler  
 18 Debra Urzua  
 19 Edie Ticrick  
 21 Connie Cembura  
 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

5 Mary Jean and Urb Spediacci  
 13 Betty and Jack Gaughan  
 15 Patti and Scott Bartlebaugh  
 18 Adella and Mike Logan  
 19 Katie and John Moore  
 24 Janet and Blake Kurz  
 25 Diana and Robert Easley  
 26 Joan and Bud Petersen



## MY DAD

I remember as a boy - laying in bed sometimes at night  
 And hearing my Dad playing his banjo or guitar  
 In the next room - heavenly sounds to fall asleep to  
 It made me feel everything was all right.  
 My father - along with Mom - raised eight kids  
 And took us to the Art Museum - and also to  
 Forest Park in St. Louis - to see the zoo.  
 He loved trees and all of nature - and once told me  
 That the way he knew there was a God  
 Was because of all the great variety  
 Of all the animals and plants - such beauty.  
 He taught me to play chess  
 And encouraged me to be my best.  
 He loved his wife - and lived a good life  
 And while fathers and sons don't always see eye to eye  
 It's not to deny  
 The love there that runs deep - from both sides.  
 Years ago I too became a father - to 2 lovely girls  
 I wouldn't have missed it for the world.  
 And so today - to fathers everywhere I say  
 Thank you - may you be blessed always  
 Happy Fathers Day!

Joe Kick - 2015

## GREG PACQUER IS RETIRING !!

*Thank you Greg for your many years of dedicated service in providing exceptional (and often impromptu) music in service to Brentwood Community United Methodist Church.*

*We wish you all the happiness and joy that time off can provide. We've so enjoyed your talents and look forward to guest appearances in the future! With love and appreciation from the BCUMC congregation.*





**Hannah Bartlebaugh**

Hannah Bartlebaugh will graduate from The University of California, Santa Barbara on Saturday June 13, with Bachelor Degrees in Political Science and Psychology. During her four years at UCSB, she was a Research Assistant in the Psychology Lab, studied in Argentina, studied in Washington DC, and participated in the Capps Community Internship Program and worked at the Capps center for the Study of Ethics, Religion and Public Life. Her Senior Honors thesis is entitled "Accountability Under the new Local Funding Formula for K-12 in California." After graduation, Hannah will be participating in the New Sector Alliance Nonprofit Fellowship program in San Francisco. *Thank you to all the members of the Church who supported and prayed for Hannah and a BIG THANK YOU to United Methodist Men for the scholarships that helped to make this possible.*

### **UMW**

**Thank you** to everyone who attended the UMW Salad Luncheon last month. The women provided a wide selection of delicious salads. We made \$272 to give to Mission Projects.

### **PRISCILLA CIRCLE**

The Priscilla Circle will have its annual Summer Potluck at the home of Roxanna Simas on Wednesday June 24. **Note:** this is one week later than usual to allow for Roxanna and Pastor to attend Annual Conference. For more information or directions contact Roxanna at 625-0464.

### **WALK AND TALK**

by Jen Dunn

All women of the church are invited to a "Walk and Talk" book discussion series starting at 7 pm on Monday June 15th at Round Valley Regional Park (off of Marsh Creek Road). The book is "Americanah" by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, from the 2015 UMW Social Action reading list. We'll reflect on the first 140 pages of the story of Ifemelu as we reflect on the beautiful valley we live so close to.

## **Family Game Night with Merry Methodists**

**Saturday - June 13 - 5:30-9 pm**

We enjoyed the April Merry Methodist game night so much we're going to make it a quarterly event this year! Come out to BCUMC Saturday, June 13th 5:30-9pm for a potluck dinner and a fun night of games with friends of all ages. In April we were entertained by Train Dominoes, Harry Potter Trivia, Cranium and French Revolution games...what will June bring?



*Statement of Inclusion:*

Because we believe that no one is excluded from God's love and that all may come who hear the Shepherd's voice (*John 10:1-18*), so we affirm:

*In keeping with the spirit and teachings of Jesus Christ and with United Methodist principles, the Brentwood Community United Methodist Church welcomes all persons into our fellowship.*

Resident Bishop: Warner H. Brown, Jr.  
El Camino Real District Superintendent: Kristie Olah  
Pastor: Hyesung Lee ✝ Lay Leader: Julius Lukacs  
Secretary: Debra Urzua

*The Mission of the United Methodist Church  
is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.*

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TIME DATED MATERIAL

