Deeds and Opportunities

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May 2018







2018 MAY Worship & Preaching Schedule

SUNDAYS	Scriptures & Sermon Theme	WORSHIP ACTS / OTHER ACCTIVITIES
Sixth Sunday of Easter YOUTH SUNDAY May 6, 2018	"Walking with Jesus" Preacher: Becca Feldermann Youth Director of BCUMC	 Holy Communion Youth member will do the ministry of worship leader during Service 12 pm SPRC
Ascension of the Lord Mother's Day May 13, 2018	Acts 1:1-11 Luke 24:44-53 "Jesus Ascends"	• Giving carnations to all women and all men singing a special song for women
Day of Pentecost Heritage Sunday Confirmation Sunday May 20, 2018	Acts 2:1-21 Ezekiel 37:1-14 "The Holy Spirit on Us"	 Confirmation Sunday 12 pm LGBTQplus Open Discussion (3)
Trinity Sunday First Sunday after Pentecost Peace with Justice Sunday May 27, 2018	Isaiah 6:1-8 John 3:1-17 "Work of Holy Spirit in Necodmus"	Youth "Moses" during service

WORSHIP MINISTERS FOR MAY

Sunday	Acolyte	Crucifer
5/6	Christian Belino	Jamie Feldermann
5/13	Maeci Scott	Trevor Austin
5/20	Kaela Scott	Alex Dunn
5/27	Robin van Ruiten	Abby Scott

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:

Staff Person Liaison

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.

† Pastor's Letter †

Dear Friends in Ministry

As you know, our office manager, Debra Urzua, has been in and out of the hospital for more than 5 weeks now due to an unthinkable mistake made by the doctor who was supposed to perform a simple surgical procedure. One thing after another, she has suffered a series of medical problems. She is finally at home now as of Wednesday April 25th. But she still has a long way to go to complete her medical treatment for her original problem.

WHY? People ask. Why does this thing happen? As many of you have, I've been upset about the whole thing. I've felt anger and frustration from time to time. Some have asked, "Why did God let these things happen to her?" If we don't know God, we may have also asked the same question. But through the stories in the Bible, we learned that God has never promised us a life without suffering but promised to be with us always no matter what we are going through. Suffering is a part of our lives. What may make a difference to this world filled with sufferings is our response to those sufferings. We learned this from people of faith in the Bible like Joseph, David, Jeremiah, Stephen, Peter, Paul and so on. Joseph did not respond with anger, revenge or self-destructive behavior to so many injustices happened to him. He exercised his faith in God and used his good character to forgive and move forward. David did show the same reaction to his series of trials and unfortunate things. St. Paul who had gone through countless persecutions and dangers had proclaimed the power of faith in one of his letters as below:

"But we have this treasure [Jesus Christ] in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸ We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies" (2 Corinthians 4:7-10)

I am thankful that Debra and her husband Rick are people of faith and that they are exercising their faith confidently. Whenever I visit them, I got comforted rather than I comfort them. Let us do our parts to support their difficult journey with all the ways we can by all the means we can. Thanks be to God for the gift of His Son Jesus Christ who taught us how to trust God in the time of troubles!

Sincerely,

Your Pastor, Hyesung Lee

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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)

Barbara Bonnickson, Lou Bronzan, Diana Easley Joyce Heflin, Debra Urzua, Michelle Hill (Katie's friend) Beverley Hendrix, Cliff Fortner, Fred Schults Debra Urzua, Diane Hutchison, Carey Hutchison Beverly Johnson, Debbie Geren, Galen Tidrick, Chris Baldwin, Ethel Badham

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





UMW WELCOME LUNCHEON

On Saturday, May 5th, at 11:30 the Jesse Lee and Priscilla Circles will be hosting a Welcome Luncheon for any woman attending church. If you are new to our church family as a visitor or member, we want to welcome you. If you have been here a while but have not come to our fellowship, we also welcome you. This invitation also is extended to daughters of middle school age and up!

We will eat, greet, and get to know each other and then have a program about Women's Fellowship. So, please plan to join in on the fun and sign-up during fellowship after church or by contacting JoAnn Funk at 513-0020 or

email: itfunkphd@sonic.net OR Donna Baker at 240-7093 or

email: deltadonnab@gmail.com

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 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm.! Candles will be provided for those who wish to light a candle for someone or for some causes. The prayer team will pray for any prayer requests you leave in the Prayer Basket.





Tristen Mendoza and Robin Vaughan are interested in starting a **BOOK CLUB** and are wondering if there is anyone else who would like to join them . . . there are so many wonderful books available to us. The books do not have to be church related; we are looking for friendship, fellowship and a good book. Please feel free to contact Robin 650-619-6387 or Tristen 925-984-3728 if you are interested.



- 1 Michael Ann Honea
- 1 Brenda Coatsworth
- 2 Marie Weekes
- 5 Elijah Van Ruiten
- 11 Carey Hutchison
- 12 Jacki Hughes
- 14 Blanca Malagon
- 16 Julius Lukacs
- 16 Graham Stirling
- 17 Jackie Azevedo
- 18 Judy Bieger
- 19 David Funk
- 19 Margaret Cruz
- 20 Robert Easley
- 23 Adam Simas
- 24 Dennis Buckley
- 27 Annie Azevedo
- 28 Brian Gray



- 22 Jackie & Dan Hanel
- 31 JoAnn & David Funk

APPRECIATION

As we approach Another Mothers Day And look in our hearts With much to say Appreciation that runs deep And treasured memories to keep It always comes as a surprise How a mother looks with loving eyes A reflection of the love Divine To help us let our "little light" shine And if difficult times were yours or mine In early days to learn to live I hope I've come to understand And find a way to forgive And see the good As perhaps do we all I'm glad Mom loved me When I was small.

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Thank You from Esther Graham

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for making my birthday celebration a memorable event. I was honored by your presence.

Thank you again.

Yours in Christ Jesus, Esther



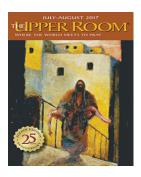
DISTRICT CONFERENCE – TRUSTEE AND FINANCE TRAINING

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!



New Small Group With Heidi Stark

THE UPPER ROOM

Sunday mornings at 9:30am Starting Sunday, May 6

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

Memorial Service for Dorothy Moran

Dorothy Moran, mother of Staci Webb, passed away recently. The family is planning to have a small ceremony at Brentwood Cemetery the morning of Saturday June 23rd and then a time to share memories with loved ones at the Fellowship Hall in Brentwood Community U.M.C. from noon to 2 pm. You are all invited to come and express your love and condolences to the family. Staci's email is londonluv@comcast.net and home address is 905 135th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98332.

LOS RIOS DISTRICT CAMP for ALL AGES

May 25th - May 28th

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

Time: 6 pm May 25th to 1 pm May 28th

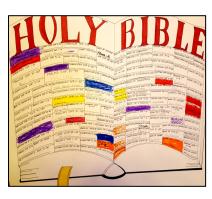
Cost Adults \$200 Children(6-11) \$120 Kids under 6 Free

Register at clanevypm.org, click on "camp and events" tab

"CAUGHT" IN STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

By Jerry Walton

- * **Robin Vaughan** and **Marie Weekes** for substituting the Pre-K 2nd Grade Sunday School class on more than one occasion recently.
- * Rosemary Wood for creating an Administrative Assistant manual for the Church Office.
- * **Dennis Buckley** for Computer Tech expertise in the Church Office when the computer crashed.
- * String Band members **Joe Kick, Dave and Joan Funk, Pastor Hyesung Lee, and Diane Lee**, for performances at the Easter Sunrise Service at HOPE House and at Cortona Park Senior Living in Brentwood.
- * Julius Lukacs and Rev. Hyesung Lee for organizing Sunday Night Live Taize Service on April 22nd.



LENT BIBLE BLAST WINNERS!!!

We did it! The whole congregation completed reading of the Bible cover to cover during 2018 Lent by taking different chapters individually!

- Easter Basket Winners: *Maeci Scott, Eileen Newill, Dolores Hauan, Kaela Scott, Luther Belino*
- Cross Necklace Winners: Holly Baxter, Abbie Scott, Melissa VanRuiten
- Bible Winner: Kiala Kieffer
- Pick a hymn for a future Sunday service: Linda Walton, Polly Gallagher, Shirley Gray
- Lunch with Pastor: Scott Baxter Lunch with Lay Leader: Marie Weekes

SUPPORT OUR 2018 MINISTRIES

Thank you everyone for your continued generosity to our ministries here at Brentwood Community United Methodist Church (BCUMC). With your strong support in March, we were able to pay \$16,088 in expenses and support United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) with funds totaling \$480.

The Easter offering was \$1,277 which was allocated to Hope House to go towards a much-needed additional refrigerator (perfect timing for the upcoming warmer season). What a wonderful blessing to be able to support these causes. April and May will be challenging due to our quarterly payments which will amount to approximately \$18,000 each month. Thank you for your **time and commitment** to God's work here in Brentwood.

Jerry Walton Finance Chair

MEN'S BREAKFAST

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH – 8:00 AM

BCUMC Fellowship Hall

All men are invited to breakfast.

Come and Join in a great breakfast and fellowship.

Heart-healthy food to be included.

We will meet **Saturday May 6th.** Bring a friend. His breakfast is free! Call Dave Funk at 925-997-5018 with any questions.



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

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

