



Welcome to Bethesda UMC

Sunday, January 22, 2023



Reconciling
Ministries
Network

OUR STATEMENT OF WELCOME

We are a congregation that welcomes all with open hearts, open minds and open doors.

*Our faith is deeply rooted in the Methodist tradition of social justice
and we support the inclusion of all in every aspect of the life of the church.*

We are more than the sum of our parts.

We are a community of believers, doubters and seekers of all ages, from all corners of the earth.

*Our church family is made up of people of differing sexual orientations and gender identities
and we affirm and celebrate all of them.*

We are socially, politically and theologically diverse, yet we are one in the body of Christ.

*We welcome everyone who wishes to join us as we strive to order our lives
in the way of the footwasher, Jesus Christ, to love our God, to love our neighbors
and to bring peace, kindness and justice to a world in need.*

We're Glad You Are Here Today!

Please fill out an **Attendance Card** (located in the pew rack) to let us know you've been here in worship (just leave the card on the pew at the end of the service). You can use this card to share prayer requests, send a message to the pastors, or update your contact information. Thanks!

New Here?

We warmly welcome all who are visiting our church this morning. We hope to have the chance to personally greet you and answer any questions about our congregation that you may have. Want to learn more about BUMC? We invite you to text your name and email address to us at **301-246-0866** and we'll be in touch soon!

BUMC's COVID Re-Entry Update

Wearing masks is not required during our services and activities but is recommended. Hand hygiene is important – feel free to use the sanitizing stations in the narthex and Lonnie's Lobby. And most of all, if you at all feel not well, even if it is just a little bit, the most loving thing you can do is to join us virtually instead of in person until you are sure you are well.

BUMC only requires a mask for those working in the nursery.

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Serve Sunday

Sunday, January 22, 2023 11 a.m.

BUMC's services are livestreamed. Please be aware mics are live and conversations may be heard over the air. If you prefer not to be visible on the video, which is broadcast on YouTube, we invite you to be seated towards the rear of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

Chris Warrington

OPENING MUSIC/BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Chris Warrington

"Fugue in G Major" BWV 576 - J.S. Bach

TOLLING OF THE CHURCH BELL

Ringing church bells reminds the world God holds the future of humanity.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Susan Bender & Shannon Snynn

* GREETING

Bill Blackwelder

Leader: We come, for the God of Justice gathers us here,
with that community called faith:

**People: where the hungry are served first,
where the thirsty drink life's water.**

Leader: We come, for God welcomes us here
into that home called grace:

**People: where the naked are clothed in robes of hope;
where the stranger is embraced as the long-lost prodigal.**

Leader: We come, for God reunites us here,
sisters and brothers in that family called love:

**People: Where the imprisoned model justice,
where the sick are cradled in God's peace.**

* OPENING SONG

TFWS 2175

"Together We Serve"

* WELCOMING STATEMENT

Janet Edmonds

* SHARING OF THE PEACE

Stacy Welch

* SHARING OF THE PEACE SONG

TFWS 2171

"Make Me A Channel of Your Peace"

LISTENING

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		<i>Dennis Williams & Family</i>
*HYMN	"Spirit of the Living God"	<i>UMH 393</i>
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		
ANTHEM		<i>Sanctuary Choir</i>
	"Offertory" - John Ness Beck	
SCRIPTURE		<i>Bruce Smith</i>
	Matthew 25:31-40	
MESSAGE		<i>Dr. Shaw Brewer</i>
	"Vision Series: Serve - As We Have Done to Them"	

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING		<i>Shannon Snynn</i>
OFFERTORY MUSIC		<i>Praise Band</i>
	"Here I Am, Lord"	
DOXOLOGY		<i>UMH 95</i>
	"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"	
OFFERTORY PRAYER		<i>Susan Bender</i>

SENDING FORTH

* CLOSING SONG		<i>Praise Band</i>
	"What Does The Lord Require of You?"	
* CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD		
* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		<i>Susan Bender & Shannon Snynn</i>
* CLOSING MUSIC/POSTLUDE		<i>Chris Warrington</i>
	"God of Grace" - Paul Manz	

TODAY'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Pastor: Rev. Dr. HiRho Park

Director of Music: Chris Warrington

Director, Bethesda Bells: Gail Williams

Tech: Sam Bohn (livestream), Steven Martin (slides), Chris Anderson (sound)

Coffee Hour: Iris Diaz & Brian Sliker, Bonnie and Phoebe Noonan

Minister of Worship & Justice: Dr. Shaw Brewer

Sanctuary Choir Conductor: Max Nolin

Worship Chair: Bill Allman

If you have any questions or wish to provide input about our worship services, please contact Bill (bilgerall@yahoo.com). We'd love to hear from you.

Today at BUMC

9:30 am	Children's Choir Rehearsal
9:45 am	PTR Class
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship (in-person & online at washmorefeet.org/livestream)
11:00 am	Kids With Purpose
4:00 pm	Racial Justice Witness
6:00 pm	UMYF

BUMC CANOPY SMALL GROUP: "Watching Over One Another In Love"

Re-Connect, Re-Build Relationships as we emerge from the pandemic!

PURPOSE OF BUMC CANOPY: to nurture healthy and spiritually competent Christians using a peer-based relationship-building model

GOALS OF BUMC CANOPY

- To encourage BUMC members and friends to be accountable to one another
- To renew spiritual vitality as disciples of Jesus Christ
- To provide space for BUMC members and friends to be heard despite their differences
- To challenge BUMC members and friends to better communicate and make a difference
- To provide resources to BUMC members and friends to develop innovative leadership

BUMC CANOPY IS ... intentional, missional, theological, evangelical, democratic, and edifying.

Each BUMC Canopy group will have a facilitator, and the group members can take turns. If you are interested in being a facilitator, please sign up in the back or get in touch with Rev. HiRho at hrpark@washmorefeet.org.

LISTENING SESSION: On January 22 at 12:30, we will host a listening session to show our support for LGBTQIA+ community. Rev. Chet Jechura, a provisional elder in the Baltimore Washington conference, and our Dennis Williams will share their experiences. This will be a hybrid session; please email Shaw (shaw@washmorefeet.org) for the link. We will take this as an opportunity to reaffirm our stance as a reconciling ministry and show our support.

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION: The next planning meeting of BUMC's Gun Violence Prevention Ministry will be Monday, January 23 at 7:30 p.m. on Zoom. All are welcome to join us as we make plans for the next few months. Contact Susan Bender at susanbender@comcast.net for the Zoom link.

YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH: All young adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to brunch with us after the worship service on January 29. We will meet in the narthex following worship for a time of fellowship and brainstorming about our plans for the spring and beyond. Contact Grace Yanagawa at gyanagawa89@gmail.com for more information.

MESSENGER DEADLINE IS MONDAY: Do you have an event coming up, a ministry report to share, or some other newsworthy item for the Messenger (our monthly, comprehensive newsletter)? Please send your article (with pictures if available) to communications@washmorefeet.org by the end of the day Monday.

WOMEN'S POTLUCK: All women of the church are invited to the January 25th 6:30 potluck at Janet Edmonds' home (3814 Kenilworth Drwy, Chevy Chase). Please mark your calendars and contact Rebecca with questions or to RSVP (r33conley@gmail.com).

THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING COFFEE HOUR: We thank all those who helped BUMC to knit a close community by reviving a coffee hour. We will recognize contributors' names under Today's Worship Ministry section of the bulletin each week. You help us to find God in each other's smiling faces!