Welcome to Bethesda UMC

Sunday, January 29, 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.

Bethesda United Methodist Church

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Fourth Sunday in Epiphany

Sunday, January 29, 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*

"Arioso" - J.S. Bach

TOLLING OF THE CHURCH BELL

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** GREETING**

Leader: Our God, Creator, and Sustainer of all life
instructs us to give generously and cheerfully.

People: We come, giving the funds, time, and gifts God has given us, cheerfully and without hesitation or pressure, trusting that in our upside-down life of the Gospel, our wealth is measured not by what we have but what we give away.

All: We give joyfully as an act of our faith trusting you great God, to bless your church, your people, and your creation through our giving.

*** OPENING HYMN** *UMH 64*

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

RECOGNITION OF LEADERS

*** SHARING OF THE PEACE**

*** SHARING OF THE PEACE SONG** *TFWS 2162*

"Grace Alone"

LISTENING

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

"Bless the Lord (O My Soul)"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM *Sanctuary Choir*

"Swell the Full Chorus" - G.F. Handel

SCRIPTURE *Ann O'Malley*

Matthew 7:7-11

MESSAGE *Rev. Dr. HiRho Park*

"Vision Series: Give - Turning Tables Around"

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING *Mike Mitchell*

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Praise Band*

"They'll Know We Are Christians (By Our Love)"

*** DOXOLOGY** *UMH 682*

"All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night" verse 5

OFFERTORY PRAYER

SENDING FORTH

*** CLOSING HYMN** *UMH 664*

"Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

*** CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

*** DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

*** SUNG BENEDICTION** *UMH 666*

"Shalom to You"

*** CLOSING MUSIC/POSTLUDE** *Chris Warrington*

"Toccata in C Major" BWV 566 - J.S. Bach

TODAY'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Pastor: Rev. Dr. HiRho Park
Minister of Worship & Justice: Dr. Shaw Brewer
Director of Music: Chris Warrington
Sanctuary Choir Conductor: Max Nolin
Director, Bethesda Bells: Gail Williams
Acolyte: Elijah Baker
Tech: Sam Bohn (livestream), Holly Panullo (slides), David Flumbaum (sound)
Coffee Hour: Meg McKinney, Heidi & Scott Lewis

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
12:00 pm	Young Adult Brunch
6:00 pm	United Methodist Youth Fellowship

BUMC CANOPY SMALL GROUP

"Watching Over One Another In Love"

Re-connect and 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 group members can take turns filling that role. If you are interested in being a facilitator, please get in touch with Rev. HiRho at hrpark@washmorefeet.org.

YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH 20S AND 30S: You are invited to brunch after the worship service today. We will gather in the Narthex and head over to Barrel & Crow (4867 Cordell Ave, Bethesda) for a time of fellowship. During that time, we'll talk about what we hope to do in the coming months including during Lent. For more details, please contact Grace Yanagawa (gyanagawa89@gmail.com) or Dr. Shaw (shaw@washmorefeet.org).

FASTING PRAYER FOR BUMC ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4: On the first Saturday of each month, we encourage you to fast as you pray for BUMC and its ministry. You can fast a meal or two or a whole day according to your health condition. In February, please pray that God will help BUMC to finalize updating the building code so that we can rent out the education wing of the building. This is critical for us to recover our structural budget deficit. May God lead BUMC to the proper organization that needs the space.

MISSION MONDAY is Monday. February 6, 2023. Please bring Meat and Cheese sandwiches and Trail Mix for Martha's Table, and nonperishable foods for Bethesda Help, to the Huntington Parkway Lot at BUMC between 8:30 and 10:00 on Monday morning.

COCOA IN THE PARK: All children and their families are invited to join us on Saturday, February 11th from 2:00-3:00 pm, in Greenwich Park (next to the church) for playground time, visiting, and hot cocoa. Come connect with other BUMC families during this fun outdoor activity! Questions? Contact Kara Peace at kpeace@washmorefeet.org.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: Our annual Souper Bowl of Caring is happening on Sunday, February 13. This event is an opportunity for the congregation to collect canned food and other nonperishable food for Bethesda Help on Super Bowl Sunday. Wear your favorite team's jersey and come cheer on the donations as they arrive!