Welcome to Bethesda UMC

Sunday, June 11, 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 Safety Policy

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. The last two pews in the back are reserved for those who want to sit close wearing masks.

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Second Sunday After Pentecost

Pride Sunday

Sunday, June 11, 2023 10:00 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*

"Aria" - Manz

BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST *Taline Petrossian*

TOLLING OF THE CHURCH BELL

Ringing church bells is our witness to God's presence in the world.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

In Unison:

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*** OPENING HYMN** *UMH 560*

"Help Us Accept Each Other"

SHARING OF THE PEACE *W&S 3213*

"Here Is Peace"

LISTENING

DEDICATION OF RAINBOW BANNER

MUSICAL SELECTION *Max Nolin, Soloist*

"Beautiful City"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*** HYMN** *W&S 3124*

"How Shall I Come Before the Lord"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANTHEM *Summer Choir*

"Draw the Circle Wide" - Light/Miller

HEARING

SCRIPTURE READING *Janet Edmonds*

1 Samuel 16:1-13

MESSAGE *Rev. T.C. Morrow*

"But God Looks On The Heart"

RESPONDING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING *Max Nolin*

OFFERING & OFFERTORY MUSIC *Chris Warrington*

"Be Thou My Vision" - Manz

*** DOXOLOGY** *UMH 102 v.3*

"Now Thank We All Our God"

OFFERTORY PRAYER *Sharon North*

SENDING

*** CLOSING SONG** *W&S 3122*

"Christ Has Broken Down the Wall"

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

*** DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

*** CLOSING MUSIC** *Chris Warrington*

"Hymn of Praise" - Denton

TODAY'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Pastor: Rev. Dr. HiRho Park
Preacher: Rev. T.C. Morrow
Director of Music: Chris Warrington
Director, Bethesda Bells: Gail Williams
Minister of Discipleship & Justice: Dr. Shaw Brewer
Acolyte: Taline Petrossian
Sanctuary Choir Conductor: Max Nolin
Tech: Sam Bohn (livestream), Josiah Peace (slides), Chris Anderson (sound)
Coffee Hour: Ada Wong & Haitao Wang, Enrica Lipata

Worship Chairs: Bill Allman & Cindy Osnos

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

Today at BUMC

9:00am	Summer Pickup Choir Rehearsal
10:00am	Summer Worship (in-person/online)
11:00am	Listening Session with Rev. T.C. Morrow (Fellowship Hall)
1:30 pm	Departure to the Pride Booth (Narthex)
5:00pm	Racial Justice Witness
6:00pm	United Methodist Youth Fellowship End-of-Year Party in the Park

TODAY IS PRIDE SUNDAY: We are glad you are here for this special service and celebration of diversity. Rev. T.C. Morrow, a newly ordained Deacon in The United Methodist Church, who is also part of the LGBTQIA+ community, is our special guest speaker. Please stay after the service for a light lunch and special listening session where Rev. Morrow will speak about her life experiences and the future of the Methodist church.

REGISTER TODAY FOR VBS THIS SUMMER: HERO HOTLINE! Mark your calendars and plan to join us June 19 - 23 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. as we join the Hero Hotline where we are called together to serve God at Vacation Bible School! We are excited to announce that this year we will be partnering with North Bethesda UMC, St. Paul's Kensington UMC, and Concord St. Andrews UMC. (All activities will take place here at BUMC). VBS is open to all children ages 4 through rising 5th graders. Please register today!

CELEBRATE WITH US AT OUR PRIDE BOOTH! Join us this afternoon from 12-7 at the Pride Festival as we celebrate diversity! Our being present at the festival represents God's love for everyone. We will have a wheel where you can win prizes while enjoying the festivities.

At our booth, you'll be surrounded by other Christians and like-minded people who want to draw the circle wide and embrace people of all genders, sexualities, and backgrounds. Come by and say hello, pick up some literature, and take a spin on our prize wheel. If you'd like to join, please meet us at the Narthex at 1:30 pm. We'll be taking the Metro to get there together.

YOUNG ADULT BRUNCH: Are you looking for something fun and meaningful to do after church on June 18? Look no further! We're hosting a Young Adult Brunch and we'd love for you to join us.

We'll start by ordering some delicious food from DoorDash, and while we wait for it to arrive, we'll help transform the sanctuary and set up for Vacation Bible School. They need our help, and we'd be glad to assist! Once we're done with the setup, we'll find a cozy spot to eat and chat. During this time, we'll discuss Juneteenth, Pride Month, and all the ways that inclusion is important to us and our community. So, come on over and hang out with us on June 18! We can't wait to see you there. Meet us in the narthex that day or contact Shaw Brewer for more information shaw@washmorefeet.org.

BE PART OF A SUMMER PICKUP CHOIR: During the summer months, our Sanctuary Choir, Praise Band, and Bethesda Bells take a well-deserved break from their regularly scheduled rehearsals and weekly worship participation. Even so, worship continues each Sunday at 10 a.m., and music is still vital to these summer services. We would like to invite you to take part in the Summer "Pickup" Choirs in the chancel today and on the following Sundays: July 2, July 23, and August 13.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY SERIES BEGINS JULY 11: Join us as we kick-off a five-week study that will help us face and overcome our fears about loneliness, illness, financial insecurity, disappointing others, failure, insignificance, and aging. We'll use Adam Hamilton's teachings to guide our discussions and gain valuable insights into living unafraid. Plus, there will be a five-week sermon series on the book and daily texts to keep you engaged throughout the week.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to grow in your faith and gain valuable tools to face life's challenges head-on. Contact shaw@washmorefeet.org for more information.