Welcome to Bethesda UMC

Sunday, November 5, 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. 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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Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost
All Saints' Sunday

Sunday, November 5, 2023 11:00 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

Choral Introit

Opening Music/Bringing the Light of Christ — Cloe Cevallos

"Prelude" from "Prelude, Fugue, et Variation"
Cesar Franck - (1822-1890)

Tolling of the Church Bell

Welcome & Announcements

* Greeting:

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

* Opening Hymn — UMH 711 vv. 1, 2, 4, 6

"For All the Saints"

* Opening Prayer

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts. by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Sharing of the Peace — Praise Band

"I Will Rise"

LISTENING

Children's Message

Hymn — UMH 707

"Hymn of Promise"

RESPONDING

Invitation to Offering & Prayer

Offertory Music — Gail Williams, flute

"Larghetto & Allegro" - from Sonata V - G.F. Handel

* The Great Thanksgiving

The First Roll Call of the Saints Departed

Scripture Reading — Lynn Ricciardella

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

The Second Roll Call of the Saints Departed

Scripture Reading — Lynn Ricciardella

Hebrews 12:1-2

The Last Roll Call of the Saints Departed

Music — Sanctuary Choir

I - "Introit"
II - "Kyrie"
from "Requiem" - Maurice Duruflé

* Closing Song/Carrying the Light of Christ Into the World — Praise Band

"I'll Fly Away"

* Dismissal With Blessing

* Choral Benediction

Closing Music

"Diapason Piece" - Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)

TODAY'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Pastor: Rev. Dr. HiRho Park
Minister of Discipleship & Justice: Dr. Shaw Brewer
Director of Music: Chris Warrington
Sanctuary Choir Conductor: Max Nolin
Worship Leader: David Balasundaram
Director, Bethesda Bells: Gail Williams
Acolyte: Cloe Cevallos
Tech: Sam Bohn (livestream), Steven Martin (slides), Dave Flumbaum (sound)
Coffee Hour Hosts: Debbie Gillette and Meg McKinney

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

Sunday, November 5: All Saints Sunday

- Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 9:45 am PTR Class
- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Blended Worship
- 3:15 pm UMYF Laser Tag Trip (meet at The Castle Laser Tag"
- 7:00 pm GVP Panel Discission

Please Donate

Thank you for choosing to worship with us on your busy Sunday. We understand that our services may sometimes go beyond one hour. If you need to leave at the end of the one-hour service, we kindly ask that you do so quietly. Our worship leaders will not be offended.

GUN INDUSTRY ACCOUNTABILITY - JOIN US FOR A PANEL DISCUSSION on the current gun industry immunity from civil lawsuits and whether they should be held accountable, as was done with tobacco and pharmaceutical companies.

Join us this evening from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., in-person at Temple Shalom, located at 8401 Grubb Rd, Chevy Chase, or tune in to the livestream. Our esteemed panelists include Sandy and Lonnie Phillips, founders of Survivors Empowered; Erin Davis, Senior Counsel at Brady United; and Sen. Jeff Waldstreicher (D-18). The discussion will be moderated by Karen Herren, Executive Director of Marylanders to Prevent Gun Violence. This program is free, but registration is required. Learn more and register by scanning the QR code.

NOVEMBER MISSION MONDAY will take place tomorrow, November 6. Please bring meat and cheese sandwiches and baggies of homemade trail mix (without nuts) to the BUMC parking lot between 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. on that morning. These items will be delivered to Martha's Table in D.C. and distributed by McKenna's Wagon later that evening. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy (smithnancy@verizon.net) or Bruce (smithbruce@verizon.net) Smith.

A SEASON OF ALMOST: A PRE-ADVENT STUDY: Are you tired of the overwhelming rush that comes with the holiday season? Do you long for Christmas to feel different this year? Join us for a four-week study beginning on November 7, with other classes on November 14, 28, and December 5.

In this study, we will explore the true meaning of Christmas and how it can bring fulfillment and abundance to our lives. Christmas is more than just another item on our to-do list – it is a symbol of hope and expectation. As we wait for Christ's birth, let's practice being more loving, forgiving, and patient.

The study will be offered both online and in person in the Narthex. Don't let the holiday stress get you down, discover what God has to offer you in this season of waiting. For more information, email shaw@washmorefeet.org.

BISHOP WENNER FROM GERMANY SPEAKING: We are thrilled to announce that Bishop Rosemarie Wenner from Germany will join the Confirmation Class via Zoom on November 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:40 a.m. She will share her insights on the United Methodist Church as a worldwide church. Bishop Wenner was the first woman to be elected as bishop outside of the US in the UMC, so her perspective will be invaluable to us. We encourage anyone interested in meeting her to reserve the date in your calendar. If you can attend in person, we would be happy to have you join us in the classroom with our confirmands. The confirmation class meets in the Chapel in the basement.

Donuts and coffee will be available. If you want to join us via Zoom, please contact Rev. HiRho at hrpark@washmorefeet.org. Bishop Wenner will be glad to see us all!