Welcome to Bethesda UMC

Sunday, May 26, 2024

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!

We Are a "Wash More Feet" Congregation

Growing together to love
and serve Christ, our neighbor,
our world.

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Trinity Sunday
Memorial Sunday

Sunday, May 26, 2024 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

Pre-Service Music & Bringing the Light of Christ — Praise Band

"Lord Reign In Me"
"Bless the Lord, O My Soul"

Tolling of the Church Bell

Welcome & Announcements

* Greeting

Leader: Let us begin our time of worship
with a moment of remembrance.

People: We remember fallen soldiers, and the sacrifice they made for the sake of others.

Leader: Let us begin our time of worship
with a moment of thanksgiving.

People: We thank God for brave men and women that have given their lives so that we may worship without fear.

Leader: Let us begin our time of worship with a moment of silence;
for a moment is the least we can do for those that gave their eternity.

* Opening Hymn — TFWS 2191

"Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Memorial Day Prayer and Meditation

Many gave their lives for our freedom …
Each year we give this tribute
Out of thankfulness and love
For your loyalty and courage
Virtues that set you above.
We'll never forget you gave your all
That others can be free
You paid the ultimate earthly price
Immortal you will ever be.
We walk the byways, streets of towns
Country lanes, through parks
At ease, at peace, possible because
Of missions upon which you embarked.
When there is no setting sun

And tides stretch out o'er all the land
No birds to fly, no songs to sing
Then we'll come and take your hand.
For now we won't forget
An emptiness your parting left
You gave your life in freedom's call
In God's eyes you're ever blessed.

- Prayer by Susan Helene Kramer

* Sharing of the Peace & Song — UMH 696, verse 2

"America the Beautiful"

LISTENING

Childrens Message/ Adult Teacher Recognition

Musical Selection — Praise Band

"It Is Well"

Prayers of the People — John Euler

Scripture Reading — Ada Wong

Joshua 4:4-7

Message — Rev. Dr. HiRho Park

Remember to Remember

RESPONDING

Invitation to Offering & Offertory Music

* Doxology — UMH 94

"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

* Offertory Prayer

SENDING

* Closing Song — Praise Band

"All the People Said 'Amen'"

* Dismissal & Blessing

Closing Music

"All the People Said 'Amen'" - reprise

TODAY'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Pastor: Rev. Dr. HiRho Park
Minister of Discipleship & Justice: Dr. Shaw Brewer
Worship Leader: John Euler
Director of Music: Chris Warrington
Sanctuary Choir Conductor: Max Nolin
Director, Bethesda Bells: Gail Williams
Tech: Steven Martin (livestream), Holly Pannullo (slides), David Flumbaum (sound)
Coffee Hour: Jualenda & Jack Fisher, Bonnie Noonan

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, May 26: Summer Schedule Begins

- 9:50 am Pre-service Music
- 10:00 am Worship (no Kids With Purpose today, will resume next week at 10:15 a.m.)
- 11:15 am Manna Packers
- 11:15 am Dementia Support Group
- 5:00 pm Racial Justice Witness

Please Donate

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE: HONORING OUR HEROES: Today, we gather together to honor those brave souls who made the ultimate sacrifice in service of our country during times of war. As we gather to remember, we'll share in fellowship and gratitude for the freedoms we enjoy today. Let's join together, reflecting on the past, cherishing the present, and looking forward to a future filled with peace and unity.

JOIN US FOR CONFIRMATION SUNDAY: We are delighted to invite you to an extraordinary Confirmation Sunday on June 2 at 10:00 a.m. Our District Superintendent, Rev. Dawn Hand, will be preaching, and we will joyfully confirm twelve of our young members as they affirm their faith. Each confirmand will contribute to the service.

The service will be a unique blend of Holy Communion and a special solo performance of the Lord's Prayer. This promises to be a memorable and uplifting celebration of faith and community. Please join us for this significant event and support our confirmands as they take this critical step in their spiritual journey.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY POTLUCK: The Women's Ministry will hold a potluck supper on Wednesday, May 29, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Nancy Gauthier located at 944 Willowleaf Way, Rockville, MD. Please bring a dish or beverage to share and join us for fellowship – all are welcome! For more information or to RSVP (not required), please email Andrea Medici at esqdrea@verizon.net.

SUMMER CHOIRS – There will be four opportunities to sing with the summer choir this summer; June 2, July 7, July 28, and August 18. Rehearsal is at 9:00 a.m. on those dates in the Sanctuary. The music is light, fun, meaningful, and accessible – that is to say just about anyone can sing it. There's safety in numbers, so come out and sing on those dates…who knows? You may enjoy it enough to become a regular part of the choir in the fall!

CELEBRATING THE PILLARS OF FAITH: OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: We tip our hats to our Sunday School teachers for their relentless dedication throughout the year. Through their unwavering commitment, the word of God has found a home in the hearts of our children, youth, and adults. Join us in thanking these extraordinary individuals as we celebrate their efforts.

Adult class teachers: Don Ross, David Decker, Janine Gregory, and Shaw Brewer.

Children and youth class teachers and mentors: Albert Sim, Laura Sim, Julie Petrossian, Rosie Cooper, Janet Edmonds, Jae Edmonds, Sue Owen, Lance Leverenz, Emily Cevallos, Susan Bender, Pat Kirwan, Bob Gillette, Noeline Kitonsa, Bill Allman, Ada Wong, Rachelle Cummins, Shaw Brewer, Phil Page, Michael Mitchell, Carynne Jarrell, Jacob Couch, Carl Eichenwald, Ada Wong, Haitao Wang, Julio Da Silva, HiRho Park.

EMBRACE THE SUN AND THE SON - OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE UNVEILED: As of today, we're switching gears to our summer schedule. We'll continue to gather for worship at 10:00 a.m. right through the summer months. While Sunday school pauses for a breather, we trust you'll find joy in the break. We encourage you to join us whenever possible, embracing the summer sun and the Son of God.