



**BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Passion for Christ, Compassion for All

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*Thirteen Sunday after Pentecost
10:30 am Sunday, September 7, 2025
Holy Communion*

**Mark invites you to stand, as you are able.
Please turn off all cell phones, or set on vibrate!*

*Let us be in the spirit of worship, centering
around God the Creator, Son the Redeemer
and Holy Spirit the Sustainer who invites us into
their presence, heal us and mold us into the image of God!*

COMING TOGETHER FOR WORSHIP

Greeter: Linda Walton

Ushers: Scott Baxter, Gbenga Olayomi, Steven Smith

Assistive Listening Receivers/Headsets are available to anyone requesting them.

**You will find blue buttons on our church website (brentwoodumc.org) to join either
Live Zoom worship Service or **YouTube Live** Stream starting at 10:15 am. A recording of the
Sunday Worship Service will be available sometime after 7:00 pm Sunday on the church website."

WELCOME (Sound of the Gong)

Polly Gallagher

***OPENING HYMN** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (UMH # 117 vs 1, 2, 4, 5) Together

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Polly Gallagher

MISSION/MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Polly Gallagher

INTROIT

Choir

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Dr. Hugh Stevenson

SING ALONG

"Jesus Loves Me" (UMH #191 vs 1)

Together

LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM

Choir

OFFERING of PLEDGES & THANKSGIVING

Polly Gallagher

Offertory Music

*Doxology #94 (UMH)

TIME FOR COMMUNITY (From Zoom & Sanctuary)

Rev. Dr. Hugh Stevenson

Joys and Concern
 Pastoral Prayer
 Passing of the Peace

***GOSPEL READING**

Luke 2:25-35

Polly Gallagher

MESSAGE

"Generations"

Rev. Dr. Hugh Stevenson

HOLY COMMUNION

Servers: Robin Vaughan & Bob Clarke

Prayer of Confession

Gracious and Generous God,

We come before you today with humble hearts, confessing our deep-seated tendencies toward **greed and control**. We acknowledge that, too often, we have fallen prey to the allure of a false gospel—one that promises wealth and health as a direct reward for our faith or our actions. Forgive us for believing that your blessings are something we can **earn, manipulate, or demand**, rather than gifts freely given from your boundless love.

We confess our constant desire for more, and our struggle to be content with what you have already provided. We repent of the times we have treated you as a means to an end, a cosmic vending machine for our desires, rather than as the sovereign Lord worthy of worship for your own sake.

Forgive us for believing that our worth or your favor is measured by our material possessions or our earthly success. We confess that this mindset has led us to anxiety, comparison, and a deep dissatisfaction. We have forgotten that true prosperity is found in our **relationship with Christ**, in the richness of your grace, and in the eternal hope you offer.

May we truly understand that the Gospel is not about what we can get from you, but about what you have already given us in Jesus Christ—salvation, forgiveness, and eternal life. Free us from the grip of greed and the illusion of control, and lead us into the genuine freedom of living by **faith alone**.

In the Name of Jesus, our true treasure, we pray. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Faith of Our Fathers" (UMH # 710)

Together

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Hugh Stevenson

POSTLUDE



Rose Marie Forment

"Brentwood Community United Methodist Church is a welcoming and reconciling congregation, affirming its ministry with the whole family of God regardless of age, race, ethnic origin, economic situation, gender identity, sexual orientation, or marital status."

DATE	TIME	GROUP	LOCATION
Every Sunday	9 am	Adult Bible Study	Youth Room
Every Sunday	10:30 am	Worship	Sanctuary
Every Sunday	10:45 am	Children's Sunday School	Sunday School Room
Every Friday	10:30 am	String Band	Fellowship Hall
First Saturday of the month	8 am	UMM Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
Wed Sept 10 th	4:30 pm	SPRC	Fellowship Hall
Wed Sept 10 th	7 pm	Ad Council	Fireside Rm
Mon Sept 15 th	7 pm	United Women in Faith	Karen Thomas Home
Tues Sept 16 th	6:30 pm	Finance Committee	Fireside Rm

THOSE SERVING AT WORSHIP TODAY

Ministers	All Who Follow Christ	Greeter(s)	Linda Walton
Pastor	Rev. Dr. Hugh Stevenson	Usher(s)	Scott, Gbenga & Steven
Choir Director	Alivia Logan-Kumagai	Accompanist	Rose Marie Forment
Worship Leader	Polly Gallagher	Audio/Visual	Dennis Buckley
Communion Servers : Robin Vaughan & Bob Clarke			
Attendance from Sunday, Aug 31: 72			
Adults: 50		Children/Youth: 5	Zoom: 9
		YouTube: 8	

Bulletin & Friday Email	Weekly	Deadline: Thursday At 10 am	Contact : Michelle Brentwoodcommunityumc@gmail.com
D's and O's	BCUMC Monthly Newsletter	Editor: Bob Clarke Deadline: 28 th monthly	Contact: bbclarke@comcast.net if you wish to receive a copy via email.
Prayer Chain	Contact Linda Barnhill 925 628 9018; lindalucy1103@outlook.com with your prayer requests		
Suggestion/ Feedback Box		Let us know how we are doing. You can confidentially leave messages or requests in the box in the back of Sanctuary. Your input is important to us.	
Online Offering		If you would like to donate to BCUMC use the QR code or, you can go directly to our Vanco donation page at: www.brentwoodumc.org/bcumc/make_donation	

Let's Gather for Food and Fellowship!



Please join us after service today!



SUNDAE SUNDAY

Sept 14th

After Worship

Donations will

be forwarded to the UWF



Bocce Ball Tournament: Saturday, October 4!

The United Methodist Men will be hosting a bocce ball tournament in place of its regular monthly breakfast on Saturday, October 4 at 8:00 a.m. at Veterans Park on Balfour Rd. in Brentwood. The United Women in Faith will be joining the men in a UMM vs. UWF tournament. A light breakfast (pastries, fruit, coffee) will be provided, and Joe's special bacon will make a return appearance. **All are invited!** For more information, please contact Joe Niec.



Antioch, Brentwood, Byron, and Pittsburg UMC

ORIENTATION *Lunch provided

For Middle & High Schoolers and Parents

September 21, Sunday 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Place: Brentwood Community UMC (809 2ND St.)

Questions: Pastor Sungho Lee (rev.sungholee@gmail.com)

WE ARE SEEKING AN ACCOMPANIST

This is a paid position and we are happy to chat about the details. If you are interested or know someone who might be please reach out to Jan Schults at 925-890-6296 or Pastor Lee at 925-303-9339



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