



Laity Sunday

Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
Bethesda UMC + Online Worship

GATHERING MUSIC

Don Ross

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jenny, Rev. Scott & Karen Fratantoni

CELEBRATION OF BUMC’S RECONCILING ANNIVERSARY

OPENING PRAYER*

David & Virginia Dansie

Generous God, we gather in your presence
with praise and thanksgiving for your faithfulness to us.
Strengthen our hearts and open our hands to work with you
in building a world of love, justice, and peace.
Renew our faith and restore our hope in the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

UMH 660

“God Is Here”

God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer,
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
Here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place.
Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech,
Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd’s flock and fold;
Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us, as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt
Keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out.
Here in this day’s dedication, all we have to give, receive;
We, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

SHARING THE PEACE

Glenda & Artley Simon

Chris Warrington

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

*Louis, Marilyn, Nicholas,
Caroline & Baxter Wilkins*

WITNESS

Youth Ministry Committee

OFFERING

Shirley Derrick

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OFFERTORY

“My Shepherd Will Supply My Need”

Sanctuary Choir

Virgil Thomson

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Harry Velasquez

SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 5:14-19

Vince Sabatano

Reader: Listen for what the Spirit is saying

People: *Thanks be to God.*

MESSAGE

“Building Leaders: Invest in Transformation”

Gary Kushnier

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

You can share your prayers in the chat box or email them to BethesdaUMC@washmorefeet.org

Shaw Brewer

Chris Warrington

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

CLOSING HYMN

UMH 451

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

BLESSING**

Cara & Hailey Jaeger

FACES OF BUMC**CLOSING MUSIC**

“Shall We Gather at the River”

Janet Edmonds

arr. Lowrey

WORSHIP NOTES

* The Opening Prayer is adapted from the *United Church of Christ* website.

http://www.ucc.org/justice_worker-justice_labor-sunday_worship-resources#liturgy

** The Blessing was adapted from *Hope in God's Future: Christian Discipleship in the Context of Climate Change Report and Study Guide*, Methodist Publishing 2009.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Pastors: Rev. Jenny Cannon & Rev. Scott Bostic

BUMC Welcoming Statement Readers: Joanna Miller, Van Yeutter, Caroline Jagger, Nancy Smith, David King, Lynn Koenig, Dennis Williams, Sarah Moore, Janet Edmonds, Anjali Vadlamudi
Youth Ministry Committee Witnesses: Callie Burd, Cougar Early, Gunnar Gunnarsson, JD Weaver

Music: Sanctuary Choir, Chris Warrington, Max Nolin

Tech Support: Max Nolin, Henry Burd

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We extend our love and prayers to **Andrea Medici, Carl Eichenwald & family**

(4406 Puller Dr, Kensington, MD 20895)

in the death of Andrea's sister, **Laura Fleming**, on October 12th.

PRAYER LIST

Please email Rev. Jenny (jenny@washmorefeet.org) or Rev. Scott (scott@washmorefeet.org) with any additions or updates to the Prayer List.

MEMBERS: David Moyer, Lou Crissman, Peg McKay, Julie Toohey, Etedal Mikhail, Ruby Soong, Sue Mitchell, Mary Fryer, Rachel Bender, Marion Foltz

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Leigha (Barbara Bickford's friend), Margaret Ann & Joe Comito & Rose Donovan (Sharon North's friends), Andrea Bertz (niece of Gail Williams & Carol English), Marilynn Moore (Sarah Moore's grandmother), Nancy Mowry (Nancy Gauthier's friend), Patsy Morris (Emily Cevallos' mother), Edward Wyers (Jodie Paustian's uncle), Douglass Speaks & family (neighbors of Debbie & Bob Gillette), William & Jane Studabaker (Richard Studabaker's parents), Palmer family (Joanna Miller's friend), Maureen Fernandez (Mike Moran's sister-in-law), Bill Brewer (Shaw Brewer's father), Ian Milne (Lachlan Bell's uncle), Del Moyer (David Moyer's mother), Khloe McNeal, (daughter of Sally McDaniel's friend), Vicky Gillespie (friend of John Jagger), Philip Ross (friend of the Eichenwalds), Mike Welch (Sandy Long's brother), Marcia (Craig Jagger's sister-in-law), Richard Brown (Peg McKay's friend), Robert & Carol Womack (Angie Kronenberg's cousins), Ariane Williams (Jules Williams' sister), Noah Piper (son of Gnanaselvam family friend), William Welch (Sandy Long's father), Mari, Emily Kate Long (Elaine Long's great granddaughter), Mike (Rick Larsen's cousin), Helen L. Giuliano (Nick Giuliano's sister), Norma Gonzales (Cece Studabaker's mother), Ron Wanek (Lynn Koenig's father), Caroline Malloy (Shirley Derrick's friend), Ian Krenik (Gail Williams' nephew), Ted Nahrwold (Tammy Alexander's father), Virginia Nevans (Lisa Nevans Locke's mother), Mary Hopkins (Nick Giuliano's sister), Kim Keller (friend of Susie Sabatano), Penny Riley (Carolyn Carne's mother), John Jagger (Craig Jagger's brother)

SERVING OVERSEAS: Lt. Col. Matt McKinney (Meg McKinney's brother), Ian Decker, Jacqueline Page (Phil Page's daughter), Steve & Sue Buchele (Craig Jagger's cousins; missionaries in Vietnam), Janet Rowlands (Nancy Gauthier's friend; missionary in Thailand)