

EMBRACING JOURNEYS. ENGAGING FAITH.

BUT THE MIDWIVES

feared God

-Exodus 1:17



Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church

June 30, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship

A Special Welcome

Thank you for joining us for worship today!

We hope that the presence of the Holy Spirit and the warmth of Christ's love are gifts to you as we worship God together. **We encourage you to explore our bulletin, fill out a Visitor Card or the red fellowship pad at the end of your pew, and take home a welcome folder found just outside the Sanctuary.**

We are a caring community of friends who come from a variety of backgrounds to seek God in this place. We are united by our faith in Christ, our care and nurture of children and families, our love of learning, our appreciation of music and worship, our passion for service, and our desire to deepen our spiritual lives. Bradley Hills is a safe place to ask the deep questions of life and a community that embraces each spiritual journey.

We seek to be a welcoming witness to the love of Jesus Christ. We believe that diversity in our membership--different ages, genders, ethnicities, abilities, races, sexual orientations, ideological and theological beliefs, and experiences--is an important strength. We come from a variety of denominational backgrounds and from around the world. We are all God's children, united by God's love.

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers ages 3 and under in our nursery. All children are welcome to grab an activity board and children's bulletins for the service.

We are a mask optional community. We have masks available just outside the Sanctuary if you would like one.

We hope we have a chance to greet you and get to know you. There are a lot of exciting activities happening at BHPC that we would love for you to be a part of. If we can share any information about the church or be of support to you in any way, just let us know. We invite you to explore our website at www.bradleyhillchurch.org.

In Christ's hope,

David Gray, Senior Pastor | david@bradleyhillchurch.org

Interested in joining the church? Email David to set up a time to talk.

Get Connected | Explore Membership

BHPC is excited to welcome you to our growing community. Pastor David will be available after worship or during the week to meet with families or individuals interested in connecting more at BHPC or exploring membership. Just email David at david@bradleyhillchurch.org to set up a time.

New Members will be received next on July 14.

Our next Exploring Membership class is on Sunday, July 7 at 11:15 a.m. in the Library and on Zoom. *Childcare and lunch will be provided!* If you are interested in joining the new member class, please contact Pastor David.

GATHERING TOGETHER

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

CARILION PEAL

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Pastor Denise Diaab

GATHERING MUSIC

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

Annabel Hunter, *organ*

Johann Sebastian Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All who need a place to belong,

All: Join the family of God.

One: All who seek spiritual siblings,

All: Join the family of God.

One: All who strive to grow in faith and love,

All: Join the family of God.

One: God of everlasting love,

All: We are here to worship you this day.

*HYMN

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

Battle Hymn



1 Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com-ing of the Lord;
2 God has sound-ed forth the trum-pet that shall nev - er call re - treat
3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies Christ was born a-cross the sea,



he is tram-pling out the vin-tage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
and is sift - ing out all hu-man hearts be - fore the judg-ment seat;
with a glo - ry in his bos - om that trans - fig - ures you and me;



he has loosed the fate - ful light-n-ing of his ter - ri - ble swift sword.
O be swift, my soul, to an - swer; O be ju - bi - lant my feet!
as he died to make us ho - ly, let us live to make all free,

Refrain

God's truth is march - ing on.
 Our God is march - ing on. Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le -
 while God is march - ing on.
 lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry,
 glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! God's truth is march - ing on.

WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE SHARED

Pastor David Gray

One: We gather in this holy place,

All: That we might know and understand God better.

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Rob Rennhack

CONFESSING & PRAISING

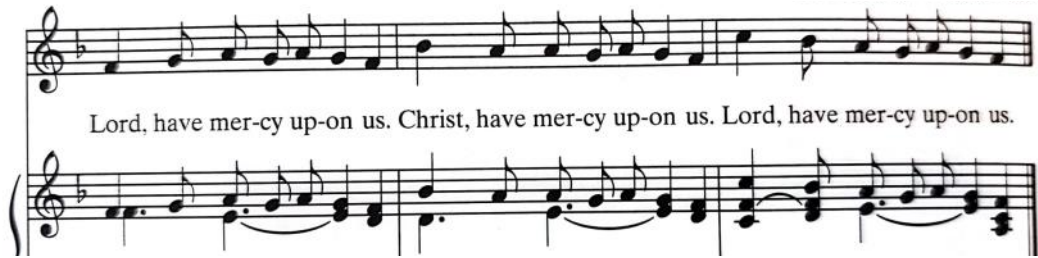
Said in unison.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

Patient God, repeatedly—day by day, hour by hour, minute by minute—you call us to serve you. But increasingly your voice is drowned out by the noise we have created to isolate ourselves from you and those around us—the noise of our screens and our surround sound systems; the noise of our political pundits, our marketing gurus, and even our own voices. Forgive us. Quiet us, God, and teach us to listen for your voice, that we may know ourselves in you, and know what you would have us be and do to your glory.

Silence for personal confession

KYRIE 572



One: We pray,

All: Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Friends, believe the good news.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE & INVITATION TO CHILDREN

Children are invited, with the permission of their parents, to come forward and sit on the Chancel steps for the Children's Message.

Spirit of the Living God

Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

EXPERIENCING GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

DCYFM Rosanna Howard

Kids ages 3 to 4th grade are invited to Summer Church School with all ages combined together during the 10:00 a.m. service. Parents may pick up their children upstairs in the education hallway.

REFLECTING GOD'S LOVE FOR CHILDREN

Seek Ye First

Lafferty

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,

And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 1:15-22

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Lord's Prayer

Albert Hay Malotte

Kaytlin Withers, *alto*

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

SERMON

Pastor Denise Diaab

*HYMN 262

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

National Hymn

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Said in unison.

RESPONSE IN FAITH - FROM THE CONFESSION OF 1967

The life, death, and resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as man involves the church in the common life of men. His service to [humankind] commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all those sufferings of humankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of [those] in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on [our] inhumanity to [one another] and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of [humankind's] life in society and of God's victory over all wrong.

RESPONSE IN OFFERINGS - CALL FOR OFFERING

Scan the QR code to make an offering or place your offering in the offering plate. As we make our offerings, guests are encouraged to fill out the Visitor Card or the fellowship pads in the pews; fellowship pads can be passed to the end of your row and back so that we might greet each other in our rows by name following the service.



OFFERTORY MUSIC

If you but trust in God to guide you

Arranged by Paul Manz

*SUNG OFFERING OF THANKSGIVING

Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

RESPONSE IN PRAYER - CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

Response for Concerns:

One: O Lord,

All: Hear our prayers.

Response for Celebrations:

One: With thanksgiving,

All: We praise the Lord.

Said in unison.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

GOING FORTH TO SERVE

*HYMN

This is My Song

Finlandia



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:
a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,
here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.
but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
a song of peace for their land and for mine.
my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

SENDING MUSIC

Allegro

Johann Gottfried Walther

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST



Preview of July 7

One Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. | Sanctuary & Online

Preaching: Pastor Jong Mi Lee | Communion

CONFIRMATION INFO SESSION

**TODAY AT 11AM
COVENANT HALL**



Youth Confirmation Class 2025

All youth in 8th and 9th grade, and high school who have not yet been confirmed, are invited to sign up for Confirmation at Bradley Hills! Confirmation is a special time of youth learning about our traditions, and growing in faith and friendships, and making their faith their own as they take an important step in life's faith journey with the help of adult mentors. Confirmation classes meet Sunday mornings in the fall and in the winter from 9:10 a.m. to 10:10 a.m. For more information or to sign up, contact **DCYFM Rosanna Howard** (rosanna@bradleyhillchurch.org) or **Pastor David** (david@bradleyhillchurch.org).

Get Connected | Explore Membership

With Pastor David

Sunday, July 7 | 11:45 AM; Library

Join us in-person or on Zoom. Lunch will be provided!

New Members Received Next: July 14

Questions? Contact Pastor David at
david@bradleyhillchurch.org



VBS 2024 | August 19 - 23

Last Day for Early-Bird Registration!!!

August 19 - August 23

Join Bradley Hills Presbyterian & Geneva for a week of music, games, crafts, and faith formation! JUST LIKE ME is an inclusive VBS curriculum that will help kids celebrate their identity as God's beloved creations just as they are!

Get a discount on early registration! Scan the QR Code to register your child.

Registration by June 30: **\$95/child** | Registration by August 5: **\$110/child**

Questions? Contact Rosanna Howard at rosanna@bradleyhillchurch.org.



This Week at BHPC

No Bible Study This Week! Join our pastors next on **Wednesday, July 10** to discuss upcoming scripture. Participants and listeners are both welcome!

Office Closed on Independence Day! The church office will be closed on July 4, but will resume normal business hours on Friday, July 5 at 9:00 a.m.

Becky's House Meals

For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty, and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. (Matthew 25:35)

We have been partnering with Interfaith Works to provide dinner once a month to Becky's House, a shelter for eight women. **We are excited to expand our ministry to include Lon's House, a home for eight men located in Rockville, also managed by Interfaith Works.** We are pleased to have the opportunity to broaden this ministry by giving those who deliver the dinner the option to stay, serve, and dine with the residents. This is an option, not required. **We will start providing meals at Lon's House in September.**

Scan the QR Codes to sign up to make dinner for Lon's House. You can also look for the links in the weekly emails and on the Bradley Hills website at bradleyhillchurch.org.



Join Us in Praying for the Youth on the Summer Trips

Our participants are ready and the packing lists are made! The youth are excited, and so are the chaperones! The Youth Summer Trips are always an annual highlight of our summer. Each trip is a retreat for middle and high school students to learn about and have a relationship with God, learn about themselves, work as a team with their peers, meet new people, help others as they can, and experience the world through God. We invite you to pray for our youth and chaperones as they prepare and are on these trips:

- **High School Retreat to Montreat** - July 6 to July 13, 2024
- **Middle School Retreat to Massanetta** - July 9 to July 14, 2024

BHPC Youth Summer Trip Participants:

Montreat Retreat: Rosanna Howard (Chaperone), Cliff Ty (Chaperone), Emily Coffey, Benjamin Scribner, Eloise Scribner

Massanetta Retreat: Kim Brinkman (Chaperone), Denise Diaab (Chaperone), Tara Eliason (Chaperone), Lily Bello, Cameron Gray, Ellie Gray, Rosie Kauffunger, Alex Mace, Dominique Ntuda, Mackenzie Owens, Sally Rabin-Rosfjord, Quinn Register, Abby Shea, Emily Venkataraman, Ben Venkataraman

Celebrations & Concerns: Please Pray With Us

We hold in God's healing presence those who are experiencing grief and loss.

We give thanks to God for joys and celebrations:

- With thanksgiving, we praise the Lord of Peg Flowe's CT scan report that showed no evidence of cancer.
- Congratulations to Naomi & Jim Kettler on the birth of their first grandchild, Christian Peter Hamm, on June 20.
- Congratulations to Sarah Buchman (daughter of John & Barbara Buchman) and Alex Remington who were married on June 22.
- The inspiring youth-led worship service last Sunday where the youth and chaperones shared some of their meaningful and memorable experiences from the Youth Mission Trip to Richmond, Virginia.

We hold in God's healing presence those who are suffering or have other concerns:

- Those hospitalized, injured, facing/recovering from surgery, being treated for chronic illness, ALS, or Parkinson's, awaiting medical results, receiving hospice care, and/or isolated from the community.
- Ally (Linda Kauskay's daughter-in-law) for healing and complete recovery from Covid and prayers for Jason (Linda's son) and baby Calvin.
- Mason (Al & Marcia Kingman's grandson) for continued healing and full recovery from his injury sustained during a traffic accident last month.
- Mike Frenkel for healing for back pain.
- Judy (Jana Coffey's mother) who is receiving comfort care.
- Eric.

We hold in God's healing presence the suffering people of our world, and all the places where people are experiencing hurt and division:

- Those affected by extreme heat, flooding, and wildfires.
- Peace for the people in Gaza, Israel, Myanmar, Taiwan, Ethiopia, Sudan, Uganda, Ukraine, and Russia.
- Those affected by hate, discrimination, and intolerance in all its forms as we stand in solidarity with our Jewish, Muslim, and LGBTQ+ siblings.
- Those who live in hope for an end to gun violence and healing for the division in America.
- Those suffering with mental illness and/or addiction.
- Those who are caregivers, and those traveling.

If you would like to join our prayer chain or share a prayer concern, contact Pastor Denise (denise@bradleyhillchurch.org).

Get Involved at Bradley Hills This Summer

Worship

In-Person & Online Worship at 10:00 a.m.

Mission & Racial Justice

Feeding Families | Collaborative with Faith Presbyterian Church in Anacostia

Becky's House & Lon's House | Make a one-time meal for eight.

Families & Children

Childcare | Children 3 and under at 10:00 a.m. worship

Summer Church School | Sundays at 10:15 a.m. after the Children's Message
Pre-K to 4th Grade

Vacation Bible School | August 19 - August 23, 2024

Youth Trips to Massanetta (July 9 - 14, 2024) & **Montreat** (July 6 - 13, 2024)

Music

Intergenerational Choir | Sundays July 21, & August 18

Summer Hymn Sings | Sundays, July 14 & September 1

Mark Your Calendar for BHPC's Summer Events!

Sunday, June 30 | **Confirmation Info Session** at 11 a.m. in Covenant Hall

Sunday, July 14 | **New Member Join** Next New Member Class: July 7

Sunday, July 21 | **Ice Cream Social** sponsored by the Children's Ministry

Sunday, July 28 | **New Story Leadership Alumni Presentation** in Covenant Hall

Sunday, August 18 | **Handbell Petting Zoo** in the Sanctuary loft at 11:15 a.m.

Monday, August 19 - Friday, August 23 | **Vacation Bible School** Register today!

Coffee Hour

Many thanks to all who have brought food for coffee hour this past year. Beginning July 7, we will take a break from formal coffee hour food until the fall. If folks would like to bring food or snacks that is, of course, welcome. Coffee Hour rotations will begin again in September.

Ways to Give at BHPC

Cash or Check Giving



6601 Bradley Blvd
Bethesda, MD 20817

Text Giving



Text “BHPC”
to 73256

Mobile Giving



Download the Realm
Connect App

Realm Giving



Access the **Bradley
Hills Giving Page**

www.bradleyhillchurch.org

Click the **GIVE NOW** button

A Note From Stewardship

We are grateful for all our church staff, not only for those who guide and teach us, but those who enable the church to function as a healthy, safe, and lively place to worship, a place to consider “home.” Thank you.

Did you know that you can **gift securities** (stocks, bonds, etc.)? Transferring securities to Bradley Hills’ brokerage account is a great way to donate appreciated securities while potentially avoiding capital gains taxes. For more info on this, **give the office a call at (301)365-2850**.

2024 Sign-Ups for Flower Deliveries & Dedications Available Now!

Scan the QR code to the right or contact Bie Fox or Caroline Simpson if you are available to **deliver flowers to congregational members** who are isolated from the community, need TLC, or simply in celebration of life’s joys. We urge those who can to please help in this ministry of care. **Families, adults, and youth are welcome to participate in putting a smile on someone’s face!**



Scan the QR code to the left or contact Elizabeth Bullock or the Flower Guild if you are **interested in dedicating flowers in honor or in memory of someone**. Each dedication costs \$65.00. All proceeds go to funding the Flower Guild and Sunday morning flower arrangements.

Flower Dedication

Today’s flowers are given to the glory of God.

Thank you to all who give for the flowers that we have each Sunday.

Our Staff & Partners in Ministry Directory

Ministers: All Members of the Church

Senior Pastor	David Gray	david@bradleyhillschurch.org
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Nursery School Director	Liz Sobrino	lsobrino@bhpcns.org
Friends Club Director	Ken Silverstein	ken@friendsclubbethesda.org

Our Sextons - Juan Mendez Sr., Leonel Bruno, Juan Mendez Jr., & Jorge Miranda

Our Child Caregivers - Nora Mendez, DelCarla Shorter, & Liz Allen

Director of Music Emeritus - Donald S. Sutherland

Our Section Leaders - Marie Marquis (soprano), Kaytlin Withers (alto), Kyle Tomlin (tenor), Steven Slupe (bass)

Worship Notes

The Call to Worship was written by BJ Beu and featured in *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2024* (June 9, 2024) of the *Abingdon Worship Annual*.

The Prayer of Adoration & Confession came from *Before the Amen*, Maren C. Tirabassi & Maria I. Tirabassi (Editors).

Hearing Assistance in Worship

We have several hearing enhancement devices available in the sanctuary near the A/V desk in the back right of the sanctuary. All hearing devices are available for anyone in-person who would like to hear worship a little better.

Summer Worship at 10:00 a.m.

July 7

Preaching: Pastor Jong Mi Lee | Communion

After Worship: New Member Class

July 14

Preaching: Pastor David Gray | Hymn Sing | New Members Join

July 21

Preaching: Pastor Denise Diaab | Intergenerational Choir

July 28

Preaching: Pastor Denise Diaab

Thank You to Today's Musician

We thank Annabel Hunter for her musical gifts at today's worship service.

Interested in Staying Up-to-Date on BHPC? Get Connected!

Interested in staying connected and informed about BHPC? Contact our Director of Comm & Admin at elizabeth@bradleyhillschurch.org, and ask her to add you to our weekly email list.