



Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church June 29, 2025 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. Join us for fellowship after the 10:00 a.m. service at our weekly coffee hour.

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 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.bradleyhillschurch.org.

In Christ's hope,

David Gray, Senior Pastor | <u>david@bradleyhillschurch.org</u>



Get Connected | Explore Membership

BHPC is excited to welcome you to our growing community. Pastor David will be available to meet with families or individuals interested in connecting more at BHPC or exploring membership. Just email David to set up a time or connect with David after the service. New members join July 13.

GATHERING TOGETHER

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

CARILLON PEAL

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING MUSIC

Sheep May Safely Graze, BWV 208

J.S. Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Denise Diaab

One: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

All: For God is greater than our fear and knows how to bring us peace.

One: Christ, the Good Shepherd, has compassion for all.

All: Let us love one another, as Christ loves us.

One: Open your hearts to goodness and mercy today.

All: We will love one another, as Christ loves us. Let us worship God.

*HYMN 479

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Lauda Anima

WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE SHARED

Pastor David Gray

One: This is the day that the Lord has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

MINUTE FOR MEMORY

Corky Hickey

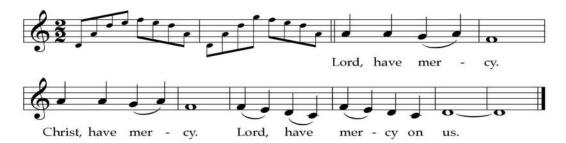
CONFESSING AND PRAISING

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Gracious God, we adore you for you laid down your life for us. Yet we confess that we too often have failed you. We profess to follow you, but our hearts follow our own inclinations. We are ready to serve you when life is good, but we hesitate when asked to sacrifice. We praise you one day, but ignore you on other days. Forgive us Lord, help us to find forgiveness and new life in you as we confess . . .

Silence for personal confession.

KYRIE



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.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

EXPERIENCING GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world; Every person, everywhere, Jesus holds them in His care, Jesus loves the little children of the world.

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 10:1-18

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Being the Flock David Gray

*HYMN 387

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us Bradbury

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Said in unison.

RESPONSE IN FAITH - Commissioning of July Youth Trips

CALL FOR THE OFFERINGS

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



OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Blessed, How Blessed

BHPC Summer Choir Scottish lament, arr. David Cherwien Susan Palo Cherwien, 2017

Blesséd, how blesséd. Those who thirst for goodness, Those who sigh in sorrow, Open and hoping for God's righteous rain: God sends forth rivers to water the desert: God's love lasts ever: How blesséd are they.

Blesséd, how blesséd. Furrowed and harrowed by sadness and pain: God walks beside them and enters their absence. God's voice gives solace; How blesséd are they.

Those who live in mercy, Giving, receiving, from God's warming grace: God's sunlight blesses all those who love kindness; Love never ceases: How blesséd are they.

Blesséd, how blesséd,

Blesséd, how blesséd. Those who work for concord, Nations and neighbors abandon the blade: Sword turns to plowshare, and fortress to forest; All in God's Oneness: How blesséd are they.

Here God is reigning, Here God's love sustaining, Where all are blessed See God's dawning day: Wounded and grounded, by mercy surrounded, Foretaste and harvest, How blesséd are they.

***SUNG OFFERING OF THANKSGIVING**

*Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

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

The congregation may be seated.

RESPONSE IN PRAYER - CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

Response for Celebrations: Response for Concerns:

One: With thanksgiving, One: Lord, in your mercy,

All: We praise the Lord. All: Hear our prayers.

RESPONSE IN PRAYER - 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 464

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

SENDING MUSIC

Prelude in G. BWV 568 J.S. Bach

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

COFFEE HOUR UPDATE

Today is the last official coffee hour of the summer! Thanks to all who brought food in this year. Folks can bring in food throughout the summer, if they would like. The next organized coffee hour will be on Sunday, September 7 (Welcome Back Sunday.)



Preview of July 6

Join Us for Worship | One Service at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary Communion | Message by Bonnie Holcomb and Han Setiawan

Lifting Up Memories

As part of our 70th anniversary celebration year, we will be celebrating our "present" this summer. As part of that present focus, we are hoping to lift up voices from our congregation – in music, in word and in memories.



We are interested in hearing your stories. Stories of what has been meaningful to you and of where you have found God in our midst over time. Some stories may be compiled over the summer and shared at our September 21 70th anniversary fall event. Others might be included in sermons. Still others of you may be interested in lifting up what we are calling "minutes for memory." Similar to minutes for ministry, these moments during the welcome part of worship this summer, might allow folks to share a memory from years past in worship.

If you have memories to share, you may send notes, letters, emails or videos to David, or let him know if you have something for a minute of memory.

Welcome Back Brunch Potluck

We're having a Birthday Party!

is turning





- ✓ BOUNCY HOUSE
- **✓ SHAVED ICE**
- ✓ "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" SING-A-LONG

SUNDAY, SEPT. 21, 11:30 A.M.





This summer, our 70th Anniversary celebrations shift focus to the present, honoring the vibrant life of Bradley Hills as it exists today. Join us for a special summer worship series, where we lift up the voices of current members. Each Sunday in July, two members of our congregation will deliver the message, sharing their unique perspectives.

Music this summer will be lifted up by Annabel Hunter, Han Setiawan, Giles Cooke, Bill Perry, Bob



Deans, and section leaders. In addition, "minutes for memory" will be shared, adding even more cherished voices to our collective celebration

No matter where you are this summer, we invite you to celebrate the vibrant "now" of Bradley Hills! Join us either in person or online.

Celebrations & Concerns: Please Pray With Us

We hold in God's healing presence those experiencing loss and grief, including:

 The family of Joy Panagides whose Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held in the sanctuary on Sunday, June 29, at 12:30 p.m., followed by a reception in Memorial Hall.

We give thanks to God for joys and celebrations, including:

- Congratulations and all blessings to Elizabeth's family (Gloria Androa's daughter) whose twin sons were born on June 18. Mom and babies are doing well.
- Blessings and congratulations to Lela Panagides who sang Mozart's Requiem with the MiraCosta Chamber Choir at Carnegie Hall on June 24.
- The inspiring worship service led by our youth last Sunday as they reported on the youth mission trip and their meaningful experiences as part of the Appalachia Service Project.

We hold in God's healing presence those who suffer pain, ill health, and/or other concerns, including:

- Those hospitalized, injured, facing surgery, being treated for chronic illness, ALS, or Parkinson's, awaiting medical results, receiving hospice care, and/or isolated from the community.
- Total health and well-being for Fabian Sydnor whose home was severely damaged during last week's storm.
- Dan (Elizabeth St. John's brother-in-law) who is recovering from a stroke (also prayers for Dan's family and the medical team who is caring for him).
- William Lester (long-time friend of Corky & Mary Hickey) who is transitioning to hospice care (prayers for Corky & Mary as they support their friend).
- Linda Kauskay who is recovering from surgery on June 17.
- Victor Schwartz.
- Ben Flowe for total well-being.
- Todd McCreight for health and well-being.
- Dick Tustian for health and well-being.

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

- Peace in the Middle East.
- All government leaders to govern in the best interest and welfare of all the people.
- The welfare of our country.
- The people of Palestine, Ukraine, Ethiopia, Uganda, Syria, Taiwan, and Yemen.
- Those affected by hate, discrimination, and intolerance in all its forms as we stand in solidarity with our Jewish, Muslim, and LGBTQ+ siblings.

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

Summer at Bradley Hills

Worship

Worship at 10:00 a.m. | In the Sanctuary and online

Adult Education & Small Groups

Adult Education | On break for the summer. Will resume after Labor Day **Bible Study** | Wednesdays at 2 p.m. on Zoom

Mission

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

Smart Sacks | On break for the summer. Will resume after Labor Day

Children and Family Programs

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

Church School | Sundays at 10:15 a.m. after the Children's Message

Pre-K to Kindergarten | 1st to 2nd Grade | 3rd to 5th Grade

Baby and Me | Tuesdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Crib Room

Vacation Bible School | August 18-22

Youth Trips

Montreat Youth Conference | July 5-12

Massanetta Middle School Conference | July 8-13

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 Giving



Access the Realm Connect App | Bradley Hills Giving page

www.BradleyHillsChurch.org Click the GIVE NOW button

A Note from Stewardship | Thank you for your gifts that support the deacons' care for members of the congregation who are ill, lonely, or grieving.

Flower Dedication | The flowers are dedicated by Kathy & Terry Brady in celebration of their 55th wedding anniversary.

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Parish Associates - Wally Harman and Jong Mi Lee Director of Music Emeritus - Donald S. Sutherland

Section Leaders—Marie Marquis (soprano), Kaytlin Withers (alto), Brynn Farlow (tenor), Steven Slupe (bass)



Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found is FULL! Please check out the basket/coat rack and pick up any items by July 31. All remaining items will be donated. (Located in the coat area by the main office)

Sign-Ups for Flower Dedications



Scan the QR code to the left or contact Kristen Abbott 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.

Interested in Staying Up-to-Date on BHPC? Get Connected! Interested in staying connected and informed about BHPC? Contact our Office Manager at **kristen@bradleyhillschurch.org**, and ask her to add you to our weekly email list.

Worship Schedule

One service this summer at 10:00 a.m.

In the "Present" part of our celebration year, BHPC members will deliver the Sunday message.

> Part of our 70th Anniversary Celebrations



July 6, with Communion

Message by Bonnie Holcomb and Han Setiawan 10:00 am. Sanctuary & online.

July 13

Message by Steve Burns and Jean Dudek 10:00 am. Sanctuary & online. New members join. Music by Bob Deans and Annabel Hunter.

July 20

Message by Ally McKinney Timm and Rosanna Howard 10:00 am. Sanctuary & online.

July 27

Message by Bob Deans and Ming Hui Tseng 10:00 am. Sanctuary & online. Intergenerational choir.

