GROW: Adult Ministries

Bethesda United Methodist Church washmorefeet.org

BUMC offers a variety of opportunities for adults to gather in small groups for learning and fellowship. In addition to our Sunday morning classes, which are detailed below, we also offer midweek short-term studies and small groups during the seasons of Advent and Lent. Come grow with us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

BUMC has three Sunday School classes for adults that meet weekly on the second floor of the Education Wing. You are invited to drop-in any Sunday morning as your schedule allows. We are pleased to let you know that all of our classes are available in-person and online. For more info or the Zoom link, please email the contact person listed.

Faith-Filled Parenting

10:00 - 10: 45 a.m. in Room 207

Join other parents and our team of facilitators to discuss the joys and challenges of

parenting and ways that our faith might guide us as we seek to parent in a faith-filled manner. Topics covered have included bullying, non-traditional families, social media and more! Come be part of the conversation.

Contact Beth Reilly (beth@washmorefeet.org)



❖ Beyond

10:00 - 10: 45 a.m. in Room 205

The Beyond Sunday School class looks to take us beyond what we know, beyond Sunday morning worship, and beyond the church building. We'll

begin the year by looking at the UMC Social Creed and then discuss a different aspect of Social Justice each week along with the scriptures that guide our Methodist understanding of these issues. Join us for some thoughtful discussion that will hopefully lead you to consider how you might live differently beyond the walls of BUMC.

Contact Rev. Scott (scott@washmorefeet.org)



❖ PTR

9:50 - 10:40 a.m. in Room 209

The long-running and ever popular *Philosophy*, *Theology and Religion* (PTR) class is led by *Don Ross*. If you like digging deep into topics, this

lecture style class is for you. This year, PTR will focus on the most famous of the American Pragmatists, William James. We will begin with a discussion of the history of American Pragmatism. Then we will explore how James uses that viewpoint in his writings on the philosophy of religion.

Contact Don Ross (donandpatty1@verizon.net)



PRAYER MINISTRY

As another way to care for and support each other, BUMC offers two opportunities during the week to join with others from our church

in prayer. We also invite you to send any prayer requests to us at **BethesdaUMC@washmorefeet.org** and know that they will be prayed for throughout the week.

Taizé Prayer Service

Stop by the church on **Wednesdays at noon** and be part of a *Taizé Prayer Service* in the Sanctuary led by *Rev. HiRho* and/or *Rev. Scott.* Communion is served each week.

Prayer Call

On Thursdays at noon, you are invited to be part of an online prayer time with other congregants. Email Shaw Brewer (shawbrewer@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

SHORT-TERM STUDIES

• We Are United Methodists (New Members Class)

We Are United Methodists is a short-term study designed for new members or anyone who wants to learn more about our denomination and the ministries of BUMC. This class is offered periodically throughout the year.

Contact Rev. HiRho (hrpark@washmorefeet.org)

❖ Who Are We?

You are invited to be part of a study (in-person & online) called, "Who Are We? A Journey from Head to Heart." Written by Bishop Easterling and the Baltimore-Washington Conference, the study is broken up into three 6-week sessions. Part 1 (Who Are We as a People of God?) runs through October 19th. Part 2 (Who Are We as the People Called Methodists?) will run from October 25th - November 30th. Finally, Part 3 (Who Are We as the People of the Baltimore-Washington Conference?) will meet January 11th - February 15th. You are welcome to join us for one, two, or all three parts, as your schedule allows.

Contact Rev. Scott (scott@washmorefeet.org)

❖ Racial Inclusion & the Sacraments

Thursdays at 7:30 pm (starting September 23)

You are invited to join us in an online six-week bible study written and led by *Shaw Brewer* about how the Sacraments relate to racial inclusion and living in the Christian community as one. The study will last six weeks and begin September 23rd.

Contact Shaw Brewer (shawbrewer@gmail.com).

SEASONAL SMALL GROUPS

During Advent and Lent, adults have the opportunity to sign up for one of our Small Groups, which meet once a week for Bible study, reflection, and a chance to get to know one another on a deeper level.

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