

Brentwood eNEWS

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Seeking to build a Christ-centered community of ethnic, age, and cultural diversity; expressing God's love; meeting changing needs; and reaching out into the community in three languages: English, Spanish, and Vietnamese

Sunday Services: 8:45 AM Vietnamese 10:00 AM English 12:00 PM Spanish Weekly Newsletter September 10, 2019

Rev. Don Sperber Rev. Tan Nguyen Pastor Manuel Jimenez

WORD FROM THE INTENTIONAL INTERIM PASTOR, "REV. DON"

First let me share how privileged I feel to be asked to come to Brentwood United Methodist. Having been the Pastor here from 1994-1999, I am honored to come back for this New Role. Brentwood UMC is different in 2019, just as I am different. I am now retired (16 years). I remember many of you, you remember me, we both have had 20 years more of life. I want to hear your story, I want to catch up with you. That is one of my first tasks, to "catch-up." I have a Covenant with each of you. To LISTEN, to LEARN, to LEAD, to LOVE all the time. As Interim Pastors we are here to help you in the Transition between Pastors. So much of the time what the people need is a Hug. Then it is my duty to LEAVE as the new Pastor is Present, according to my Contract.

To LISTEN: I want to hear your stories. What are your feelings of anger, disappointment? What would help where it hurts? What is the history of Brentwood over these last years? No question is not appropriate. No concern or celebration is inappropriate.

To LEARN: What is the history of Brentwood? What would make it fit your needs? What ideas do you have to help Brentwood express the Mission of Christ at this time, in this place? Are we doing it right? Is something missing?

To LEAD: Are we structured as we need to be? Are decisions made with the necessary leading? What is happening that excites us? Does your voice get heard in the decisions? We want to lead with Vision, Wisdom, and especially with God's Guidance.

To LOVE: Loving one another, in this transition-time, and at all times. Certainly we will disagree with one another. But let's love each other, even though we may disagree.

To LEAVE: My Contract with Brentwood United Methodist ends December 31, 2019. I must leave at that time. My walk with each of you through this transition ends. If we have worked together healthfully, we will have Vision for the days that follow, and your Mission of Christ will be more clear.

Let's keep it going with God and with one another.

"Reverend Don"

Fiesta Mexicana at Brentwood UMC, Saturday 9/14 at 3:00 PM. Music, Folk Dance, Delicious Food, Chicken Fajita. Suggested donation \$10 with surprise prizes.

5k Run/Walk benefitting **Community Ministry**, Saturday 9/14 @ 10:00 AM at

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Dartmouth/Sheridan. Register at www.comministry-denver.org.

Education Appreciation Gathering at 3:00 PM Sunday 9/15. The Education Committee invites all the **teachers** (Bible & Sunday School classes) and

volunteers (Easter Egg Hunt, VBS, Angels Party) to attend the annual Education Appreciation Gathering with catered food and drink. Job Martinez chairs the Education Committee.

Pastor Tan