

Welcome!

Here's what's happening in our community



Administrative Board lunch reservation deadline is tomorrow

Curious about what happens at Administrative Board meetings? All are welcome to attend next Sunday, May 18, at 11:30am in Parker Hall. A Zoom option will also be available.

Boxed lunches will be provided by Panera for \$14.50 per person. Lunch reservations are due by 12:00pm *tomorrow Monday, May 12*; payment is required via credit card upon registration in Realm. Go to belmontumc.org/administrative-board-meeting to make your reservation.

Planning for pollinators

Wednesday, May 14, 6:00pm in room 124

This Wednesday, May 14, join us at 6:00pm in room 124 for *Planning for Pollinators*. What's the big deal about native plants? Can your yard be both beautiful and beneficial to other species? Come explore how a pollinator garden, food forest, and a "soft landing" under an oak tree can create beauty for humans and habitat for pollinators.

Our presenters are Joanna Brichetto, naturalist and author of *This Is How a Robin Drinks*, and Maureen May, master gardener and organizer of Sunday Gardeners.

Join us for The Noah Musical next Sunday!

Sunday, May 18, 10:30am in the sanctuary

You won't want to miss *The Noah Musical: Noah is No Ordinary Architectural Hero*, next Sunday, May 18, during the 10:30am worship service. The musical was written by Chapel Choir members Lillian Weiler, Elliott Sakarapanee, Matthias Keuler, and Benjamin Cropsey. There will also be a performance this Wednesday, May 14, at 6:00pm at the Blakeford.

Visit belmontumc.org/noah-musical to read in-depth interviews with the composers, producers, and dreamers behind the project.

Belmonters for Inclusion will meet on May 18

Sunday, May 18, 11:30am in room 124

Belmonters for Inclusion will meet next Sunday, May 18, at 11:30am in room 124. We'll be planning for Nashville Pride, discussing Franklin Pride, and exploring the spiritual side of our ministry with Rev. Pam Hawkins. All are welcome to be part of this meaningful work of love and inclusion!

This week

SUNDAY, MAY 11

- 8:10am Worship with communion, chapel
- 9:00am *Come and See*, Iris Room
- 9:15am Sunday school
- 10:30am Worship, sanctuary
- 1:30pm Carillon Ringers rehearsal, 226

TUESDAY, MAY 13

- 5:30pm WDS Advisory Committee, Zoom

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

- 10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom
- 5:00pm WNAB Community Meal, Community Center
- 6:00pm *Planning for Pollinators*, 124
- 6:00pm *The Noah Musical* at the Blakeford
- 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

THURSDAY, MAY 15

- 8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom
- 1:00pm Celebration Ringers rehearsal, 226

SUNDAY, MAY 18

- 8:10am Worship with communion, chapel
- 9:00am *Come and See*, Iris Room
- 9:15am Sunday school
- 10:30am *The Noah Musical*, sanctuary
- 11:30am Administrative Board, Parker Hall
- 11:30am Belmonters for Inclusion, 124

Volunteers needed to staff Belmont UMC's booth at Nashville Pride

Saturday, June 28, and Sunday, June 29, at Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park

This year's festival will take place on Saturday, June 28, and Sunday, June 29, at Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park. Belmont UMC's Pride booth will be open 11:00am-7:00pm on Saturday and 11:00am-6:00pm on Sunday. We're looking for four volunteers per two-hour shift.

Sign up at belmontumc.org/pride and help us share the love of Christ with the LGBTQ+ community! T-shirts will be provided at no cost.

Save the date!

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

9:30am Children's summer Sunday school begins

MONDAY, JUNE 23 - THURSDAY, JUNE 26

9:15am-12:15pm Project Transformation reading program at Antioch UMC

MONDAY, JUNE 23 - THURSDAY, JUNE 26

5:00-7:00pm Camp Firelight Vacation Bible School

JUNE 28 - 29

Nashville Pride Festival

OCTOBER 17-19

All-Church Retreat at Beersheba Springs Assembly

We're collecting school uniforms for our friends at UniCycle and HERO

Got outgrown school uniforms to clear out this summer? We've got the perfect solution - partnering with our friends at UniCycle, a school uniform recycling program that collects and distributes items to MNPS students.

Help UniCycle stock their shelves for back-to-school season and support Homeless Education Resource Office (HERO) students by donating your *outgrown, not worn out* school uniform items. They're especially in need of polo-style shirts, as well as khaki, black, or navy pants, shorts, skirts, and jumpers. Belts and leggings are also accepted.

Donations will be accepted throughout June and July in the Iris Room entrance area - just look for the UniCycle/HERO collection box. Learn more at belmontumc.org/uniform-collection.

Partnering in hope: Updates from Belmont UMC's Outreach Committee

In an exciting new collaboration, Ebenezer will host a six-week summer school program in partnership with HOPE, an academically focused nonprofit organization. The program will run June 2 to July 11, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each weekday. Mornings will focus on reading and math, followed by fun, enriching activities in the afternoon. Ten children from Ebenezer families are already planning to attend, and HOPE will welcome additional children from the wider community. The program is open to students entering Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Tuition is \$150 per week, and thanks to generous contributions, six Ebenezer children already have full tuition covered. We are pleased to share that Belmont's Outreach Committee has committed to covering tuition for two additional students, helping ensure that cost is not a barrier to participation. Parents are also contributing toward tuition; HOPE has proven to be a deeply committed partner, already collaborating on resource sharing and fundraising efforts. This is a meaningful step forward in supporting educational equity in West Nashville.

Joys and concerns

Christian sympathy is extended to

Eh Law Soo, Ya Ma Mae, Eh Tha Lay, El Ka Paw, Eh Kaw Daw Mae, and Moo Mae in the death of their son and brother Eh Nay School.

We would love to connect with you!

Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card in the pew or sign the attendance register at the end of your row.



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