

## Here's what's happening in our community

## **Holiday closing**

#### Monday, May 26

The church and its offices will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 26, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. On that day, we pause to remember and honor the brave individuals who gave their lives in service to our country.

### Marcie Smeck-Bryant honored with Strobel Social Justice Impact Award

Recently, Belmonter Marcie Smeck-Bryant received the Strobel Social Justice Impact Award for her work with The Nashville Food Project and Trinity Community Commons. To learn more about her work, visit unitedwaygreaternashville.org/2025-strobel-finalists. Congratulations, Marcie!

## **Celebrating our Pre-K graduates**

Belmont Weekday School is proud to celebrate the graduation of 25 wonderful Pre-K students! These amazing kids have spent the year learning, playing, and growing, and they're now excited for the adventure of kindergarten ahead.

We especially want to thank our dedicated WDS teachers for the care, guidance, and joy they've shared each day.

Please join us in praying for our graduates as they take their next steps into kindergarten and beyond.

## Summer choir begins next Sunday!

#### Sunday mornings in June, 9:30am in the choir room

Have you been thinking about joining the choir? Summer is the perfect time to give it a try! Summer choir will rehearse on Sundays (June 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29) at 9:30am in the choir room. This group is open to everyone. For more information, contact Matt Webb (matt@belmontumc.org) or just show up!

## Hymn sing at Mary, Queen of Angels

#### Saturday, June 7, at 2:30pm

Make plans to join us for a hymn sing on Saturday, June 7!

Belmonters, led by the Seekers Class, will gather with residents of Mary, Queen of Angels (34 White Bridge Road) on the first Saturday of each month; Christy Perkey will lead the singing from 2:30-3:30pm. Please meet in the lobby at 2:15pm.

Hymn books will be provided. All you need is a love of hymn singing and a desire for fellowship. No reservation or signup required – everyone is welcome! For questions or more information, contact Karen Roberts (kcksroberts@bellsouth.net).



## This week

SUNDAY, MAY 25 8:10am Worship with communion, chapel 10:30am Worship, sanctuary

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**TUESDAY, MAY 27** 6:30pm Executive Committee, Zoom

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom 7:00pm Carillon Ringers rehearsal, 226

**THURSDAY, MAY 29** 8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 1

8:10am Worship with communion, chapel 10:30am Worship with communion, sanctuary 4:30pm Open Door Singers rehearsal, choir room

# We would love to connect with you!

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

### Follow us on social media



## A note of thanks to the Noah Musical cast, writers, musicians, and helpers

As a proud former pastor and grandfather of Greyson Ryan, I want to give a heartfelt shout-out to all of you who originated and presented Belmont UMC's musical *Noah: No Ordinary Ark-itectural Hero*. You reminded us that God is faithful and always in a rainbow-covenant with us. You made us all proud!

I remain amazed by the talent within our church—especially the way so much of it is brought together on behalf of our children and youth. We could not have these brilliant ministries without the dedication of scores of gifted helpers. Each of you was a worthy witness to the Good Lord, to the story of Noah, his family, and all the animals on the ark.

And you continue to be faithful witnesses to our congregation and the wider community. Bravo! —John Collett, Belmont UMC Pastor, 1992–2007

Save the date!

MONDAY, JUNE 23 - THURSDAY, JUNE 26

9:15am-12:15pm Project Transformation reading program at Antioch UMC 5:00-7:00pm Camp Firelight Vacation Bible School

> JUNE 28 - 29 Nashville Pride Festival

JULY 12 10:00am O.N.E./Barnes awards, Community Center

OCTOBER 17-19 All-Church Retreat at Beersheba Springs Assembly



Belmont UMC is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network.

## Worship services can now be streamed directly from our homepage

One of the reasons we updated Belmont UMC's website was to make it possible to stream worship services directly from the homepage. Until now, viewers had to go to YouTube or Facebook Live to watch the service.

Now, you can simply visit belmontumc.org, click on the "Live Streaming Worship" box below the video banner, and watch the service right there. You can also record your attendance, download the bulletin, and give online - all in one convenient place. For questions, contact Angie Slade (aslade@belmontumc.org).

# 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 from 11:00am to 7:00pm on Saturday and 11:00am to 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. For questions, please contact Jessica Kolarich (jckolarich@gmail.com) or Trudy Holden (trudytaylorholden@gmail.com).

## **Uniform collection for 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.

We are a community of Christ-followers growing in love of God and neighbor.

We believe every person is of sacred worth and created in God's image. We commit to Jesus' example of inclusive love, care, and intentional hospitality with persons of every race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, faith story, physical or mental ability, economic status, or political perspective. We respect our diversity of opinion and expressions of faith. Therefore, as God loves us, so let us love and serve in the name of Christ.