



Here's what's happening in our community

Holiday closing Friday, July 4

Belmont UMC will be closed this Friday, July 4, as we celebrate our nation's birthday. Have a safe and happy Independence Day!

Hymn sing at Mary, Queen of Angels Saturday, July 5, at 2:30pm

Make plans to join us for a hymn sing this Saturday, July 5!
Belmonters, led by the Seekers Class, 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).

Not a King, but a Kin-dom Sunday, July 6, at 8:10am and 10:30am

Jesus came to create an inclusive, liberative, and countercultural community. Next Sunday, July 6, Pastor Paul's sermon -rooted in Luke 10:1–15 - will explore the Bible's resistance to kings and to all systems that are unjust, oppressive, exclusive, or inequitable. Join us in person or online at 8:10am or 10:30am.

Youth Mission Stay registration Wednesday, July 23-Friday, July 25

After the success of last year's Middle School Mission Stay, we're excited to open this year's event to all youth!

Wednesday, July 23–Friday, July 25, we'll be serving around town and spending the nights at the church. During the day, we'll take part in service projects and learn about local justice work. In the evenings, we'll have fun both around town and at church!

The cost is \$175, which includes all activities, meals, Lake Day, a t-shirt, and overnight accommodations. Scholarships are available as needed. Register at onrealm.org/belmontumc/registrations by Tuesday, July 8!

Volume of Reading book drive August 2025

On Sunday, August 3, the same day as our *Blessing of the Backpacks*, Belmont UMC will kick off a book drive in support of Eakin Elementary School's *Volume of Reading* initiative. We'll be collecting books throughout the month of August.

For a list of requested titles, visit belmontumc.org/book-drive. Eakin is grateful for our ongoing support and says our donations will make a meaningful difference in the lives of many students.

Let's help stock their shelves with high-quality instructional books!

This week

WEDNESDAY, JULY 2

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom 6:00pm Gentle yoga, Zoom

THURSDAY, JULY 3 8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom

FRIDAY, JULY 4

Church closed for Independence Day holiday

SATURDAY, JULY 5

2:30pm Hymn sing at Mary, Queen of Angels

SUNDAY, JULY 6

8:10am Worship with Communion, chapel/Facebook live 9:00am Adult Sunday school, various rooms 9:15am Young adult Sunday school,

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No children's Sunday school
9:30am Summer choir rehearsal,
choir room

10:30am Worship with Communion, sanctuary/Facebook live

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O.N.E./Barnes Scholarship Committee awards program

Saturday, July 12, at 10:00am in the Community Center

The O.N.E./BARNES Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce its first annual awards program and sponsor recognition event on Saturday, July 12, from 10:00am-1:00pm in Belmont UMC's Community Center. All are welcome; light refreshments will be served.

We are honored to recognize and present awards to scholarship recipients and graduating seniors in 2025. The committee currently supports twelve students attending colleges and universities, including but not limited to Belmont University, David Lipscomb University, Middle Tennessee State University, Morgan State University, Northwestern University, and Tennessee State University. Learn more at belmontumc.org/one-barnes.



SATURDAY, JULY 12

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

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23-FRIDAY, JULY 25 Youth Mission Stav

SUNDAY. AUGUST 10

11:30am Back to Belmont, Community Center and parking lot

SUNDAY. AUGUST 24

11:30am Administrative Board,
Parker Hall

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

9:15am Kindergarten Prayer Friends pancake breakfast, Community Center

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

All-Church Retreat at Beersheba Springs Assembly

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

5:00pm Feast of Lights, sanctuary



Belmont UMC is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network.

Save the date for the 2025 All-Church Retreat! Friday, October 17-Sunday, October 19 at Beersheba Springs Assembly

Mark your calendar and make plans to join us for Belmont UMC's All-Church Retreat at Beersheba Springs Assembly, October 17–19! It's a weekend full of fellowship, fun, and spiritual growth in a breathtaking mountain setting.

Feast of Lights moves to Saturday night this year Saturday, December 13, at 5:00pm in the sanctuary

Belmont UMC's beloved Feast of Lights Carol and Candlelight Service is moving to Saturday this year! After thoughtful conversations with staff, choir leaders, parents, longtime members, and the Worship and Music Committee, we're shifting to an earlier time to better accommodate young families and older adults.

Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Saturday, December 13, at 5:00pm for a beautiful evening of music, light, and community. Stay tuned for more details!

Notary service available

Did you know that Belmont UMC has a notary public on staff? Angie Slade is our notary, and she offers her services to members at no cost. If you need a document notarized, please contact Angie at angie@belmontumc.org to schedule a time.

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.

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.

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