



## This week at Belmont UMC

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

6:00pm Executive Committee,  
Zoom

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom

5:00pm Community meal,  
Community Center

6:00pm *The Prophets: Ancient  
Wisdom for Modern Time*, 124

6:00pm Children's choirs, Faith  
Finders Hall

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal,  
choir room

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom

1:00pm Celebration Ringers  
rehearsal, 226

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

10:00am Mini retreat,  
prayer room

10:00am Flower arranging  
workshop, 124

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:10am Worship with Communion,  
chapel/live stream

9:00am Adult Sunday school,  
various rooms

9:15am Kindergarten Pancakes  
and Prayer Friends,  
Community Center

9:15am *What if the Bible is still  
Good News?*, Parker Hall

9:15am *Come and See*,  
Iris Room

10:30am Worship,  
sanctuary/live stream

11:30am *Come and See* lunch,  
Parker Hall

11:30am *Fellowship in the Foyer*

1:30pm Carillon Ringers, 226

3:00pm Wesley Ringers, 226

4:30pm Open Door Singers,  
choir room

5:30pm United Methodist Youth,  
Community Center

## BELMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# NEWSLETTER

September 21, 2025

## The Prophets: Ancient Wisdom for Modern Times concludes this Wednesday

Wednesday, September 24, 6:00pm in room 124

Prophetic voices of justice often rise in tumultuous times, when people are straining to hear the voice of God.

This Wednesday, September 24, join us at 6:00pm in room 124 as we continue our exploration of several prophetic voices—both ancient and contemporary—in hopes of hearing God speak to us in our own challenging cultural moment. Paul Franklyn, longtime Belmonter and engaging teacher, will lead a session on several Hebrew Bible prophets and how their witness can guide us to live faithfully today. Learn more at [belmontumc.org/prophets](http://belmontumc.org/prophets).

## Join us for a mini retreat this Saturday!

Saturday, September 27, 10:00am at Belmont UMC

This Saturday, September 27, from 10:00am-12:00pm, join us at Belmont UMC for a mini retreat, *Sacred Simplicity; Sacred Solitude: Spiritual Practices from Saint Clare of Assisi*.

For more information or to register, contact Heather Harriss ([heather@belmontumc.org](mailto:heather@belmontumc.org)).

## Flower arranging workshop

Saturday, September 27, 10:00am in room 124

Want to learn how to create beautiful flower arrangements? Join us this Saturday, September 27, at 10:00am in Room 124! This workshop, sponsored by Belmont UMC's Altar Guild, will be led by Janet Stewart. To learn more or reserve your spot, contact Janet at [stewajr@gmail.com](mailto:stewajr@gmail.com). Come be part of the fun!

## Sunday morning learning opportunities

*Come and See*, our special Sunday school class for visitors and newcomers, concludes next Sunday, September 28, with "What does being a partner with Christ look like at Belmont? What difference would you like to help make—locally and globally?" Join us in the Iris Room at 9:00am. For details, visit [belmontumc.org/come-and-see](http://belmontumc.org/come-and-see).

Our *What if the Bible is still Good News?* class continues next Sunday with "What if the Bible is about compassion, not judgment?" Join us in Parker Hall at 9:15am. Learn more at [belmontumc.org/good-news](http://belmontumc.org/good-news).

## Kindergarten Pancakes and Prayer Friends is next Sunday

Sunday, September 28, 9:15am in the Community Center

All kindergarteners and their parents are invited to join us for Pancakes and Prayer Friends next Sunday, September 28, at 9:15am in the Community Center. Please let Amy Cooper know that you'll be attending so that we have plenty of chocolate chips and blueberries for toppings! Learn more at [belmontumc.org/pancakes](http://belmontumc.org/pancakes).

## New member

We're thrilled to welcome Donna Rae Dickerson to the Belmont UMC family! Donna joined Belmont UMC on September 3, 2025.

# Save the date!

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:00am *Biscuits for Beds*,  
Community Center

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

3:00pm Blessing of the Animals

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

All-Church Retreat at  
Beersheba Springs Assembly

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

6:00pm Children's Fall Festival,  
Community Center

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

5:00pm Feast of Lights,  
sanctuary

## Joys and concerns

### *Out of the hospital*

Robbie Jones

### *Congratulations to*

Lindsey, Will, and Kipton Foster,  
Carol and Herb Foster, and  
Ruth Hood on the birth of their  
daughter, sister, granddaughter,  
and great-granddaughter Scottie  
Marie Foster. Scottie was born  
September 5, 2025.



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## Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 4, 3:00pm outside the Community Center

On Saturday, October 4, you are invited to join us at 3:00pm for Blessing of the Animals! All pets are welcome—dogs, cats, goldfish, hamsters, chickens, iguanas, parrots, and more. If your pet can't join you, feel free to bring a photo instead. We will gather on the grassy space between the Community Center and the main building. Learn more at [belmontumc.org/blessing](http://belmontumc.org/blessing).

## Children meet Belmont UMC's welcoming stewards



Recently, our children's Sunday school classes took field trips around the church to meet some of the people who help make Belmont feel like a welcoming home for both members and visitors.

The children first met James Jimmerson, who works tirelessly to keep our building clean, safe, and set up for every event and activity—all while greeting everyone who walks through the doors. They also heard from Carolyn Primm, who explained how she and her team of greeters warmly offer bulletins and information, prepare the Sanctuary for worship, and collect the offering. Finally, Belmont's organist, Robbie Jones, invited the children into the choir loft to experience the beauty of the organ as she shared how her music helps welcome the congregation each week. Photos by Brittany Jordan, Whitney Ruf and Amy Cooper.

## Have you registered for the All-Church Retreat?

October 17-19 at Beersheba Springs Assembly

The All-Church Retreat with featured speaker Hunter Mobley is just around the corner! Full payment is due by Sunday, October 5, and you now have the option to pay in installments. Sign up by September 30 to receive a 10% Early Bird discount! Scholarships are available for college students; contact Hunter Wade if you'd like to attend. Go to [belmontumc.org/all-church-retreat](http://belmontumc.org/all-church-retreat) for pricing and to register. The All-Church Retreat is a weekend filled with fellowship, fun, and spiritual growth in a breathtaking mountain setting—and it's for everyone!

*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.*