

This week at Belmont UMC

MONDAY. NOVEMBER 3 6:30pm Finance Committee, Zoom

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom 5:00pm Wednesday Night at Belmont community meal, Community Center 6:00pm "Our Money Story" small group, Prayer Room 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom 1:00pm Celebration Ringers rehearsal, 226 2:00pm "Our Money Story" prayer and creativity group, Prayer Room 6:00pm "Our Money Story" small group, Zoom 6:00pm Youth girls basketball practice, Community Center

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

5:00pm Room in the Inn, Community Center

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

8:10am Worship with Communion, chapel/live stream 8:45am Children's Chimes, 217 9:00am Adult Sunday school, various rooms 9:15am Children's Sunday school drive-thru, Faith Finders Hall 9:15am Children's Sunday school, 213, 217, 220, and 306 10:30am Worship, sanctuary/live stream 11:30am Fellowship in the Foyer 1:30pm Carillon Ringers rehearsal, 226

3:30pm Wesley Ringers rehearsal, 226

4:30pm Open Door Singers rehearsal, choir room 5:30pm The Kin-dom of God, 124 5:30pm United Methodist Youth, Community Center

BELMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

November 2, 2025

"Our Money Story"

In his sermon on October 26, Pastor Paul reminded us that we all have a money story—it's not about budgets or spreadsheets, but about what we truly value and trust. Like the Israelites in the wilderness, we can forget God's care and start believing the lie that we don't have enough. But Jesus invites us into a different story, one rooted in gratitude, generosity, and the truth that there is enough for everyone.



Each of us has a money story, shaped by what we've been taught, what we've experienced, and what God is still rewriting within us. Join us as we listen for God's new story of love and possibility. Learn more at belmontumc.org/our-money-story.

Creating our mandala mosaic as we live into "Our Money Story"

Pipe cleaners, coffee filters, beans, markers, and yarn—just a few of the materials for our mandala mosaic, whose rings mirror the scriptures in our four-week stewardship series. Join Pastor Heather Thursdays at 2:00pm in the Prayer Room to help build it. Prefer evenings? Meet Wednesdays, November 5 and 19, at 6:00pm in the Prayer Room—no experience needed. Or join our Zoom discussion Thursdays at 6:00pm. Each gathering is a chance to remember, release, reimagine, and restore our money story as we live into God's call today.

Room in the Inn begins this Friday

Friday, November 7, at 5:00pm in the Community Center

This winter, RITI will take place on the first and third Fridays of each month, beginning this Friday, November 7, and continuing through the end of March. Our hospitality includes serving a hot dinner, visiting with our guests, and providing beds, showers, breakfast, and sack lunches. There are many ways to serve—both by being present with our guests and by helping behind the scenes. We need van drivers, overnight hosts, dinner and sack lunch providers, set-up and clean-up crews, and laundry volunteers. Learn more at belmontumc.org/room-in-the-inn.

Children's Sunday school drive-thru

Sunday, November 9, at 9:15am on the Faith Finders Hall

Next Sunday, November 9, all children are invited to stop by the Faith Finders hall at 9:15am for breakfast! Yummy items will be available on tables for easy pick-up, and children can then take their food to their Sunday school classrooms where teachers and children can enjoy breakfast together! For more information, contact Amy Cooper (amy@belmontumc.org).

The Kin-dom of God: A Lens for Seeing the Bible and the World begins next Sundav

Sundays, November 9, 16, and 23, at 5:30pm in room 124/Zoom

How do we live with hope and faith in the midst of today's challenges?

The kin-dom of God offers a new way of seeing the world, one another, and even Scripture. Together, we'll explore Jesus' teachings in the Gospel of Mark and discover how the kin-dom can shape our lives right now.

Join us Sunday evenings, November 9, 16, and 23, from 5:30-6:30pm in room 124 or on Zoom. Hunter Wade will teach this class. To learn more, visit belmontumc.org/kin-dom-of-god.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Church closed for Veteran's Day

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

6:00pm Belmonters in the Round, Parker Hall

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15 Mini retreat, prayer room

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16 11:30am ENCORE Thanksgiving lunch, Parker Hall

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Church closes at 12:00pm for Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27,
- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28
Church closed for Thanksgiving

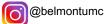
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 5:00pm Feast of Lights, sanctuary

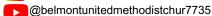


Belmont UMC is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network.

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Christmas stockings for Grundy County

Again this year, we will fill stockings for children in the Beersheba Springs community in Grundy County. If you would like to fill a stocking for a young child, they will be available for pick up in the foyer on Sundays, November 16 and 23. The stockings will be distributed at the Beersheba Springs community Christmas party.

The deadline to return filled stockings to the church is Sunday, December 7. For more information, or if you're unable to come to church to pick up a stocking, please contact Carol Foster (chfoster4@comcast.net).

ENCORE Thanksgiving lunch

Sunday, November 16, at 11:30am in Parker Hall

If you're age 60 or older, this event is for you! On Sunday, November 16, make plans to join us in Parker Hall immediately after the 10:30am worship service for a traditional Thanksgiving meal featuring turkey and dressing with gravy, sweet potato casserole, green beans, rolls, and delicious assorted pies—along with warm fellowship and entertainment provided by a choir from Father Ryan High School.

Reservations are due by Monday, November 10. Payment may be made by credit card at the time of registration in Realm or at the door on the day of the lunch. To make your reservation, go to belmontumc.org/encore-thanksgiving. The cost is \$10 per person.

Help needed for neighbors who will lose SNAP benefits

Nearly 250,000 people in Middle Tennessee rely on SNAP benefits (food stamps) to provide or supplement their groceries. Since January, Davidson County has seen a 43% increase in food insecurity. Due to the federal government shutdown, this critical assistance will end. As a community of Christ followers, Belmont UMC has always responded quickly when our neighbors are in need, and our neighbors need us now. Second Harvest Food Bank is in urgent need of



donations. Belmont UMC's Outreach Team invites Belmonters to provide food items for the Second Harvest Food Pantry. To learn more or for a list of foods needed, visit belmontumc.org/help.

Welcome Ministry volunteers needed

Do you enjoy meeting new friends and greeting familiar faces? The Welcome Ministry Team is looking for a few additional members to assist at the 10:30am worship service on Sunday mornings and at special events. Responsibilities include greeting at entrances, handing out bulletins, assisting with seating, and collecting the offering. If you're interested in joining the team, please contact Carolyn Primm (caryhome@verizon.net) for more information.

Keeping our children safe this holiday season

As we approach Thanksgiving and Christmas visits with grandparents and extended family, if you have children, please take a moment to ask whether there are guns in the home. If there are, also ask whether the ammunition is stored safely and separately from the firearm. Children are naturally curious, and a simple conversation like this can prevent a potentially dangerous situation. Learn more about keeping kids safe at besmartforkids.org.

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.