

This week at Belmont UMC

SUNDAY, JULY 29
9:15 a.m. *Where in the world is John Wesley?* Parker Hall

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1
6:00 p.m. Midweek Readers Book Club, 120
6:00 p.m. Yoga, Parker Hall

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2
8:00 a.m. Women's Centering Prayer Group, 206

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5
11:30 a.m. Youth banquet, Community Center

School clothes needed

As you go through your children's closets to see which school clothes still fit, please keep our Golden Triangle children and youth in mind. They can use clothes your child has outgrown. If you have *gently* used clothing that meets metro schools requirements (go to belmontumc.org for a complete list), please bring them the next two Sundays (August 5 and 12) and leave them in the bins in the Community Center pre-event area. Golden Triangle mothers will be checking these bins as they prepare their families for the school year.

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inthians 11:23-26, perhaps the oldest Christian liturgy, and ponder the words we employ in our Communion liturgy. (UMH pg 12).

August 12 we will consider our need for sacred space as we remember Martha and Mary. (Luke 10:38-42)

August 19 we will unpack a theology of "sanctuary," exploring Jesus' interaction with the woman at the well. (John 4:4-29 & 39-42).

August 26 we will evaluate our baptismal vows as life cornerstones. (Matthew 7:21-27)

During the Sunday School hour, our children and youth will dig into the practices of worship as they meet together in rooms 213/215. We welcome parents to join us as we together practice our faith. On August 5, our children and youth will explore and partake in Holy Communion together while making an altar cloth together. I look forward to August 26 as we engage in a worship scavenger hunt together. Come and reconnect with the sacred during August.

Upcoming Worship Services

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 5, 2018

Paul Purdue preaching 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services.
Sandy Sakarapane preaching 10:30 a.m. worship in the Community Center.

8:15 a.m. - Communion in the chapel
9:15 a.m. - Sunday school
10:30 a.m. - Communion in the sanctuary
10:30 a.m. - Worship in the CC

Sunday school classes collecting the offering for August: Simplicity, Covenant, Seekers

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have chosen to share.

- Make one-time online financial gifts to the church or set-up and manage a recurring gift.

- View your giving history and pledge status.

- Communicate with the various groups (committees, Sunday School classes, short term studies) in which you are involved.

Around mid-August, you will receive an email invitation to create your log in. If you are interested in being one of our early adopters, just send an email to mark@belmontumc.org. Staff and volunteers will be available at the Midweek at Belmont kickoff on August 15 to demonstrate how the software works and to help you get set up and working.

Midweek dinners begin August 15!

Make your reservations now (online at belmontumc.org, on the Sunday attendance pad, by calling 615-383-0832, or by emailing ahoback@belmontumc.org).

Belmont United Methodist Church News

July 29, 2018



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.

Joys and Concerns

Congratulations to

Liza Hoos and Aaron Sharp, Anne Hoos, Jack Hoos, and Meredith Hoos on the birth of their son, grandson, and nephew, Charlie Wallace Sharp.

In honor of

SHARON HELTON &
WAYNE WOOD

Donor:

Susan Utley

August 5 Communion offering will support Camping and Outdoor Ministries

Your Communion offering next Sunday, August 5, will support conference askings for Beersheba Springs Assembly and Cedar Crest Camp, two centers owned and operated by The Tennessee Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Go to belmontumc.org to learn more.

Realm is coming



As you may know, we have recently updated our church database software to a new product called "Realm." This platform is built by ACS, the company that has provided our software for over 20 years. We are excited about all the new features and possibilities this software will provide to staff and, even more importantly, to you as congregation members. The new software has both a web interface and a mobile app, Realm Connect, which will replace our existing Church Life app. Here are a few things you'll be able to do in the pro-

gram as a congregation member:
- Update your own personal info (address, email, phone, birthdate, etc.) and manage your privacy settings; you are in control of what other members see about you.

- Look up fellow congregation members' contact info that they

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Step into the Sacred: Practicing worship

A message from Pastor Paul

If you step into our sanctuary and linger a moment, you may feel pulled toward the sacred. The stained glass tells of Jesus, Mary, Martha, and the woman at the well. The Communion rail's wide arch signals room for everyone. As you step back

out into life's hustle, take note of our 1927 cornerstone: "Whose foundation is Jesus?" During August, our worship will step into the sacred as we practice worship. Worship resets our souls.

- August 5 we will open 1 Cor-

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