#### This week at Belmont UMC

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9:15 a.m. The Displaced Person study, Parker Hall

1:30 p.m. Carillon Ringers rehearsal, 226 3:30 p.m. Wesley Ringers rehearsal, 226

4:30 p.m. Open Door Singers rehearsal, choir room 5:30 p.m. United Methodist Youth, Community Center

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26

5:30 p.m. Youth girls basketball practice, Recreation Room

6:30 p.m. UMW Abigail Circle, Iris Room

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

10:00 a.m. *Behold!* Advent book study @ Donna Harrison's 5:15 p.m. Midweek at Belmont dinner, Community Center

6:00 p.m. Navigating our way through *The Way Forward*, 124

6:00 p.m. Yoga, Parker Hall

6:00 p.m. Youth discussion group, 3rd floor 6:15 p.m. Children's choirs, Faith Finders hall 7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, choir room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29

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

1:10 p.m. Celebration Ringers rehearsal, 226

6:30 p.m. Youth boys basketball practice, Community Center

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

10:00 a.m. Parent and Child Music Group, 213

5:00 p.m. Room in the Inn, Community Center 7:00 p.m. Youth boys basketball practice, Recreation Room

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

9:30 a.m. UMW Christmas brunch, Parker Hall

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

1:30 p.m. Carillon Ringers rehearsal, 226

3:30 p.m. Wesley Ringers rehearsal, 226

4:30 p.m. Open Door Singers rehearsal, choir room

5:30 p.m. Advent Festival, Community Center



Menu for November 28: Adults and youth: TBA. Vegetarian option: TBA.

### Upcoming Worship Services

First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2018

Paul Purdue preaching 8:15 a.m. and

10:30 a.m. worship services.

Sandy Sakarapanee preaching 10:30 a.m. worship in the chapel.

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 chapel

Sunday school classes collecting the offering for December: Harbison Jessie Rustin Fellowship, Delta/Kairos, Graham-Inquirers

### Celebrate Christmas with brunch, entertainment, and gifts for kids!

On Saturday, December 1, join other women and older girls at the UMW Christmas Brunch at 9:30 a.m. in Parker Hall. It's potluck and all are welcome. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship. Deron Johnson, choir member and soloist, will lead us in Christmas music.

We will be collecting toys for girls or boys, ages 10-12, to be given to Bethlehem Center Toy Store. After qualifying, parents in need can choose three items per child. For a list of requested items, go to belmontuc.org/umw-christmas-brunch. A collection box will be placed in the Iris Room entrance area for items donated by people unable to attend the brunch. All donations need to be in by December 7 in order to be presented at a Children's Christmas party at Bethlehem Center.





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.

## December 2 Communion offering

Your Communion offering next Sunday will help us fulfill our commitment to pay our fair share of conference askings. By combining our money with that of other United Methodist churches each year, we are able to help support over 900 missionaries around the world, provide meals for over 3 million people each year, and help children, youth, and adults by giving them opportunities to be self-sufficient.

### Christmas Miracle Offering

This year, you are invited to help make miracles happen through the "Give Ye Them To Eat" (GYTTE) ministry in South Central Mexico. Your gifts to the Christmas Miracle Offering will enable GYTTE will help people living in poverty be healthier, utilize resources in their midst, and care for God's creation. Go to belmontumc.org/2018-christmasmiracle-offering to learn more.

# Advent sermon series: A Holy Resonance: The Quartet of Word, Spirit, Mind, and Deed



**December 2** - In a line of prophets (Jeremiah 33:1 and 7-16)

**December 9** - Through Zechariah and Elizabeth's experienc-

es (Luke 1:5-11 and 67-79)

**December 16** - Ruminating on John's firing message (Luke 3:1-16)

**December 23** - Mary's harmony (Luke 1:26-56)

How do we enter a holy season? How might the quartet of scripture, tradition, reason, and experience renew the Christmas song within us? Come and worship as we explore a holy resonance during this Advent season.

### **Charge Conference is December 16**

Make plans to attend the Charge Conference with District Superintendent Rev. Scott Aleridge on Sunday, December 16. The meeting will take place in Parker Hall immediately following the 10:30 worship service. Along with other reports and agenda items, the

Charge Conference will vote to set the compensation package for appointed clergy for 2019. Meal reservations are required and can be made through onrealm.org or by contacting Mark Hagewood (mark@belmontumc.org) no later than noon on Wednesday, December 12.