

## This week at Belmont UMC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

11:45 a.m. Multicultural Fellowship, Parker Hall  
5:30 p.m. Youth fall kick-off picnic @ 174 Fann Rd 37135

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

6:00 p.m. Finance Committee, 202

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

5:15 p.m. Midweek at Belmont dinner, Community Center  
6:00 p.m. Unpacking pastoral prayer, 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, AUGUST 22

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

4:00 p.m. Youth depart for Youth Choir Retreat

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

11:30 a.m. College/Young Adult luncheon, Parker Hall  
11:30 a.m. Children's Ministry Team, 202  
11:30 a.m. Confirmation lunch, 124

### **Gifts That Change Our World** *Continued from page 1*

our connectional commitments. The Tennessee Conference CFA, chaired by our own John Pearce, has embraced the term "connectional commitment" as a more precise replacement for the term "apportionments". No matter the term, *Gifts That Change Our World* reminds us that we are connected to a larger Methodist good work. Belmont includes connectional giving in our budget, but our pledges don't cover our full connectional commitment.

Come let us celebrate and give to *Gifts That Change Our World* and reach our \$35,000 goal. To give your gift and change our world, you can give online at [belmontumc.org](http://belmontumc.org), text BELMONT CHANGE to 73256 using your text messaging (standard text message rates do apply), or simply drop your gift marked *Gifts That Change the World* in the offering plate.



### **Menu for August 21: Adults and youth:**

Smoked pork loin, broccoli and red cabbage slaw, two-potato hash, yeast rolls, and dessert. *Vegetarian option:* Risotto-stuffed mushrooms with smoked tomato cream. *Children:* Fried pork tenders with Alabama white sauce and potato wedges.

## Upcoming worship services

### **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 25, 2019**

Paul Purdue preaching 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services.  
Marie King preaching 10:30 a.m. worship service in the chapel.

8:15 a.m. - Communion in the chapel  
9:15 a.m. - Sunday school  
10:30 a.m. - Worship in the sanctuary  
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Sunday school classes collecting the offering for August: Simplicity, Covenant, Seekers

**Love: the gift that changes the world!** Love is the gift that changes everything. Paul says that outward acts of faith without love mean nothing, and that love is greater than religious knowledge. Indeed, love is the catalyst that changes the world. (1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13)

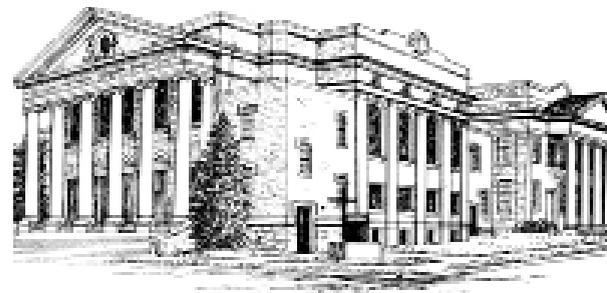
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to beautiful melodies and heartfelt lyrics.

4. You look good in white.
3. You are guaranteed the best seat in the house at Feast of Lights.
2. Our music director is better than sweet tea on a hot summer day.
1. You want to share God's Love through song.

If you ever wondered what it would be like to be in the choir, come to *Try the Choir Night* on Wednesday, September 4, at 7:15pm. We want you. No matter your level of experience, age, who you love, how you dress or what you do, you have a place in the Sanctuary Choir.



## Belmont United Methodist Church **NEWS** for August 18, 2019

### **College/young adult upcoming events**

Young adult and college luncheon - Sunday, August 25, 11:30 a.m. in Parker Hall. Join us after morning worship!

Young Adult gathering at Game Point - Saturday, August 31, 4:00-8:00 p.m. at Bongo Java East. Play games, enjoy some food, stay as long as you are able!

### **Top 10 reasons you should be in the Sanctuary Choir**

*by Ned Henry*

10. You love to sing no matter the weather.
9. No auditions or musical training required.
8. You want to be part of Belmont's greatest traditions.
7. You like to learn.
6. You like being with like-minded, good-natured people who love making music.
5. You are inspired when exposed

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## ALL are welcome here.

*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.*



### **Gifts That Change Our World**

*Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive, and go do that, because what the world needs is people who have come alive.* - Howard Thurman

*Gifts That Change Our World* is all about people coming alive through our Methodist connections. Today, Ben Grayer, 2019 Belmont UMC intern,

will share how our connectional giving is changing his world. While at Martin Methodist College, Ben participated in *Give Ye Them To Eat* in Mexico. At GYTTE Ben felt God's pull toward ministry, especially with Hispanic persons. Ben just returned from training in Cambodia with the General Board of Global Ministries in preparation for his two years as a Mission Fellow in El Salvador. Your connectional giving helped God's call come alive in Ben's life. Your connectional

giving is changing our world.

From August 18 through September 15, we will hear stories of people coming alive in Christ because of your gifts!

We will hear from Russell Casteel, Director of Camping Ministry, about how our Conference camps shape lives. Bishop Lyght will tell us about the life changing education in the arts, agriculture, business, economics, education,

health sciences, human rights, information technology, governance, peace, leadership, theology, math, and social sciences offered through Africa University. Finally, Michele Morton, TSU Wesley Foundation Director, will share how she engages in the lives of college students. Your giving helps so many others come alive in Christ!

During *Gifts That Change Our World*, we are asking you to consider a gift above your regular giving or pledge to support *Continued on page 2*

