

This week at Belmont UMC

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

8:15am Worship service with Communion, Facebook live
10:30am Worship service, Facebook live

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

5:30pm Flow yoga, Zoom

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom
6:00pm Gentle yoga, Zoom
6:00pm Youth discussion, Zoom
8:30pm Parent/caregiver hangout, Zoom

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00am Women's Centering Prayer, Zoom

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1

Church offices closed for New Year's Day holiday

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2

Church building closed

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3

8:15am Worship service with Communion, Facebook live
9:30am Children's Sunday school, Zoom
10:30am Worship service, Facebook live
5:15pm United Methodist Youth, Zoom

Meet our WDS teachers: Connie Piper

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by receiving my bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Penn State. My first experience teaching was as an art teacher at a military school, and I have volunteered in the cancer ward at Duke Children's Hospital. For the past 10 years I have been one of the leaders for FRG-Army Medical Unit, where I counsel youth who are trying to cope with the deployment of a parent.

I have been a proud military spouse for over 18 years and have two wonderful children, Nya (15) and Joshua (11). I am also a cat mom to 2 crazy and spoiled cats. When I am not busy, I like to spend time with myself praying and reading to stay grounded.

I set goals for my life, my family, and I bring that same enthusiasm and hard work ethic into the classroom. My goal for the classroom is to provide a positive and welcoming learning environment for, not only your child, but for your family. I want to instill in them the importance of their individuality and for them to see how others are special because of theirs. As a parent and educator, I like to always keep the lines of communication open.

Upcoming worship services

2nd Sunday of Christmas January 3, 2021

Paul Purdue preaching 8:15am and 10:30am worship services.

8:15am - Facebook live
10:30am - Facebook live

Christmas Miracle Offering

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An adult literacy project. Currently, only 50% of women in Malawi can read. Belmont UMC will partner with another church and the Malawi UMC conference to provide materials and instruction.

Our goal is \$15,000. Please donate by mailing your check, texting BELMONT CHRISTMAS to 73256, or online at belmontumc.org/christmas-miracle-offering. You can make a difference!

Upcoming holiday closings

The church and its offices will be closed on Friday, January 1, in observance of the New Year's Day holiday. The building will also be closed on Saturday, January 2.

On Monday, January 18, the church and its offices will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.



Belmont United Methodist Church NEWS for December 27, 2020

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.



Joys and concerns

Christian sympathy is extended to Marsha Boyd, Susan Laux, and Ernie Boyd in the death of their father, Bush Boyd.

Amy, Lucian, Carter, Molly, and Ben Geise in the death of their father and grandfather, Barry Geise.

Memorials

BOB PROCTOR

Donor:

Sue Smith

In honor of:

JEAN GOULD

STARR & JIM STRICKLAND

SALLY WRIGHT

NANCY & ELMER YOUNG

Donors:

Betty Jane & Larry Taylor

Year-end giving

Gifts are welcome any time, but remember that for 2020 tax purposes, gifts must be at the church or postmarked by December 31. Can't make it to the church or post office by December 31? You can make a gift online at onrealm.org/BelmontUMC/give.

Christmas Miracle Offering

Your 2020 Christmas Miracle Offering will support two critical programs in Malawi: rebuilding a Methodist church that was destroyed by the devastating cyclone in 2019. Until it is rebuilt, the villagers have no building for worship,



daycare, or adult learning programs.

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Meet our WDS teachers: Connie Piper

The Weekday School (WDS) is blessed with a team of professional and devoted early childhood educators that have a passion for the early development of children and their care. Periodically, we would like to introduce you to this wonderful staff.

Hola! My name is Connie Piper; I am one of your child's teachers and am happy to be an intricate part of your family's life. I have been working with children for over 15 years and am originally from NC but made Nashville my home by



way of the US Military for the past 7 years.

I have always felt that teaching was my calling, so I decided to put the wheels in motion

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