

WELCOME

Heather Harriss

Holy God, help us to be present in worship this day even as You are present. Amen.

PRELUDE

Music for a Ceremony

Alfred Fedak
Gayle Sullivan, organist

†GREETING

Open unto me — light for my darkness.
Open unto me — courage for my fear.
Open unto me — hope for my despair.
Open unto me — peace for my turmoil.
Open unto me — joy for my sorrow.
Open unto me — strength for my weakness.
Open unto me — wisdom for my confusion.
Open unto me — forgiveness for my sins.
Open unto me — love for my hates.
Open unto me — thy Self for my self.
Lord, Lord, open unto me!¹

†HYMN NO. 584

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

Lord, you give the great commission: “Heal the sick and preach the word.”
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:
Refrain: With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us for the work of ministry.
Lord, you call us to your service: “In my name, baptize and teach.”
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community: *R*
Lord, you make the common holy: “This my body, this my blood.”
Let us all, for earth's true glory, daily lift life heavenward,
asking that the world around us share your children's liberty: *R*
Lord, you show us love's true measure: “Father, what they do, forgive.”
Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us to a just society: *R*
Lord, you bless with words assuring: “I am with you to the end.”
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend
and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity: *R*

†PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM

The Image of God

Craig Courtney
Sanctuary Choir

In the beginning God shaped and formed me.
I am skillfully and wonderfully made. I am the image of my Creator.
In every part of me His likeness is displayed.
Life flows from life and love from loving;
gifts of the Father by nature and by grace.
Refrain: A heart made glad, a soul unshaken;
unbounded joy, in every breath a song of praise.
For His own purpose, God shaped and formed me.
I am His; I have a place within His plan. I am the image of my Creator.

My past and future are secure within His hand.
Life flows from life and love from loving;
gifts of the Father by nature and by grace. *R*
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SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 1:4-10
1 Corinthians 1:2-10

Layne Parker, Natalia Del Pino

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Affirmed and Equipped

Darren Mayberry Wright

CALL TO PRAYER

Come to Me All Who Labor

John Purifoy
Open Door Singers and alumni
Bill Cooper, accompanist
Ned Henry, violinist

Come to me all who labor and are heav'ly laden down, and I'll give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me now, for I'm gentle and low in heart.
Here you'll find rest. You'll find rest from your weary soul,
for my yoke is easy and my burden's light, come to me.
Come all who labor, let me take your load, I am life, I am rest for your soul.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father *, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

*You are invited to pray the Lord's Prayer in your native tongue and address God, who is beyond gender, with names that speak to your heart: "Our Creator", "Holy Parent", or other titles that honor God's love, presence, and goodness.

BLESSING WAVERLY/ASP TEAM

OFFERING

Wherever You May Go

Timothy Bushong
Sanctuary Choir

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Wherever you may go may the wind be at your back
and may you remember that we will always hold you in our hearts.
Wherever you may go may the road rise up to you.
May your every dream come true in this new beginning that now starts.
And may the sun shine warm upon your face.
May all your nights and days be filled with every joy.
And may the rain fall soft upon your fields.
And may you know it's real: the healing power of love.
May the Good Lord hold you close wherever you may go.
Wherever you may go may you know that we still care.

May you find peace everywhere. May you find the rest that you deserve.
Wherever you may go may you keep your courage strong,
find the time for art and song and to see the beauty in this world.
And may the sun shine warm upon your face.
May all your nights and days be filled with every joy.
And may the rain fall soft upon your fields.
And may you know it's real: the healing power of love.
May the Good Lord hold you close wherever you may go.

†DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

†HYMN

*Lift Every Voice and Sing**

LIFT EVERY VOICE

**Lift ev'ry voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring, ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies, let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us.
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won.
Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod, felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet come to the place for which our people sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered.
We have come, treading our path thro' the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last where the bright gleam of our bright star is cast.
God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way,
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.**

†BENEDICTION

Go forth, celebrating faith.
Go forth, celebrating hope.
Go forth, celebrating love.
Go forth to be the transformed people that God calls us to be.
Go forth to transform the world—in times of prosperity, but most especially, in times of disbelief,
hostility, fear, and rejection.
Go forth with the knowledge that you are always surrounded by the presence of our steadfast, loving God.
Amen.

†SENDING FORTH

Leticia, Darren, Rowan, and Finley Mayberry Wright

†CHORAL BLESSING

The Lord Bless and Keep You

Jim Strathdee

The Lord bless and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious, gracious.
The Lord bless and keep you. The Lord lift his countenance on you and give peace, give you peace. Shalom. Shalom.

POSTLUDE

A Southern Folk Hymn

arr. Lee H. Bristol, Jr.
Robbie Jones, organist

†You are invited to stand as you are able.

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of Altar Guild arrangers.

ADDITIONAL WORSHIP LEADERS

Robbie Jones, organist

Gayle Sullivan, Director of Music Ministry

Bruce Williams, Technical Coordinator

Cindy Caldwell, Mike Graves, Wanda Webb, David Henry, Larry Beasley, streaming

Juneteenth, June 19, is a holiday that commemorates the end of enslavement in the US. It recalls how the states of Louisiana and Texas heard the news that President Abraham Lincoln had signed the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863. Enslavement continued in those two states for more than two years after the proclamation was signed because the word had yet to travel there. Texas and Louisiana finally got the news on June 19, 1865.

* Often referred to as "The Black National Anthem," *Lift Every Voice and Sing* was a hymn written as a poem by NAACP leader James Weldon Johnson in 1900. His brother, John Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954), composed the music for the lyrics. A choir of 500 schoolchildren at the segregated Stanton School, where James Weldon Johnson was principal, first performed the song in public in Jacksonville, Florida to celebrate President Abraham Lincoln's birthday.

At the turn of the 20th century, Johnson's lyrics eloquently captured the solemn yet hopeful appeal for the liberty of Black Americans. Set against the religious invocation of God and the promise of freedom, the song was later adopted by NAACP and prominently used as a rallying cry during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s.

¹Howard Thurman, 1900- 1981.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 19

Joys and concerns

Out of the hospital

Franklin Hood

Memorials

LARRY TAYLOR

Donors:

Suzanne Bradford

Karen & Keith Roberts

Farewell reception for Darren today

Today, from 9:15-10:15am, there will be a farewell reception for Darren Mayberry Wright under the tent. Stop by and let Darren know how much his work at Belmont UMC during the last seven years has been appreciated. We are also collecting cards and notes of appreciation for him. You can bring them next Sunday or send them to Angie Slade at the church (2007 Acklen Avenue, Nashville, TN 37212).

Summer of Service: Project Transformation



This summer, we are challenging our church members and friends of all ages to reach up to God and reach out to youth and children in our community through service in four vital outreach ministries- places where we're badly needed! One of these opportunities is Project Transformation, to serve as a reading volunteer for 1-4 days. Project Transformation involves college-age teams, together with volunteers from churches, in offering summer day camps for children and youth in marginalized communities. Children and volunteers are paired up each day to read one-on-one. Belmonters are needed to work with Project Transformation in the Antioch area during the week of June 27-30, Monday-Thursday mornings. For more information or to sign up, contact Celia Joyner! To learn more about volunteering with Project Transformation and other the other three summer of service opportunities, go to belmont-umc.org/summer-of-service.

Belmont Opportunity Scholarships awarded

Two Belmont UMC high school graduates have each been awarded a Belmont Opportunity Scholarship.

Kyle Shepherd will attend Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, NC, where he will be a Demon Deacon.

Jordan Whitehouse will attend Birmingham Southern College in Birmingham, AL, where she will major in business and finance and be a panther.

The school colors of both Wake Forest and Birmingham Southern are black and gold, so maybe our seniors can see a little of Nashville on their new campuses.

Adult literacy program in Malawi: Christmas Miracle Offering in action

Good news from Malawi! In May, the first teachers completed training for the Adult Literacy Program. These six teachers, two from each of three circuits, will now start teaching adult literacy classes in three villages. Malawi church leaders anticipate completing half of the lessons by the end of the year. At that time, they will evaluate the program and hope to expand the training to other villages. The ability to read and write opens doors. "We thank God for this initiative," said one participant who completed the training.

This program was made possible by your donations to the Christmas Miracle Offering in 2020. Rev. Olav Schmidt, who serves as missionary in Malawi, says, "Thank you for your support. Belmont UMC is making a difference here!"

Volunteers needed for Pride

This year's Pride festival will take place on Saturday, June 25, and Sunday, June 26, at Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park. Local United Methodist churches will all be stationed next to each other, and we will serve Communion.

Belmont UMC's booth will be open 9:30am-8:30pm on June 25 and 11:30am-7:30pm on June 26. We need two volunteers per each two-hour shift. Go to belmontumc.org/pride to sign up. Come help us show the love of Christ to members of the LGBTQ+ community! Questions? Contact Alisa Bradford (alisaejones@yahoo.com or 731-645-0087).

Pray for our folks in Waverly

The ASP/Belmont UMC Waverly Build begins this week (June 22-29). A team of Belmonsters will be building a home for a family who survived the horrific flood last August 2021, in Waverly, TN. Want to help? The build will continue in August. Stay tuned for those dates. In the meantime, please keep our Belmonsters in prayer as they do this important work.

THIS WEEK AT BELMONT UMC

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

8:00am Worship with Communion, sanctuary/Facebook live

9:15am Farewell reception for Darren, tent outside

10:30am Worship, sanctuary/Facebook live

MONDAY, JUNE 20

6:00pm Finance Committee, Zoom

TUESDAY, JUNE 21

5:30pm Flow yoga, Zoom

6:00pm Staff Parish Relations Committee, Zoom

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom

6:00pm Gentle yoga, Zoom

THURSDAY, JUNE 23

8:00am Women's Centering Prayer, 223/Zoom

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

8:00am Worship with Communion, sanctuary/Facebook live

10:30am Worship, sanctuary/Facebook live

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

*Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 26, 2022*

Paul Purdue preaching 8:00am and 10:30am worship services.

8:00am - sanctuary/Facebook live/YouTube
10:30am - sanctuary/Facebook live/YouTube

Passing the Mantle (2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14)

Want more news and announcements?

Email angie@belmontumc.org to sign up for our weekly “Upcoming Events” and “Belmont News” emails.

Our staff is always ready to assist you!

Go to belmontumc.org/staff for contact information.

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