

GATHERING

Bill Cooper, pianist

WELCOME

Heather Harriss

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

PRELUDE

†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!**<sup>1</sup>

SCRIPTURE

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

This is the word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

**Affirmed and Equipped**

Darren Mayberry Wright

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The celebrant gives thanks, remembering God's acts of salvation, and concludes:*  
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*The celebrant continues the thanksgiving.*

*The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled, and the celebrant concludes:*  
And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

*The celebrant invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:*  
All honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

## 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.

## BREAKING THE BREAD – SHARING THE CUP

*As we celebrate the gift of Holy Communion, everyone in need of God's love is invited.*

## PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.  
Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## OFFERING

*Please register your attendance in the pew pad or with the QR code on the back of the bulletin.*

You may give online by visiting [belmontumc.org/give](http://belmontumc.org/give), texting BELMONT to 73256, scanning the giving QR code, contacting Sara Christi ([bookkeeper@belmontumc.org](mailto:bookkeeper@belmontumc.org)) to set up a bank draft, or mailing your offering to the church, Box 120098, Nashville, TN, 37212.

## †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!**

## 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.**

## POSTLUDE

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†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 LEADER**  
Bruce Williams, Technical Coordinator

**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.

<sup>1</sup>Howard Thurman, 1900- 1981.

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## 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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://belmontumc.org/staff) for contact information.

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