

BELMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# NEWSLETTER

May 17, 2026

**Open Door Singers mini concert next Sunday**  
Sunday, May 24, 10:30am in the sanctuary



The Open Door Singers (ODS) are heading to Boston May 26-31, where they'll share their gifts through concerts, serve alongside local ministries, and take in some iconic sights.

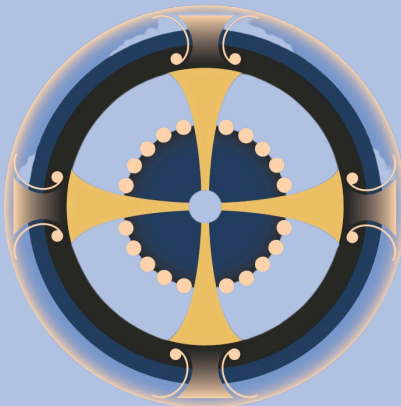
Before they go, don't miss their mini concert during the 10:30am worship service on Sunday, May 24. Come support them and send them off with your prayers!

**Shared worship with GTF on Pentecost Sunday**  
Sunday, May 24, 8:10am in the chapel and 10:30am in the sanctuary

Next Sunday, May 24, there will be a service of Holy Communion with Pentecost liturgy at the 8:10am worship service for those who wish to receive Communion. At the 10:30am worship service, there will not be a sermon or Karen language service. Instead, our Golden Triangle Fellowship (GTF) brothers and sisters will join us in the sanctuary for a combined Belmont UMC Pentecost worship service, as well as the Open Door Singers concert and sending forth.

**Announcement Sunday**  
Sunday, May 24, 8:10am in the chapel and 10:30am in the sanctuary

Next Sunday, May 24, join us as we celebrate God's faithfulness and the collective generosity of the Belmont UMC family as we announce the total amount pledged in four-year commitments received to date.



## This week at Belmont UMC

### MONDAY, MAY 18

2:00pm ENCORE Committee, Iris Room  
6:00pm Finance Committee, Zoom

### TUESDAY, MAY 19

6:00pm Staff Parish Relations Committee, Zoom

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom

### THURSDAY, MAY 21

8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom

### SUNDAY, MAY 24

8:10am Worship with Communion, chapel/live stream  
9:00am Adult Sunday school, various rooms  
10:30am Shared worship with Golden Triangle Fellowship, sanctuary/live stream  
10:30am Open Door Singers mini concert, sanctuary

## Joys and concerns

*Christian sympathy is extended to*

John Wagster in the death of his wife, Lynda Wagster.

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# Save the date!

**MONDAY, MAY 25**

Church closed for  
Memorial Day holiday

**SUNDAY, MAY 31**

9:15am Summer in the Psalms,  
Parker Hall

**SATURDAY, JUNE 6**

2:30pm Hymn sing at  
Mary, Queen of Angels

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10**

5:00pm Bench-building event,  
parking lot

**MONDAY, JUNE 15 -**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 18**

5:00pm Road Trip  
Vacation Bible School,  
Community Center

**FRIDAY, JUNE 19**

Church closed for  
Juneteenth holiday

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27**

9:00am Belmont at Nashville  
Pride, Bicentennial Mall



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Campaign video




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Belmont UMC is a member of the  
Reconciling Ministries Network.

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## Pastor Heather receives ESL's Dot Smith Award

In 2016, Belmont English as a Second Language (ESL) established the Dot Smith Award to honor those who help carry forward our mission of teaching English to Nashville's immigrant community. Dot Smith, a longtime Belmonter and ESL teacher, believed deeply in welcoming others, making learning joyful, and creating a true sense of belonging.

We're delighted to share that the 2026 recipient is Pastor Heather Harriss! Like Dot, Heather has a gift for making our students feel safe, seen, and at home. Her genuine care for the program and the people it serves has made a lasting impact.

Please join us in celebrating Heather and thanking her for her faithful support and prayers for Belmont ESL. Photo: *ESL teacher Mary Jane Duke presents award to Heather.*



## Young adult lunches this summer!

Sundays, after worship in Hillsboro Village



If you're a young adult, college student home for the summer, recent grad, or young professional, join us for lunch after worship on Sundays this summer, beginning today! We'll gather in the foyer after the 10:30am service and walk together to a restaurant in Hillsboro Village. Come once or join us every week - we'd love to have you!

## NOAH banquet and fundraiser

Thursday, June 4, 6:00pm at Trevecca's Boone Convocation Center

On Thursday, June 4, at 6:00pm, join fellow Belmonters and others at Trevecca's Boone Convocation Center for the annual Nashville Organized for Action and Hope (NOAH) banquet and fundraiser. This year's theme is Faithful Resistance: Rooted in Justice, Rising in Hope. To learn more or purchase tickets, visit [belmontumc.org/noah](http://belmontumc.org/noah).

*We are a community of Christ-followers growing in love of God and neighbor.*

*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.*