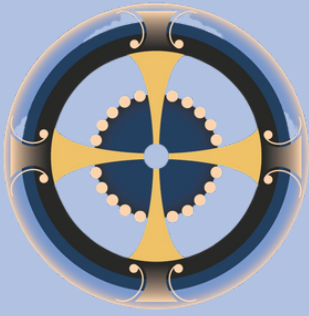




This week at Belmont UMC

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
*Church closed
for Labor Day holiday*

**WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 9**
10:00am Lectio Divina, Zoom
5:00pm Wednesday night
community meal,
Community Center
4:45pm Fall garden talk and
Seed and Starter "Swap and
Share," Community Center
6:00pm Children's choirs,
Faith Finders Hall
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir
rehearsal, choir room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
8:00am Centering prayer, Zoom
6:00pm Ministry Council, Zoom

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
10:00am Parent and Child
Music, 213

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
8:10am Worship with
Communion, chapel/live stream
9:00am Adult Sunday school,
various rooms
9:15am Come and See,
Iris Room
9:15am Pancakes and Prayer
Friends, Parker Hall
9:15am Children's Sunday
school, Faith Finders Hall
9:15am Youth Sunday school,
3rd floor
10:30am Worship,
sanctuary/live stream
10:30am Golden Triangle
Fellowship worship, chapel
11:30am Administrative Board,
Parker Hall
11:30am Belmonsters for
Inclusion, 124
11:45am Advocacy/Outreach
Team, 120
1:30pm Carillon Ringers
rehearsal, 226
3:30pm Wesley Ringers
rehearsal, 226
4:30pm Open Door Singers
rehearsal, choir room
5:30pm United Methodist Youth,
Community Center

BELMONT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

September 6, 2026

Communion offering will support Benevolence Fund

Your Communion offering today will support the Benevolence Fund as a witness of God's love to our siblings in Christ who are homeless or who struggle to meet their basic financial needs. We partner with Community Care Fellowship to refer people for bus passes and immediate essential services.

Holiday closing

Belmont UMC will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 7, as we celebrate and honor the contributions and achievements of American workers.

Fall garden talk and Seed and Starter "Swap and Share"

Wednesday, September 9, 4:45pm in the Community Center

The Seed and Starter "Swap and Share" is back for fall, and this year we're adding a fall garden talk! Join Belmont gardeners this Wednesday, September 9, beginning at 4:45pm in the Community Center foyer, where free seeds and starter plants will be available.

At 6:00pm, stay for the fall garden talk, featuring brief presentations on composting, creative uses for fall leaves, Metro's Smart Yard program, starting perennials for winter sowing, and saving fall seeds for spring planting. Learn more at belmontumc.org/swap-and-share.



Parent and Child Music this Saturday

Saturday, September 12, 10:00am in room 213

Infants, preschoolers, and the adults who love them are invited to join us on Saturday, September 12, at 10:00am for Parent and Child Music! We'll sing, play instruments, read stories, and dance together as we celebrate God's love. Learn more at belmontumc.org/parent-child-music.

Come and See begins next Sunday

Sundays, September 13, 20, and 27, 9:15am in the Iris Room

Visitors and newcomers are invited to Come and See, a special Sunday school class designed to help you learn more about Belmont UMC, United Methodism, and ways to live out your faith. Join Hunter Wade and other Belmonsters on Sundays, September 13, 20, and 27, from 9:15–10:15am in the Iris Room. Learn more at belmontumc.org/come-and-see.

Pancakes and Prayer Friends

Sunday, September 13, 9:15am in Parker Hall

Kindergarteners and their parents are invited to Pancakes and Prayer Friends next Sunday, September 13, at 9:15am in Parker Hall. Children will meet ministers and other familiar faces from around Belmont while connecting with Prayer Friends who will support them through prayer as they grow in faith. Learn more at belmontumc.org/pancakes.

Administrative Board will meet next Sunday

Sunday, September 13, 11:30am in Parker Hall

The Administrative Board will meet next Sunday, September 13, immediately following worship in Parker Hall. All are welcome to attend. Watch your inbox for details about lunch reservations.

Save the date!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
Reservation/payment deadline
for All-Church Retreat

**WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 30**
3:30pm Flu and COVID vaccine
clinic, Community Center

Joys and concerns

*Christian sympathy
is extended to*

Julia and Jerry Park in prayer as they grieve the death of Jerry's sister Carol Barksdale.

Baptism

Rhys Joseph Dunn, son of Trisha and Jeff Dunn, received the sacrament of Holy Baptism on August 30, 2026.



RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

Belmont UMC is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network.

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Belmonters for Inclusion meeting

Sunday, September 13, 11:30am in room 124

Belmonters for Inclusion (BFI) will meet next Sunday, September 13, at 11:30am in Room 124. All Belmonters are welcome and encouraged to attend as the group discusses and makes plans for the 2026-2027 year.

2027 Malawi mission trip information meeting

Monday, September 14, 6:00pm in room 124

Belmont UMC is planning a mission trip to Malawi, known as the "Warm Heart of Africa," for summer 2027. The trip will focus on supporting a growing network of nursery schools and strengthening relationships built through more than two decades of ministry together. Those interested in learning more are invited to an informational meeting on Monday, September 14, at 6:00pm in room 124. The trip is expected to take place in June or July 2027. Learn more at belmontumc.org/malawi-2027.

Welcoming our Ministry Council leaders

The Lay Leadership Committee (Nominations) would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to serve as a co-chair of a committee under the Ministry Council. Their terms began September 1, 2026. Some are new to these roles, while others are continuing their service as committee chairs. Each of these leaders is a disciple of Jesus Christ helping our church grow in love of God and neighbor. When you see them at church, please take a moment to say thank you!

Team	Co-Chair	Co-Chair
Ministry Council Leaders	Stephen Bryant	Erin Pearce Payne
Worship and Music Committee	Cindy Caldwell	Ashlee Headrick
Welcoming Committee	Carolyn Primm	Anne Hoback
Connecting Committee	Melissa Eckert	Lori Pearce
Discipleship Pathways	Jane Gray	Ellen Thompson
WNAB	Marcie Smeck Bryant	Jane DuBose
Advocacy and Outreach Committees	Anna Cramer	Kay Bowers Wesley Smith
Belmonters for Inclusion	Trudy Holden	Jessica Kolarich
Children's Ministry Team	Lindy Page	Amber Palmer-Halma
Youth Council	TBD by Sept. 13	TBD by Sept. 13
Young Adult Ministries	Ethan Bagwell	Grayson Lee
ENCORE/Senior Adult Ministry	Carolyn Primm	Bart Perkey
Golden Triangle Fellowship	Mike Engle	Dayton Rojas
Weekday School Advisory	Jennifer Bagwell	Beth Ritter-Conn

Baptism gown available

When Belmont UMC member Elizabeth "Punky" Smith passed away in 2016, her heirloom baptismal gown was given to her friend and longtime church member Martha Hooper. The stunning two-piece gown has now been shared with Belmont UMC so that other infants may wear it on their baptism day. Former Belmont member Mary Barr has lovingly restored the gown to its original beauty.

Families are invited to borrow the baptismal gown for their child's baptism. If your family would like to use it, please contact Amy Cooper, Director of Children's Ministries, Music, and Families (amy@belmontumc.org).



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.