## THE SANCTUARY

17th Sunday in Kingdomtide • September 24, 2023 • 8:45 AM & 11 AM

GATHERING

Sellers

CENTERING

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

The congregation is encouraged to join in singing with the choir.

"Come and fill our hearts with Your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with Your peace. Alleluia."

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### \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* GREETING

Dusenbury

Leader: We gather today to worship the One

who created us.

People: the One who calls us,

Leader: the One who equips us,

People: the One who loves us without end.

Leader: With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

\* HYMN

"Make Me a Captive, Lord"

No. 421

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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"The Apostles' Creed"

No. 881

\* GLORIA PATRI

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 71

## \* WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

### COLLECT

Father, your love is a sacred gift, an eternal wellspring of grace that nourishes our souls and guides our paths. As we face the challenges of this day, we ask for your strength and wisdom to guide us. Please grant us the courage to walk in your light and the compassion to show love and kindness to all those we encounter. We pray for healing for those who are suffering, comfort for those who are grieving, and hope for those who are in despair. May your presence be felt by all who seek solace in your embrace. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Job 11:7-9

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

inks be to God.

CHORAL PRAISE

"Cornerstone"

with "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" and "He Is Lord"

Hannah Cromley, soprano

"My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly trust in Jesus' name. Christ alone. Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Savior's love. Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all. When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace. In ev'ry high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. My anchor holds within the veil. Christ alone. Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Savior's love. Through the storm, He is Lord. Lord of all. When He shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His righteousness alone. Faultless to stand before the throne. Christ alone. Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Savior's love. Through the storm, He is Lord. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ the Solid Rock I stand. All other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand. He is Lord. He is risen from the dead, and He is Lord. Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, that Jesus Chirst is Lord Lord of all! Cornerstone!"

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### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN

"Blessed Assurance"

No. 369

**EPISTLE LESSON** 

Ephesians 4:1-6

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Sacramental Love"

Dusenbury

**OFFERTORY** "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

arr. Gaspard

\* **DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

No. 94

## \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We thank you, Lord, for the countless blessings you have bestowed upon us, both seen and unseen. We are thankful for the nourishment you provide, for the food on our tables, and for the sustenance that keeps us strong and healthy. Above all, we thank you for your boundless love, your forgiveness, and your guidance in our lives. May we always strive to live in a way that honors you and reflects the love you have shown us. Amen.

\* HYMN

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

No. 557

\* BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AND RECESSIONAL

Please remain in place and join in singing.

"Lift High the Cross" Lift high the cross,

the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

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\* POSTLUDE

"Go Forth in His Name"

Kendrick

\*Rise in body or spirit.

## THE HARBOR

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WELCOME

Malambri

FIRST LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-6

Lewis

**PRAYER** 

\* SONG

"This Is Amazing Grace"

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* SONG

"Holy Water"

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11 AM)

Davis Michael Bullock

son of Erinn and Michael Bullock

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11 AM)

Erinn and Michael Bullock

CELEBRATION OF GIFTS

SONG

"All His Glory"

SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:37-42

MESSAGE

"Devoted"

Malambri

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* SONG

"This Too Shall Pass"

\* ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* BENEDICTION

\*Rise in body or spirit.

## **BELIN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

A Stephen Ministry Church

Clergy: Will Malambri, Isaac Dusenbury, J.T. Brown Ministers: Belin Congregation Minister Emeritus: Harold Lewis
Pastoral Cabinet: Mark Ale, Mike Alexander, Keith Clarke, Sam Hale,
Wayne Sayre, Connie Stinson

## Announcements

- The flowers on the Sanctuary altar are given to the glory of God from Arthur Silviera and Barbara Charles in honor of their 20th wedding anniversary.
- Deepest sympathy to Lisa Sims, family and friends on the death of her mother, Peggy Ann Hall Bruce (Spartanburg, SC); and Wendy Meletes, family, and friends, on the death of her father, Ezekiel Hopper (Surfside Beach, SC).
- Custom Greeting Card Workshop, Monday, September 25, at 10 AM in the Family Life Center. If you enjoy crafts this is the perfect opportunity. Don't miss out on the chance to give a personal touch to your holiday greetings. Betty Sayre is hosting a workshop on how to make four charming cards for the holidays. The cost of the class is \$10, which covers all the supplies. Space is limited to 12. Sign up today using the link found at belinumc.org/now.
- Tickets for the **Fall Harvest Festival & BBQ** are available now in the church office or the Family Life Center during office hours Monday Friday. Tickets are \$15 for a pint or a plate. On Sunday, October 1, and Sunday, October 8, tickets and t-shirts will be available after the 8:45 AM and 11 AM worship services.
- Join the Belin Memorial **United Methodist Men's group** for a gathering on Monday, September 25, at 6:30 PM in the Family Life Center. Enjoy a delicious meal of meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, and dessert for \$10 while enjoying an inspiring speaker. This month the speaker is Pastor Isaac Dusenbury. He will enlighten us on The Epworth Children's Home, its mission, programs, and how to get involved. Don't miss the chance to dine with friends and be part of our growing community. RSVP by calling the church office (843.651.5099) or using the link online at belinumc.org/umm to confirm your attendance.

# Dates to Remember

- ■September 24: Youth Group (middle school 5 PM 6:50 PM, high school 6 PM—7:20 PM)
- ■September 25, 10 AM: Bridge (FLC)
- September 25, 1 PM: Art Angels (FLC)
- September 25, 7 PM: Narcotics Anonymous (FLC)
- September 26, 10 AM: Mahjong (FLC)
- September 26, 1 PM: Intermediate Bridge (FLC)
- September 27, 7:45 AM: Man 2 Man Bible Study (FLC)
- September 27, 8:30 AM: Rollie Hanna Breakfast (FLC)
- September 28, 7 PM: AA Meeting (FLC)

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Our Vision: To be a place for you to discover love, find purpose, and make a difference.

Our Journey: To connect, grow, and serve.



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