## THE SANCTUARY

Transfiguration Sunday • February 11, 2024 • 8:45 AM & 11 AM

**GATHERING** 

Sellers

CENTERING

"Surely the Presence of the Lord"

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

"Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face; surely the presence of the Lord is in this place."

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#### \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* GREETING Dusenbury

Leader: Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace.

People: We want to find the peace of God for ourselves.

Leader: Where the love of God is, there is joy.

People: We who have the love of God within our hearts are joyful.

Leader: Where the people of God come together, there

God is in their midst.

People: We have come together to find that God is here,

in each heart and on each face.

\* HYMN "O For a Heart to Praise My God"

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\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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"The Apostles' Creed"

No. 881

No. 417

\* GLORIA PATRI

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 71

#### \* WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### COLLECT

We feel you moving among us, O Lord, as the Spirit quickens our hearts. We want to absorb as much of your presence as possible to become complete. Show us your mighty power, your endless love, and your infinite mercy. We will celebrate and sing because you have called us here. In your name we pray. Amen.

**GOSPEL LESSON** 

Luke 15:1-7

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

People: Thanks be to God.

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN "Spirit of God. Descend upon My Heart"

No. 500

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 139

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

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM IN SONG

"Search Me, O God"

Catherine Arnette, cellist

"Search me, O God, and know my heart. Search me, O God, and know my heart. Search me, O God, and know my heart. Search me, O God, and know my heart. See if there be any wickedness in me. Is there strife? Is there pride? A transgression that is hidden from my eyes? Search me, O God, and know my heart. Search me, O God. Search me, O God, and know my heart, my heart, my heart. And lead me, lead me in the path eternal. And lead me, lead to life that's everlasting, everlasting, everlasting, eternal. Search me, O God, and know my heart. Search me, O God, and know my heart. Try me, know me. Search my heart."

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SERMON

"The Inescapable God"

Dusenbury

OFFERTORY

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

arr. McChesney

Sanctuary Handbell Choir

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

No. 94

#### \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of the universe, there is no place where we can escape your justice, but also no place where your mercy does not reach. There is no journey that can take us beyond the bounds of your love—a love so great that at times we are overwhelmed. We recognize our reliance on you, as well as the need to share what we have with others. Take these offerings and use them to make a difference in the world, so that all may know you. Amen.

\* HYMN

"There's Within My Heart a Melody"

No. 380

\* 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

"In My Heart There Rings a Melody"

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\*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
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## THE HARBOR

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WELCOME

Brown

**PRAYER** 

\* SONG

"What A Friend"

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* SONG

"Love So Great"

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

**CELEBRATION OF GIFTS** 

SONG

"Run Through My Heart"

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 139

**MESSAGE** "Perfect Submission, Perfect Delight"

Brown

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* SONG

"Everlasting God"

\* ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* BENEDICTION

- Sermon Notes -

# **Announcements**

- The **flowers** in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Larry King by his wife, Ruth, and his family.
- Join us for the **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner** on February 13, from 5 PM 6:30 PM. A ticket not only guarantees you a seat at the table but also supports Belin Youth. It's a win-win! Let's come together to celebrate Shrove Tuesday in style! Save the date, spread the word, and get ready to enjoy a pancake extravaganza with Belin Youth. Tickets are available in the Family Life Center today after each worship service. Price is \$8 for adults, and \$5 for children 4 11 yrs. (children under 3 eat free).
- Apostles' Creed Lenten Study begins Wednesday, February 21, at 10 AM. This study is led by Wayne Sayre. This Lenten study will examine the Apostles' Creed, which is an early statement of our foundational Christian beliefs. Class is limited to 20. Register today at belinumc.org/Now.
- Lenten Study for Children and Adults begins Wednesday, February 21, from 5:30 PM to 7 PM, in the FLC. This is a 4-week study for children and adults. Children, ages 4 through 5th grade, will participate in learning scripture with hands-on activities related to that scripture. Adults will meet for "Table Talk," also in the Family Life Center. These studies will be led by Kim Oakley and Mary Mallick. The registration link can be found at belinumc.org/Now.
- Wednesday, February 18, the Lenten worship series "The Week" will be at noon every Wednesday in the Sanctuary through March 20. This series presents a distinctive chance to journey alongside Jesus during his last days, intimately encountering the depth of his love and sacrifice. "The Week" will foster a deepening of your faith and connection to the heart of God. Following the services lunch will be provided in the Family Life Center for \$6.

# Dates to Remember

- February 11: No Youth Group
- February 12, 10 AM: Frances Wilson Circle (FLC)
- February 13, 7 AM: Youth Prayer Breakfast (Chick-fil-A)
- February 13, 10 AM: Mahjong (FLC)
- February 13, 1 PM: Intermediate Bridge (FLC)
- February 15, 7 PM: AA Meeting (FLC)

# In Worship Tagether

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

Our Journey: To connect, grow, and serve.

The Denominational Education Team encourages you to attend this week's education gathering. It will begin TODAY at 3 PM and be held in the sanctuary and available online. The topic this week will be next steps for the United Methodist Church and for Belin Memorial in relationship to the denomination.

## Ash Wednesday

THIS Wednesday, February 14, at 12 Noon and 6 PM in The Sanctuary

As we enter the season of Lent, join us for a reflective and meaningful Ash Wednesday service. This solemn occasion marks the beginning of a period of spiritual reflection, repentance, and preparation for Easter.

Lunch will be provided following the noon service in the Family Life Center for \$6.

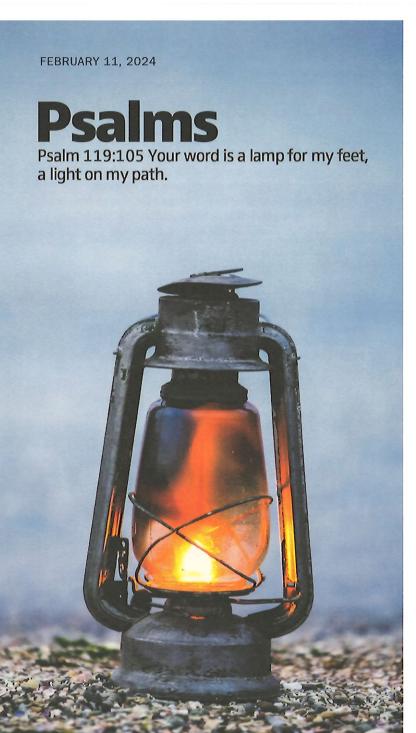




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