## THE SANCTUARY

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost • October 5, 2025 • 8:45 AM & 1.1 AM

Please note: the 8:45 AM service is livestreamed.

**GATHERING** Sellers

CENTERING

"Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome"

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

Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place. Holy Spirit, Thou art welcome in this place. Omnipotent Father of mercy and grace, Thou art welcome in this place.

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#### CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* GREETING Malambri

Leader: Trust in the Lord and do good.

People: Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act.

Leader: Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.

People: Refrain from anger and forsake wrath. Do not fret—

it leads only to evil.

Leader: The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord;

People: God is our refuge in the time of trouble.

\* HYMN "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" No. 117

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Stinson

"The Apostles' Creed" No. 881

\* GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" No. 71

**WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE** 

HOLY BAPTISM (11 AM) Pg. 39

Thomas Giles Coward son of John and Megan Coward

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11 AM) Pg. 38

Jeff and Stephanie Black Terry and Barbara Busskohl

#### COLLECT

O God, the Giver of life, we pray for the Church throughout the world. Sanctify its life, renew its worship, empower its witness, restore its unity. Remove from your people all pride and every prejudice that dulls their will for unity. Strengthen the work of all those who strive to seek that common obedience that will bind us together. Heal the divisions which separate your children one from another, that they may keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. Amen.

#### CHORAL MEDITATION "Come, Dine with Me"

"Dine with Me, My lovely child; I've prepared for you a place. Through the bread and the wine, refresh yourself in grace. Find in Me the Bread of Life, to sustain and nourish you. Take the cup of redemption, and live anew. Come, you weary and worn; I have broken the bread. Come, join Me at the table. Open up your heart, and be fed. Come, the feast awaits. I have poured the wine. Come and dine with Me. Come, dine with Me. Dine with Me, and rest a while. Come and lay your burden down. Through the bread and the wine, true peace can be found. Find in Me the Bread of Life, to renew and calm your soul. Take the cup of redemption, and be made whole. Come, you weary and worn; I have broken the bread. Come, join Me at the table. Open up your heart, and be fed. Come, the feast awaits. I have poured the wine. Come and dine with Me. Come, dine with Me. Find in Me the Bread of Life. Never hunger again. Take the cup of redemption. Come, dine with Me.

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#### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Lamentations 3:19-26

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"It Will Get Better"

Malambri

OFFERTORY

"Behold the Lamb"

arr. Larson

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

O God, we join with our sisters and brothers around the world in remembering Christ's sacrifice for us. For the opportunity to eat and drink together and for the life we have received, we give you thanks and praise. In the abundance of your many gifts, grant us grace to fill one another's lives with love. Redeem, restore and remold us until we are made new, we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

\* HYMN

"I Come with Joy" (Stanza 5) No. 617

\* BENEDICTION

#### \* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AND RECESSIONAL

The congregation is encouraged to 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

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Runyan

\* Rise in body or spirit.

### THE HARBOR

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WELCOME

Stevens Poirel

OPENING PRAYER

\* SONG

"Blessed Be Your Name"

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* SONG

"God of Wonders"

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

**CELEBRATION OF GIFTS** 

SONG

"Rock of Ages" (When the Day Seems Long)

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17:5-10

MESSAGE

"Through It All"

Stevens Poirel

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

\* SONG

"Sometimes by Step"

\* BENEDICTION

- Sermon Notes -

### **BELIN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

A Stephen Ministry Church

Clergy: Will Malambri, Sandra Stevens Poirel
Ministers: Belin Congregation Minister Emeritus: Harold Lewis

Pastoral Cabinet: Mark Ale, Mike Alexander, Bill Barber, Keith Clarke, Becky Forrest, Sam Hale, George Howle, Wayne Sayre, Connie Stinson

## Announcements

- This Saturday's bake sale at the **Fall Harvest Festival & BBQ** is a wonderful way to show your support and contribute to a good cause. Whether you're a seasoned baker or just starting out, there are plenty of options from which to choose. For more information about the bake sale, please contact Diana Blessing (410.999.7468).
- Fall Harvest Festival & BBQ food tickets and t-shirts will be available after all worship services today.
- The Blessing of the Animals is today at 4 PM in St. John's Outdoor Chapel, located behind the Family Life Center (FLC). You may attend to honor or remember a special pet/s; all pets must be on a leash or in a carrier. Monetary donations, as well as pet food, toys, and supplies, will be received and given to a local animal shelter.
- The Rollie Hanna Breakfast Group will gather this Wednesday, October 8 at 8:30 AM in the FLC. Sandra Stevens Poirel will offer updated information about Epworth Children's Home as Epworth is "STILL Making a Difference TODAY!" There are exciting ways you continue to make it possible for this ministry to expand, grow, and meet the needs of and care for children, youth, and entire families. Bring a friend and enjoy the "Best \$3 Breakfast in Town."
- The Year of Kindness collection of coats and warm garments begins next Sunday, October 12. Clothing will be received in the FLC but please hold items until this date, as space is very limited. The items will be made available to local schools to be distributed as needed. School representatives will be invited to lunch at Belin Memorial and given the opportunity to "shop" from the donated items for their schools. Please contact Mary Mallick, Director of Adult Ministries, for more information, (marym@belinumc.org; 843.357.5185).
- Save your seat for the **Senior Bus Trip** on Thursday, October 23 at 10 AM. Going to the Farmers Market in Market Commons and some lunch at Italian Deli and be back around 2:30 PM. Contact Mary Mallick for information or you can register on REALM.

## Dates to Remember

■ October 5 4 PM: Blessing of the Animals (St John's Chapel)

■ October 5 5 PM: Belin Youth Group of MS & HS (FLC)

■ October 6 6 PM: Church Council Meeting (Sanctuary)

■ October 7 6 PM: "Acts" Bible Study (FLC)

■ October 7 6 PM: "The Gospel of John" Bible Study (Zoom)

■ October 8 8 AM: Rollie Hanna Breakfast (FLC)

■ October 8 6 PM: "Book of Revelation" Bible Study (FLC)

■ October 11 9 AM — 3 PM: Fall Harvest Festival & BBO

# In Worship Together

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

Our Journey: To connect, grow, and serve.

**Belin Memorial** is introducing a better and easier way to *GIVE* your weekly offerings by scanning this QR Code.



#### Worship Attendance 9.28.25

The Sanctuary: 884

The Harbor: 367

#### Giving Week of 9.28.25

Envelopes/Checks: \$ 15,969
Online Giving \$ 9,273
Cash \$ 1,394
Total \$ 26,636

Are you interested in joining Belin Memorial but don't know where to begin?

Starting Point is the place for you!

Starting Point meets the second Sunday of each month at 10 AM in Room 11 in the Family Life Center. This informal gathering provides an opportunity to learn more about Belin Memorial and discover what it means to be a member of our church family. There will be a time of fellowship to get to know each other better. We hope to see all prospective members and our newest congregants next Sunday, October 12 at 10 AM.



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