



BLESSING OF THE INLET ARTISAN RULES AND INFORMATION

Come join us for the 30th Annual "**Blessing of the Inlet**" on Saturday, May 2, 2026 at Belin Memorial United Methodist Church, Murrells Inlet, South Carolina. This event combines worship, art, crafts, food, and family fun.

PLEASE NOTE

Spaces will be assigned upon receipt of application **AND** payment. You may request a particular space but there is NO GUARANTEE that it will be assigned. We incorporate non-profits among the craft vendors, and so some spaces may not be available. We are also limiting vendors to the water side of the campus. If you are a returning vendor, we will try our best to give you the same spot (or as close as possible) from years past. Emails will be sent out in late April with spot assignments and parking passes.

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- All work must be **ORIGINAL**, 100% Handcrafted and be attributable solely to the displaying artists or crafters. **Craft items can not include any type of ready to eat food or beverage.** We reserve the right to remove any exhibit if it does not reflect our standards. We reserve the right to limit the number and types of entries.
- Our spaces are approximately 12X12 feet outdoors. Each spot has a fee of **\$100.00**. 10% of your application fees will be donated to our chosen charity this year.
- You may set up your canopy, table and chairs the night before after 6 PM. You **MUST** secure your canopy with weights (cement blocks, etc.). Your weights for your canopy **MUST BE** heavy enough to hold your tent stable and must be on all 4 corners. We are not responsible for any damage you incur or cause by your tent blowing over. Please consider your neighbor crafters and have the proper weights. **Unfortunately, we cannot provide assistance in loading/unloading.**
- A South Carolina Retail Tax License is required. Participating vendors' license information will be reported to South Carolina of Revenue. Each vendor must have their license available at the Blessing for examination. You will not be able to show at the Blessing without a license. (License is not required if you are exempt or have filed an Affidavit that declares you only conduct retail sales less than 4 times a year). **License must be on file for application to be accepted** (license provided previously are on file and do not need to be provided again). The Blessing of the Inlet is a Special Event Tax Event.
- Applications will be processed as received. Include a check or money order made payable to: Belin Memorial UMC or request link to make an online payment. If a first-time vendor at one of our events, please include photos of craft and copy of SC Retail Tax License.
- Sorry, we do not provide tables, chairs or electricity. Generators are **NOT** allowed and pets must be leashed (please note that some animal rescue non-profits will have pets available for adoption in their areas).

- This event will NOT be cancelled or postponed in case of inclement weather. No refunds will be made on the day of the event. Refunds will only be considered if requested before April 1, 2026 on a case-by-case basis.
- **Hours for exhibit will be from 9 AM to 2 PM.** Exhibitors **MUST** be set up by **8:05 AM**. Due to the large number of vehicles and the confined spaces, vendors must unload their vehicles and **PROMPTLY** move their vehicles to the designated parking area. Vehicles will not be allowed in after **8 AM**. Golf cart volunteers are available to drive you back to your exhibit.
- You **MUST** maintain a display for the entire day. Please do not break down your exhibit before 2 PM. Please be aware of the short 10 AM service at the Seawall Cross (the Blessing) and refrain from processing purchases during the service.
- Belin Memorial UMC is not responsible for any loss or injury to the exhibitor, their associates or goods.
- No alcohol or smoking will be permitted on the church campus at any time.
- Mail your application, photos of items, retail license or exemption affidavit, and fee by email or postage to the contact provided below.
- All communication from us will be by email. Please provide an ACCURATE and LEGIBLE email address.

To return fees and documents by email, please send to: larab@belinumc.org.

To return fees and documents by postage, please send to: Belin Memorial UMC, Attn: BOI - Lara, PO Box 528, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576.

To pay fees with a card online, please contact Lara for the link.

Questions or concerns? Contact Lara Blackwell, Administrative Assistant, at larab@belinumc.org or 843.357.5175

