

THE SANCTUARY

Fifth Sunday of Easter • May 3, 2026 • 8:45 AM & 11 AM

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

GATHERING Sellers

CENTERING "The Risen Christ"

"O Breath of God, come fill this place. Revive our hearts to know Your grace, and from our slumber make us rise that we may know the risen Christ.

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* **CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

* **GREETING** Stevens Poirrel

Leader: Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in Christ.

People: Even when the way is uncertain, we trust the One who goes to prepare a place for us.

Leader: Jesus said, "I AM the Way, the Truth, and the Life."

People: We come to walk in his way, and live in his truth.

All: Let us worship God.

* **HYMN** "Trust and Obey" No. 467

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Forrest
"The Apostles' Creed" No. 881

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

* **WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE**

COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you have shown us the way, revealed your truth, and offered everlasting life. Keep our eyes upon Jesus, that we may see your path more clearly, know your truth more fully, and receive your life more abundantly; through Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHORAL MEDITATION

"Let Not Your Heart Be Troubled"

"Let not your heart be troubled, for you believe in God. Believe also in Me, believe also in Me. Let not your heart be troubled, for you believe in God. Believe also in Me, believe also in Me. In My Father's house, there are many rooms. I go to prepare a place for you. If I go I will come again; I will come again. Let not your heart be troubled for you believe in God. Believe also in Me, believe also in Me. Let not your heart be troubled for you believe in God. Believe also in me, believe also in me. I AM the truth, I AM the way, I AM, I AM the life, the life. I AM in the Father and the Father is in Me; believe, believe, believe! Let not your heart be troubled for you believe in God. Believe also in Me, believe also in Me. Let not your heart be troubled, for you believe in God. Believe also in Me, believe also in Me. Let not your heart be troubled; believe."

Words adapted from John 14:1-11 by Ruth Elaine Schram, music by Ruth Elaine Schram
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PASTORAL PRAYER

* **GOSPEL LESSON** John 14:1-6
Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "I AM" Stevens Poirrel

OFFERTORY "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Carter

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, we bring our tithes and offerings to you, in gratitude for your astounding love, not with troubled hearts, but with confidence in your promise, knowing you are the Way, the Truth, and the Life. We pray that you would multiply these gifts to bring the peace and comfort of your presence in your world. Amen.

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

* **HYMN** "Only Trust Him" No. 337
(stanza 3)

* **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** "Mansion Over the Hilltop" Stanphill

** Rise in body or spirit.*

THE HARBOR

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WELCOME Malambri

OPENING PRAYER

* **SONG** "Open Up The Heavens"

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

* **SONG** "God of Wonders"

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**
"The Apostles' Creed"

CELEBRATION OF GIFTS

SONG "Oyster Shell"

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 7:54-60

MESSAGE "Sights and Sounds of a Saint" Malambri

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

* **SONG** "All My Hope"

* **BENEDICTION**

- Sermon Notes -

BELIN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A Stephen Ministry Church

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

Pastoral Cabinet: Mark Ale, Mike Alexander, Bill Barber, Becky Forrest,
Sam Hale, George Howle, Jonathan Nettles, Connie Stinson

Announcements

■ **Deepest sympathies** are extended to Michael and Annie Benick, family and friends, following the death of their mother, Karen Benick (Murrells Inlet, SC).

■ On Wednesday, May 6 at 10 AM, join the **SCDNR S.C.O.R.E. Program** in a Manufactured Wire Oyster Reef Build to help restore oyster habitats in Murrells Inlet. The build will be on the sanctuary side of Business 17 between the seawall cross and the boat ramp. A single adult oyster filters up to 50 gallons of water per day. The reefs help protect the shoreline from erosion. They are vital to the health of Murrells Inlet. Come have fun and help our community.

■ **Adult Fellowship Luncheon** returns this Wednesday, May 6 at 11:30 AM in the Family Life Center (FLC). Bring a dish to share in this covered dish meal as you connect in fellowship and join in an old-fashioned hymn sing. All are welcome. No RSVP required.

■ **Epworth Mother's Day Offering** will be received next Sunday, May 10. The Epworth Children's Home provides comprehensive care for children, youth, and families. Epworth is not an apportioned item in the Annual Conference budget. Mother's Day is your opportunity to support the ministry of Epworth.

■ **Belin Memorial** will have a special service for "Honoring Our Heavenly Children: A Special Mother's Day Event" next Sunday, May 10 at 3:30 PM. Gather at the seawall cross for this heartfelt service. For more information, contact Sharon Doehner (919.271.2568).

■ Do you have a **graduate this year**? Please contact Brandy Streett, Director of Youth Ministries (brandys@belinumc.org; 843.357.5177), for your graduate to be included on Graduate Sunday, May 17.

Dates to Remember

- May 3 5 PM–7 PM: Belin Youth Group—MS/HS (FLC)
- May 4 10 AM: Bridge (FLC)
- May 5 7 AM: Youth Prayer Breakfast (Chick-fil-A)
- May 5 10 AM: Mahjong (FLC)
- May 6 7:45 AM: Man to Man (FLC)
- May 6 11:30 AM: Adult Fellowship Luncheon (FLC)
- May 7 12 Noon - 4 PM: Open Play Pickleball (FLC)

In Worship Together

You are invited to **GIVE** your weekly offerings by scanning this QR Code.



Worship Attendance 4.26.26

The Sanctuary: 819
The Harbor: 342

Giving Week of 4.26.26

Envelopes/Checks	\$11,645
Cash	\$1,399
Online Giving	\$7,630
Total	\$20,674

IN MEMORIAM
Karen J. Benick
April 20, 2026



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The
Resurrection

