



A message from
Sandra Stevens Poirel



August 27, 2026

As Labor Day approaches, we look forward to a weekend of reflection, gratitude, fellowship, rest, and celebration. This is an opportunity to celebrate the sacred value of work and blessings of community. Scripture reminds us, "Whatever task you must do, work as if your soul depends on it, as for the Lord and not for humans." (Colossians 3:23, NRSV) Each person is uniquely called and gifted as a vital part of and contributor to God's magnificent design.

I hope you enjoy this time of rest with family and friends, as we also remember those who are facing challenging times and circumstances. There are a variety of ministry opportunities that lend themselves to making the presence and love of Christ known, improving the living conditions of others, and serving as a beacon of The Light of the World.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the many ways we labor together in faith, hope, and love to provide for our neighbors in Christ. Some of those opportunities include:

EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME – Epworth Children's Home welcomed its first children in 1896. For 130 years Epworth has provided care and support to children and families across South Carolina. The Epworth Work Day Offering is one of two annual designated offerings that support this vital ministry. Because Epworth is not funded through apportionments, it relies heavily on gifts received on Mother's Day and Work Day to provide quality care for more than 400 individuals each week. The Work Day Offering supports comprehensive care for children in the care of Epworth. In 2025, Epworth reported serving 2,230 children and families through its programs.

YOUTH GROUP KICKED OFF this past Sunday with a wonderful turnout and an exciting start to a new year of faith, fellowship, and fun! Students gathered for an afternoon filled with laughter, fun, and opportunities to grow together in faith. We are looking forward to all that is ahead for our youth this year! For more information about the youth ministry, please contact Brandy Streett, Director of Youth Ministries (brandys@belinumc.org or 843.357.5177).

YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFASTS – Before the school day begins, middle and high school students are invited to gather for prayer, encouragement, and breakfast at the Murrells Inlet Chick-fil-A on Tuesday mornings.

For more information about the youth ministry, please contact Brandy Streett, Director of Youth Ministries (brandys@belinumc.org or 843.357.5177).

YOGA AT BELIN – Beginning September 8, traditional yoga with Danielle Thompson will be offered on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9 AM in the Family Life Center, Room 7. Take a little time for yourself with movement, mindfulness, and community. [Learn more](#).

WOMEN'S SELAH – September 10, October 15, and more – 6 PM – Mark your calendars to take time to pause, connect, and be encouraged. Women's Selah offers a welcoming place for connection, laughter, meaningful conversation, spiritual growth, and lasting friendships. For more information, please contact Mary Mallick, Director of Adult Ministries (marym@belinumc.org or 843.357.5185).

SENIOR BUS TRIP - September 17 - 10 AM - Meet in the Family Life Center parking lot to board the bus to go to the Georgetown County Museum, have lunch at Rollin Local, and return by 3 PM. For more information, please contact Mary Mallick, Director of Adult Ministries (marym@belinumc.org or 843.357.5185).

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA – September 23 – 11 AM – Join us in the Family Life Center for a FREE Alzheimer's Association Program with Patti Younts, covering Alzheimer's, dementia, treatment, risk factors, and caregiver resources. For more information, please contact Mary Mallick, Director of Adult Ministries (marym@belinumc.org or 843.357.5185).

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH GOLF TOURNAMENT – Registration for our 32nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament is open! Visit the [website](#) for details and registration. Questions? Please contact Sherri Henderson, Director of Missions and Outreach (sherrih@belinumc.org or 843.357.5172).

FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL AND BBQ – Saturday, October 10 – This is one of Belin's favorite traditions! **SAVE THE DATE** and come out and enjoy delicious BBQ, fellowship, family, fun, and community. [Click here](#) for more information or contact Cindy Mullins, Director of the Family Life Center, (cindym@belinumc.org or 843.357.5176).

Shalom,
Sandra

We Welcome You to Worship with Us this Sunday!

Modern Worship
8:45 AM
"Road Trip"
Matthew 16:21-28
Sandra Stevens Poirel
[Livestream Here](#)

Traditional Worship
11 AM
"Road Trip"
Matthew 16:21-28
Sandra Stevens Poirel
[Livestream Here](#)



Weekly Attendance
(in-person and online)

412 The Harbor

564 The Sanctuary



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For Prayers and
Concerns



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Weekly Calendar
August 30, 2026

Youth Group Kickoff : What a Great Start!



What a joy it was to kick off another year of Youth Group at Belin Memorial this past Sunday, August 23! We had a wonderful group of students come together for an afternoon filled with laughter, friendship, fun and fellowship.

Youth Group is about so much more than what happens on Sunday. It's about creating a place where our young people know they belong—a place where they can be themselves, build friendships, ask questions, grow in their faith and discover what it means to walk with God alongside one another.

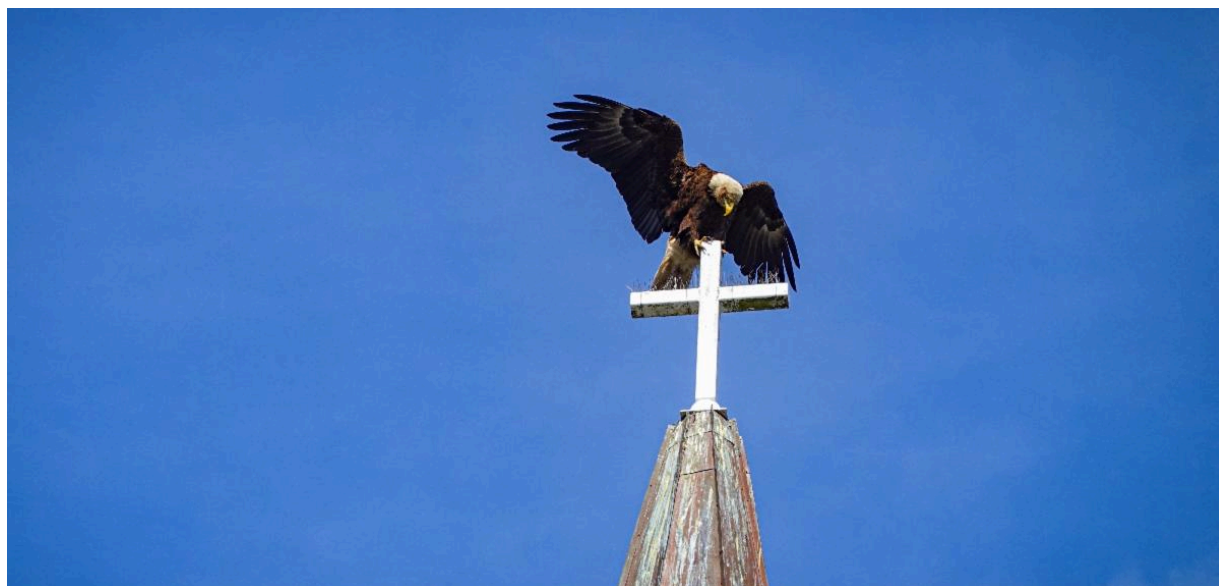
There is something incredibly special about watching these relationships grow. The friendships formed during these years can become unbreakable bonds, and the memories made together can shape their faith for years to come. We are so grateful to have a church community that gives our youth a place to connect, grow and experience God together.

We're looking forward to an incredible year of Youth Group at Belin Memorial! There is so much ahead, and we can't wait to see where God leads us.

And, of course, keep an eye out for dates and details for our Mud Bowl—because what's a youth year without getting a little messy?

— Brandy Streett, *Director of Youth Ministries*

Help Us Shape the Future of Belin Memorial!



Belin Memorial United Methodist Church is a vibrant community because of you. As we look ahead, we want to make sure our ministries, programs, and community events truly align with your needs and spiritual goals.

Please take five minutes to complete the Strategic Planning Team's Congregational Survey. Whether you attend every Sunday, join us online, or are a frequent visitor, your voice matters. Your feedback will help the Strategic Planning Team understand our congregation's priorities so we can focus our efforts and resources where they are needed most moving forward.

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Do you have questions for Church Council? We encourage you to reach out via email at Council@belinumc.org. They are happy to help.



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