

Belmont Mennonite Church

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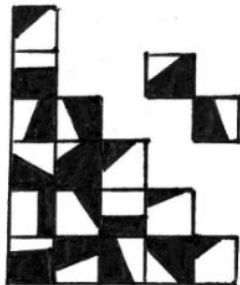
Vision Statement

We seek to be transformed by the Holy Spirit into the likeness of Jesus Christ. We commit ourselves to be channels of God's grace and salvation, wisdom and power, love and peace, through challenging worship, nurturing fellowship, discipleship, and intentional ministry to those we regularly relate to, to the surrounding Belmont neighborhood, and to worldwide spiritual and physical need.



Inclusion Statement

We celebrate that everyone is created in God's image and that people of every age, ability, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status, socio-economic situation, gender identity, and citizenship status are welcome as full participants in the life of our congregation.



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GATHERING

Welcome
VT 218 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"
Call to Worship
Lighting of the Advent Candle
Prayer

PRAISING

VT 217 "Hark! the Glad Sound!"
VT 223 "Bless'd Be the God of Israel"

CONFESSING

OFFERING

Lighting of the Peace Candle
(Offering baskets are available at the entrance of the sanctuary for your monetary gifts.)

ENGAGING

Children's Time
Scripture: Daniel 6:10-23
Sermon: "Between a Rock and...Lions"

RESPONDING

Ritual
Encounters with God
Congregational Prayer

SENDING

Church in Action
"Holy Child Within the Manger"
Benediction

WELCOME to worship at Belmont, and a special welcome to our guests.

Everyone is invited to stay after worship for a time of coffee and fellowship.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leaders: John Martens & Marty Suter

Song Leader: Kristin Kauffman

Ensemble

Accompanist: Ted Dyck

Children's Time: Colin Rusel

Advent Candle Lighter: Elijah Kio

Scripture Reader: Rod Deaton

Sermon: Phil Schmidt

Congregational Prayer & Church in Action: Mandy Yoder

Worship Visuals: Kris Shenk

Sound & Livestream: Benjamin Kio & Brent Kaser

Last Sunday:

In-Person Attendance: 87 Online Attendance: 30 Offering: \$13,227

Thank you to all for your faithful and regular financial gifts to Belmont over the course of 2024. With five Sundays remaining in the year, an average of \$15,200 is needed each Sunday to meet our 2024 Giving Plan.

<u>Church Calendar This Week:</u>	<u>Looking Ahead:</u>
<u>Monday, December 2</u> Young Adult Meeting, 7pm	<u>Sunday, December 8</u> MYF Games & Gym Time, 6pm
<u>Friday, December 6</u> AA Meeting, 7pm	<u>Tuesday, December 10</u> CFC, 6:30pm
	<u>Thursday, December 12</u> Mission Commission, 6:30pm
	<u>Sunday, December 15</u> Mentor-Mentee Breakfast, 8:30am Kid's Club White Elephant, 2pm

Announcements

The Monday and Friday weekly emails contain information about church life and community events. If you would like to receive these emails from the church office, please contact Uryna: office@belmontmc.org

Nurture Hour for Adults

11:00 am

Through December 15, adults are invited to choose from these two classes:

- Sermon Response Discussion led by Phil Schmidt in the Prayer Room.
- Informal class around tables to share together on a variety of topics; led by John Martens in the Community Room.
 - How have you experienced God this week?
 - Is there some special way we can pray for you this coming week?
 - Did you experience a special blessing this week?
 - We often use the phrase may God's will be done – are we truly willing to accept that?
 - We are called to love our enemies – do we really want to, and if so, how do we show that love?
 - What does it truly mean to be generous?
 - What does it mean to you when you hear the phrase “Sunday is the day of rest”? Is it still relevant today?

Nurture Hour for Children and Youth

11:00 am

Children (age 3-grade 6) (Gathering Room)	Joe Shoemaker, Angie Shoemaker, Pete Gingerich, Kris Gingerich, Heidi Sawatzky, Tyler Sawatzky, Jill Kio, Bess Daly
Youth (grades 7-12) (Room 219)	Jason Yoder Rupp, Jacob Shetler, Steve Brennehan, Abby Shetler
SS Superintendent	Marlene Penner
Nursery/Toddler Caregivers	Brandon Kurtz, Katie Kurtz, Rhonda Martin, Mary Hunsberger, Marty Suter, Bess Daly, Emme Daly, Angie Shoemaker, Lydia Shoemaker