

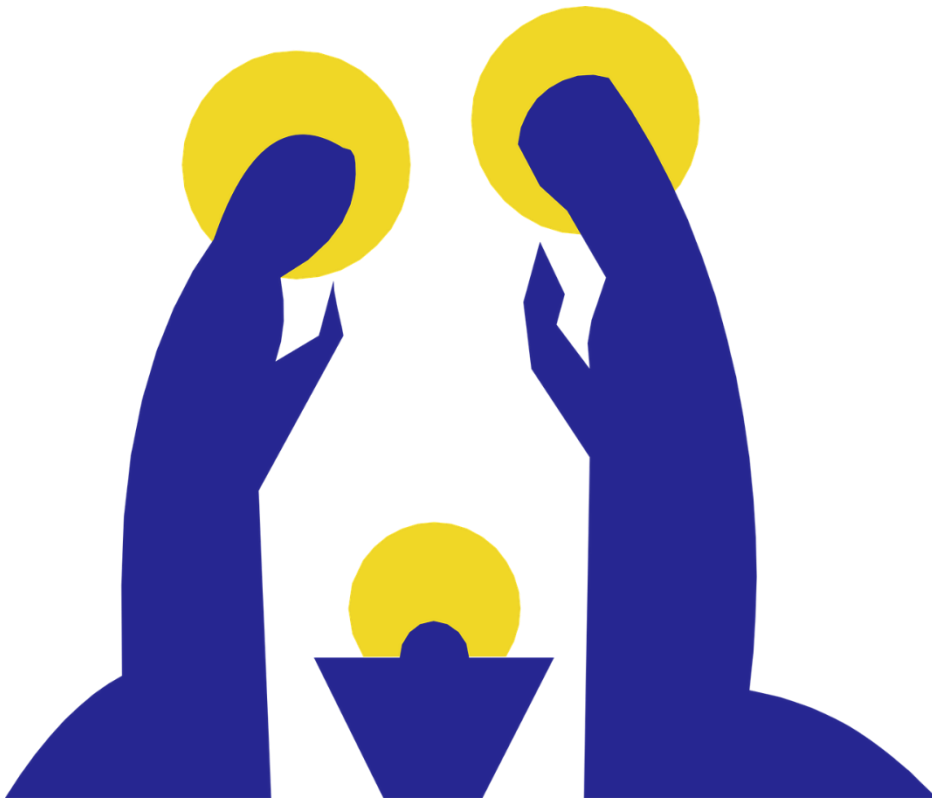
Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship

December 29, 2024

Vision Statement

Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship is a family of Jesus' followers living out the Bible's message of Jesus' love, salvation, and discipleship. BNF encourages participants to utilize their God-given talents in worship, reaching out to those needing spiritual healing and to provide spiritual guidance to all.

In 2024, "Bridging Ethnic & Cultural Differences"



Call to Worship and Opening Prayer: Linda

Songs of Worship: Linda

Offering

Scripture: Luke 2:21-38

Sermon: "Keeping Promises: Who Sees It?" Erica

Song of Response: Linda

Dialogue and Discussion: Erica and Kevin

Sharing of Blessings and Prayer Requests: Kevin

Announcements

Sending Song: Linda

Fellowship Time in the Gym with a Snack

Luke 2:21-38 (NIV)

²¹ On the eighth day, when it was time to circumcise the child, he was named Jesus, the name the angel had given him before he was conceived.

²² When the time came for the purification rites required by the Law of Moses, Joseph and Mary took him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³ (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male is to be consecrated to the Lord”), ²⁴ and to offer a sacrifice in keeping with what is said in the Law of the Lord: “a pair of doves or two young pigeons.”

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. ²⁶ It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. ²⁷ Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, ²⁸ Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

²⁹ “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised,
you may now dismiss your servant in peace.

³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹ which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and the glory of your people Israel.”

³³ The child’s father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: “This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.”

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, ³⁷ and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. ³⁸ Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

Announcements

Everyone is invited to attend the New Year’s Eve Party at the church! 7pm until midnight. Bring a snack to share.

The Memorial Service for Ray Bair will be at Belmont on Saturday, January 4 at 4pm. You are invited to help with the refreshments following the service; if you are willing to provide cookies or brownies, please either sign-up in the foyer or let Glenn know how many you will be providing. They would need to be at the church by 3:30pm.

Uryna will be out of the office on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. There may not be a Tuesday email this week.

BNF People to Pray For This Week

December 30: Lisa Scutchfield

December 31: James Burks

January 1: Brent Watson

January 2: Glenn & Vera Leinbach

January 3: Seamus Sprow

January 4: Ardith Fransen

Next Sunday, January 5

Sermon: Kevin Yoder

Last Sunday, December 22

Attendance (Caroling): 10

Offering: \$305

Church Calendar This Week

Monday: *Church Office Closed*

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Tuesday: New Year’s Eve Party, 7pm

Wednesday: *Church Office Closed*

Friday: AA Meeting, 7pm

Saturday: Memorial Service for Ray Bair, 4pm