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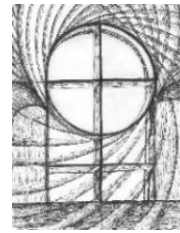
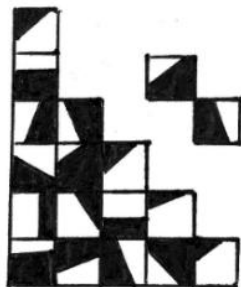
Vision Statement

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 11 "Mountain of God"

Call to Worship

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house
and to seek God in God's holy temple.

We have come with shouts of joy,

To sing and to make music to the Lord.

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**Teach us your ways and make straight our paths
in this hour of worship and always.**

Prayer

PRAISING

VT 126 "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

VT 113 "O Sing to the Lord"

VT 86 "You Are Exalted"

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

OFFERING

ENGAGING

Children's Time

Scripture: Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

Sermon

RESPONDING

VT 540 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

Encounters with God

September 14, 2025

Congregational Prayer

“God, we’re tired. God, we’re angry. God, we don’t know what to do.

“Come with fire. Come with mercy. Come, o come make all things new.”

SENDING

Church in Action

VT 841 “As You Go Out from Here”

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, and for the potluck meal after nurture hour.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Maynard Kurtz

Song Leader: Travis Kauffman

Accompanist: Anna Matteson

Children’s Time: Marty Lehman

Scripture Reader: Martha Helmuth

Sermon: Mandy Yoder

Congregational Prayer & Church in Action: Phil Schmidt

Worship Visuals: Kris Shenk

Sound & Livestream: Phil Lehman, Tony Krabill

Last Sunday:

In-Person Attendance: 106 Online Attendance: 24 Offering: \$5,360

Church Calendar This Week:

Today

Potluck, noon

Friday, September 19

AA Meeting, 7pm

Looking Ahead:

Sunday, September 21

Thrift on the Third

MYF Lunch, noon

Kids Club Nature Walk, noon

September 26 & 27

Relief Sale

Sunday, September 28

Food on the Fourth

Monday, September 29

Worship Commission, 1:30pm

Nurture Hour for Adults

September 7 – November 16:

(except for October 19, when we will be at Camp Friedenswald)

ENNEAGRAM: TOOL FOR CONVERSION AND GROWTH

*The Enneagram doesn’t put you in a box;
it shows you the box you’re already in and how to get out of it.*

Russ Hudson

This 10-week series focuses on the Enneagram as a tool for conversion and growth. With its theory of nine basic types of people, the Enneagram helps us understand both our gifts and limitations and illuminates a path for transformation and growth. It can be an important tool for healing and improving relationships with family, friends, and work colleagues. It can also guide us to new paths for experiencing God’s presence and power in our lives.

Participants are encouraged to take or re-take an Enneagram inventory by *this Sunday*. Although an inventory may not provide a definitive answer regarding your type or number, it can be a helpful step toward such understanding.

The series will take place in the sanctuary, and it will be taught via Zoom by Marlene Kropf, former member of Belmont Mennonite Church and retired AMBS faculty member.

Nurture Hour for Children and Youth

Children (Room 216)

Joe Shoemaker & Pete Gingerich
Jill Kio & Marlene Penner
Anna Matteson & Stephen Matteson
Heidi Sawatzky & Tyler Sawatzky

Junior Youth (Room 228)

Brandon Kurtz, Katie Kurtz
Mary Schmidt, Phil Schmidt

Youth (Room 219)

Jacob Shetler, Steve Brenneman
Abby Shetler, Jason Yoder Rupp

Nursery/Toddler Caregivers

Brandon Kurtz, Katie Kurtz, Chris Weaver
Rhonda Martin, Mary Hunsberger,
Marty Suter, Angie Shoemaker