

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Here's what's coming up at Bellaire UMC.
Visit www.bellaireumc.org/stayconnected for additional details.

VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING — TODAY, JULY 26, 12:15 PM

We will have VBS training for anyone new to VBS and teen volunteers on Sunday, July 26, at 12:15 pm in the Parlor. If you are a returning adult volunteer, you do not need to attend training.



PET SUPPLIES DONATION DRIVE — SUNDAYS, JULY 26 & AUG. 2

Ashley Soroos, a member of BUMC and a rising senior at St. Agnes, is earning her Girl Scout Gold Award through a project that educates the community about pet adoption and ways to help rescue animals adjust to their new homes. As part of her project, she will be hosting a donation drive in the Welcome Center for the Humane Society on July 26 and August 2. Items needed are: new and gently used towels, bath mats, crates/carriers; Dog/Cat food, puppy training pads, baby/pet wipes, disposable latex gloves, cotton ball/Q-tips, ziplock bags and trash bags.



BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS — AUGUST 9, 2026

All students, teachers, administrators, school staff, and their families are invited to join us for our annual Blessing of the Backpacks. Bring your backpacks, school bags, or teaching materials and join us during either worship service at 9:00 AM or 11:00 AM as we pray for God's guidance, wisdom, protection, and grace for the coming school year.

WORSHIP NOTES

Altar flowers today are given by John and Susan Shupe in memory of their mothers, Lorene Fredlund and Myrna Shupe. Our CCLI license number is 1042243.

SUNDAYS AT BELLAIRE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY MORNINGS

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP | 9:00AM

Modern music with a special time for children and communion each week.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP | 11:05AM

Classical music with choir and traditional liturgy and hymns.

ADULT CLASSES + SMALL GROUPS

Connect with a Sunday school class or small group to build faith-forming friendships and grow as a disciple. Talk with a pastor after worship to learn more, or visit the Welcome Center for a list of classes.

CHILDCARE + CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children are welcome in all worship services.

Age-level Sunday school classes meet at 10:00am in the children's wing.

Loving childcare is provided for children under 5 from 8:50am-12:15pm.

Questions, see Eva Focke, Nursery Coordinator, in room 101

STUDENT MINISTRY

Bellaire Student Ministry is open to students in grades 6-12 and meets for Sunday School at 10:00am on Sunday mornings, and for dinner, games, and learning on Sunday evenings from 5:00-7:00pm. Contact seimodee@bellaireumc.org for info.



QUESTIONS? ASK US.

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WELCOME HOME!

We are so glad you're here! Whether this is your first time worshipping at Bellaire, or you're here every week, we want to help you take your next step in faith.

I'M NEW HERE

We're so glad that you've come! We hope that you'll feel at home here, and we want to help you connect with God, with others, and with service in ways that deepen your faith and nourish your life. If you have any questions, our pastors and ministry leaders would be happy to chat with you in the Welcome Center after worship. We'd love to meet you and welcome you to Bellaire!

BUMC KIDS

 bellaireumc.org/children  Mingo Williamson | mwilliamson@bellaireumc.org

When we worship God on Sundays, we worship as a family. Your whole family is invited, and if you have children who make a little extra noise, don't worry. Activity packs for children are available at the back of the Sanctuary. Nursery care is available during each service, and changing tables are located in all restrooms.

BELLAIRE STUDENT MINISTRY

 bellaireumc.org/students  Ebiye Seimode | seimodee@bellaireumc.org

Bellaire Student Ministry works to build community for junior high and high school students on Sundays and throughout the week. Student discipleship groups meet on Sundays at 10:00am in the Student Center. All are welcome.

TAKING MY NEXT STEP

LEARNING + GROWING | CONNECT WITH A SMALL GROUP

 bellaireumc.org/groups  Reverend Jordan Payne | jpayne@bellaireumc.org

Begin building faith-forming relationships by connecting with a Sunday class, a small group bible study, or a service group. Check the Welcome Center for a list of classes.

READY TO JOIN? | MEMBERSHIP

 Reverend Nathan Lonsdale Bledsoe | nathan@bellaireumc.org

Ready to call Bellaire UMC home? We're so glad to have you as part of the family. Talk with one of the pastors on Sunday or contact Nathan throughout the week to learn more about how to join.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

ROMANS 8:26-39

9 AM SERVICE

Words of Welcome

First Reading
Genesis 29:15-28

Confession and Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Video Announcements

Opening Song
10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Song of Praise
Death Was Arrested

Prayers of the People + The Lords Prayer

Mystery Bucket

Invitation to Give

Song of Praise
The Plans

Second Reading
Romans 8:26-39

Sermon | Rev. Jordan Payne

Holy Communion

Communion Music

Closing Song
The Plans

Invitation to Discipleship

Benediction

11:05 AM SERVICE

Prelude | Elenor Coursey
Partita on "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" - Variations I, II, VII, and VIII — Jon Spong

Words of Welcome

Video Announcements

First Reading
Genesis 29:15-28

Opening Hymn
And Can It Be that I Should Gain — UMH 363

Affirmation of Faith — Apostle's Creed

Passing of the Peace

Gloria Patri
Glory Be to the Father — UMH 70

Prayers of the People + The Lords Prayer

Invitation to Give

Offertory
Chorale Fughetta on "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" — Gilbert M. Martin

Doxology
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow — UMH 94

Hymn of Preparation
Children of the Heavenly Father — UMH 141

Sermon Scripture
Romans 8:26-39

Sermon | Rev. Jordan Payne

Invitation to Discipleship

Closing Hymn
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name — UMH 79

Benediction

Postlude
If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee — J. S. Bach

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son but gave him up for all of us, how will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ who died, or rather, who was raised, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will affliction or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than victorious through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

