## THE SANCTUARY

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost • September 8, 2024 • 8:45 AM & 11 AM

**GATHERING** 

Sellers

#### CENTERING

#### "Seek the Lord"

"Seek the Lord while He may be found. Call upon Him while He is near. Seek the Lord while He may be found. Call upon Him while He is near."

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#### \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* GREETING

Leader: Give instruction to the wise, and they will become

wiser still:

People: teach the righteous, and they will gain in learning.

Leader: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,

People: and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Leader: Let us seek the Lord and his wisdom,

People: and give God our praise.

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

No. 577

Malambri

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Stevens Poirel

"The Apostles' Creed"

No. 881

\* GLORIA PATRI

\* HYMN

"Glory Be to the Father"

No. 71

No. 92

#### \* WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

#### COLLECT

O Wisdom on High, by you the meek are guided in judgment, and light rises up in darkness for the godly. Grant us, in all doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us do, that we may be saved from false choices, and that in your light we may see light, and in your path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

#### CHORAL MEDITATION

#### "I Need Thee Every Hour"

"I need Thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord. No tender voice like Thine can peace afford. I need Thee, I need Thee. Ev'ry hour I need Thee. O bless me now, my Savior. I come to Thee, I come to Thee. I need Thee ev'ry hour. Stay Thou nearby. Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh. I need Thee, I need Thee. Ev'ry hour I need Thee. O bless me now, my Savior. I come to Thee, I come to Thee. I need Thee ev'ry hour, in joy or pain. Come quickly and abide or life is vain. I need Thee, I need Thee. Ev'ry hour I need Thee. O bless me now, My Savior. I come to Thee, I come to Thee, I come to Thee,"

Words traditional, music by Luke Woodard ©2020 Luke Out Below! Music, used with permission of Discover Worship. All rights reserved. **EPISTLE LESSON** 

James 1:5; 3:13-18

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

No. 451

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Proverbs 1:1-7

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"In Pursuit of Wisdom"

Malambri

**OFFERTORY** 

"The Perfect Wisdom of Our God"

Getty, Townend

\* DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

No. 94

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord who longs to gather your children as a hen gathers her brood, we thank you for your steadfast love for all your children. We hear your consistent call to care for widows, orphans, and strangers. We pray that our generosity today will bless Epworth Children's Home with the encouragement and resources they need to minister for you. Bless the children, families, staff, and everyone involved. Bless us, too, that we may minister in your name with your children wherever we find them. Amen.

\* HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

\* BENEDICTION

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE AND RECESSIONAL

Please remain in place and join in singing.

"Lift High the Cross"

Lift high the cross,

the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

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\* POSTLUDE

"Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord" \*\*\*\*

Hall

\*Rise in body or spirit.

### THE HARBOR

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WELCOME

Brown

**OPENING PRAYER** 

\* SONG

"Lead On Good Shepherd"

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* SONG

"Where You Are"

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

**CELEBRATION OF GIFTS** 

SONG

"God of Wonders"

**SCRIPTURE** MESSAGE

Proverbs 1:1-7 "Tools For The Job"

Brown

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\* SONG

"Build My Life"

\* ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* BENEDICTION

\*\*\*\* \*Rise in body or spirit.

- Sermon Notes -

### **BELIN MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

A Stephen Ministry Church

Clergy: Will Malambri, J.T. Brown, Sandra Stevens Poirel Ministers: Belin Congregation Minister Emeritus: Harold Lewis Pastoral Cabinet: Mark Ale, Mike Alexander, Keith Clarke, Becky Forrest, Sam Hale, Wayne Sayre, Connie Stinson

## Announcements

- Deepest sympathies is extended to Pat Cook, family and friends on the death of her husband, Wade Cook (Concord, NC); to Lynn and Ed Carver, family and friends on the death of their daughter, Ryanne Carver; to Jody Watts, family and friends on the death of his mother, Judy Watts (Tabor City, NC); and to Marty Hipp, family and friends on the death of her husband, Bobby Hipp (Murrells Inlet, SC).
- Epworth Children's Home Work Day Offering will be collected today. This Methodist tradition calls us to come together to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support for the children at Epworth. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry.
- Youth Prayer Breakfast meets Tuesdays at 7 AM at the Chick-fil-A in Murrells Inlet (during the school year). All youth are welcome. Bring your friends and join this group for prayer, breakfast, and fellowship before school.
- The Rollie Hanna Breakfast Group will gather this Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 8:30 AM in the Family Life Center. This week's guest speaker Jeff Turner will be talking about Fall Festival and BBQ. Come enjoy the "Best \$3 Breakfast in Town" and great fellowship. No RSVP needed.
- The **Belin Gardeners** are looking for volunteers to help keep our church campus blooming with flowering possibilities in the gardens! They meet every Wednesday morning. If you have any questions, call Henrietta Huff (843.222.7721).
- Get your shagging shoes ready for the Annual Fall Harvest Festival & BBQ. We have the Shag Band "The Entertainers." **Shag Lessons** are in full swing on Thursday nights at 6 PM in the Family Life Center. Lessons are \$15 per person and for more information contact Director of Adult Ministries, Mary Mallick (*marym@belinumc.org*, 843.357.5185.)

## Dates to Remember

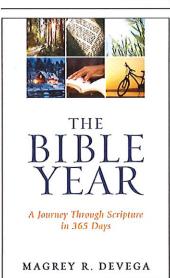
- September 8, 4PM: Starting Point (FLC)
- September 8, MS 5 PM, HS 6PM: "The Point" Youth Group (FLC)
- September 9, 10 AM: Art Angels (FLC)
- September 9, 6 PM: Church Council Meeting (Sanctuary)
- September 10, 9 AM: Sweet Grass Basket Classes (FLC)
- September 10, 6 PM: The Bible Year Zoom Discussion
- September 11, 8:30 AM: Rollie Hanna Breakfast (FLC)
- September 11, 11:30 AM: Sisters In Faith (FLC)
- September 11, 5:30 PM: Dinner for Eight (FLC)
- September 12, 6 PM: Shag Dance Lessons (FLC)

# In Worship Together

Our Mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: To be a place for you to discover love, find purpose, and make a difference.

Our Journey: To connect, grow, and serve.



Daily Study Guide for The Bible Year:

Monday, September 9 - Proverbs 10:1 to 11:31 Tuesday, September 10 - Proverbs 12:1 to 13:25 Wednesday, September 11 - Proverbs 14:1 to 14:35 Thursday, September 12 - Proverbs 15:1 to 15:33 Friday, September 13 - Proverbs 16:1 to 16:33 Saturday, September 14 - Proverbs 17:1 to 18:24 Sunday, September 15 - Proverbs 19:1 to 20:30

> Ways to grow together in The Bible Year:

- Tuesday, September 10 ZOOM at 6 PM
- Wednesday, September 11 -Dinner for Eight at 5:30PM (register on "NOW" button at belinumc.org)

IN MEMORIAM Wade Cook August 29, 2024 IN MEMORIAM Ryanne Carver August 31, 2024

IN MEMORIAM Bobby Hipp September 4, 2024



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