

November 24, 2024
Order of Today's Service

Prelude

Welcome

Opening Hymn:

10,000 Reasons

Call to Worship

Prayer

Praise Hymn #66:

To God Be the Glory

Praise Hymn #561:

We Gather Together

Children's Message

Children are dismissed for Children's Church

Praise & Prayer Requests

***Prayer Hymn #458:**

Gentle Shepherd

Morning Prayer

Scripture:

Ephesians 6:10-19

Message:

Guarded Minds, Sharpened Spirit

***Responsive Hymn #371:**

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

Offering Prayer

Offertory:

On Eagle's Wings,
Emily Griffioen, flute solo

***Doxology**

Church Happenings

***Benediction**

***Closing Hymn #282:**

The Family of God

Prayer & Praise:

- Remember **Scott, Marcia, Wilma, Nathan, Marcy and Mark** in prayer as they go through health struggles.
- Please pray for Keith & Karen Halfpop's daughter-in-law, **Ashley, and Baby Girl** who will be delivered via C-section sometime next week.
- Pray for a **peaceful government transition.**
- Give thanks to God for all **His blessings!** If you're traveling during the Thanksgiving holiday, may God place a hedge of protection around you.

Church & Family News

- The **Community Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service** is this evening at 7 p.m. at Belmont United Methodist Church. The community choir will practice at 6:15 before the service.
- This afternoon at 4, we'll **decorate the church for Christmas...**and there could be pizza afterwards! Many hands make light work, so please join us!
- Let's beautify our church sanctuary by **purchasing poinsettias** for the stage. Each poinsettia is \$20, has a bow, is foil-wrapped, and will be delivered to the church. Just sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall and place payment in the envelope by December 1.

- **Reminder: Children**, keep finding ways to fill oil in your lamp and keep it burning.
- The results of the **Elder and Deacon** nomination process are **Vaughn Pals** as Elder and **Joel Boelman** as Deacon. We will verify the positions during the annual congregational meeting on December 8.
- Volunteer opportunity! Volunteers are needed to **make coffee on Sunday mornings** from January 12 to February 23. If you can help, please visit with Karla.
- Thank you to **Marcus Barkema** for doing repair work on the east side of the carport!
- **Karla Pals** has donated her poem "Christmas in Belmond," and TJ Turner donated a photograph of Main Street at Christmastime. The Pool Committee is selling prints and engraved wood artwork with her poem for a fundraiser. Watch for an order form in the fellowship hall, or order from the pool committee's Facebook page.
- The **Belmond Area Arts Council** is looking for individuals, businesses or organizations to decorate trees for the tree competition during **3 Nights of Lights**, December 20 - 22 at Jenison-Meacham Memorial Art Center. If you'd like to decorate a tree, contact Julie Berneman for more details: 515-408-0064.
- As a reminder, it's **always a good time to donate goods or cash to the food pantry!** Immanuel is responsible for donations of cooking oil, laundry soap and toilet paper...can you imagine running out of any of these necessary items and not being able to get them at the food pantry? Let's keep that shopping cart in the fellowship hall full of those necessities! If you'd like to donate cash, place it in an envelope in Wanda's mailbox.

Serving Us Today

Greeters: Gary & Velda Steenblock

Clean-Up: Gary & Velda Steenblock

Musician: Donna Buseman

Message: Leigh Jass

December 1

Greeter: Jan Thomas

Clean-Up: Volunteers

Musician: Jerry Boelman

Message: Leigh Jass

Happy Birthday!

Nov. 5 Kaitlin Allen-Boelman

Nov. 18 Lisa Lovgren

Nov. 19 Lawrence Basener

Nov. 22 Becky Ellingston

Nov. 25 Carol Lockett, Jane Pals, Joy Bonin

Nov. 30 Dennis Vanness

Happy Anniversary!

Nov. 24 Jerry & Mary Boelman

Nov. 26 Tad & Aimee McKnight