



Belton Presbyterian Church

Happenings

May 2024

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Notes from our Pastor

Pastor Rob Cromwell

Weekly Sunday Worship Service at 10 AM -- Masks Recommended, Not Required

Pentecost Offering

The *Pentecost Offering* is one of 4 *Special Offerings* of the Presbyterian Church (USA), along with the *One Great Hour of Sharing*, *Peace & Global Witness* and *Christmas Joy* offerings. The *Pentecost Offering* is dedicated on Pentecost Sunday (May 19 this year), the “birthday” of the Church, 10 days following Christ’s Ascension into heaven (which occurred 40 days following his Resurrection). On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit filled the believers with power for witness in and service to the world.

On Pentecost we are reminded that through the Holy Spirit, we are connected to *the church of the past*, inspired as *the church of today*, and pointing us to *the church of the future*. This offering unites us in a denomination-wide effort to support young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world.

The *Pentecost Offering* is divided this way: 40% stays with our congregation to support programs for young people in our church and community – we continue to give our 40% to Heartland Presbyterian Center for camp scholarships for children and youth; 25% supports Young Adult Volunteers (YAVs) of the PC(USA); 25% supports ministries with youth, including the Presbyterian Youth Triennium; and 10% is devoted to children at risk, improving education and providing safe havens.

“O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds” (Psalm 71:17). In Christian love, **Pastor Rob**

Wanted: Liturgists. If you feel called to help as a liturgist (worship leader) on Sunday morning, please sign up for one or more Sundays on the clipboard in the Fellowship Hall.

Refreshments Sign-up: We have Refreshments & Fellowship following Worship on the 2nd Sunday monthly. Sign-up to provide refreshments - clipboard in the Fellowship Hall.

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May 2024 Calendar:

- May 1, Wednesday: May Day – International Workers’ Day
- May 2, Thursday: National Day of Prayer: 7 PM Prayer Service at Belton Assembly of God
- May 5, 6th Sunday of Easter: Worship – The Lord’s Supper
- May 9, Thursday: Ascension of the Lord Day
- May 11, Saturday: 8 am Men’s Breakfast
- May 12, Ascension Sunday, Mother’s Day: Worship, Refreshments & Fellowship following Worship
- May 15, Wednesday: 11 am Women’s Luncheon
- May 19, Sunday, Day of Pentecost: Worship – The Lord’s Supper - Pentecost Offering
- May 26, Trinity Sunday, Memorial Sunday: Worship, Session Meeting following Worship

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Prayer Requests: Larry Koder, Opal Heaton, Mary Yeary, our President & elected officials, our service men & women, our veterans, peace in Israel-Palestine & Ukraine & throughout the world

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There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for anyone who is available to mow the yard around the church. The church has a lawnmower, or you may bring your own.

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June *Happenings* church newsletter deadline: Wednesday, May 22. Please send your items to Winnie Gill at beltongills@gmail.com.

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Refreshments & Fellowship Time Change:

We will have Refreshments & Fellowship following Worship on the 2nd Sunday monthly. Sign-up to provide refreshments - clipboard in the Fellowship Hall. Session contact: Loretta Koder.

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Belton Presbyterian Church’s website is now: beltonmopresby.com. Please contact Rich Gill with any questions or comments.

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The monthly MEN’S breakfast will be on Saturday, May 11 at 8:00 at Tara’s on Main Street, Belton.

The monthly LADIES’ luncheon will be on Wednesday, May 15 at 11:00 at a place to be determined.

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Pastoral Care: Thank you for keeping Pastor Rob informed of hospitalizations & other pastoral care needs.