

BELLOVED

 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH | MARYSVILLE



Notes From Pastor Sara

Greetings Beloved – This coming Sunday we will continue our Beloved Stewardship series about Being the Beloved Church together! Our theme for this Sunday is Belonging and our scriptures will be from 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 & Matthew 22:15-22! We will hear from some of our Beloved leadership team about why

Beloved UMC matters to them. *(Thank you Larry & Dana for sharing some of your heart with us this past Sunday – what a blessing!)* Please plan to join us for worship! Your presence matters! *(This week we will be back in the Armory gym!)*

• **Special Beloved Connections gathering this Wednesday:** This week we will have a special time of prayers & presence – we will pray, reflect on our rhythms of prayer and dream together about how we can grow as a community of prayer! Please join us as we pray and plan for our prayer ministries! All are welcome! Meet us in the National Guard classroom at 7 p.m. *(If you would like to connect through zoom please reach out asap and I can send you a link.)*

This Wednesday - Join us for Beloved Choir Practice Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the National Guard Classroom!

- **Did you pick your special colorful stewardship cards?** *(see attached delightful photo a pastor who knows you are beloved & awesome)* - Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to commit to Christ and Community through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness – and turn in the cards one by one or all at once. Each ring comes with 8 cards – so you can turn 4 in for church planning and keep 4 to keep track of your commitments. You can also fill out our new digital stewardship form Church Commitment for 2024 <https://belovedumc.breezechms.com/form/e9fcbf> **Your commitments this month, helps us plan for our 2024 Beloved future together.**

TRUNK OR TREAT!!! Join us for Trunk or Treat on October 29th from 12-2. Your presence matters - please plan to join us, host a trunk, share some treats, and make connections with community! We need as many beloved folks as possible to participate to make this event a success! Please see the attached flyer and sign up to serve at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054AADAA28A4F85-45190253-fall>



As Always - If I can support you in any way please let me know. Grace and Peace in Christ Jesus - *Pastor Sara*

Additional Ways to engage / serve:

- **Advent & Small Group Survey:** I would love to get your feedback on upcoming small group studies – can you please take a moment and share your thoughts in this brief survey: <https://belovedumc.breezechms.com/form/cfd8fd>
- **Beloved Prayer Team:** If you are not receiving our weekly prayer email please sign up to join our beloved prayer team. Please sign up here at <https://belovedumc.breezechms.com/form/a5e7b6> Or email Jen Rupert at prayer@belovedumc.org



Your gifts of administration, hospitality, service or mercy are needed weekly during worship!
Where can I help?

Be a greeter; welcome worshipers at entry doors and pass out bulletins, work the hospitality tables welcoming guests and refilling coffee/snacks

Be an usher; collect prayer cards, pass communion plates and dismiss rows for communion during the service

Be on setup crew; set up chairs, tables, banners and signage before service

Be on teardown crew; put away tables, boxes, chairs, banners and signs after service

Be on hospitality crew; set up welcome tables, make coffee, set up snacks before service; clean coffee pot and put away food and welcome area after service

Be on our tech crew; setup and tear down our audio/visual equipment and monitor during service, including online worship
Be a liturgist; read the scripture and call to worship during service
Be in the choir; meet weekly on Wednesday nights and sing once a month
Be a part of the worship team, meet regularly and lead singing during service weekly



Scan here to select dates to serve:

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You can also view some of our previous services on our YouTube Channel (check out our 9.10.23 service to listen back in on our music and a powerful message from our Bishop!)

1 Thessalonians 1:2-3 ²We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ