

THE SPIRE

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE CONGREGATION AND FRIENDS OF BEL AIR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Sunday, May 31, 2026

Following the Unity Service at 9:15 AM

Our volunteers are the heart and hands of
Bel Air United Methodist Church.

Please join the congregation for a
VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH
in McComas Hall as we give thanks for those who serve in
ministry and mission.

Unity Service

May 31th - 9:15am

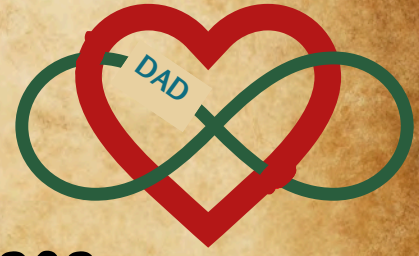
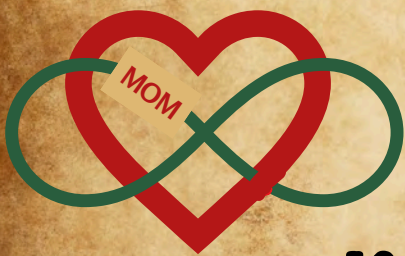
Everyone in the Sanctuary



SPECIAL FELLOWSHIP

MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 10

FATHER'S DAY, JUNE 21



10:00 AM - 11:00 AM IN ROOM 202

Pentecost Sunday

May 24th

Wear Red

and help celebrate the

Birth of the Church



Our Sunday Worship Services



**Traditional Service - 9:15am
In-person & Online (Facebook Live)**

**This is our traditional service held in our
Sanctuary at Bel Air United Methodist Church.**

**Sermon by Phone enables people to call in and
hear the scripture reading and sermon.
410-800-4472**



**Contemporary Service - 10:15 am
In Person & Online (YouTube)
Worship along with us as contemporary
music fills the air.**

<https://belairumc.com/1015ContemporaryYouTubeLink>



**Family Worship - 2:00 pm
Join us at our Mt Carmel Chapel
location with Pastor Deb!**

Mt. Carmel Clean Up Day - May 9th 10am. We will be cleaning our storage room and organizing it. Wash Windows and spruce up the Ol' Girl.



**Join the Prayer Team via Zoom
Wednesdays at 3:30 pm**

<https://belairumc.com/PrayerTeam>

**Meeting ID: 905 302 493 Password: BAUMC
To Dial In: 252 215 8782 or 301 715 8592
Meeting ID: 905 302 493 Password: 242531**



May – August 2026 Preachers at Bel Air United Methodist Church



Rev. Dr. Lynn Boyd

Bel Air UMC
Associate Pastor



Rev. Deb Lampton

Bel Air UMC
Family Pastor



Sunday, May 3

Rev. Dr. Bill Brown

Director of Congregational
Vitality



Sunday, July 19

Rev. Dr. Jim Ditto

Retired Pastor Baltimore-
Washington Conference



Sunday, May 17

**Rev. Dr. Eliezer
Valentin-Castañón**

Reservoir District
Superintendent



Sunday, August 9

Rev. Melissa McDade

Retired Pastor Baltimore-
Washington Conference



Sunday, May 31

Rev. Byron P. Brought

Minister of Pastoral Care
Severna Park UMC



Sunday, August 16

Deacon Robin Johnson

Retired Pastor, Western North
Carolina



Sunday, July 12

Mike Moody

Asbury Theological Seminary



We need adults and teens to take our Preschool thru Elementary kids this summer to our Woodland Chapel during the sermon time. Gather in the Balcony and participate in the service until the sermon. Go and play games and discuss a scripture. The dates are June 21 – September 6. Sign up will be through the month of May in the Narthex.
Come be a BAUMC Balcony Bud!

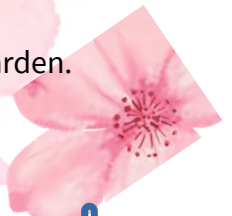
May 2nd is World Labyrinth Day. You know how much Pastor Deb loves a prayer labyrinth. She will be hosting an online finger labyrinth experience on May 2nd at Noon. It will be streamed on our Facebook page live. There will be paper labyrinths available to download for your own.



**Sanctuary Saks – Each Month will be a New Bag of goodies to help our kids sit in the Sanctuary.
Just ask an Usher for a Sanctuary Sak!**



Mother's Day – May 10th Please wear bright colors to put together our BAUMC People Garden. Yes we will give our People Plants a drink and food.



Bel Air United Methodist Church

VBS 2026

August 3 - 7 9am - 12 noon

Registration is open



belairumc.com/VBS





BAUMC Youth Ministry Summer Dates

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING DATES @

9:15AM:

Sunday, July 5th
Sunday, August 2nd

MISSIONS WEEK DATES:

July 13 - July 17th
(BAUMC Campus & Local Community)

GROUP EVENT DATES:

Friday, June 19th
Iron Birds Baseball Game
Sunday, June 28th
Schools Out Pool Party
Sunday, August 2nd
Hike @ LaDew Gardens
Saturday, August 22nd
Iron Birds Baseball Game
Sunday, August 24th
Guppy Gulch Day



Parents/ Guardians & Youth Members:

Make sure you are up to date with all the upcoming meetings & events taking place with our amazing Youth Ministry here at BAUMC.

You are welcome to follow us through the following applications:

Facebook: BAUMC Youth Ministry

****NEW**** Instagram: baumc_youth_ministry

Youth Ministry Website: <https://belairumc.org/youth-ministry/>

Create/Update your BAUMC REALM ACCOUNT in order to sign up for Youth Ministry events;
<https://belairumc.org/>

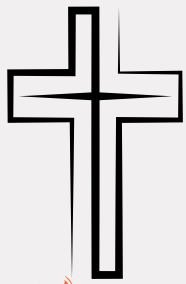
Any questions/ concerns feel free to reach out to Ms. Andrea at Sergia@baumc.com.



GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP DAY

WILL BE HELD ON
SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

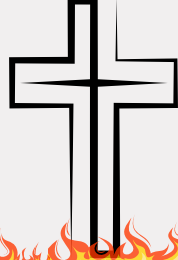
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BAUMC YOUTH
MINISTRY
6TH THRU 8TH GRADE

REIGNITE
MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:15-10:15AM

MEETS EVERY SUNDAY IN THE YOUTH ROOM



BAUMC YOUTH
GROUP
6TH THRU 12TH GRADE

REIGNITING YOUTH'S
FAITH IN JESUS
1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS

4:30-6:30 PM - IN THE YOUTH ROOM

TRUTHFUL PURSUERS



*Serving Up One Cup of
Jesus At a time!*

****FOR: 9TH-12TH
GRADE ONLY****

ALL HIGH SCHOOL AGED STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN MS. ANDREA AT A NEARBY COFFEE SHOP. WE WILL BE HAVING SIMPLE FELLOWSHIP WHILE TOUCHING UPON VARIOUS TOPICS SUCH AS HIGH SCHOOL, NEXT STEPS, LIFE, FAMILY, CHURCH, SPORTS, ETC.



REGISTER NOW TO SEE OUR MEET UP LOCATION

UPCOMING GATHERING:

MONDAY, MAY 11TH, 2026 TIME: 4:00-5:00PM
MONDAY, JUNE 15TH, 2026 TIME: 3:00 - 4:00 PM

HOPE
YOU CAN
MAKE IT!

Congratulations Confirmands



Ellie
Barcena



Nathan
Sulkowski



Clare
Troy



Ella
Whittock



5TH GRADE STEP-UP DATES

Youth Ministry invites ALL current 5th Graders
to JOIN our
MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL Class on



SUNDAY, MAY 3RD, 2026



9:15AM - MEET IN THE YOUTH ROOM



LEAVE YOUR MARK

Sunday, June 7TH

This will be Youth Ministries last meeting day for both
Middle School Sunday School Class & Youth Group (2025-2026)!!!

*I welcome ALL students in grades 6th - 12th to join us this day
to "LEAVE YOUR MARK". By placing your hand print onto
one of our ceiling tiles in the Youth Ministry room!*



BAUMC YOUNG ADULTS

AGES: 18-25

We invite you to join us on
Friday, June 5th for a friendly gathering of catching up &
reminiscing about the good ole' days at BAUMC with fellow
young adults at a local restaurant for dinner.



PLEASE
REGISTER BY
MONDAY, JUNE 1ST





**Tiny Tot School says,
“Thank you, BAUMC!”**

At the end of May the Tiny Tots are concluding another successful school year. Tiny Tot teachers are grateful for the opportunity to serve God by teaching and caring for young children. This year 81 children and their families have been blessed by this ministry. Special thanks to the church staff, pastors, and board members for your guidance, assistance, and support!

Welcome One Homeless Shelter Volunteers Needed to Cook & Serve in 2026

Every month on the 27th, Bel Air United Methodist Church volunteers to cook and serve a meal at the homeless shelter in Belcamp. A team of three to four people is needed each month. All the foods are provided through the Neighbors in Need Food Ministry (no expenses to volunteers).



The hours are from 4:15 - 7 pm.

Location is: 1221 C Brass Mill Road (right off Route 543) in Belcamp 21017

Go to <https://belairumc.com/2026CooknServe> to sign-up
or contact Lisa Wolf at 410-838-5181 or wolfl@baumc.com.

We will have a support staff for volunteers who are volunteering for the first time.

BAUMC at the Ballpark

Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship
with the IronBirds at Ripken Stadium!

Friday, June 19, 2026 at 7:00 pm
(cut-off date for tickets, Thursday, June 10)



FREE Kids Zone for kids 3-12 years old

Fireworks after the game!
Tickets are \$13 each

<https://belairumc.com/Ironbirdevent>

OFFICE VOLUNTEER

We need volunteers to answer phones, greet people and help with general office work.

Monday Afternoons 12 pm - 4pm

Wednesdays & Fridays 9 am - 12pm

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Please check your calendars to see if you can

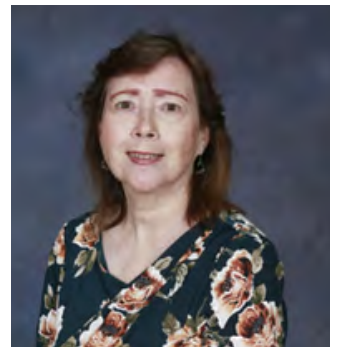
help the church office once a week.

To volunteer, contact wolfl@baumc.com

Meg Kolarik is Retiring!

It is with mixed emotions that we announce that our bookkeeper, Meg Kolarik will be retiring on May 27, 2026. Her dedication and hard work have made an incredible impact here. She will be deeply missed, but her retirement is well deserved! Wishing her all the best in this next journey.

God's Blessings Meg on your retirement and thank you for your service to Bel Air UMC.



To View Bel Air United Methodist Church Calendar go to

https://belairumc.com/Events_Calendar

Add it to your Home screen on your phone!

VIM and Habitat For Humanity

First, thank you for supporting our Super Bowl Soup sale! We split \$2200 between VIM and the Habitat for Humanity Panel Build in July.

We're sending a VIM team again to Spruce Pine, NC on June 14th to the 19th. We need more team members!! We have skilled workers going, so being a "clever assistant" could be a perfect roll for you.



We will continue to repair flood damaged homes from Hurricane Helene. Last year, the owners of the home where the team replaced the floors and dry wall sent BAUMC \$300. That hasn't happened before. With the funds from you, we will buy them something they need.

So, if you're called to help these people rebuilding their lives, please contact Randy Wentzel at 443-243-7271. Get the wonderful feeling of helping others and making a difference. Thank you!



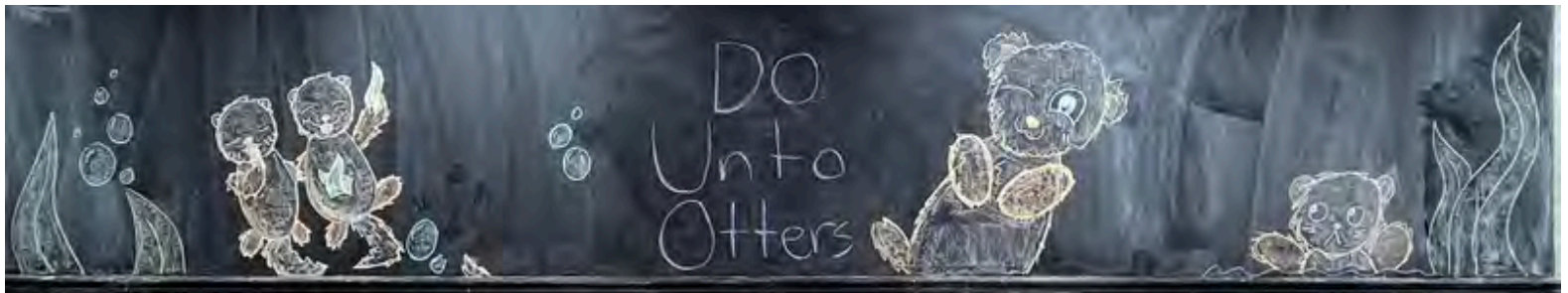
SPECIAL OFFERING FOR MAY VOLUNTEER IN MISSION

To donate please go to

<https://onrealm.org/BelAirUnitedMet/give/VIM>



Give 2 VIM



SPECIAL OFFERING FOR JUNE CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

To donate please go to

<https://onrealm.org/BelAirUnitedMet/give/ChildrenFamily>



Give 2 Children & Family Ministry


The e-Spire, a weekly update of information, devotions, upcoming events and activities is distributed via e-mail. If you would like to receive the e-Spire, please send your e-mail address to wolf@baumc.com.
E-spire articles are due by Wednesdays at noon.
E-mail to stearnk@baumc.com

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 Bishop - Rev. LaTrelle Miller Easterling
 District Superintendent - Rev. Dr. Eliezer Valentin-Castanon

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 Associate Pastor - Rev. Dr. L. Lynn Boyd
 Family Pastor - Rev. Deb Lampton
 Director of Youth Ministry - Andrea Sergi
 Director of Music/Chancel Choir - David Tramontana
 Bookkeeper - Meg Kolarik
 Administrative Specialist/Mgr - Lisa Wolf
 Interim Administration/Congregational Care Asst. - Kathy Stearn
 Hospitality Coordinator - Alice Archer (aaarcher@comcast.net)

E-mail for BAUMC Staff: last name first initial @ baumc.com (ex: broughtb@baumc.com)

Current addressee or
 Body



**Game Day
 Tuesday,
 May 5 & June 2 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
 Room 202**

Members and friends are invited to join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship.


Light refreshments will be served.

We will provide games, however if you have a favorite game please bring it along.

Please RSVP to the Church Office
 (410-838-5181)

For information or questions, contact Cindy Graham
dgcg6056@gmail.com

IT'S OK TO ASK FOR HELP



- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 800-273-(TALK) 8255
- Transgender Suicide Hotline: Trans Lifeline 877-565-8860
- 988 - Mental Health Hotline

SUBMISSIONS FOR JULY/AUGUST
 Do you have an event or article you'd like to see in the JULY/AUGUST edition of the SPIRE?
 Send them to wolf@baumc.com and stearnk@baumc.com by 12 noon, Tuesday, June 22.

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.