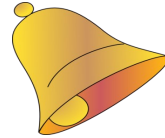


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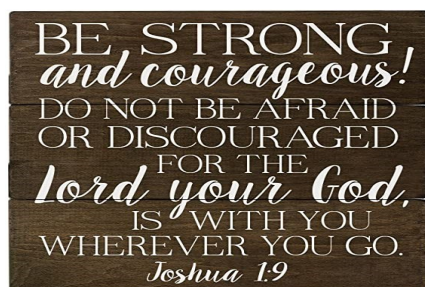
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**\*Worship Sunday @ 10:30am**

**\*Open Table Drive-Thru Meal**

Wednesday 5pm-6pm

**\*Food Pantry**

2nd & 4th Wednesday

9am-11:30am

**\*Thrift Store**

Monday 9am-12pm

Thursday 10am-3pm

Friday & Saturday 10am-1pm

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Our  
Doors Are  
**OPEN**  
Sunday Morning  
**10:30 am**

Please join us on Sunday mornings @ 10:30am in our sanctuary for our praise and worship service. For the safety of all masks are required for the time being. We look forward to seeing you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the church office.



DEVOTIONAL  
BY MARY NORTHRUP

A Simple Guide for Behavior

I've been thinking about how we view "church people". You know, the ones who walk through the church doors to be in the congregation. We tend to hold them to a higher

standard, because they are "Christians". We expect more from them and we might just judge them a little more harshly.

The reality is: they are the same people as are walking on the streets. Walking through a door doesn't make them any better of a person than anyone else.

What might make them better?

Did you ever stop to think it's *ourselves* that we should hold to that higher standard?

**Matthew 7** <sup>1-5</sup> "Don't pick on people, jump on their failures, criticize their faults—unless, of course, you want the same treatment. That critical spirit has a way of boomeranging. It's easy to see a smudge on your neighbor's face and be oblivious to the ugly sneer on your own. Do you have the nerve to say, 'Let me wash your face for you,' when your own face is distorted by contempt? It's this whole traveling road-show mentality all over again, playing a holier-than-thou part instead of just living your part. Wipe that ugly sneer off your own face, and you might be fit to offer a washcloth to your neighbor.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Marvin Gillam	09/02
Carol Hart	09/02
Marianne Bingham	09/13
Audrey Gowanlock	09/15
Valerie Susdorf	09/15
Patsy Graham	09/16
Kathleen Drake	09/17
Bonnie Green	09/20
Barbara Bowers	09/23
Jordan Silvola-Finch	09/23
Rick Matheny	09/28
Diane Drake	09/29

From the Editor: Please submit your articles and events for the October 2021 BelleRinger newsletter to: [office@belleviumc.net](mailto:office@belleviumc.net). All articles must be submitted by September 20th.  
Thank you, Karyn



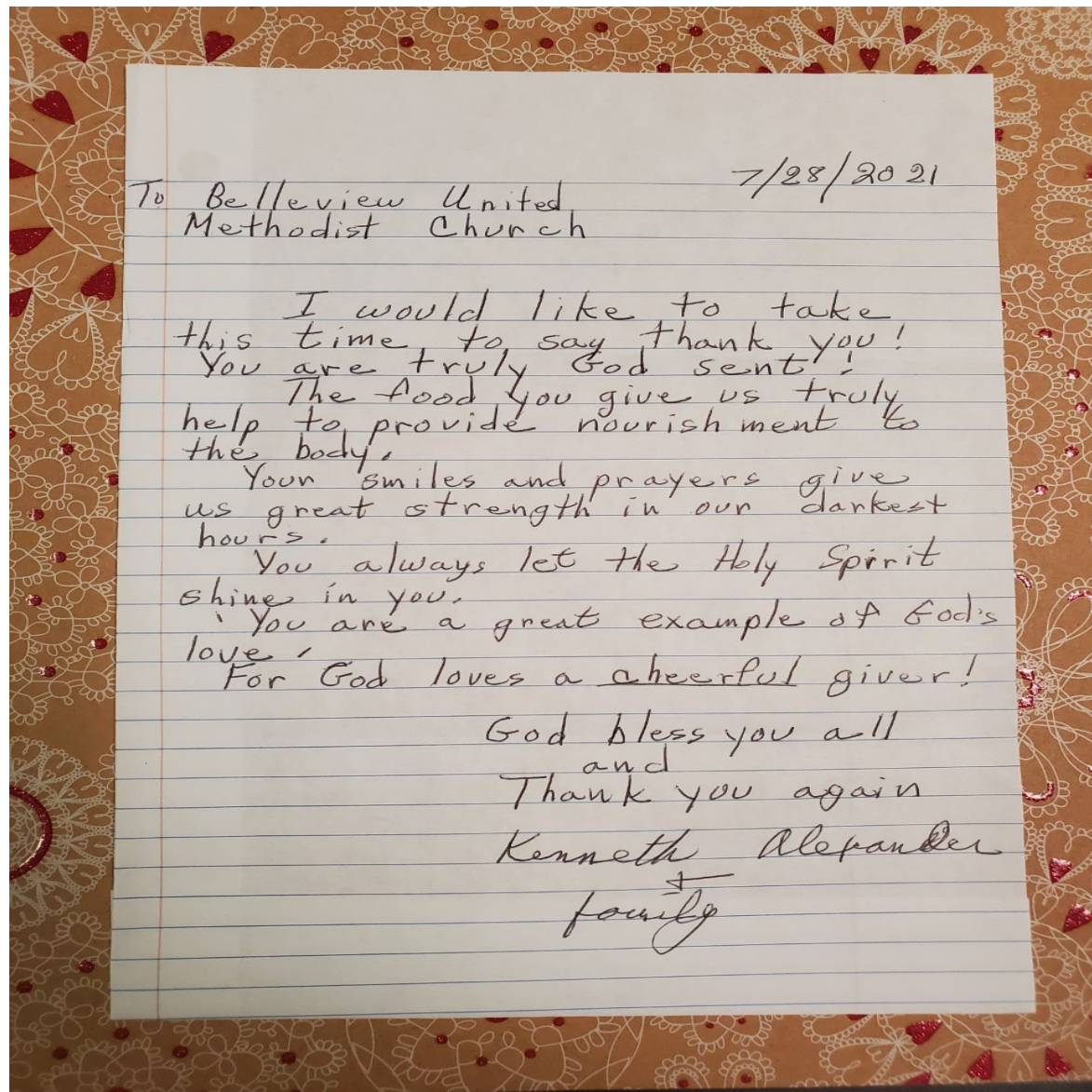
SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis & Terri Silvola-Finch	09/01
Harvey & Melicent Versteeg	09/05
Tim & Cindy Cheuvront	09/11
Marvin & Elaine Gillam	09/14
Tom & Barbara Dann	09/19
Tom & Marianne Bingham	09/23
John & Peg Wilkens	09/25
Tom & Anne Sproles	09/28





# WE OUR VOLUNTEERS!



This was a letter received by our Food Pantry. What an awesome statement of the hard working, passionate and dedicated volunteers we have among us. We would not be able to operate our important missions without these very special people.

*We appreciate and are so thankful for all our volunteers in all aspects of our church.*



## MINISTRIES UPDATES...

In July we fed 60 families or a 180 people. We were closed part of the month.

I would like to give the food pantry crew a big thank you, You know who you are. Also a big thank you to those who worked so hard on the 11<sup>th</sup> to safely get food out to 30 families in the face of the COVID surge.

We had a big cleanup weekend in July. I would like to thank all that participants who helped with the tree clean up outside and the people who worked inside to sanitize and clean up.

Thank you! Nadine



The J.O.Y. Ministry would like to thank all of our church family who came out for the Ice Cream Social on July 3. Everyone enjoyed those sundaes with all those yummy toppings. J.O.Y. has several more activities in the works, but everything will be delayed due to the covid restrictions. We will definitely keep you informed. Thank you again. Be safe and stay healthy.

*J.O.Y. Ministries is devoted to congregational care.*

*The team consists of: Pat Dorey, Doris Pitts, Luanna Harris, Sueann Kaleida, Dennis Dean, Art Menier and Susie Willoughby.*



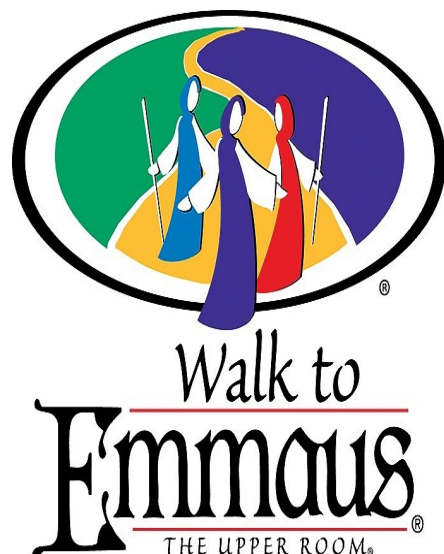
Sales are going very well. We had a wonderful 4th of July sale with special treats to thank our customers. A big thank you to all who donate and volunteer. We ask for continued blessings of donations and volunteers. Both are greatly needed and appreciated. We need clothing, household appliances, small furniture items, pet supplies and jewelry. Stop by and see us, please wear a mask. Thank you!



Open Table is serving delicious meals every Wednesday from 5—6pm. Our teams prepare wonderful well balanced meals every week. This continues as a drive-thru until further notice.

Please consider donating or volunteering. All our missions would greatly appreciate anything you are able to do.





## Walk to Emmaus

What is the Walk? It's like a birthday party where you are going to be surprised with good things and treated special as a guest of honor. It is a total spiritual retreat with times of study, reflection and relaxation. You can find support, fellowship, and guidance for life. Maybe even make new friends and come back with a renewed sense of ownership in your church life. You are cordially invited to attend: Men's session October 14-17, Women's session October 21-24. Both sessions will be held at Camp Geneva in Fruitland Park. Applications are available in the church office. The deadline is October 4th but don't wait as it can fill up fast. Transportation is provided and expenses are covered by the church. Contact Evelyn Day (912-657-3349) for more information.



## SHOES NEEDED!

We are continuing to collect gently used and new shoes for our church-wide fundraiser. Please ask your family, friends and neighbors if they have any shoe donations. Now is a great time to clean out the closet and re-purpose those shoes that are not getting used. If you know of any groups that would like to help us collect, please let Karyn know. Your donations are greatly appreciated. THANK YOU!



## SPECIAL NOTES AND UPDATES...


A huge thank you to everyone who donated school supplies to Belleview Elementary. I brought everything home and it was sorted and brought to the school. I know the last couple of years have been trying but thank you for continuing to think of others. Hugs and thanks, Cindy Polcyn

Jim and I are so grateful for the words of comfort and love we received following the passing of Jim's son, Chris. The BUMC family is definitely a supportive community. Peace, love, and joy, Juanita Applegate



The purpose of this event was outreach to the community. God must have approved because the rain stopped and the weather held for Sunday's event. Everyone had a great time. About 150 people attended. We hope you will join us next year as we try to turn this into a tradition for the community.

# September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<u>1</u> Open Table 5-6	<u>2</u> Prayer Group 10am  Thrift Store 10-3	<u>3</u> Thrift Store 10-1	<u>4</u> Thrift Store 10-1
	<u>5</u> Communion Sunday 10:30am Worship	<u>6</u> Thrift Store 9-12	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> Food Pantry 9-11:30  Open Table 5-6	<u>9</u> Prayer Group 10am Thrift Store 10-3 Trustees 6:30	<u>10</u> Thrift Store 10-1
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