

*This coming week in the life of the church*

**Today 9/7**

9am Worship  
10:15am Sunday School

**Monday 9/8**

10am Matthew Bible Study  
2pm Visitation Team  
5pm Soccer Practice  
5:30pm SPRC Meeting

**Tuesday 9/9**

5pm Soccer Practice  
5pm Baseball Practice  
7pm Boy Scouts

**Wednesday 9/10**

9am Psalm Sisters Bible Study  
10:30am Ladies Fitness Class  
5pm Soccer Practice  
6:30pm Disciples Forever

**Thursday 9/11**

5pm Soccer Practice  
5pm Baseball Practice  
6pm Grief Share

**Saturday 9/13**

10am Women's Ministry Meeting

**Giving Our Tithes and Offerings to God~**

*All that we have comes from God; we are caretakers of what belongs to Him. As an act of faith, we return a portion of God's provision for the growing and continuation of His work. There is an offering plate as you enter for tithes and offerings, you can send them through our website, or they may be mailed to the church office.*



**Belvidere First**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LOVIN' JESUS  LOVIN' YOU

**September 7, 2025**



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## Order of Worship for September 7, 2025

**Prelude** (song/s)

**Welcome**

**\*Opening Songs of Praise:** "This is My Father's World" UMH #144  
Vs 1&3  
"I Want to Know You"

**\*Responsive Reading:** From Psalm 55  
Liturgist: Kelli Billesbach

One: Listen to my prayer, O God, do not ignore my plea;

Many: hear me and answer me.

My thoughts trouble me and I am distraught

One: I said, "Oh, that I had the wings of a dove!  
I would fly away and be at rest.

Many: I would flee far away and stay in the desert; I  
would hurry to my place of shelter, far from the  
tempest and storm." As for me, I call to God,  
and the Lord saves me. Evening, morning and noon  
I cry out in distress, and he hears my voice.

One: Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you;

Many: he will never let the righteous be shaken.

**\*Scriptures:** Luke 5: 12-17  
Luke 24: 44-49

**Discipleship Time** Walk to Emmaus

**Prayer Song:** "I Love You Lord"

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Message** Pastor Jim

**Holy Communion** UMH #9

**Communion Songs:** "Goodness of God"  
"Surely the Presence"

**\*Closing Song of Praise:** "Jesus, Messiah"

**\*Benediction**

**\* = Stand as able**

**\*\*Headsets to assist with hearing during the service are available from any usher\*\***

Retreat as a verb means \_\_\_\_\_

Retreat as a noun means \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have one? \_\_\_\_\_

Another noun is \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus practiced retreat for \_\_\_\_\_

And also modeled retreat for \_\_\_\_\_

Spiritual retreat is not vacation but \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus followed retreat with \_\_\_\_\_

Which example sticks with you? \_\_\_\_\_

Luke 24: 44-49 is 3 verses from \_\_\_\_\_

His command is to \_\_\_\_\_

His promise is that we \_\_\_\_\_

What happened next? \_\_\_\_\_

Life transition is a good time for \_\_\_\_\_

Could you use a retreat? \_\_\_\_\_

Our church is in transition. Have you filled out your survey?

Want to join us for a retreat? \_\_\_\_\_

### **Luke 5:12-17**

12 While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him, “Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.”

13 Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” And immediately the leprosy left him.

14 Then Jesus ordered him, “Don’t tell anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them.”

15 Yet the news about him spread all the more, so that crowds of people came to hear him and to be healed of their sicknesses. 16 But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed.

17 One day Jesus was teaching, and Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there. They had come from every village of Galilee and from Judea and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was with Jesus to heal the sick.

### **Luke 24: 44-49**

<sup>44</sup> He said to them, “This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms.”

<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. <sup>46</sup> He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”