

# Brighton METHODIST CHURCH BROADCASTER

May Edition  
2025



GLOBAL  
METHODIST CHURCH

*Our Mission: The Global Methodist Church exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.*

## Church Family - It is MAY!

**Isaiah 43:19 ~ "For I am about to do something new.  
See, I have already begun! Do you not see it?  
I will make a pathway through the wilderness.  
I will create rivers in the dry wasteland."**



Here we are, already in the month of May, we are surrounded by signs of new life – longer days (hooray!), blooming flowers, trees budding,

---- God Bless You!

May is often a month filled with graduations, weddings, confirmations, and Mother's Day. Each of these celebrations reminds us of the gift of community, the importance of family, and the beauty of milestones reached. As a church, we have the privilege of walking alongside each other through these significant times – singing praises, supporting, and encouraging one another.

Along with the hope that we feel that warmer weather brings, the special days spent with family and friends, it is also a season of continued growth not just for the flowers and trees, but also in the world around us and, within each of us and growth in our church family as well- Alleluia!

One of the special themes we can see woven through May and all the gatherings inside and outside of this church building is gratitude. Gratitude for those who have nurtured us. Gratitude for the ways God continues to work in and through our lives. Gratitude for a church family that is committed to walking together in faith and love.

This month, I invite each of us to reflect on how God is calling out

*Continued on next page.*

ADDRESS:

**625 S. 8th Ave.  
Brighton, CO 80601**

PHONE:

**303-659-2022**

EMAIL:

**office@brightonmethodist.org**

**Find us on:**



Monday-Friday,  
Mid-day Prayer Break  
12:00 pm on Facebook.

***Here at  
Brighton Methodist  
Church, we are  
Bible believing,  
Spirit-led faithful  
followers that strive  
to share God's love  
with others as we  
continue to grow in  
relationship with  
the Lord and go out  
and make disciples  
for His Glory and  
Kingdom.***



*It is May, continued from previous page.*

for growth. Just as planted seeds need water and sunshine to flourish, our faith needs time, attention, and community to deepen, and God's Miracle Grow (that would be the Bible!). Spring is a time to keep the momentum going and the church family growing and getting stronger. The growth can be through worship, small groups, acts of service, or quiet moments of prayer, let's commit ourselves again to the journey of becoming more like Christ.

Let's all look forward as a family to the many ways we will worship, serve, and grow together this month. Let's embrace the opportunities ahead with open hearts, trusting that God is doing new things among us and working for His Kingdom! Repeating Isaiah 43:19 ~ "For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland."



Peace and Blessings,

**Pastor Mickie**

*Pastor Mickie Hass is always available at [pastormickie@brightonmethodist.org](mailto:pastormickie@brightonmethodist.org)*

**Palm  
Sunday**

A graphic for Palm Sunday. The words "Palm" and "Sunday" are written in a stylized font, with "Palm" in brown and "Sunday" in green. A large green palm frond is positioned to the right of the text.





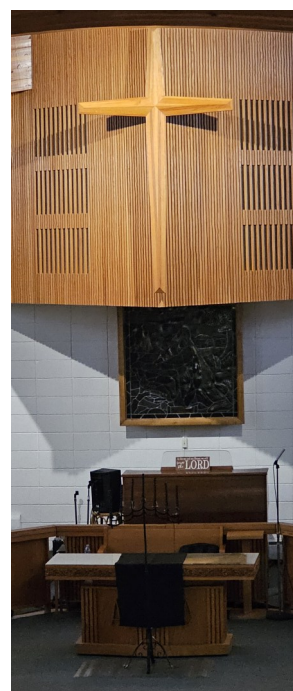
### **Scenes from Maundy Thursday Service:**

Top: Bill Steiber, Gregg Friess, and J. Randy Penn, portraying John, Judas, and Peter. Along with scripture readers (Doug Burns, Vicki Gies, and Brenda Penn) a poignant, heart-felt rendition of "Maundy Thursday Meditations" was depicted. This was followed by the traditional stations for hand and foot washing, and Communion.



### **Scenes from Good Friday Service:**

Left: BMC Choir performs "10,000 Angels"  
Below: Pastor Mickie, Dale Friedholm, and Janon Swink delivered a passionate reading of "The Seven Last Words of Jesus" Scripture and Meditation.







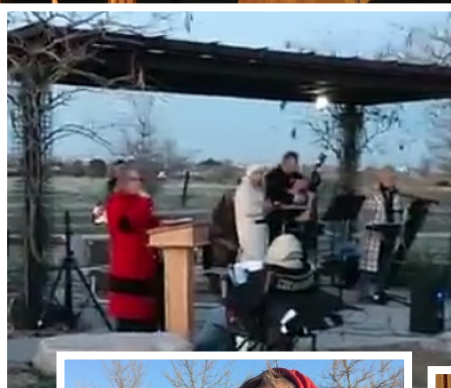
## Scenes from Resurrection Sunday Celebration:

Top: The BMC Bell Choir was amazing!

Above: The Choir, with help from Bev Bucci on piano, Jerry Bucci on bass, and Jonathan Hoehn on trumpet, brought the music that filled our souls! And the BMC Quartet was a truly joyful noise and filled our hearts. Jonathan and Bev also graced us with wonderful prelude and postlude music.

Left: a couple photos from the community Sunrise Service.

Below: Pastor Mickie giving out special books titled "God Gave Us Easter" to the many kiddos we had, most of whom are the kids of BMC members, and some the grandkids of our members. So wonderful to watch them all grow up!





*We have watched most of these young people grow up in our midst.  
Now they are graduating high school and planning their futures.  
We will be celebrating them during Worship Service  
and Fellowship Time on Sunday, May 18th.*

## Meet our Graduates:



### **Jessica Hix**

I am graduating from Riverdale Ridge High School, and I will be going to CSU Fort Collins to double major in physical therapy and technical theatre / sound design.

### **Paul Kershaw**

My name is Paul Kershaw and I'm a senior at Mountain Range High School in Westminster, Colorado. I have played football for the past 4 years and have been elected a team captain all four years, and a varsity team captain. I'm committed to North Dakota State College of Science for football where I will also be getting an associates degree in culinary arts and small business classes. I have been awarded many football awards and academic awards including honorable mention All State Linebacker, 5 team MVPs, two First Team All Conference awards, lettered 4 times for academics, and I've maintained a 3.8 grade point averag. I'm also a 4 time DECA State Qualifier, and I have competed in Colorado Springs doing business competitions and tests. I'm very excited for the opportunities ahead!





## **Trinity Moreland**

Hi, I'm Trinity Moreland! I'm a senior at Brighton High School graduating in May. After high school I am going to Northeastern Junior College, to play soccer at the collegiate level. I am going to be studying early childhood education to become a kindergarten teacher.



## **Drake Sheridan**

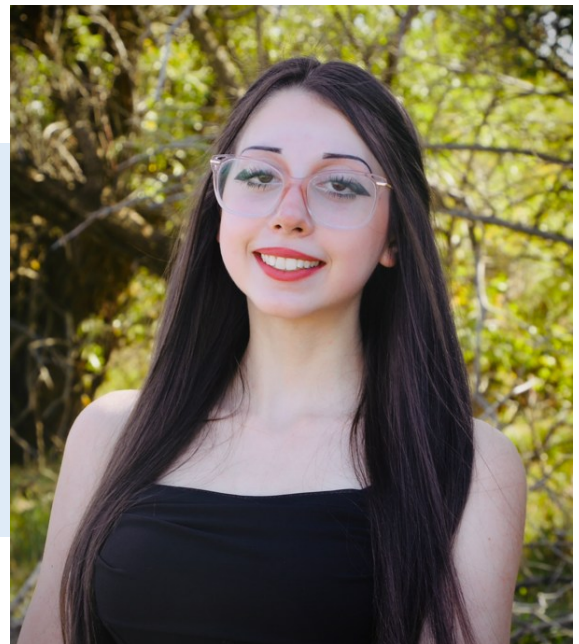
My name is Drake Sheridan and I am a 2025 Brighton High School graduate. I have already been accepted to, and plan on attending Wyotech in the coming year. Wyotech is a trade school specializing in auto and diesel mechanics. I will spend my nine months there studying diesel mechanics and chassis fabrication. I am currently employed by the City of Brighton as a Parks and Recreation Worker and will be there until I attend Wyotech. I aspire to find a career I love within this industry and one day own my own heavy truck and machinery repair business. I am excited to see what the future has in store!

## **Natalie Sheridan**

Eagle Ridge Academy

I am going to Front Range Community College for my associates degree in accounting.

My dreams are to have a stable career and be a homeowner.







## ***Troy Swink***

Astrovo Charter School

Troy Swink will be graduating high school on May 29th. He's already been accepted into an apprentice program at Haynes Mechanical (HVAC) and will work during the day at Haynes and attend school in the evenings starting in Aug. It's a 4 year program.



## ***Lily Torrez***

Colorado Academy

Lily will be graduating in May from high school. She's not sure what the future holds, but would love to have a job in an art related field.





# FirstArt Art Show

This wonderfully creative display is from the different projects the students have worked on through the school year, each based on the work of a different artist.







More than meets the eye  
 Rachel Alexander

You need to read my story  
 Not just the cover of my book  
 The story is quite intriguing  
 Take the time; take a look!

My story wasn't expected  
 A shock to all to be fair  
 But once you start to read me  
 Put me down if you dare!

The chapters will make you laugh  
 Others will make you cry  
 Keep reading and understanding  
 It may help you understand why

My story is nowhere near finished  
 Exciting things are yet to come  
 With love and acceptance from all  
 It really could be a lot of fun!!





GLOBAL  
METHODIST CHURCH



# Disaster Response: Crisis Meets Compassion

From tornadoes to wildfires, floods to hurricanes, disease and more. Global Methodists have been met with crises across the globe, testing the resilience of many communities. And yet, through every storm, the faithful people of the Global Methodist Church have stepped up as the hands and feet of Christ.

The Evangelism, Church Multiplication, Missional Mobilization, and Disaster Response Commission—informally known as the Kingdom Advancement Commission—oversees a wide range of ministry initiatives reflected in its title. To manage their work effectively, the commission established subcommittees dedicated to specific areas of focus. The Disaster Response subcommittee, chaired by Rev. Linda Davis, is one such group leading efforts to organize and strengthen the denomination's response to crises.

Last month, the subcommittee held its first ever Disaster Response Retreat, from March 24–26 at Alcoa Methodist Church in Knoxville, Tennessee, and brought together 25 leaders



from 11 U.S. annual conferences. United by a shared calling, they deepened their understanding of disaster ministry, clarified the mission of Disaster Response teams, and affirmed the theological grounding of this work in the *Book of Doctrines and Discipline*. The retreat culminated in a new training proposal to help churches and conferences prepare for and respond to crises in their communities.

This retreat also marked a milestone in a journey that began months earlier. In November 2023, disaster ministry leaders began training efforts with the Florida and Alabama conferences. Those efforts quickly shifted into action, as a series of devastating events unfolded.

## A Call to Response and Relief

Between November 2023 and February 2024, the focus was on organizing and developing procedures. However, as disaster after disaster struck, the ministry was thrust into action—even as they continued laying the groundwork for new processes within our denomination

Here's a snapshot of a few disasters our network has served in recent months:

### – Slidell, Louisiana Tornado (April, 2024):

An EF2 tornado cut a destructive path through the area. Assessments began within days, and

*Continued on next page.*





a Florida team quickly deployed, joined by teams from Louisiana, Arkansas, and South Carolina. Over 700 homes were impacted.

- **Houston Flooding (May, 2024):** Heavy rains caused widespread

flooding. Local churches worked with conference leadership to call for aid, resulting in assistance to over 100 homes and six churches.

- **Hurricanes Debby, Helene, and Milton (August - October, 2024):** Florida, Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia and surrounding areas endured multiple hurricanes in a short period of time. Teams were sent all over, with funds and supplies flowing steadily. Support for hurricane relief has exceeded \$1.2 million dollars, with donations still coming in.

- **Monkeypox in the Democratic Republic of Congo (November, 2024):** The DRC was overwhelmed by a severe Monkeypox outbreak, affecting thousands. Faithful Global Methodists stepped up and donated approximately \$10,000 to ease the suffering of this vulnerable population.

- **Super Typhoon Man-Yi in the Philippines (November, 2024):** This super typhoon was the sixth of the year and caused significant devastation. Thousands were displaced, homes destroyed, and livelihoods disrupted. The Mega Manila and Covenant Philippines Annual Conferences mobilized to provide food and shelter to affected families and Global Methodists again donated aid nearing \$4,000.



Amid these ongoing disasters, communication among passionate volunteers expanded significantly. The need for structured training remains a key initiative for 2025. The goal is to develop a comprehensive disaster recovery and relief committee that can proactively equip annual conferences and churches for future emergencies.

### **Strengthening Through Partnership**

Participants also reviewed a draft application for potential partner organizations during the Knoxville retreat. A vetting process was introduced to ensure all partners align with GMC values— Christ-centered, theologically grounded, accountable, and experienced in disaster work.

As we reflect on this past year of faithful response, we're reminded that disaster response is not just about logistics—it's about love in action. It's about showing up, stepping in, and serving those in the deepest need.

Please continue to pray for all affected communities and for our teams in the field. May God grant us a season of calm—but as storms inevitably return, may we be ready to meet them with courage, compassion, and Christ at the center.



# A GLOBAL CALL FOR PRAYER



## Because We Believe in the Power of Prayer:

A Call from the Assembly of Bishops

### **Dear Global Methodist Community,**

Grace and peace to you from all of us who serve on the Assembly of Bishops.

We write today with hearts full—both in celebration and in sorrow. We celebrate the incredible harvest happening across the world as Methodist-minded people find a home in the Global Methodist Church. **It is a joy to share that more than 5,000 member churches have joined the GMC**, with new inquiries and affiliations arriving daily from every corner of the globe.

At the same time, we carry a deep burden. Many in our connection are rejoicing, but others are suffering. As the Apostle Paul reminds us, “If one part suffers, every part suffers with it” (1 Corinthians 12:26). And so, we are calling our global connection to pray.

**This is a time to intercede—especially for our brothers and sisters on the continent of Africa.**

Many are aware of the violent clashes between Methodist factions in Nigeria. Fewer may know of the broader unrest sweeping across the continent. From **Ethiopia to the Democratic**

**Republic of Congo, from Mozambique and Nigeria to South Sudan, Sudan, Liberia, Zimbabwe, Niger, and Rwanda**—conflict, political instability, demonstrations, terrorist activity, and civil wars persist. While many of these struggles are not directly related to denominational matters, we know that violence breeds violence. And as followers of Christ, we are called to grieve with all who grieve.

**In moments like these, prayer can feel ineffective—but we believe it is our most powerful response.** In prayer, we cry out to the One who “tore down the dividing wall of hostility” (Ephesians 2:14). We intercede because we hear Paul’s warning to the Galatians: “If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other” (Galatians 5:15). We heed Abner’s ancient plea: “Must we always be fighting each other? Don’t you realize that bitterness is the only result?” (2 Samuel 2:26).

Through prayer, we are aligning our hearts with the Lord’s—hearts that beat for the poor, the marginalized, and the oppressed. And in

*Continued on next page.*



*The Power of Prayer, continued from previous page.*

prayer, we have been led to repentance, crying out for God to break our hearts for what breaks His.

**Because we believe in the power of prayer, we are calling all Global Methodists to Forty Days of Prayer to Pentecost, beginning Saturday, April 30, and ending on Pentecost Sunday, June 8.**

We invite churches, annual conferences, and individual believers to find meaningful ways to pray—especially for Africa—during these forty days. We encourage you to search the Scriptures, follow global news, and pray as the Spirit leads. While we've highlighted regions experiencing active violence, we invite you to broaden your intercession across the continent and beyond.

In addition, we are working with the Prayer Network and the Global Methodist Church Communications Team to organize a **virtual Prayer Gathering**, providing a moment for our entire connection to gather online and pray as one body. We will share more details soon.

Thank you for joining us on this journey of prayer as we walk toward Pentecost. Together, we believe the Spirit will move in powerful ways. And when we look back, we will be able to say with the saints: "Thus far, the Lord has helped us" (1 Samuel 7:12).

Until there is peace on earth,

**The Assembly of Bishops**

*The Global Methodist Church*





# BRIGHTON METHODIST YOUTH GROUP



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

### The youth will be doing their annual parking lot sale on May 24th.

We are now accepting donations for the sale, you can drop items off at the church. If you would like to sell your own items, spaces will be available for \$25.00.

The youth continue with confirmation classes. They will celebrate confirmation on May 11th. We are study the Basics of Christianity, and Rev. Mickie will teach them about what it means to be a Global Methodist. Afterwards each youth will have the option to become a member of Brighton Methodist Church.

This month the youth group took trips to the Denver Zoolights - Glowing Wild Zoo lights. They were amazing. We also went to the Denver Museum of Nature and explored the Jurassic Oceans: Monsters of the Deep, and Angkor: The Lost Empire of Cambodia. Both exhibits were very educational.



***Reminder, the youth group is for all youth that are in 6th grade thru 12th grade. You do not have to be a member of the church to attend the youth group meetings, we would love to have you come.***

## CALENDAR: MAY 2025

05-04 Youth group 11-1

05-11 youth group 11-1

05-18 Celebrating our Seniors during church - youth group 11-1

05-26 Saturday parking lot sale 6-2

05-27 no youth group



# ALF Age Level and Family Services



ALF's **Cocoa, Cookies, and Canvas Event** was a great success! 17 painters and several others gathered on April 24th to each paint our own version of a sample painting. We ended up with 17 wonderful paintings of Spring flowers! We discussed the way color affects us, the way marketing uses color, and the way some people see numbers or emotions as color. It was a fun-filled day for all.

ALF's next event will be the **Annual 4th of July Ice Cream Social**, but you will see us in action for Mother's Day and Father's Day. If you have any interest in joining us as we plan our activities as Age Level and Family Committee, please see Val Fraley or Deb Friedholm.

**If you are a Veteran, you can sign up on the website to receive books for yourself. Please go online to: [operationpaperback.org](http://operationpaperback.org)**



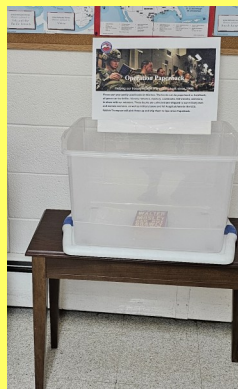
**Please bring gently used paperback and hardback books and put them in the box**

**in Fellowship Hall on the west wall.**

**All genres of books are accepted, including children's books. These**

**will be shipped to Operation**

**Paperback, where they will be distributed to our military troops overseas and at VA Hospitals.**



**DALE FRIEDHOLM INVITES YOU TO PARTNER WITH HIM AS HE USES HIS TALENTS TO HELP SUPPORT**



**WATER FOR LIFE**  
SAFE WATER FOR THE WORLD

**Water For Life Charity supplies water filters and drills wells in developing countries lacking clean, safe drinking water. Their mission is to help women, children and families live bacteria-free, productive lives by providing the start of the solution where it is needed most.**

**Dale roasts coffee and sells it at cost here at church. All proceeds are donated to Water for Life. If you are interested in helping Dale with this mission, you can buy his coffee, or make a donation.**

**So far, this faithful team has been able to sell 445 lbs. of coffee and has donated over \$2,509.23 to Water for Life.**

**This provides:**

**45 water filters and 4.5 million gallons of clean water.**

**Your help in this wonderful ministry is appreciated!**



Unleash your child's imagination.

**We still have some open spots!**



**2025 Summer Camp  
May 28th - August 15th**

**Full Time Preschool  
and Childcare  
Year round**

## BMC Music Ministry

Choir Practice is on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm. Bev loves to work with anyone who wants to share their musical talents for Special Music throughout the summer.



## Free Piano!

There is a piano in the first classroom that is available for free (the bench is not included). Must be willing to move it yourself. If interested see Mel or Glenda.



## Music Ministry with Rick and Mickie Hass

Rick and Mickie spend time with the residents of Inglenook, the Retreat at Church Ranch, and Sunny Acres in Thornton.

May 18th- 2:00pm at The Retreat at Church Ranch, Assisted Living - Worship & hymns

May 18th- 6:00pm at Inglenook, Assisted Living - Worship & hymns

## Prayer Warriors

Are you someone who has been called to stand in the gap through intercessory prayer? If so, sign up to be on the warrior team!

In order to receive the emails, you will need to opt in via the following link:

## Prayer Warriors

## Wonderful Wednesday Dinner

Join us in fellowship every 2nd and 4th Wednesday for a fun community dinner. ***If you would like to help out or plan and cook a meal, please let Deb Friedholm know, or contact the office. Adults: \$5 Kids 10 & Under: Free***





## *How do I know if a Stephen Minister is for me?*

Stephen Ministry is appropriate for anyone whose basic coping skills are intact but could use another's caring presence to assist them as they journey through life's transitions and challenges such as:

- If you are chronically or terminally ill
- Recently hospitalized and in need of support while recovering at home or in a nursing home
- Grieving the death of a loved one
- Disabled or caring for someone who is disabled
- Dealing with separation or divorce
- Lonely or discouraged
- Facing a life transition
- Experiencing a spiritual crisis
- Countless other life challenges

**Contact Les Fraley for more information: 303-659-4887**



*Bear one another's  
burdens, and in this  
way you will fulfill the  
law of Christ.*

*Galatians 6:2, NRSV*

## *Altar Flowers*



*Please consider signing  
up to help provide fresh  
altar flowers on  
Sundays. You can sign up  
on the bulletin board in  
the Fellowship Hall.*

*If you would like to  
recognize someone with a  
picture, you can email  
Glenda in the office, and  
it will be added to that  
Sunday's morning  
announcement slideshow.*



# New to Brighton Methodist Church?

**We want to welcome you to BMC.** We are a friendly community of Holy Spirit filled believers in Jesus Christ. We ground our faith on the Word of God and live our lives hungry to see God's Kingdom here on earth.

If you are new to our family, we encourage you to give your life to God through Jesus Christ and connect with others committed to following Him. We have many opportunities such as Bible studies, classes and small groups for you to put your faith into action through service. We would love to get to know you and help make connections to support your faith walk.

***If you haven't yet, please stop by the Welcome Center in Fellowship Hall on Sunday and say hello!***

Yours in Christ,  
The Leadership of BMC

**Office phone:** 303-659-2022

**Office email:** [office@brightonmethodist.org](mailto:office@brightonmethodist.org)

**Website:** [www.brightonmethodist.org](http://www.brightonmethodist.org)

**For prayer requests, email us at:** [prayer@brightonmethodist.org](mailto:prayer@brightonmethodist.org)



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## May

5/3 Coty Burback  
5/3 Eli Gies  
5/4 Raechal Friess  
5/4 Emerson Gies  
5/4 Bonnie Reed  
5/15 Isabella Perkins  
5/17 Paula Stieber  
5/19 Josh Smith  
5/19 Jo-Di Tapia  
5/22 Eric Lowrey  
5/29 Cathy Fiscus  
5/30 KyAnn Swink

***We wish you a very  
happy birthday  
and a wonderful  
year ahead!***

***~The Staff of BMC***





## Partner with BMC Through Giving

Thank you for your faithful giving in support of our Ministry!

To continue your weekly contribution there are multiple ways to ensure it is received.



- Mail a check
- Set up AutoPay through your bank
- Use our online payment portal (you can set up recurring payments as well)
- Link: [BUMC ONLINE CONTRIBUTIONS](#)
- You can use the mail drop slot located at the choir door on the Northeast side of the building near the courtyard.
- You can also use the QR code.



**Scan here**

# Thank You!

**Scan here for the  
Annual Pledge form  
for 2025**



## Support the Scholarship Program!

Don't forget to use your King Soopers loyalty card when you shop. Help us earn money for the scholarship program!

If you haven't registered your card, please jump online and do so today. If you need any help, contact Glenda in the office. Every time you check out, type your phone number into the keypad at the register or swipe your card. Donations are disbursed quarterly. Sign up on the King Soopers home page, under the Community Rewards link at the bottom of the page.

## Giving to your church

**does not only mean money.**

**You can give your**

- **PRAYERS**  
Join the Prayer Warriors, pray with us on the Mid-day Prayer Break, or pray on your own
- **PRESENCE**  
Attend public worship, invite friends and family, attend church events
- **TALENTS**  
Share your gifts of music, cooking, cleaning, listening, fixing, organizing
- **SERVICE**  
Become an usher, teach Children's Church, help with Fellowship time
- **WITNESS**  
Share your faith with anyone in hopes that they might come to faith in Christ

If you would like more information on how you can partner with BMC in any of these ways, call the office (303-659-2022) or send an email to [office@brightonmethodist.org](mailto:office@brightonmethodist.org)

**We will guide you to the correct person to speak with.**

# May



# 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER 	2	3
4 9:15 am Worship 10:45 Confirmation Class Trustees Meeting after service	5 6pm Al-Anon	6 9am Bible Study 1:30pm Methodist Men on Zoom 6pm Choir Practice	7 9:00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 6:00pm Worship Meeting	8	9	10 Cleaning DAY 8:00 am Church Work Day
11 HAPPY Mother's Day 9:15 am Worship 10:45 Adult Sunday School 11:00 Youth Group	12	13 9am Bible Study 1:30pm Methodist Men on Zoom 6pm Choir Practice	14 9:00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 6:15pm Wonderful Wednesday	15	16	17 CARNIVAL FirstArt Preschool Carnival
18 9:15 am Worship 10:45 Adult Sunday School 11:00 Youth Group	19 6pm Al-Anon	20 9am Bible Study 1:30pm Methodist Men on Zoom 6pm Choir Practice	21 9:00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 5:30 pm, Church Council in-person & Zoom 6:00 pm VFW Meeting	22	23	24 BIG SALE Youth Group Parking Lot Sale 7:00-1:00
25 9:15 am Worship 10:45 Adult Sunday School	26 6pm Al-Anon	27 9am Bible Study 1:30pm Methodist Men on Zoom 6pm Choir Practice	28 9:00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 6:15pm Wonderful Wednesday	29	30	31



Find us on:



Monday-Friday,  
Mid-day Prayer Break  
12:00 pm on Facebook.