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Our Vision is to be a community filled with the hope and love of Jesus. Our Mission is to make disciples by growing & learning, worshiping & praying, and serving & connecting.

From the desk of the Pastor...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

*I invite you...in the name of the Church,
to observe a holy Lent:
by self-examination and repentance;
by prayer, fasting and self-denial;
and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word.*

[The United Methodist Book of Worship]

While it seems like we have just made our way through Advent and Christmas, Lent is just around the corner. Ash Wednesday begins on February 17, 2021, and Easter Sunday falls on April 4, 2021. In between those dates are forty days dedicated to "self-examination and repentance, prayer, fasting and self-denial." We spend time during Lent "going inward," and working on our spiritual selves so that, with the Holy Spirit's guidance, we are ready to receive the gift of God's salvation through Jesus Christ and triumph over death and the grave.

"Let us observe a Holy Lent!

Our Worship Committee at Wesley is in the process of making plans for Lent, Holy Week and Easter. With God's help, we are putting together

a schedule which balances personal safety and hygiene with our individual and collective needs to observe this most holy season. Some of what we are planning is to be found in the pages of this February 2021 Wesley Journal. Other plans and details are forthcoming. Please be in prayer for the changes you need to make in your personal lives; those habits, thoughts, animosity and words that are keeping you from loving perfectly God and your neighbor. Prepare to fast from these behaviors and re-orient your spiritual lives toward God. Please also know that I will be doing the same.

May we all be ready, when Easter comes, to rejoice in that One who has begun a work in us that, through the Holy Spirit, is moving us closer and closer toward the people God wants us to be. Observe a holy Lent with me!

Love, Rev. Amy

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Worship Services for February and Inclement Weather Policy



At this time, we anticipate that worship will continue to be held indoors and at 25% capacity (by the directive of the Bishop). Services will be both in person and livestreamed on our YouTube Channel on February 7, 14, 21, and 28.

Please remember Wesley UMC's inclement weather policy: If the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect in Carroll Co. at 6 AM, Sunday School will be cancelled. The 10 AM service will depend on the severity of the weather. In the event of inclement weather, a message will be left on the church answering service by 7 AM regarding services, but please use your discretion for the weather in your area. We don't want anyone getting injured!



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| 2 Asher Zilberman | Jason Martin |
| 3 Megan Myatt | Heather Schaefer |
| 4 Dan Graf | Mason Waltrup |
| Kristen Reilly | 16 Sterling Davis, III |
| 5 Alayna Mahosky | Trisha Sater |
| 6 Amanda Hughes Hannon | 18 Gladys Smith |
| 7 Jennifer Ejik | 22 Bryce Davey |
| 9 Haydn Schaefer | 23 Jeff Graf |
| 11 Daniel Baumiller, Jr. | 28 Lana Montgomery |
| Tyler Rill | |



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| 1 Dennis & Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis-Rill |
| 4 Dean and Roxane Brewer |
| 11 Ben and Carolyn (Graf) Whetsell |
| 12 Patrick & Kristen Reilly |
| 20 Earl & Bonnie Christiani |
| 29 John & Stephanie Halley |



Our Condolences...

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Elsie Zumbrun, who passed away on Thursday, January 21st, at the age of 94. Elsie will be missed by her Wesley UMC family. May God hold you close as you mourn Elsie's passing and celebrate her life.



Updating Your Info.

Please contact Sandy Cole, Membership Secretary by e-mail at baldor1@comcast.net or by phone at 410-876-5295 if your name, address, phone number or e-mail address has changed. Feel free to contact her with any other changes you require. Additionally, if you spot an error in the Directory, please let her know so she can correct it.



Family and Friends to Keep in Prayer (Cards and Calls Welcome!)

Anna Faye Jenkins
Golden Crest Asst. Living
4110 St. Paul Rd.
Hampstead, MD 21074

Peggy Dovell
2322 Susanann Drive
Hampstead, MD 21074
(410) 374-0199

Betty Horner
Golden Crest Asst. Living
4110 St. Paul Rd.
Hampstead, MD 21074
(410) 374-6219

Patsy "Tootie" Harris
500 S. Houcksville Rd.
Hampstead, MD 21074

Stewart Graf
Longview Nursing Home
3332 Main St.
Manchester, MD 21102



Have a New Neighbor? We can help welcome them home! Contact Reenie Harris at (410) 848-1121.



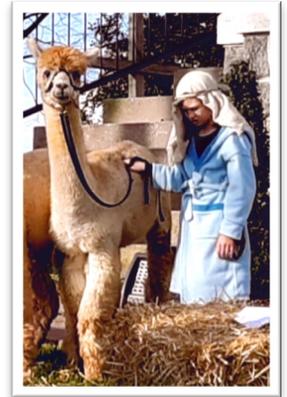
"Merry Christmas"

"Sending love at this special time of year"

"One of the real joys of the Holiday Season is the opportunity to say thank you and to wish you the very best for the new year."

Thank you all so much for the Live Nativity Worship Service. It has been the highlight of the Season.

This llama and little girl were so precious!



Sincerely, Beverly & Paul Jensen

Dear Wesley Congregation: I am touched deeply by your kindness and generosity exhibited through your Christmas gift to me in December 2020. Knowing the difficult year this has been for everyone, I was not expecting a financial gift at all, let alone anything like the amount of money you gave to me! While a bonus is not necessary, it is so appreciated. With all the unanticipated challenges posed to our church by Covid-19, I have had many moments of uncertainty and discouragement. Your gift felt like affirmation that, in spite of everything, Wesley's staff and pastor are being encouraged in our quest to "navigate" the turbulent "waters" of a global pandemic for the sake of our congregation and service to Jesus Christ. Thank you so much, my friends. Your kind gift means the world.

Love, Rev. Amy

The Crispin/Wiegel family would like to thank our Wesley church family for all your kindness during the loss of our loved one Forrest (JR) Crispin. Your prayers were felt and so needed. All of your calls, cards, flowers, food, visits and hugs were very much appreciated. All of your love was so needed and felt.

Thank you all so much. It is so comforting being in such a loving church family.

Blessings, Fran Crispin, and Connie Wiegel families

Directory Available & Updated Contact Information



Sandy Cole has been busy! She has published an updated version of our church directory in regular paper form. These can be found in the back of the church sanctuary near the doors to the narthex.

Please also note that we have updated contact information as follows:

Phone Number for Linda and Chuck Hollman: The Hollmans no longer have a landline phone number. Instead, you can reach Linda on her cell phone at (410) 596-1810.

Updated Wesley Website—Now Live!

✧ [Click here to view our Sunday School videos!](#) ✧

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TOGETHER

we can be a community filled with the hope
and love of Jesus.

Come and grow in discipleship with the
Wesley UMC family!

Wesley UMC's website has had a "facelift"! You don't have to do anything differently to get to it—just type www.wesleychurch-hampstead.org in your browser search bar and the website should come right up. A good amount of information came over to the new site from the old one, and there are some new features, as well.

Most importantly, the site is now more secure, the links should work properly, and the view from your mobile device should be much, much improved!

Drop me a line to let me know what you think or if there is a problem! (Jess Sichel—wesley@wesleychurch-hampstead.org). Happy viewing!

NESAP Corner: Food Pantry Donations

Food, cleaning supplies, personal care items or gift card donations may be dropped off at Wesley UMC in the labeled containers or at the Food Pantry during store hours (stop in the Thrift Store and ask a staff member to assist you.)

Pantry Donation Hours at NESAP: Mon through Sat – 8:00 AM to 2:00



- Instant Potatoes
- Oatmeal
- Jell-O
- Pudding
- Stuffing
- Ramen Noodles
- Mixed Veggies
- Paper Towels
- Applesauce
- Helper
- Canned Chicken
- Soups
- Canned Potatoes
- Breakfast Bars
- Juice/Drinks
- Rice
- Shampoo
- Jelly
- Pasta Sides
- Canned Fruit
- Brownie Mix
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Diapers Sizes 4,5,6

If you're feeling anxious, depressed,
or just need someone to talk to,

CALL 211

or dial 443-608-9182



Connect with someone who can help.

Call the **211 Maryland United Way Helpline** and ask to be connected to the WARMLine. You'll talk with someone who will listen to your concerns and refer you to additional resources.

Mental health professionals are available weekdays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Follow these easy steps:

1. Dial 211 (or 443-608-9182) from any cell phone or landline.
2. Ask to be connected to the WARMLine.
3. Speak with a caring call specialist who will listen to your needs.
4. You will be referred to any additional resources you may need.

United Way of Central Maryland has provided a grant to Pro Bono Counseling to support Marylanders who are experiencing mental health issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic and other reasons.

For more information, visit ProBonoCounseling.org.

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COUNSELING
PROJECT

Habitat for Humanity Mission Work



The good news:

In January, nine people with Wesley UMC's group worked to lay tile and cut support structures in the Habitat for Humanity's new ReStore in the old Westminster Antique Mall.

More good news:

Outreach plans to do it again in February! If interested, please contact Jan Kurtz at (410) 374-0441 or jan.kurtz@gmail.com.

News from the Book Club



Wesley Book Club plans to meet in the Fellowship Hall for the months of February and March, 2021, on the **last Tuesday of each month**. The meeting time has been changed to **1:00 pm** (instead of Noon). The upcoming meeting dates are as follows: **FEBRUARY 23rd** and **MARCH 30th**.

You can choose to bring your lunch & drink ... or eat before you come. If anyone wants to bring a dessert, please feel free to do so.

Good Reads &
Conversation

Our February selection is: [THE WONDER BOY OF WHISTLE STOP](#) by Fannie Flagg.
Our March selection is: [BRAVE GIRL QUIET GIRL](#) by Katherine Ryan Hyde.

Happy reading! Reenie Harris 📖👤

Sign Up for Worship Today!



As COVID-19 numbers increase, causing the sanctuary attendance limit to lower, signing up for worship services has become essential. Our goals are to make sure we have enough space for all who attend and to be able to contact all who attend a worship service in the event that there is a concern we need to pass along.

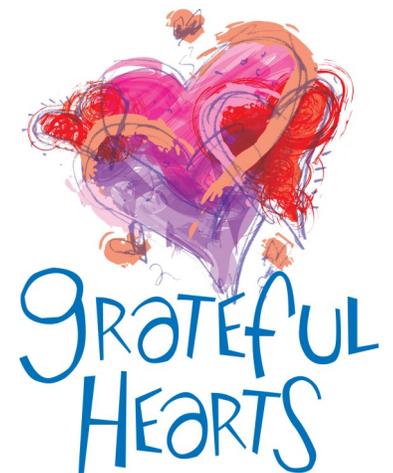
Please visit our website at www.wesleychurch-hampstead.org and click on the link for "Current Worship Details." Then, click on the "Sign Up Genius" box to sign up for the upcoming worship service. You can also respond to the Sign-Up Genius emails sent out to the congregation every week or give Jess Sichel a call at 410-374-4027.

If we should exceed the maximum occupancy of the sanctuary or if you would be more comfortable elsewhere, the service is being livestreamed in the Fellowship Hall and on our YouTube Channel. We hope you can join us!



Thank you for being **God's** valentine!

SERVANT
 QUILTING SINGING
 TRANSPORTATION ALTAR GUILD
THANK YOU
 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ACOLYTE
VOLUNTEER
YOU USHERING GREETING **MENTORING**
 WORKING TOGETHER BEING AVAILABLE
 THE HEART OF EVERY CHURCH EVERY WHERE
ANSWERING THE CALL
 GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS
STEPPING UP
 ASSEMBLING SCHOOL KITS
DISCIPLESHIP
 FOOD PANTRY
 THANK YOU FOR
SAYING
YES



Lent:
A Season
of Preparation

Worship and Event Schedule from Shrove Tuesday through Easter Sunday

February 16th from 4:30 to 5:30 PM

Shrove Tuesday Take-Out Pancake Supper (see flyer on next page)



February 17th at 7 PM
Ash Wednesday Service



February 21st at 10 AM
1st Sunday in Lent



February 28th at 10 AM
2nd Sunday in Lent



March 5th
World Day of Prayer — 24-Hour Prayer Vigil



March 7th at 10 AM
3rd Sunday in Lent



March 14th at 10 AM
4th Sunday in Lent (and UMCOR Sunday)



March 21st at 10 AM
5th Sunday in Lent



March 28th at 10 AM
Palm/Passion Sunday



April 1st at 7 PM
Holy/Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion



April 2nd
Good Friday — Stations of the Cross from 12 to 3 PM



April 4th
Easter Sunday!
10 AM Combined Worship **Outdoors!**
(Indoors if weather does not permit.)

Shrove Tuesday Take-Out Pancake Supper!



Tuesday, February 16, 2021

4:30 to 5:30 PM

Where: Wesley United Methodist Church

3239 Carrollton Rd., Hampstead, MD 21074

**You are welcome to stop by and pick up your
Shrove Tuesday Takeout Pancake Supper!
*(A free will offering will be taken.)***

The Menu includes:

4 Pancakes, 4 Sausages, Applesauce & Muffin

Sponsored by:

**Wesley UMC's Outreach
Committee**



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February Lectionary... GET INTO THE WORD!

February 7: Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39`

February 14 (Transfiguration Sunday): 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6;
Mark 9:2-9

February 17 (Ash Wednesday): Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10;
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 21 (First Sunday in Lent): Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

February 28 (Second Sunday in Lent): Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38



Takeout Tuesday Starting Again in March



Outreach's very successful meal program, "Takeout Tuesday" is starting up again on March 16th from 4:30 to 5:30 PM. More information will come out closer to that date.

If you would like to help with preparing or distributing the meal, please contact Vicky Wilmer at (443) 340-7703 or wilmervicky@gmail.com.

Calling All College Students!



If you have a student in college, whether it be far from home or attending a community college, please contact Vicky Wilmer at wilmervicky@gmail.com with their mailing address.

We would like to keep in contact with them throughout the year. Also if your student was on our list before, please contact Vicky to make sure that we have all of their updated information.

From the Editor...



From the Editor

Hello to all of our readers! Just a few notes:

- Don't forget to turn your Journal submissions in by the fifteenth of the month.
- Submissions for the bulletin should be turned in by Wednesday.

Thanks for your help with keeping the congregation informed!

Jess Sichel

The Frank & Loretta Harris Music Scholarship — 2021

Dear Members and Friends of Wesley Church,

It's time to begin the selection process for applicants for the **FRANK AND LORETTA HARRIS MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP** program. Once again, I am pleased to offer music scholarships to anyone who is pursuing the study of music, in memory of my late parents, Frank and Loretta Harris. Our family has been a part of the Wesley family for generations, and the music has always been an important part of our worship together.

Each scholarship amounts to **\$500**, for as many applicants who are interested and have the appropriate qualifications. The purpose is to support and encourage students of any age who have already begun music study. The scholarship stipend should be applied to the costs of lessons, music, organ shoes, or any other needs that a practicing musical student would have. My first preference is, of course, the piano or the organ. But, other instruments, including composition and voice, are also a part of the Harris Scholarship's goals.

Right now, there are scholarships available for this calendar year (**2021**). Please refer to the Application Information below and let me know of your interest. I am always available for questions. You may speak to **Mrs. Joan Porterfield** for assistance about it, as well.

Sincerely yours,



Larry Harris (60-year member of Wesley Church)
Professor of Music, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH
Director of Music/Organist, First Presbyterian Church of Youngstown



APPLICATION INFORMATION

Please send an application email to: Lharris994@sbcglobal.net or text/call 330-360-9948.

Include a brief introduction containing your **age, instrument, studies, plans, needs, and current participation in the musical life of Wesley Church**. You may provide any other questions or comments as well. **Please submit your application(s) by Saturday, February 20th, 2021**. Many thanks for your support in helping to make this possible for us all.



Coming Soon!

April 16th & 17th

Start cleaning out your closets again and donate your treasures for the sale.

We will accept donations the week prior to the event.

Thanks for participating!

Outreach Minutes • January 13, 2021

Treasurer's Report: Our mission supports for the first quarter have been paid. We were able to help many people this past year.

Meals: Bonnie

- Nan and her husband are receiving meals

College Students:

- Have not done anything prior to now
- We have 9 students that are currently enrolled
- Vicky will mail gift cards in February

Operation Christmas Child: Brenda Benson

- Brenda reported we turned in 28 and 4 online for a total of 32

Baked Potato Luncheon: Cancelled

Christmas Families:

- We were able to help 5 families (23 total people).
- Each person was able to receive \$100 per person worth of gift cards.

Rescue Mission Needs/Meals:

- We will begin providing meals. Once a month on a Tuesday, we will prepare a meal for the 30+ people who are living at the Rescue mission
- Outreach provided a meal from Cinco de Mayo during the holiday season.
- Pam has continued to take over clothes and supplies that have been donated by members of our church. Thank you everyone for your help.

Takeout Tuesday

- At Thanksgiving, we provided a family with a meal from Bob Evans. The family ate on it for a week.
- At Christmas, we provided a ham and a gift certificate for Weis.
- We will begin Takeout Tuesday again on March 16 from 4:30-5:30

Rummage Sale: April 16-17

- Need lots of help the week prior

Phone Communication: Janet Martin

Alpha Bottles:

- We will be getting bottles for members to fill.
- The bottles can either be filled with change or you may place a check in the bottle.

Easter Baskets

- Shepherd Staff; not sure whether they are doing it this year.
- We will give a monetary donation of \$250

Activity Sheet: Group members will look at the sheet and see where they would like to contribute.

Mission work with Habitat for Humanity:

- 9 people all together worked in the ReStore laying tile and cutting support structures.
- Good day overall. Plan to do it again next month.
- Members of our church provided the lunch for everyone.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 9th at 7:00pm.

Collecting Items for the "Addiction Healing Center" at the WRM

Please consider helping Wesley Outreach collect items needed for the
"Addiction Healing Center at Westminster Rescue Mission"



If you would like to contribute, review the list below. Purchase your choice of items and place them in the box in the Social Hall entranceway. Some items can be "gently" used. If you have questions, please contact Pam Phillips at 410-596-0777.

We are excited to let you know that Wesley will be receiving a "Mission Blue Bin" in the near future. We will be inviting the community to "drop off" clothing and shoes for the Mission at Wesley Church. The Mission will be responsible for emptying the Bin.

Men's Items:

Size 10.5 - 13 men's sneakers
Work Boots sizes 9.5, 11 & 11.5
Winter coats (Large +) (*Can be "gently" used*)
XL and XXL boxers & briefs (*must be new in package*)
Long sleeve shirts sizes XL and XXL
Deodorant

Casual dress shoes - sizes 10.5 – 13
Large, XL ,XXL, hoodies & jackets
Shower shoes (flip / flops) all sizes
Jeans size 44 and up
Disposable razors

We also always have a need for the following recovery literature:

- **AA Big Book 4th Ed. (hardcover)**

Link: https://www.amazon.com/Alcoholics-Big-Book-ALCOHOLICS-BIG/dp/Boo1TKoWo8/ref=sr_1_5?crd=1STJIZGNZ9J6F&dchild=1&keywords=aa+big+book&qid=1602698536&sprefix=aa+big+book%2Caps%2C146&sr=8-5

- **NA Big Book (hardcover)**

Link: https://www.amazon.com/Narcotics-World-Service-Office/dp/1557767343/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=NA+big+book&qid=1602698710&sr=8-1

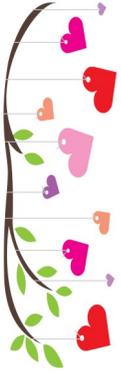
- **Life Recovery Bible (paperback)**

Link: https://www.amazon.com/Life-Recovery-Bible-Personal-Size/dp/1496427580/ref=sr_1_3?dchild=1&keywords=life+recovery+bible&qid=1602698735&sr=8-3

- **12 Steps and 12 Traditions (paperback)**

Link: https://www.amazon.com/Twelve-Steps-Traditions-Alcoholics-dp-0916856291/dp/0916856291/ref=mt_other?_encoding=UTF8&me=&qid=





FEBRUARY 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Register for Worship!</i> (2/7 Worship Service)	2	3 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Trustees 7 PM	4	5	6
7 10 AM Contemporary Worship Service	8 <i>Register for Worship!</i> (2/14 Worship Service)	9	10 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Outreach 7 PM SPRC 7 PM	11	12 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	13
14 10 AM Traditional Worship Service	15 <i>Register for Worship!</i> (2/21 Worship Service) March Journal Submissions Due Today!	16 Shrove Tuesday Take-Out Pancake Supper 4:30 to 5:30 PM	17 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Ash Wednesday Service 7 PM	18 Finance 7 PM	19 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	20
21 10 AM Contemporary Worship Service <i>1st Sunday in Lent</i>	22 <i>Register for Worship!</i> (2/28 Worship Service)	23 Book Club 1 PM	24 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Administrative Council 7 PM	25	26 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	27
28 10 AM Traditional Worship Service <i>2nd Sunday in Lent</i>	(March 1) <i>Register for Worship!</i> (3/7 Worship Service)					

Worship Schedule:
Worship services are being held indoors and in-person at 10 AM. The services will also be live-streamed for those unable to participate in person.

SCHEDULE OF



WORSHIP

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.

Deuteronomy 6:4-6 (NIV)

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Office Drop-In Hours: See Calendar Inside!

We seek to be a community filled with
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Lôôk Inside for...

- The **Lenten through Easter Worship and Events Schedule**,
- The **Shrove Tuesday Take-Out Pancake Supper Flyer**,
- A flyer for the **Spring Rummage Sale**,
- The **Harris Music Scholarship Application Information**,
- Information on the **211 Maryland United Way WARMLine**,

...and more!

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