



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...

A blessed May to everyone! This is going to be a busy month. It will be our last month indoors for awhile, as worship is set to begin outdoors (whenever possible), beginning the first weekend in June of 2021. Two families are having memorial services for loved ones this month, that had been postponed due to Covid-19. May is also the month when we celebrate Mother's Day and Memorial Day individually and as a church. Both holidays are bitter-sweet. As we celebrate women and mothers, we also think of those who have lost a mother to death, who are childless or have lost children, or who did not have mothers

who were loving and kind. Memorial Day reminds us of those who served our country and are no longer with us. As you enjoy your brunches, campground gatherings, picnics (and

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maybe parades) this month, please keep in your thoughts and prayers the sadness some are feeling, as well as the joy. If you know of someone who is suffering, please remember to send a note, make a phone call, or better yet, make a visit, as long as it is safe to do so. Just to realize that someone cares is a comfort. As a church, we rejoice with those who rejoice and mourn with those who mourn.

In the meantime, be sure to give yourself time to get outside, as you are able, and enjoy the beauty of God's creation! May is one of the prettiest months in the mid-Atlantic region, and we have just been through a long period of being isolated and home-bound. Looking at the flowers, trees, (and yes, even the forthcoming cicadas) may be just what the doctor ordered.

I pray a beautiful, meaningful month for the Wesley Church family.

Love, Rev. Amy

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No Sign-Up Needed— Come and Worship!

Thank you to all who have helped us out by signing up for worship in advance. At this time, we have discontinued worship sign-ups. Please feel free to attend worship at any time. We are currently keeping our sanctuary filled to about 50% capacity. If our attendance numbers begin to get close to the capacity limit, we will reevaluate.

Thank you again!





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| 7 Jonathan Yost | 26 Sarah (Yost) Smith |
| 10 Cheryl DeVilbiss | 27 Alex Myatt |
| 14 Ryan Baumiller | 28 Lindsey (Horner) Baumiller |
| 18 Patty Harris | Clay Myatt, Jr. |
| 19 Dolores Bennett | 29 Jim Watkins |
| Cynthia Davey | 30 Henry Myatt |
| 22 Bruce Davidson | |

- 2 Brad & Tracey Rill
- Andy & Stephanie Smith
- 9 Michael & Brittany Watkins
- 10 David & Dawn Graf
- 12 Aaron & Lauren Horner
- 14 Bruce & Judy Davidson
- 15 Michael & Rosemarie Sichel
- 16 Brian & Melissa (Phillips) Jones
- 17 Scott & Davona Palmer
- 20 Daniel & Stacey Graf
- Jeff & Jana Zachman
- 23 John & Brenda Hess
- 26 Wayne & Cindy Rill
- 27 Allen & Mindy (Daugherty) Dehority
- H. Lee & Gladys Smith
- 30 Rick & Laura Waltrup

Congratulations!

We extend our congratulations to Jonathan and Julianne (Yost) Bauer and family on the birth of their daughter, Eliana Rose Bauer, on April 3, 2021. Eliana was born at 11:39 PM and weighed in at 6 lbs. 13 oz. Welcome to the world, Eliana!



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!)

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

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.



A BIG shout out goes to all the people who made the rummage sale a huge success. From donations, signage, advertisement, sorting, pricing, collecting money, cooking, moving boxes, clean-up and, of course, shoppers, it could not have been done without all of you. You are a BLESSING!

Cindy Myatt

We want to thank everyone for their generous donations to our bake table. We made \$354.00 this weekend. That will help us with our mission project of hygiene bags for UMCOR. Your generosity is so greatly appreciated. Blessings to everyone.

The Wesley United Methodist Women

Takeout Tuesday News:

From the week of 3/23/21: Friends, on Tuesday we served 65 meals to our community. What a blessing! Thank you to all who helped and made food.

From the week of 4/6/21: What a night! We were able to bless 100 people with meals last night! Our God is so good!! The guys outside tell me that there were several new people again last night! Our community is in need and so thankful for all that we are doing! Thank you Wesley Church!

From the week of 4/13/21: Wesley Church You Rocked it again this week!! We were able to serve 125 meals on Tuesday. Thank you Thank you to everyone who made casseroles or desserts this week! Thank you to the wonderful and devoted servers! God is so good!!!

Many, many thanks to Lana Montgomery for pulling the Sunrise [online music] service together. And thanks to all the participants. We so appreciate your dedicated service. Thanks again for the deeply inspirational Stations of the Cross on Good Friday!

Janet Martin

Regarding the 7 AM Music on Easter Morning: It brought tears to my eyes to see our Wesley singers and musicians joined together in song and music. It may not have been perfect but it was beautiful! Thank you so much for all the time and effort you put in to make this possible. I am looking forward to joining you all in song at the 10:00 Outdoor service.

Jan Kurtz

Thank you Lana for putting together the music for Sunrise service. It felt good to hear the choir singing again, after a year it was time! Thank you choir for stepping up. Wesley is filled with musical talent and it was great to be together (even though we were apart) LOL

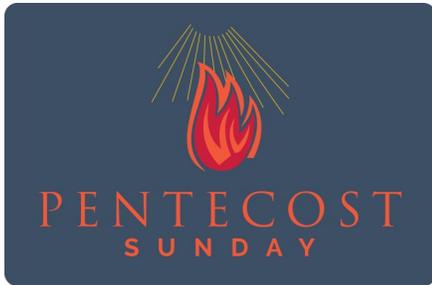
Jan Graf

Worship Services for May

We will continue to hold worship services indoors through Memorial Day Sunday, after which (weather permitting) we will begin regular outdoor services. Worship services will continue to be streamed online on our website (www.wesleychurch-hampstead.org) and on our YouTube Channel (<https://tinyurl.com/wvzrvqks>).



Happy Birthday, Church! Pentecost—Wear Red!



Happy birthday to the bride of Christ: the Christian Church!

We will be observing Pentecost Sunday on May 23, 2021, at 10 AM.

Come and join in the celebration! **Don't forget to wear red!**

Photos from the Outreach Rummage Sale



Thank you for all of your hard work!

Memorial Day Photos



As Memorial Day is approaching, Wesley UMC would like to honor and remember your loved ones who have served in the military. We would like to display framed photos, their names, and whatever information you would like to include. The photos will be displayed on Sunday, May 30th, and Sunday, June 6th.

Please place your photos in a box labeled "Memorial Day Photos" in the back of the Sanctuary, or you may call Bonnie Catron (410-374-1136) and make arrangements to deliver them to her front porch. Please do not bring them to the church office. You may pick them up after the church service on Sunday, June 6th. Thank you!

Combined, In-Person Sunday School—Pre-K through 5th Grade!



Ms. Davona and Ms. Jen are holding an in-person Sunday School class from 9:00-9:45 AM. It is a combined class for children Preschool-5th grade! In order to appropriately plan, please contact Jen Ejk if your child will be attending in person (jenniferejk@yahoo.com). Feel free to email Jen with questions as well. **Spread the word!**

Some video lessons are continuing to be posted on YouTube, which you can access through the church website. Mrs. Bonnie, Mrs. Linda, and Mrs. Patty will continue to post videos on YouTube, while Mrs. Davona and Mrs. Jen are working with the children in-person only. Visit this link and check out the playlists for the videos: <https://wesleychurch-hampstead.org/sunday-school-youtube>. Thanks!!

A Note to Share with the Community

Have you ever wanted to say something to someone in support of what they might be going through but did not have the right words or resources?

God may have provided just the right thing to say through our sister in Christ, Betsy Sennett, who created the beautiful, hand-drawn card to the right. Feel free to cut it out and share it with someone who might need to hear the message. Praise God!

God wants ALL of His children to love and respect each other. Our hearts are saddened with how our Asian brothers and sisters are being treated. We are praying for you and hope that you can feel our love.

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. Romans 12:21

Wesley United Methodist Church.

May Lectionary... GET INTO THE WORD!

May 2: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 22:25-31; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8

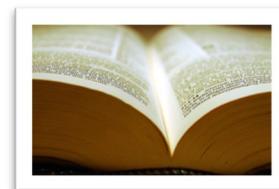
May 9 (Mother's Day): Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

May 13 (Ascension Day): Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

May 16: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19

May 23 (Pentecost Sunday): Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

May 30 (Trinity Sunday/Peace with Justice Sunday): Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17



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

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

News from the Book Club



All readers are welcome! Listed below are our upcoming selections so you have time to obtain the books and read at your convenience. As long as the weather is cold, we will continue to meet at Wesley. Most of you may want to return to "Reenie's Garage" once the weather improves and warms up. We will have to take it a month at a time. [Dates may change if the group chooses to return to Thursday meetings later this season.] Contact Reenie Harris with questions: ichdeh@comcast.net or (410) 848-1121.

Here are the future reads:

Good Reads & Conversation

- *April 27th (Tuesday)* - **The Getaway Girls** by Dee MacDonald - Wesley Choir Room, 1 PM
- *May 25th (Tuesday)* - **American Dirt** by Jeanine Cummins - meeting place TBD
- *June 29th (Tuesday)* - **Standing in the Rainbow** by Fannie Flagg - meeting place TBD

ReStore (Habitat for Humanity) Volunteers Needed



Do you have a few hours to spare? The ReStore is looking for volunteers!

Volunteers perform a variety of tasks to support the Habitat ReStore employees in creating and maintaining an extraordinary donor, volunteer, and shopper experience in the ReStore.

Volunteer opportunities include: Sales Floor and Donation Center Volunteer, Donation Test & Repair Volunteer, Driver’s Helper Volunteer.

Interested? Please email Claire Haddock, Volunteer Coordinator for the ReStore at chaddock@cchabitat.org or call (410) 751-5200 (and choose option 3). Website: <https://cchabitat.org/volunteer/>

Carroll County ReStore: 433 Hahn Rd • Westminster, MD 21157

Report from Wesley’s United Methodist Women



We meet on April 11th by Zoom to discuss the rummage sale and also our mission projects. We will be doing hygiene bags for UMCOR in the near future.

We would like to say thank you to everyone that supported our bake table at the rummage sale. You are all such a blessing to us. We made \$354.00. That is enough for us to be able to buy supplies for the hygiene kits. We will be meeting in the beginning of May to assemble them.

We hope to meet in May to do our Prayer and Self Denial program before we stop meeting for the summer.



A Note from Tommy Smith about the Parsonage Pavilion Project:

“For my Eagle Scout project, I will be constructing a 24’ x 24’ pavilion behind the parsonage, six picnic tables, and a connecting sidewalk. Your support is essential to my success.

“The overall cost is estimated to be approximately \$6,000. Would you consider a financial donation to help me with my project?

“ ___ \$50 ___\$75 ___\$100 ___\$200 ___ other amount”

“The cost is approximately \$10 per square foot. How many square feet can you help me with?

**“Checks should be made payable to Thomas Smith and mailed to:
2701 Academy Drive, Westminster, MD 21157**

“Any excess funds donated will come back to the church for future maintenance of the project. Thank you for your consideration! I am looking forward to completing my Eagle journey helping Wesley UMC.”



Wesley VBS 2021 - Family Style!!

"Rocky Railway"

**Monday, August 2nd, Wednesday, August 4th, and Friday, August 6th
6:15—7:30 PM**

"Climb Aboard" with us as we take a railway adventure! This theme will help kids learn more about "trusting Jesus" and how he gives us the strength we need each day!

This year, our VBS will take place three evenings during the first week in August. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children to take part in this Railway adventure. Let's have fun moving through stations and listening to a Bible story, creating a craft, and learning words and motions to the COOL VBS songs!!

We will not be having a closing program and pre-registration is required as capacity will be limited. Stay tuned...more information to come!!

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

- Our **BLUE BIN** for the Mission has arrived! Please feel free to share this information with your friends and family. Remember to **only put Men's, Women's, and Children's clothes and shoes in this bin** (no household items, please). This bin will be emptied every Monday.
- **Amazon Wish List:** The WRM has put together a "Wish List" for items that can be purchased online at Amazon. Financial contributions are definitely welcome, but some might enjoy purchasing something tangible to donate. The link for the Wish List is: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/26ZZHK0355VVK?ref_=wl_share.



[Here are a few samples of some of the things on the Amazon Wish List:](#)



Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions

by Anonymous (Hardcover)

★★★★★ ∨ 5,813

\$14.89 ✓prime

Price dropped 8% (was \$16.15 when added to List)

388 Used & New from \$2.30

Needs 20



**SET of 12 Recovery AA Medallion / Coins BSP
24hr-11mo Commemorative**

★★★★☆ ∨ 799

\$10.29 ✓prime

8 Used & New from \$4.00

Priority: High | Needs 20



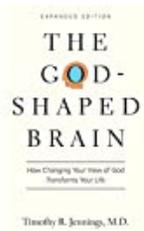
**Astrobrights/Neenah Bright White Cardstock,
8.5" x 11", 65 lb/176 gsm, White, 75 Sheets
(90905-02) - Packaging May Vary**

★★★★★ ∨ 8,543

\$6.99 ✓prime

7 Used & New from \$6.98

Needs 5



**The God-Shaped Brain: How Changing Your
View of God Transforms Your Life**

by Timothy R. Jennings (Paperback)

★★★★☆ ∨ 489

\$13.73 ✓prime

62 Used & New from \$4.50

Needs 10

More items are listed on the web on the [Addiction Healing Center's Amazon Wishlist](#). If you would like to contribute, purchase your choice of items and place them in the box in the Social Hall entranceway. If you have questions, please contact Pam Phillips at 410-596-0777. Thank you!



Library Notes

******Important to remember!! We have CDs of past church services available for you to take home and listen to if you cannot make it to our service on a Sunday. No need to check out the CDs, just bring them back when you are finished with them. *******

During this month, we celebrate mothers and all that they do. Women, both mothers AND grandmothers, are so important in the day-to-day teaching of children. At the end of the day, these caretakers make such a difference in the lives of babies, juveniles, and older youth. In the following suggested books, there is provided support, encouragement, prayers, and SMILES! "You may not be able to leave your children a great inheritance, but day by day, you may be weaving coats for them which they will wear for eternity." --Theodore L. Cuyler--

Children Are From Heaven by John Gray (173) Based on the idea that children respond better to positive rather than negative reinforcement, the *Children Are From Heaven* program concentrates on rewarding, not punishing, children and fostering their innate desire to please their parents. Central to this approach are the five positive messages your children need to learn again and again: It's okay to be different. It's okay to make mistakes. It's okay to express negative emotions. It's okay to want more. It's okay to say no, but remember Mom and Dad are the bosses.

Seven Words to Change Your Family by James MacDonald (173) Family is one of life's greatest joys, but sometimes heart-felt laughter is hard to come by. Has your family been going through troubled times? Do you need a word of encouragement, a lift in the right direction? In a humorous, yet challenging way, James MacDonald teaches words from Scripture that, if applied, can truly transform your family...from top to bottom!

The Five Love Languages of Children by Gary Chapman (173). Children need to know how much you love them. Every child expresses and receives love best through one of five communication styles: quality time, words of affirmation, gifts, acts of service, and physical touch. If your love language is different from your children's, you need to learn to translate or you may miss the chance to meet their deepest emotional needs. Discover how to express unconditional feelings of respect, affection, and commitment that will resonate in their souls and inspire them for the rest of their lives.

Life Management for Busy Women by Elizabeth George (232) Do you feel as though you're falling behind in your schedule? Do you long for your life to be simpler and more focused? Are you wondering about your purpose in life—if perhaps you've missed it? You're not alone—these are the concerns that tug at the hearts of many women today. And author Elizabeth George, a busy woman herself, can identify completely. Through the years, she has looked to God's Word for answers about a woman's priorities and purpose in life; and, in this book she shares her discoveries.

Chicken Soup for the Grandma's Soul by Jack Canfield (240) This book celebrates the memories we make and the times we cherish with grandmothers: the women who can both spoil and be stern; who provide unconditional love and invaluable wisdom; who can share sage advice while sharing ice cream.

Children Learn What They Live: Parenting to Inspire Values by Dorothy Law Nolte (173). If children live with criticism, they learn to condemn. If children live with acceptance, they learn to love. Nolte offers a simple but powerful guide to parenting – by inspiring values through example. Addressing issues of security, self-worth, tolerance, honesty, fear, respect, fairness, patience, and more, this book of common sense will help parents find their own parenting wisdom and draw out their child's immense inner resources.

Our library is for you to use and enjoy. Remember to sign your name and date to the card found in the back of the book. File the card in the yellow box under the letter that begins your last name. When you return a book, find the card, put the return date on the card, and put the card in the pocket of the book. You can stack books on the shelf beside the yellow box or on the desk; the librarians will re-shelve them. Please return borrowed items within 6 months.

Donated items may be left stacked on the library desk. **Please** leave a paper with your name and the names of the donated items so that we can give you proper credit. Remember that we only take items suitable for a church library. The librarians reserve the right to determine suitability.

Bonnie Catron and Nan Lishman, Librarians

Outreach Minutes • April 13, 2021

Members present: Janet Martin, Connie Wiegel, Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis-Rill, Pam Phillips, Davona Palmer, Marty Joiner, and Vicky Wilmer

Treasurer's Report: Our bills are all paid

Meals: If anyone is in need of a meal, please contact Bonnie.

Rescue Mission Needs/Meals: Pam reported that the Rescue Mission is emptying the bin every Monday. We will be providing a meal for the clients of the Rescue Mission every third Tuesday of the month.

Takeout Tuesday is off and running. Many thanks to all of the people who have cooked or baked for Takeout Tuesday. Thank you the many people who have volunteered to help pack and deliver the meals each week. I want to especially thank Madison for being faithful each week to come and help prepare our meals.

Staying in Touch: Janet Martin reported that people have been reaching out to members in our congregation by phone or by sending a postcard. We will look into getting additional postcards showcasing our church through the different seasons.

Cold Weather Shelter: Janet Martin reported that with the help of Linda Yost, who had a connection through UMW, they were able to deliver much needed feminine products. She also delivered 12 frozen meals for clients who arrive too late to receive a meal. We vote to deliver 12 frozen meals each month.

Alpha Bottles Are Due. Please return them as soon as possible.

Bulletin board: Vicky and Davona are in the planning stage.

Rummage Sale: April 16-17. Cindy reported that she had lots of help setting up the rummage sale but that she needs lots of hands to pack up at 2:00.

Rape Crisis Center: We voted to send \$250 to the Rape Crisis Center to honor all the women in our church for Mother's Day. We are researching where to send our donation for Father's Day.

Water Stand: Rev. Amy would like for us to set up a water stand when we are worshipping outside for our congregation or anyone passing by.

There was a discussion about holding a **church picnic** in August or September.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 11, at 6 PM.



Administrative Council Meeting Minutes • March 24, 2021

Attendees: Vicky Wilmer, Jess Sichel, Rose Sichel, Janet Martin, Jen Ejk, Connie Wiegel, Brenda Kennedy, Michelle Hudgins, Linda Yost, Jon Yost, Sandy Cole, Linda Hollman, Amy Sarah Lewis-Rill, John Sies, Denny Rill, Jackie Otwell, Matt Sichel, and Laura Waltrup.

The meeting opened at 7:02 PM with a devotion offered by Rev. Amy based on 1 Corinthians 3:5-9: ⁵What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. ⁶I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. ⁷So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. ⁸The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each. ⁹For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building." We are each workers and each of us has gifts, but we are on the same team with the same God. We are co-workers in God's service. We can pass the Message because someone gave it to us.

Janet Martin will do devotions next month. The committee then shared anecdotes about Pastors.

Christian Education: Jen Ejk

- There will be a combined Sunday School for pre-K through 5th graders in-person beginning April 11th. Jen asks that interested families email her ahead of time.
- Linda, Bonnie, and Patty will continue to record videos for Sunday School, as well, for posting on the web.
- Vacation Bible School: The Christian Ed. team is looking toward the end of summer/August; many options are being considered, such as evening, family-oriented, the week of the 2nd or the 9th. May have some staffing issues.
- Sunday School end date will be the Sunday before Memorial Day: May 23rd.

Worship: Janet Martin

- Palm Sunday: Palms will be ordered.
- Maundy Thursday: Communion will be offered (Linda Hollman will take care of setting it up).
- Good Friday: There will be stations of the cross in the Sanctuary from 12 to 3 PM. We will have 9 stations of the cross that will be self-directed with things to read and/or do. John Sies asked if it would be possible to have a virtual walk-through of the Stations. [Lana Montgomery recorded a walk-through of the stations, which was posted on our website and on our YouTube channel.]
- Easter: 10 AM Outside Worship Service at 10 AM with Communion (if there is good weather). There will also be music at 7 AM on the Wesley UMC YouTube channel.

United Methodist Women: Connie Wiegel

- The UMW met on 2/21 in the evening on Zoom. There were six people in attendance at this regular meeting.
- The Bake Table [at the Spring Drive-Thru Supper] earned \$926.50.
- The UMW will meet April 11th in the evening; they will discuss the Rummage Sale.
- The group is hoping to do UMCOR hygiene kits (50 bags). It is trying to stay busy and together.

Outreach: Vicky Wilmer (minutes were sent out)

- The Rummage Sale will be April 16th and 17th from 9 AM to 2 PM. Any donations can be brought in that week. The event will be mainly indoor with cooking outside (burgers, hot dogs, chips, drinks, refreshments). The UMW will also have a Bake Table. Connie asked what hours items can be dropped off; this was published elsewhere, but the hours should be posted on Facebook (Vicky will communicate that).
- Baby Bottles will continue to be collected this week and next week.
- Outreach will meet again in person on April 13th at 6 PM.

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Trustees: Linda Yost

- The Trustees met on March 3rd and discussed lots of things.
- If someone is interested in using the church, permission should be requested from the Trustees
- The Trustees received a \$6,300 bid for the repair of the west-side tower's badly rotted louvre and leaking mortar. They are still looking for a cheaper estimate. The Trustees requested that this be a Wesley Improvement Project (WIP) item. There is \$17,200 currently in the WIP account. The motion came from a committee, so no second was needed. It is not new and/or improvement to the church, but it is an emergency. John Sies asked if there are other funds available; no, there are not funds available. **The official motion was to use up to \$6,300 from WIP funds to repair the aforementioned items.** It was noted that "cheaper" is not necessarily "better." **The vote was none opposed, non abstained, all in favor; the motion passed.**
- There is still a leaking problem in the choir room, which has to do with downspouts/gutters. Another bid will be sought after from Owen Rill/C3 Construction. It should be about \$500. Trustees will discuss and vote next month.

SPRC: Linda Yost

- Met in March, discussed SPRC goals.
- SPRC has taken on composing leadership descriptions for each committee. Sandy Cole and Matt Otwell will discuss further.
- The SPRC wants to educate the congregation about needing to fill roles.
- The SPRC and the Administrative Council will need to prepare themselves to deal with the impending [possible] world-wide split of the denomination.
- Rev. Amy's goals include:
 - September: new youth group leader
 - Fall 2021-Spring 2022: Confirmation Class during Sunday School for the academic year
 - Work on doctoral dissertation
 - Get the congregation through the pandemic
 - Guide the congregation through the church division
- The representative to Finance from SPRC is Roger Daugherty.
- Jess Sichel thanked Roger Daugherty for his help in the church office.

Communications: Sandy Cole has the ad for the Rummage Sale timed for the newspaper, WTTR, and any other free ads in papers.

Membership: Sandy Cole is keeping up with congregational information changes.

Spring Drive-Thru Fried Chicken Supper:

- 520 pieces of chicken were sold (7 dark meat pieces were left over). 381 meals were sold, with 132 extra pieces, 17 quarts of potato salad (with meals) and 17 additional quarts of potato salad (kitchen sales) were also sold.
- The net profit from the supper was around \$3,000. The fall supper brought in about \$2,600, so the income was up.
- There was lots of fellowshiping and people were appreciative. The plan is to have another supper on November 13th.
- Feedback says that the potato salad was a amazing.

Finance/Treasurer: Michelle Hudgins/Laura Waltrup

- Laura forwarded the financial reports for the meeting ahead of time.
- A letter was sent out in early March/late February. At the last meeting, we were tracking pretty far behind. Things were tight; apportionments, medical, and pension bills were not paid on time. However, we have had a fairly good response to the letter, with our income being much better. At the end of February, the bank balance was back up a bit, and outstanding bills were paid in March. March's bills were paid on time.
- We are still behind. Laura is hoping that we get close to the budget. We are running under budget for expenses.

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- Laura is curious to see what happens moving forward. Will income giving levels be more consistent? Also of note is that the summer is usually difficult, financially. As for now, she is feeling much better, but things will need to be taken month to month.
- Michelle will put together another letter. She will work with Laura about a statement and get together by the end of the week.
- It was noted that communication happening before the pandemic (Town Halls) is no longer happening.

United Methodist Men: Denny Rill announced that the UMM will be meeting with dinner on April 26th at 6:30 PM. Denny will send out notices.

United Methodist Women: Linda Yost reported that Wesley is one of the few open and operating churches. We have been that way since last June. Other people from other churches are flabbergasted, as they are just now organizing. Rev. Amy and everyone were praised for working the way we have. Rev. Amy noted that things are similar multi-denominationally, as well. John Sies noted that people are getting shots; he stated that if ANYONE over 75 has not been contacted about shots, Ed Singer in the health department can be contacted personally. John has his phone number.

Lay Member to Annual Conference: Matt Sichel

- There were no questions about the report that Matt sent around [regarding the current/future UMC situation]. Thanks were offered to Matt.
- It is worth mentioning that there was to be a specially called General Conference in May called by the Bishops, but it was cancelled due to outcry from African and other delegates. The Council of Bishops will discuss pushing up issues like retiring Bishops and electing Bishops, etc. Bottom line, the situation is fluid, and we should keep our eyes out for changes.
- Rev. Amy seconded the fact that the situation is fluid. She also said that we will [as a church] eventually need to vote.
- Discussion continued on what divisions would be like under the Protocol for Separation with the vote. Clarification was made by John Sies that the Global Methodist Church would be the traditionalist expression.

The meeting closed at 8:07 PM with prayer by Matthew Sichel. The next meeting of the Administrative Council will be on the fourth Wednesday in April [April 28th] at 7 PM. Janet Martin will do devotions for that meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jessica Sichel, Recording Secretary

Note: Additional reports available upon request.

From the Editor...



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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

MAY 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 10 AM Contemporary Worship Service	3	4 Take-Out Tuesdays 4:30 to 5:30 PM	5 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Visitation 12 PM at J&Ps Trustees 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	6	7 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	8
9 <i>Mother's Day</i> 10 AM Traditional Worship Service	10	11 Take-Out Tuesdays 4:30 to 5:30 PM Outreach 6 PM	12 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM SPRC 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	13 Worship Meeting (ZOOM) 7 PM	14 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM <i>Praise Team Practice</i>	15 <i>June Journal Submissions Due Today!</i> Roger Beam Funeral 3— 5 PM (with interment)
16 <i>Ascension Sunday</i> 10 AM Contemporary Worship Service <i>Harris Scholarship Distribution</i>	17	18 Take-Out Tuesday 4:30 to 5:30 PM	19 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM UMW 6:30 PM Finance 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	20	21 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	22
23 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i> 10 AM Traditional Worship Service <i>Church Kitchen Reserved 11 AM—5 PM</i>	24	25 Book Club 1 PM in Fellowship Hall Take-Out Tuesday 4:30 to 5:30 PM	26 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Administrative Council 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	27	28 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM <i>Praise Team Practice</i>	29
30 <i>Trinity/Peace with Justice/Memorial Day Sunday</i> 10 AM Traditional Worship Service	31			<p>Worship Schedule: Worship services are being held in-person at 10 AM and indoors through Memorial Day weekend.</p> <p>The services will also be live-streamed for those unable to participate in person.</p>		

SCHEDULE OF



WORSHIP

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

Deuteronomy 6:4-6 (NIV)



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We seek to be a community filled with the hope and love of Jesus.

Worship Participants for May:

- May 2: Contemporary Worship Leader—Lana Montgomery
- May 9: Liturgist—Matthew Sichel
- May 16: Contemporary Worship Leader—Lisa Kemp
- May 23: Liturgist—Laura Waltrup
- May 30: Liturgist—Jan Kurtz



Look Inside for...

- The **Vacation Bible School** flyer ,
- Details about the **Amazon Wish List** for the **Westminster Rescue Mission**,
- information about the **Parsonage Pavilion** to be built... **...and more!**

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