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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: Nov. 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

As I write this, a cold front has just come through our little corner of the world, and it is starting to look very much like late autumn. With the fall of leaves from tree branches, the furnace turned on, and a chill in the air, my mind is wandering toward the upcoming holidays. Thanksgiving is, and always has been, one of my very favorite times of the year. I like it because there is no gift buying to do, little rushing around (except maybe to get to where one wants to go or to buy food), and families and friends gather together.

I also think, particularly at this time of the year, of those who are not so fortunate."

Denny and I will almost certainly be hosting Thanksgiving dinner for our children and grandchildren, and there will be laughter and joy. God has blessed us richly with a beautiful home, animals, family, friends, and a

terrific church home called Wesley United Methodist Church. So much for which to be thankful! Every year, like so many of you, we enjoy going from person to person gathered around our Thanksgiving table, each lifting up a blessing for which he or she is grateful.

I also think, particularly at this time of the year, of those who are not so fortunate. In our very own community in Carroll County, there are those who have no beautiful home, nor dining room table, nor food. Some have lost loved ones over the past year, and the faces and names of those beloved family members and friends will be missed terribly over the holidays. There are lonely people, sick people and unloved people. There are those whose lives have been ravaged by addictions to drugs, alcohol, or gambling. One of the best ways I have found to give thanks back to God is to reach out to God's suffering children. There are many ways to do that. Bring in canned

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REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9.30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10.30 AM FELLOWSHIP TIME

11 AM WORSHIP SERVICE



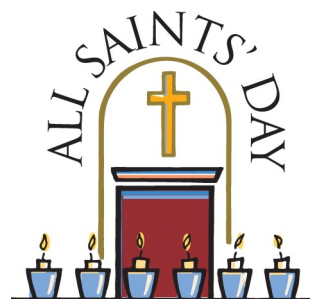
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Wesley Saints: All Saints Day

This All Saints Sunday, November 7th, we remember the following members of Wesley UMC who have passed away since last year's All Saints Sunday:

- Robert L. Gunnarsson, Sr.
- Forrest Crispin, Jr.
- Zelda Wilhelm
- Elsie Zumbrun
- Anna Faye Jenkins
- Roger Beam
- H. Wesley Senseney



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
Room 139
3332 Main St.
Manchester, MD 21102

Jean Colton
Sunrise Senior Living
Room 103
45 Washington Road
Westminster, MD 21157
(410) 857-9013



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



Dear Wesley Family,

Thank you so much for the many words of gratitude and encouragement you all have given me. You are a generous and loving church family! It has brought me so much joy and peace to have worshiped with you these past seven years. I look forward to the times I'm able to come join in your worship again. Again, thank you for the way you demonstrate Christ's love in this church family! John 13:55

Love, Lana Montgomery

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"Thank You"..."from the bottom of our hearts"

Thank you Wesley Church! The dinner was such a very nice & delicious gesture for us. We really appreciated it. The casserole & brownies were the bomb. Thank you for all your efforts.

The Ladies at the Mission!

P.S.—Ms. Janet, the brownies were great!

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Dear Wesley United Methodist Church,

You are one of our most dedicated partners. And because you share my passion for helping vulnerable neighbors who struggle with homelessness and addiction, I'm writing to ask for your special help.

As we enter the Thanksgiving season, the need around Helping UP Mission is magnified. And I'm hoping I can count on your exceptional support to help feed and bless our most vulnerable neighbors.

Just \$2.05 is all it takes to provide a hearty meal and care for a hurting soul — a meal that can be the first step toward a new life filled with hope. So please open your heart and give a generous gift today.

Giving thanks for you, Robert K. Gehman

Thank you for your kindness!

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"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." - Proverbs 22:9 (NIV)

Dear Friends,

In August, I visited Barahona to check in with our team, participate in some planning discussions, and assist with a project at the Los Robles church. It is always a joy to have the opportunity to talk with members of our staff and the people they are serving. One theme that was evident in many conversations is gratitude. Just as we are seeing here in the U.S., prices for everyday needs are on the rise in the Dominican Republic. People receiving the rice, beans, and eggs at our food distributions are so thankful that we have been consistently able to bring the food into their communities. In addition, our five paid staff members are grateful to have jobs that provide for their families' needs.

We are grateful to God for the way He continues to provide for the needs of these communities. We appreciate you for your faithful and generous participation in this work!

***In Christ alone, Marty Hogan,
Executive Director for The Least of These Ministries***

Introducing Pastor Frank, Interim Pastor for Rev. Amy

Hello, Wesley Church,

Rev. Amy continues to recover from her recent surgery. She has asked specifically for prayers about relief from the pain she's experiencing. We continue to wait for more information on her prognosis. Outreach is coordinating meals; if that is something you would like to do, please contact Bonnie Catron (catron.bonnie@gmail.com).

We are grateful to Rev. Dick Harden of Pleasant Grove UMC who has been providing on-call pastoral care for us. He will continue to do so through October 31st. Thank you also goes to Linda Yost and Stephanie Halley who have devotedly brought messages on Sunday mornings. We appreciate your words of life and hope. I will be preaching next Sunday, October 31st.

Rev. Amy anticipates being out at least through January 1st, 2022. Beginning November 1st and continuing until her return, we will be served by the Rev. Dr. Frank Richardson, Jr., who will provide interim pastoral service to Wesley. Pastor Frank is a dear friend of Rev. Amy, and he performed Amy and Denny's wedding and has visited from time to time, so he is no stranger to Wesley. He has offered to provide this coverage for us as a free gift to the church. Below is a biography for Pastor Frank. His first Sunday in the pulpit will be November 7th. Please give him a warm Wesley welcome! He can be reached at docinpsychology@gmail.com or (410) 746-6008.

In the meantime, we continue to pray for Rev. Amy and hope that she will recover fully. Thank you for being so supportive. If you have any questions about this interim pastoral coverage program, please let me or Linda Yost (lijost@verizon.net) know. It's a pleasure to serve Christ with Wesley Church. Thank you for all the good ministry work that you do.

In His service with you, **Matt Sichel, Lay Member to Annual Conference**

Frank J. Richardson, Jr., Ph.D., D.Min., MFT



Dr. Frank J. Richardson, Jr., had been employed at The Maryland School for the Blind (MSB) from September of 2006 to July of 2020. Along with being a staff psychologist at MSB, he was also the Supervisor for The Psychology and Social Work Departments for a number of those years. From 1994 to August of 2006, Dr. Richardson was an Instructor and then Assistant Professor at The Johns Hopkins School of Medicine in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and a staff psychologist at The Kennedy Krieger Institute. He provided psychological services to children, adolescents and young adults with developmental disabilities. In addition, he was a consultant to a special education school, as well as mentored Psychology Fellows. For two years, from 1999 to 2001, he served part-time as the first oncology chaplain at The Weinberg Center, which is affiliated with The Johns Hopkins Hospital. As the oncology chaplain, Dr. Richardson founded and developed *The Intensive Prayer Unit*, *Prayer for the Day Program* and *The Blessing of Hands* service. From 1997 to 2018, Dr. Richardson was an adjunct faculty member in the Pastoral Counseling Department at Loyola University in Maryland. He taught courses in *Human Development*, *Introduction to Family Therapy*, *Psychotherapy for Children and Adolescents* and *Pastoral Integration*. He also supervised graduate students in this program. Dr. Richardson was a Pediatric Psychology Fellow at Georgetown University Hospital and at The Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Medicine. He is listed in The National Register of Health Services Providers in Psychology and was a Fellow in the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and is a former Board-Certified Chaplain. In his younger years, Dr. Richardson was a professional tennis instructor and certified by The United States Professional Tennis Association.

Dr. Richardson has had various pastoral experiences. Besides his experience as a ministerial assessment specialist where he conducts psychological assessments of candidates for ministry in The United Methodist Church, he served on the National Advisory Committee on Psychological Assessment for The United Methodist Church. From 1978-1987, he was the Pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church, which is located in suburban Philadelphia. He was a guest Chaplain

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Introduction of Pastor Frank *(Continued)*

at The House of Representatives and The Library of Congress. While a local church pastor, he co-founded *The East Lansdowne Caring Organization*, which was a nonprofit corporation serving the indigent and elderly in the community. He was a chaplain intern in the pediatric unit at Massachusetts General Hospital, at Dorchester Inn and School in Dorchester, Mass. and at McLean Hospital in Belmont, Mass.

Dr. Richardson has a doctoral degree in clinical psychology, a Doctor-in-Ministry degree (with special emphasis in pastoral counseling) and a Master's degree in family therapy. One of his mentors was Ivan Boszormenyi-Nagy, who was the originator of contextual family therapy and one of the founders of the entire family therapy approach. Dr. Richardson also earned a training certificate, having graduated from the three-year part-time training program at The Pennsylvania Foundation of Pastoral Counseling. He has published a number of articles and has presented at various national conferences. His area of expertise is pastoral counseling, working with children and adolescents with developmental disabilities and the integration of psychology and theology.

Pastor's Message *(Continued)*



goods for NESAP. Volunteer to deliver those canned goods. Volunteer at an organization that needs extra help during the holidays, and throughout the year. Send a card. Give a hug. Give your time and love to those who are hurting or hungry. Be a Christian, and learn that "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

However you choose to spend your Thanksgiving, Denny and I are very thankful for you all, and you will be lifted up as a blessing at our Thanksgiving table. May you feel the love of God this holiday season, and may you offer the love of God to those in need. Happy Thanksgiving!

Love, Rev. Amy

Operation Christmas Child 2021



There will be two ways to participate in this year's Annual Outreach Christmas project:

- ✦ You can take a shoebox and fill it as you have in years past. **Empty shoeboxes will be ready for pickup at church on Sunday, Oct. 10 and should be returned to church by Sunday, Nov. 7.** All directions will be inside each box. Wesley's outreach Committee will be paying the postage this year so you do not need to include the \$9 shipping fee inside the box. If you would like to make a contribution to the Outreach Committee, you may write a check directly to them.
- ✦ You can use the Operation Christmas Child online service to create a shoebox. Each online shoebox costs \$25. Follow directions at this website: <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline>

If you have any questions about this year's collection, please contact Brenda Benson 717-698-1576 or bandgbenson@gmail.com.



Wesley UMC Drive-Thru Fried Chicken Supper!

Saturday, November 13, 2021

From 12 pm (until we are sold out!)

Each Meal Includes $\frac{1}{4}$ Fried Chicken (your choice of dark or white meat), Two Sides, and Bread and Butter

1 Meal.....\$10

Extra Fried Chicken Quarter.....\$4



- Pre-Ordering and Pre-Paying are Available!
- Electronic Payment Onsite Also Available
- **Baked Goods will also be available for sale.**

***** Pre-Order and Reserve Your Pickup Time *****

Call Jan Graf today at 1-443-677-3761

to place your order and reserve your pickup time.

The final day for pre-orders is November 9th. Get your reservation in today!

You may also prepay in advance using a credit/debit card.

When you arrive at Wesley UMC, please remain in your car and follow the traffic pattern to have your order delivered to you.

*Proceeds from this drive-thru supper will benefit
Wesley United Methodist Church.*

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Wesley United Methodist Women's News



Wesley's UMW will be meeting on the third Thursday of each month. Everyone is asked to bring a sandwich and dessert and drinks will be provided. We will meet at 11am in the church hall. We would like to invite all of our ladies at Wesley to come and join us in fellowship and doing Gods work.

We would like to thank everyone who bought a Boscov's coupon from us. It is a big fund raiser for us to be able to do our mission work. Our next fund raiser will be the bake table at the chicken carry out supper. Anyone that is able to help with this it is greatly appreciated. The date for the supper is November 13th.

We delivered 50 hygiene bags to UMCOR in Parkton in October. They were wonderfully received.

Blessings to all, Connie Wiegel, President

Wesley United Methodist Men's News



The Wesley United Methodist Men will be meeting on Monday, November 15, at 6:30pm in the Social Hall.

If you're a man of any age, please join us or food, fellowship and devotion.

As we met for the first time in September after a long hiatus, we are getting reorganized. We will be meeting on the 3rd Monday each month. We will be looking for meeting speakers/programs and considering opportunities to give back to the community. For now, we will enjoy a good meal and fellowship, and a devotion.

Hope you can attend. All men are welcome.

-Dave Hudgins-

Harvest Food Drive for Thanksgiving—NESAP



Beginning October 31st, please help our NESAP neighbors by bringing in some canned and non-perishable foods! **We will collect goods until November 21st.**
Thank you for contributing!

Here are some things the pantry needs:

Instant Potatoes
Jell-O
Pudding
Stuffing
Mixed Veggies
Paper Towels
Applesauce

Muffin Mix
Mac & Cheese
Hamburger Helper
Canned Chicken
Soups
Canned Potatoes
Breakfast Bars

Juice/Drinks
Shampoo
Gravy
Toilet Paper
Jelly
Pasta Sides
Brownie Mix

Laundry Detergent
Dish Soap
Diapers Sizes 4, 5, & 6
Cake Mix/Frosting



GriefShare Program



GriefShare Program continues through *December 7th*. There are 13 weeks working from the workbook and video ... then *November 16th* will be devoted to the special viewing of "Surviving the Holidays". We are meeting every Tuesday evening from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm in the church library. This is an excellent program to show us how important a role God plays in helping us through our journey of grief. Please talk to Bonnie Catron and/or Reenie Harris if you have questions or are interested in participating. You can also call the church office at (410) 374-4027.

News from the Book Club

Wesley Book Club meets at MJ's Café & Baking Co. in Manchester, MD, usually on the last Thursday of each month at **12 Noon**. All are welcome! Here are the **Wesley UMC Book Club Reading Selections and Meeting Dates from October through January**. (Please note the early November meeting due to Thanksgiving.)

- **Thursday, November 18th** (Please Note Time and Location Change – this meeting (only) now at Wesley UMC at **1 PM**; those attending the UMW meeting at 11 AM should bring their lunch, and dessert will be provided. Those attending Book Club directly after the UMW meeting should bring their lunch, and dessert will be provided there, as well): *After Midnight* by Catherine Ryan Hyde (About a gal whose father sells her horse and how she handles it.)
- **Thursday, December 30th:** *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline (How orphans were transported across the US in the early 1900s.)
- **Thursday, January 27th:** *The Winemaker's Wife* by Kristen Hamel (An historical novel.)



Happy reading! Reenie Harris

Planned Giving

"It is not enough to look back. We need to look forward. There is much that needs to be done (children taught, the sick visited, those who mourn to be comforted, and those in trouble to be helped). Wesley is to stand as a beacon to the love and power of God; its members are to be rays spreading out to give light in a dark world"

– Excerpted from Material Prepared for Wesley's Bicentennial (1987)

Wesley has a rich history, a wonderful present, and a future full of promise. How can we, living in the present, help plant the seeds for our church's future? Consider remembering our Wesley UMC in your Last Will and Testament. Planned giving is one way to provide a legacy to your commitment to Christ, helping Wesley to continue to stand as that "beacon to the love and power of God." Talk to your family. Talk to your advisors. Learn more. One source of information on planned giving is the Mid-Atlantic United Methodist Foundation, Inc. You can find them on the web at maumlegacy.org. At Wesley, feel free to contact Laura Waltrup, Finance Committee.



Let's Do... the Cookie Walk!



WESLEY OUTREACH COOKIE WALK IS BACK!

December 12th

after Sunday School & Worship Service
in the Fellowship Hall

(a few changes will take place for your protection and the
safe handling of cookies)

Free Will Donations will be Accepted

If you can volunteer to bake a batch of homemade cookies for the Cookie Walk,
please contact Cindy at 410 596-5391 or candcm Wyatt@gmail.com.

November Lectionary... GET INTO THE WORD!

November 1 (All Saints Day): Song of Solomon 3:1-9 or Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

November 7: Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17; Psalm 127; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

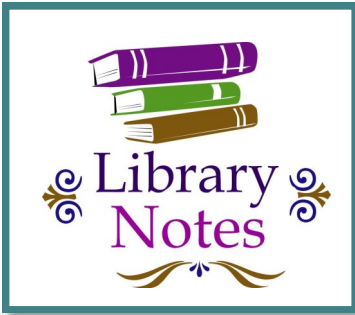
November 14: 1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

November 21 (Christ the King Sunday): 2 Samuel 23:1-7; Psalm 132:1-12; Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37

November 25 (Thanksgiving Day): Joel 2:21-27; Psalm 126; 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Matthew 6:25-33

November 28 (1st Sunday of Advent / UM Student Day): Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13;
Luke 21:25-36





This month is a potpourri of books designed to help you stretch your faith, assess your parenting skills, and determine what makes you angry---and what to do about it! Dive into some of these!

No More Jellyfish, Chickens, or Wimps: Raising Secure, Assertive Kids in a Tough World by Paul Coughlin (173). You can raise children of courage and character. Your children do not need to be timid and anxious. You can protect them without paralyzing their growth. Take the challenge and become a courageous parent whose children know how to be confident and assertive, be neither a victim nor a bully, and respond to injustice and defend others.

30 Days to Taming Your Anger by Deborah Smith Pegues (232). A guide for controlling your anger without burying or blowing it. From mild irritability to full-fledged rage, everyone experiences emotional displeasure from time to time. Using Biblical and modern-day stories, Pegues helps you discover anger-taming strategies such as understanding the underlying emotions that trigger anger, developing a divine perspective toward frustrating people or circumstances, extending grace to others, and learning to laugh at yourself.

A Fragile Stone by Michael Card (Audio-Visual) As much as we enjoy our relationship with Jesus Christ, imagine what it would have been like to take that a step further and be His friend when He was here on earth! The apostle Peter had that special opportunity. Michael Card traveled to Israel to walk us through the friendship between our Savior and the man Jesus renamed The Rock. You'll travel with Michael as he visits the places where Jesus and Peter interacted. You'll listen as Card reveals the intricacies of their friendship. And then you'll have the opportunity to discuss what you observed in order to make the teaching of Michael's lessons applicable to your own life.

Against the Night by Charles Colson (263) In *Against the Night*, Chuck Colson challenges Christians to regain a vision of what it means to live as members of the kingdom of God and to **be** the people of God. Page by page, he maps out a strategy for all who are determined to stand faithfully in the midst of the present darkness. In so doing, he rekindles our spiritual passion for goodness, for righteousness, and for living as lights amid the gathering darkness.

America's Controversy with God's Covenant by Perry Stone and Bill Cloud (950). The authors say that America has fallen victim to the snares that entrapped great superpowers of the past and is racing toward a breaking point. By forsaking the covenant made by our ancestors with the Almighty, we are beginning to see His hand of protection lifted and spiritual darkness descend. The question is asked, will this trend continue? Will we follow in the footsteps of fallen empires, such as Rome, or will we retrace our steps and return to the God of our fathers?

Audacious by Beth Moore (232). This is a deep dive into the message that has compelled Beth Moore to serve women around the globe. Glancing over the years of ministry behind her and strengthening her resolve to the call before her, she came to the realization that her vision for women was incomplete. It lacked something they were aching for. Something Jesus was longing for. Beth identifies that missing link by digging through scripture, unearthing life experiences, and spotlighting a turning point with the capacity to infuse any life with holy passion and purpose. What was missing? It's *audacious* and it is for all of us. And it's the path to the life you were born to live.

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 Committee Meeting Minutes • October 13, 2021

Members present: Jan Kurtz, Vicky Wilmer, Linda Yost, Connie Wiegel, Chet Phillips, Cindy Myatt, and Janet Martin

Treasurer's Report: We have paid all of the yearly donations thru December. We will pay the postage for Operation Christmas Child.

Budget for 2022: Was discussed and adjusted and approved.

Church Picnic went well. Plenty of great food and about 50 people attended.

Food Pantry is completed and we thank Wayne Rill for the beautiful cabinet. It is weather proof. We are checking the location to be sure it doesn't obscure the camera. Only non-perishable food will be place in the pantry and we will need to check the dates. We will come up with a list of suggested items.

Meals for Rescue Mission:

- September: Janet
- October: Connie
- November: UMW
- December: Freezer meal

NESAP Thanksgiving Food Drive will begin on October 31st. There will be boxes in the sanctuary and outside the Fellowship hall. We will deliver the food on November 21st.

Soup Sale: Nov. 7th. Need to check jars, lids and rings

College Students: Only 3 so far.

Operation Christmas Child: Brenda

- Boxes were put out this past Sunday
- Due back Nov. 7th

Cookie Walk: December 12th

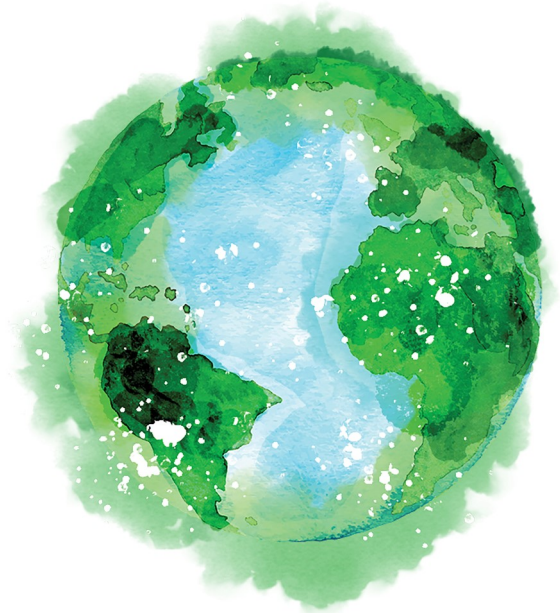
Caroling: Hold off

Christmas Families: We will be collecting gift cards for our families in need this year.

New Business:

- ↳ Afghan refugee support — different things we could do
 - A. Monetary Donation
 - B. Sponsorship
 1. 1 year commitment
 2. Involve other churches in the area
 3. Team of volunteers
 4. Case manager from LIRS
 5. Need to raise between \$3,000-\$7000
 - C. Take this to Ad Council
 - D. Involve other churches

Next Meeting: November 10th



Orphan Stones: Caring for Those Without Families

As All Saint's Sunday approaches and is observed, the Wesley U.M. Church Cemetery Committee is accepting donations for the repair of "Orphan Stones." Even though the cemetery is not responsible for the repairs to the monuments, we have many older ones that have no family left to repair them—thus they are "Orphan Stones." Time and weather have caused these older monuments to break, tilt, or fall. The earliest marked burial is 1841 and there are nearly 1,000 former members of our Church buried in the cemetery. Our church has a wonderful history of 234 years.



At this time, we have used many of the funds designated for Orphan Stones with repairs that need to be made to them. In honor of and gratitude to these people who founded and sustained our Church, and to keep our cemetery in good repair and appearance, we ask for your support. You may send your tax-deductible donation to the Church or put it in the collection plate on All Saint's Day or at any time. Be sure to add your name to the outside of an envelope and if you have a regular Church envelope, please include that number, also. Mark it for the "Orphan Stones" or Wesley Cemetery. Also, please keep the Church and cemetery in mind when you are preparing or updating your will. This will help us in the future.

Thank you. Dennis Rill, Wesley Cemetery

Church Conference—Change of Date/Time



Due to an unavoidable conflict for the Conference staff, Wesley's Church Conference is being moved (details to be announced).

All are welcome to attend the Church Conference; specific information for joining the ZOOM call will be forthcoming.

Administrative Council Meeting Minutes • September 22, 2021

Via Virtual - Zoom

Attendees: Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis Rill, Denny Rill, Sandy Cole, Michelle Hudgins, Brenda Kennedy, Janet Martin, John Sies, Laura Waltrup, Connie Wiegel, Jonathan Yost, and Linda Yost.

The meeting opened at 7:07 p.m. with Brenda Kennedy presenting a devotion called "The First to Forgive" from Devotions for a Heart Shaped Life, Psalm 103: 11-12 and prayer.

Minutes for August 25, 2021, were approved as amended by correcting Brenda Benson's name changing it to Brenda Kennedy as an attendee.

Christian Education: Jen Ejk

- On September 12, four more people attended Sunday School.
- Nan Dubit and Chet Phillips stepped down as high school teachers. Jackie Otwell and Patty Harris will look at ways to attract more participants. Rev. Amy asked for prayers that the Lord will bring us some children.
- Rev. Amy noted that Rose Sichel is the only person who answered her call for confirmands.
- Gospel Light material is being used again this year for Sunday School.

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Trustees: Linda Yost

- Trustees met virtually on September 1, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.
- Carroll Harris is waiting for parts to arrive to replace the damaged ones for the Church Office ac/heating unit. He will replace them as soon as they are received.
- Re-routing of the downspout and gutter along the outside wall of the Education wing appears to have corrected the leaking problem in the Choir room.
- Tommy Smith has nearly completed the pavilion for his Eagle Scout Project. Some corrections need to be made in order for it to be passed by zoning.
- Tim Anderson, Cello Instructor will continue to use the Choir Room for lessons. In lieu of a fee, he will perform during our 11:00 a.m. Worship Service on October 10, 2021. He will plan other performances as well.
- Sam Muller Masonry has completed the repair on the shorter church tower, including spraying a sealant on the upper portion of the tower. No leaking has been seen, and we will keep watch during the next few rain storms.
- Trustees Committee is in the process of obtaining bids for the removal of the two maple trees in the parsonage back yard. Both have serious decay and pose a threat to both the parsonage and the new pavilion.
- Per a request by the Administrative Council, Trustees is in the process of obtaining an outside assessment on presence and remediation of mold in the parsonage basement. Trustees carefully examined the basement and may have found one small spot in the bathroom.
- Boy Scouts of America has filed for bankruptcy and has settled multiple cases of sexual assault. The chartered organizations (churches, etc.) were not included in the settlement and thus are vulnerable for lawsuits. The United Methodist Church is asking us to use the new Charter which is being worked on and will be issued by BSA in 2022. Churches are being encouraged to keep our Boy Scout Troops chartered at our churches.
- I spoke with Robert Kirby, Scoutmaster of our Troop 380. At this point he said it's a wait and see, fingers and toes crossed scenario that National UMC will come up with a solution. The BSA certainly want to charter our Troop, it's the UMC that is telling us to step back. He believes we will have some kind of answer by the end of this November. Our troop certainly does not want to go anywhere else, and is hoping for a positive outcome.
- Two Charge Conference forms (Parsonage Report, and Accessibility Audit) have been submitted to Conference. The remaining form, Trustees Report, is in progress.

Outreach: Rev. Amy reported from minutes

- Five soups are being prepared for sale, in addition to cornbread muffins being baked by Rev. Amy.
- There will be no Christmas caroling this year.
- Fried chicken dinners were provided to the Westminster Rescue Mission/Healing and Addiction Center. They were very well received.

SPRC: Linda Yost

- The Youth Leader job description is in the process of being updated to include some form of Children's Director verbiage.
- Matt Otwell is continuing to collect information from the congregation on Chairperson positions within Wesley Church. His and SPRC's intent is to compose Chairperson job descriptions that are succinct and are pertinent to Wesley UMC.
- Two Charge Conference forms (Clergy Compensation, and Congregation Profile) have been submitted to Conference before the October 2, 2021, deadline.
- SPRC is recommending a 3% raise for Rev. Amy, which, in dollars, is \$1800. Her new salary, if passed by Charge Conference, will be \$61,645.

United Methodist Women – Connie Wiegel

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- Eleven women including two new women attended the meeting on September 16th. It was great to have so many present.
- Fifty hygiene kits will be delivered to UMCOR next Wednesday, September 29th.
- Boscov's fundraiser will be done again this year.

Finance: Michelle Hudgins and Laura Waltrup

- Committee met last week and everything looked positive. We have enough money in the bank to pay our bills.
- 2022 budget will soon be worked on.
- Michelle is working on a pamphlet to be handed-out at church.

John Sies reminded us that the Narcan we received from the Health Department last year has now expired. We can take ours to the Health Department to exchange for new ones. Laura Waltrup mentioned that Stephanie Halle at the Rescue Mission is in the process of applying for a grant and we might be able to receive Narcan when the grant is accepted. Rev. Amy suggested our old Narcan be put somewhere for Outreach to handle.

Rev. Amy announced that Jan Kurtz will be the new 2022 Chair for the Administrative Council, will be attending Ad Council meetings for the rest of this year. Jan is checking with the Lutheran Immigration and Rescue Services to see how Wesley might help with refugees.

Janet Martin announced that Brenda Kennedy and Sandy Cole will handle the Altar Guild. Linda Yost made a plea for Trustees.

Linda presented a YouTube video by Daniel Dalton from the law firm Dalton & Tomich. The link to this presentation is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mKM74fgVTRc> and the video date is February 7, 2021. The presentation provided a brief explanation of the Separation Protocol. Dalton said it is important for us to remember this is just a proposal. Five groups got together to decide how to graciously separate. The last proposed separation occurred in 1844 over the slavery issues at that time. The Book of Discipline is in the process of being rewritten by one of the groups. We will have four years to decide how we want Wesley to proceed unless this is changed at General Conference. It was said that the Central Conference is the African Conference. John Sies said that from what he is able to see so far, there are two separate protocols that seem pretty much to be written in stone.

Matt Sichel added: The [Global Methodist Church](#) is the name of the traditionalist "group" that is to form out of the Protocol. They are no longer "in the process" of rewriting the Discipline, but have already completed that work. That rewritten Discipline is called: *The Transitional Book of Doctrines and Disciplines*, and it is meant to function after the Protocol passes, but before the Global Methodist Church can have a convening conference to adopt a permanent book. A link to the *Transitional Discipline* is here: <https://globalmethodist.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Transitional-Discipline.20210630.pdf> The Global Methodist Church already has everything set and in place to legally launch and receive churches as soon as the Protocol passes.

Linda Yost asked that we continue to worship, love each other and praise God.

Jen Ejk will provide the devotion for our October 27th meeting. Our November meeting will be held on November 17 since November 24 is the day before Thanksgiving.

Since Rev. Amy's virtual connection shut-down, Linda Yost closed the meeting in prayer at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Cole, [standing in for the] Recording Secretary



NOVEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		GriefShare Meeting 6:30 to 8:30 PM Worship Committee Meeting 7 PM (Zoom)	Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Visitation 12 PM at J&Ps Trustees 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 PM	Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	
7 All Saints' Sunday <i>Regular Worship Schedule</i> Outreach Soup Sale!	8 Small Group Gathering 6:30 PM Potluck (Fellowship Hall & Library)	9 Girl Scouts 6:30 to 8 PM GriefShare Meeting 6:30 to 8:30 PM	10 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Outreach 6 PM SPRC Meeting 7:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	11 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 PM	12 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	13 Fried Chicken Drive-Thru Supper: 12 PM Until Sold Out!
14 <i>Regular Worship Schedule</i> Tommy Smith's Eagle Scout Court of Honor (All Invited) 12:15 PM <i>in the Fellowship Hall</i>	15 UMM Meeting with Meal 6:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall December Journal Submissions Due!	16 GriefShare Meeting 6:30 to 8:30 PM	17 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Administrative Council 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	18 UMW Meeting at 11 AM in the Fellowship Hall Book Club 1 PM in the Fellowship Hall Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7 PM	Supper Prep—Hall & Kitchen Reserved	
21 <i>Regular Worship Schedule</i> After-Church Lunch Bunch at Maggie's in Westminster	22 Small Group Gathering 6:30 PM Potluck (Fellowship Hall & Library)	23 Girl Scouts 6 to 8:30 PM in Fellowship Hall GriefShare Meeting 6:30 to 8:30 PM	24 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	25 Happy Thanksgiving!	26 Office CLOSED	27 <i>Eagle Scout Court of Honor</i>
28 1st Sunday in Advent UM Student Day <i>Regular Worship Schedule</i> (Contemporary Style)	29	30 Girl Scouts 6 to 8:30 PM in Fellowship Hall GriefShare Meeting 6:30 to 8:30 PM		Regular Worship Schedule: 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Fellowship Time 11 AM Worship Service The services will also be live-streamed on our website and on YouTube for those who would like to view them that way.		

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

Worship Participants for November:

- November 7 (All Saints' Sunday): Liturgist—Linda Hollman
- November 14: Liturgist—Linda Yost
- November 21: Liturgist—Jess Sichel
- November 28 (1st Sunday in Advent): Worship Leader—Lisa Kemp



- ↔ Introducing Our Interim Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Frank J. Richardson, Jr.
- ↔ The Fall FRIED CHICKEN DRIVE-THRU SUPPER FLYER! (Time Sensitive)
- ↔ The Cookie Walk Flyer...

...and more!

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