

The Wesley Journal



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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, worshipping & praying, and serving and connecting.

From the Desk of the Pastor...

Friends:



On July Fourth, cities across the country will be celebrating Independence Day with dazzling fireworks and picnics on the lawn. It's a day to feel patriotic and to be thankful for our political freedoms. Every time I find myself walking around the mall in Washington, DC, I have a great sense of pride as a citizen of this country. On one end of the mall is the Lincoln Memorial, a reminder of the sacrifices made to guarantee freedom for all people and not just for some. On the other end of the mall is the Capitol Building where politicians meet to deliberate on contemporary issues of our time pertaining to justice, fairness, and liberty. As in times past and present, the pursuit of ensuring freedom for all has never been without difficulties, struggles, and controversy. Being a patriot is never glossing over the harsh realities of living in a world community. So I would like to offer a few suggestions we can follow to avoid the pitfalls that lead to a shallow patriotism.

First of all, we must never confuse patriotism with nationalism. Patriotism is a healthy love of country which acknowledges both our strengths and our weaknesses. Nationalism, on the other hand, is when we make our country a god. The Hebrew prophets often spoke against this kind of idolatry. The Israelites wanted to have a nation like everyone else. Soon, however, they began to equate their trust in their earthly king with their trust in the Sovereign God, the Creator of the world. They became a theocracy – God and country became one. Thus the sovereignty of God was thwarted and diminished.

Secondly, we must guard against a myopic patriotism that only sees the country's strengths and ignores its weaknesses. A certain statesman once said, "Patriotism is the last refuge of scoundrels." Many politicians do, and have, manipulated patriotic feelings for selfish gain. We only have to remember how Adolph Hitler used the propaganda machine, fueled by intense patriotism, to bring about his evil ambitions on a global scale. Therefore, we must always keep in mind the potential dangers of an uncritical love of country.

Thirdly, we must avoid a patriotism that refuses to acknowledge the legitimacy of other nations. Such a parochial patriotism runs the risk of becoming xenophobic (the fear or hatred of strangers or foreigners).

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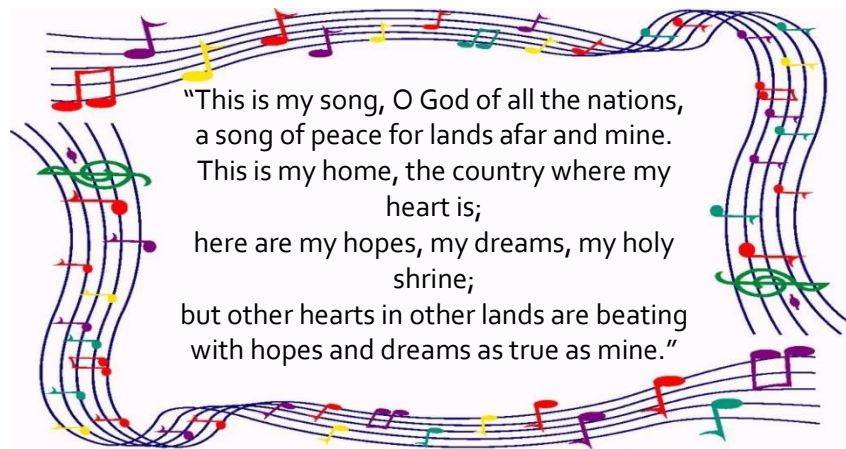
Deadline for the September issue of The Wesley Journal is Tuesday, August 15.

Please email your news to wesley@wesleychurch-hampstead.org.

Summer Worship Services start at 10:00 AM!

There is a hymn in our United Methodist Hymnal entitled, *"This is My Song."*

Below are the words of the first verse:



It is important to note that we, as Americans, are not the only ones who long for freedom, liberty, peace, and hope. The United States is not the only nation which embodies life's highest ideals. American historians agree that many of the ideas contained in our own constitution were born out of the Age of Enlightenment. Ideas are not born out of a vacuum.

As we observe July Fourth, we are fortunate to live in a country that strives for political freedom and human rights for all. Yet may God save us from the arrogance of perfection, of believing no further progress is needed. Rather, true patriotism seeks to cherish our nation's loftiest ideals while at the same time seeking to mend its flaws. Let us all remember we live in a global village and we need each other. May God bless all people everywhere!



Grace & Peace,
Gary



Meet Your New Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper



My name is Dawn McFadden and as your new part-time Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper here at Wesley United Methodist Church, I wanted to share with you a little bit about me. Let me first tell you how much I love working in ministry! I have over 15 years of experience managing various church offices. I have many more years than that of administrative experience in various industries. Prior to discovering my love of ministry, I worked at McCormick & Company (in Sales & Marketing, Customer Service, and Product Development). I have also worked in mental health, in education, in title work as a Post Closer and most recently I worked for a small hydrogeology company primarily with Accounts Payable, sending out customer projects and, of course, since space is of the essence, "all other duties as assigned." Details make this gal very happy! That might make me a nerd. 😊

I live in Westminster with my husband Sam. I have two adult daughters. Kaylee, and her husband Brian and their daughters Gabby and Lexie, and Lindsey. Both my daughters also live in Westminster. Sam and I attend church at Uniontown Bible Church in Union Bridge. In my spare time, Sam and I bowl together in a couple leagues each week (we travel to local and distant tournaments too!). I also enjoy reading; I have recently written a couple short stories that will be published later this year. I want to help people have hope no matter how broken their past has been so I am currently in the process of writing my own full-length book. It will be a book all about my faith journey and how absolutely faithful Jesus has been in my life.



- 1 John Redding, Jr.
- 4 Greg Wiegel
- 5 Logan Deane
- 6 Breiah Graf
- 8 Rev. Amy Lewis-Rill
- 10 Jonathon Otwell
- 14 Wayne Horner
- 16 Leah Schaefer
- 19 Melissa Phillips Jones
- 20 Charles "Chip" Weaver
- 24 Rose Sichel
- 25 Courtney Horner
Laura Hollman
Zilberman
- 27 Kaitlyn O'Bryne
- 30 Barbara Sater
- 31 Mackenzie Weaver



- 3 Laura Miller
Olivia Zachman
- 4 Evan Thompson
Vicky Wilmer
- 5 Martha Harris
Michael Hughes, Jr.
Davona Palmer
- 6 Lyla Montgomery
Dean Sies
- 9 Emmitt Green
Angela Mahosky
- 12 Preston Reilly
- 13 Stanley Harrell
Reenie Harris
- 15 Isaac Sichel
- 16 Selena Brewer
Craig Williams
- 18 Stacey Stauffer
- 19 Jason Montgomery
- 20 Gordon Benson
- 21 Debi Chaney
Stacey Graf
- 22 Philip Peake
Thomas Smith
- 24 Serita Kuhn
- 26 Ellen Yurgealitis
- 28 Lisa Kemp
- 29 Carson Jansson
Garrett Martin
Taylor Martin
Trisha Sater
- 31 Peggy Horner



- 4 Chuck & Linda Hollman
- 10 Charlie & Carol O'Bryne
- 18 Chet & Pam Phillips
- 23 Dan (Jr.) & Lindsey Baumiller
- 29 Roy & Belinda Rill
Darwin & Pat Sater



- 1 Michael & Lisa Martin
- 5 Philip & Kim Peake
- 7 Gordon & Brenda Benson
- 12 Wilson & Patricia Harris
- 13 Matthew & Darilyn Thompson
- 21 Jonathan & Linda Yost
- 30 Alex & Megan Myatt



Wesley United Women of Faith – June 8, 2023



UWF met in June for our annual June luncheon held this year at Cindy Myatt's home. Eleven women attended. Food, fellowship and fun were had by all.

We take our summer break for vacations and such and then meet back in September to continue with our Wesley UWF ministries. All women of Wesley Church are welcomed to join us anytime.

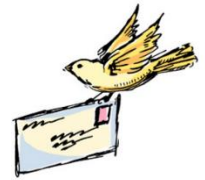
Look for information on our upcoming Fall Boscov's fundraiser and UWF Silent Auction/luncheon on September 30th.
Have a safe and blessed summer!

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

**Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis-
and Denny Rill**
3674 Stewartstown Rd.
Stewartstown, PA 17363

Jean Colton
Longview Nursing Home
Room 214B
3332 Main St.
Manchester, MD 21102

Shirley Rytel
15 Pheasant Ridge Rd.
Hanover, PA 17331



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

Dot Benedict
Longview Nursing Home
Room 107A
3332 Main St.
Manchester, MD 21102

John and Stephanie Halley
30 Fitzhugh Avenue
Westminster, MD 21157



Our deepest condolences to Jackie and Matt Otwell and family on the recent passing of Jackie's father, David Weckesser. May he rest in peace.

With Love, your Wesley Family

thank you

Thanks to Bonnie Catron for organizing Wesley's meal ministry. Not only does Bonnie cook for and visit members of our Wesley family, but she coordinates others to do the same. It's a benefit for givers and receivers. Thanks, Bonnie!



Wesley Grief Share



Wesley Grief Share will begin the Fall sessions starting September 5, 2023 running through December 5, 2023 - every Tuesday evening - 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Harrell Library. We will have all NEW MATERIAL this Fall which includes a new workbook for each participant (Cost = \$20.00) and a new 30-minute video at each session.

As well as hearing testimonies from others, you will be fed God's Word and strengthened, comforted and encouraged by His love and wisdom as you'll feel His presence on your personal grief journey from Mourning to Joy.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved one, please join us for a wonderful healing experience. For questions, please contact Reenie Harris or Bonnie Catron.

NESAP Drive for School Supplies

It's that time of year! Wesley UMC's Outreach Committee is asking our Wesley Family for donations of school supplies to be given to the Northeast Social Action Program (NESAP) for this coming fall. The Outreach Committee has purchased 48 backpacks so all we need are items from the following list:

- Composition Books - mostly wide-ruled but also college-ruled
- Dividers
- Markers (Thin & Wide)
- Pens - Blue, Black and Red
- Highlighters
- Folders of all colors



Please place your donations in the collection bins in the Sanctuary or outside the Fellowship Hall. Due date for these items is Sunday, August 6, 2023.

Thank you so much and God bless you for your generosity!

Wesley UMC Outreach Committee

The Night-by-Night Shelter Needs



The Night-by-Night Shelter is currently in need of blankets. There is a tub on the bench in front of Fellowship Hall to place the blankets. They still need breakfast-to-go items, as well. Thank you so much!

Sixth Edition
July August, 2023

THE HARRELL LIBRARY
GOOD NEWS

HAPPY SUMMER!

WHAT'S THE GOOD NEWS?

So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." Genesis 1: 27-28

COFFEE TABLE READS

I am introducing NEW ENTRIES to The Harrell Library. These new entries have been donated from the library of *Deanna Sies* (passed Nov. 23, 2022) by John Sies:

A FIRM FOUNDATION - *hope and vision for a new methodist future* SEEDBED PUBLISHING

MY HOPE Is In YOU- *Psalms that comfort and mend the Soul* by Bill Crowder

TRUE NORTH - *Discovering God's Way In a changing world* by Gary Inrig

ESCAPE THE COMING NIGHT- Volume 1 by Dr. David Jeremiah

ESCAPE THE COMING NIGHT - Volume 4 by Dr. David Jeremiah

Anywhere FAITH - *Overcome Fear, Insecurity, and Excuses and Say Yes to God*
 by Heather C. King

OUR DAILY BREAD JESUS SOURCE BOOK - *The A-Z Guide to the people, places, and teachings of Jesus's life* by George W. Knight

WHEN WE PRAY LIKE JESUS by Elisa Morgan

Hope for All Seasons by Julie Ackerman Link

A BURDEN SHARED - *Fifty Devotions for Those Who Lead* by David Roper

THE POWER OF WEAKNESS by Dave Schaeffer

The HOPE In a CHAOTIC WORLD - *First and Second Thessalonians* by Ray C. Stedman

TALKING with MY FATHER by Ray C. Stedman

Bodylife - *The book that inspired a return to the church's real meaning and mission*
 by Ray C. Stedman

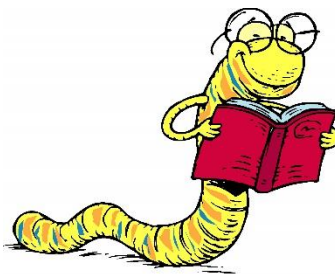
HURT PEOPLE HURT PEOPLE by Dr. Sandra D. Wilson

These books will be displayed on the Coffee Table for your reading pleasure.

Don't forget to sign them out. Instructions are posted by the yellow box on the shelf.

Enjoy your read,

Reenie Harris
 Librarian



SUMMER PREACHING SERIES

Vintage Christians – Becoming Ripe on the Vine

“The Fruit of the Spirit”

July 2, 2023

Love

Scripture Lessons: *Romans 12:9; Galatians 5:13-25*
 Sermon Title: *“The Freedom to Love”*

July 9, 2023

Joy

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; John 15:11*
 Sermon Title: *“That Your Joy May Be Complete”*

July 16, 2023

Peace

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; Philippians 4:7*
 Sermon Title: *“The Peace That Transcends”*

July 23, 2023

Patience

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; 1 Corinthians 13:4*
 Sermon Title: *“Patience Gifted or Grown?”*

July 30, 2023

Kindness

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; Romans 11:22*
 Sermon Title: *“Kindnesses - Both Random and Deliberate”*

August 6, 2023

Goodness

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; Titus 3:4-8*
 Sermon Title: *“Good for Goodness Sake”*

August 13, 2023

Faithfulness

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; Romans 3:3*
 Sermon Title: *“Faithfulness”*

August 20, 2023

Gentleness

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; Philippians 2:8*
 Sermon Title: *“O Lord, It’s Hard to be Humble”*

August 27, 2023

Self-control

Scripture Lessons: *Galatians 5:22-23; 2 Timothy 1:7*
 Sermon Title: *“The Spirit of Self-Discipline”*

Volunteers Needed!



Volunteers for the Worship Services are needed. These currently include **greeters**, who welcome congregants to worship, and **livestreaming coordinators**, who run the MEVO video camera and tablet on Sunday mornings (**training available!**). **If you are able to volunteer for any of these positions, please contact Janet Martin at janethmartin126@gmail.com or (717) 495-7013.** Many hands make light work—volunteer today!

The Wesley Book Club: Upcoming Dates, Times, and Readings

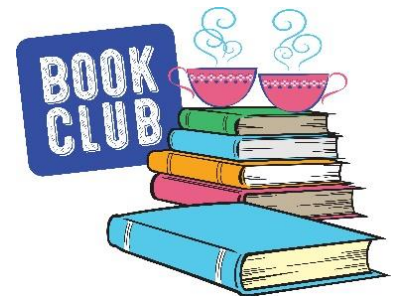
Wesley Book Club meets at MJ's Café & Baking Co. in Manchester, MD, on the last Thursday of each month at **12 Noon**. All are welcome! Contact Reenie Harris with questions at ichdeh@comcast.net or (410) 848-1121.

Here are the next **Book Club Reading Selections and Meeting Dates; all are welcome!**

Meeting JULY 27, 2023: BECOMING MRS. LEWIS by Patti Callihan

Meeting AUGUST 31, 2023: LESSONS IN CHEMISTRY by Bonnie Garmus

Happy reading! Reenie Harris 📖👉



Wesley Food Cupboard



Our food pantry has been well stocked thanks to all of you. The food seems to go quickly—which means it is being used! That's exciting and so pleasing to know. Remember, the pantry is for you also. If you see something you feel you can use, please help yourself.

Meal ideas such as pasta sauce, beef stew, pancake mix and syrup, (etc.), as well as canned veggies, laundry soap, cleaning supplies, and other non-perishables. *[Make sure the food you donate is not expired and is unopened.]*

Many of you have told us in Outreach that they have seen people using our pantry. We look forward to continuing this ministry for our community. Once again, thank you everyone. Wesley is the best!!!

Upcoming Community Event

Stone Chapel United Methodist Church located at 1448 Stone Chapel Road, New Windsor, MD will be having a **Spaghetti Dinner** (*dinner also includes side salad and bread*) on Saturday, July 22nd beginning at 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00 per person. To pre-order your meal or for more information, call Tim Blizzard at 410-596-3867.



Junior Church

Wesley Church will be offering Junior Church for children ages 3 through 5th grade this fall while parents attend worship service. Bible-based lessons and crafts will be offered. Parent volunteers will be needed to help support this by signing up for at least one Sunday a month. Nursery care is available upon request. For more information, contact Linda Yost or Jan Kurtz.



Outreach Minutes – June 14, 2023



Members present: Vicky Wilmer, Janet Martin, Connie Wiegel, Jan Kurtz, Linda Yost

Treasurer's Report –Doing very well

Pies, Tarts and Cobblers went well with over \$500 in profit. Thank you to everyone who baked goodies for the sale and to everyone who purchased and enjoyed our talented bakers.

Meals are currently being delivered to Jim Watkins and John Halley. Thank you to our wonderful cooks for providing this wonderful service.

Rescue Mission meals – Each month Wesley provides a meal for the Rescue Mission

- June 20th will be coordinated by Janet Martin – breakfast casseroles will be provided by Jan (2), Vicky, Connie, and Janet. Linda H. and Linda Y. will be donating muffins.
- July's meal will be coordinated by Jan Kurtz. Cindy and Linda Hollman will make barbeque. Kim will make Chicken barbeque. We will need donations of cole slaw, macaroni salad, chips, and rolls. Please see Jan Kurtz if you can help.

Night by Night Shelter– Janet Martin needs gently used or new blankets and breakfast items to go.

Wesley Cupboard – Connie stated that food goes quickly, and the church members continue to be generous. We will use some of our funds to purchase needed items to restock the pantry.

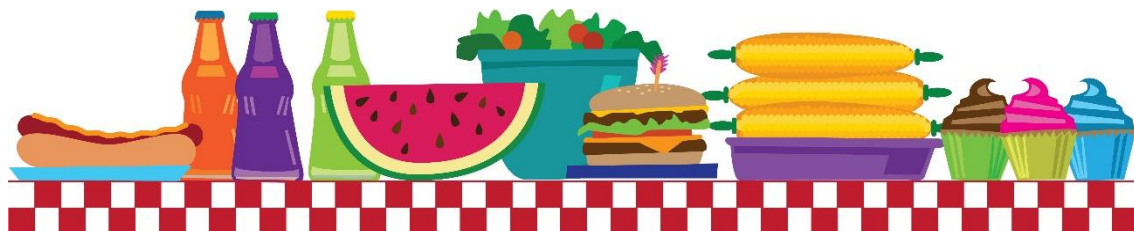
Alpha Pregnancy Bottle Drive – Bottles due back June 18th. Not as good of a response as previous years. We will keep empty bottles for next year.

Back to School Drive – Linda has a list of needed supplies that we will give to the congregation to purchase. We will collect them from July until August 6th. We voted to purchase 48 backpacks to donate to NESAP using Outreach funds.

The annual church picnic will be held on Sept. 10th. Please save the date.



Next Meeting Wednesday, August 9 at 6 pm



Administrative Council Minutes • May 24, 2023

Attendees: Brenda Kennedy, Jan Kurtz, Janet Martin, Jen Ejek, John Sies, Rev. Matthew Sichel, Linda Yost, Jonathan Yost, Connie Wiegel, Scott Palmer, Jessica Sichel, and Rev. Gary Sheffield-James



Pastor Gary **opened the meeting in prayer** at 7:08 PM.

SPRC: Linda Yost

- Today was Linda's first day to "go it alone" in the church office. Dawn McFadden will start Monday, June 5th. She will be working Wednesdays and Thursdays. She is very qualified based on her resume and references. Also, she will be the part-time bookkeeper, so she will be in both positions.
- Lisa Kemp has resigned as Praise Team Leader; at this time, there will not be a contemporary service moving forward unless someone steps up.

Trustees: Linda Yost

- Ryan is painting in the parsonage and moving some things in. His girls loved the playground in the back.
- Wesley UMC had to have a lead inspection today for the parsonage prior to officially allowing Ryan to live there. The results may come to Dean Brewer. Rev. Matt Sichel recalled that the only lead paint was in the breezeway, which has since been mostly removed and abated.
- There was a **correction to the previous month's minutes:** the parsonage ceiling tiles were not "done" in the parsonage - they had been ordered and have since arrived. Ryan will be putting them up.

Lay Member to Annual Conference: Linda Yost

- Pastor Gary and Linda Yost were discussing the Conference's "Lighthouse churches" - The North Carroll Cooperative Parish has a Lighthouse church (St. John's in Hampstead); also, there is Westminster UMC and other churches around the conference). Lighthouse churches are for those folks whose churches have disaffiliated but they still want to remain in the UMC. Churches can make the decision as to whether or not they want to be a Lighthouse church.

Finance: Jonathan Yost. Giving for January to April was \$15,000 less than last year; giving could be down as much as \$45,000 for the year extrapolating from the beginning of the year number.

Pastor's Report: Rev. Gary Sheffield-James

- Pastor Gary will be doing a "Fruits of the Spirit" summer Sermon Series; there will be a blurb in the next newsletter (someone will send out an email as well.)
- June 11th is Graduation and Compassion Sunday.
- Pastor Gary was asked to participate in the Baltimore-Washington Conference's Ordination Service by a candidate from his previous church (David Norton); Pastor Gary feels honored. He will be there for rehearsal on the 31st; then the Ordination Service will be on the Saturday of Conference.
- Pastor Gary will be on vacation from June 12th to 26th; Rev. Matt will be covering any concerns during that time.
- The Lay Leadership Committee will start thinking about new positions that are open starting in June. The group will work July and August and on (earlier than usual —well before Charge Conference).
- Linda Yost is preaching June 18th. Rev. Matt is preaching June 25th.

Lay Member to Annual Conference: Linda Yost

- Linda will be attending the Annual Baltimore-Washington Conference. She will be in the office next Tuesday. Kim Peake will cover a couple of hours on Thursday and on Friday while Linda is away.

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*(Continued from the previous page)***Deacon's Report:** Rev. Matt Sichel

- Matt's Deacon credentials transfer July 1st to the Global Methodist Church. He [and his family] will be attending Grace Church in Hanover, PA.
- Matt will cover for Pastor Gary in June.
- The Prayer Chain will be covered until July 1st (the Lay Leadership Committee needs to find a replacement for the Prayer Chain Coordinator). Matt gave a history of the prayer chain development over the years. When Matt first started on the prayer chain, it was over the telephone. Then, it moved to email and Emily Van Horn was the Coordinator. After the Van Horns left Wesley, the church asked for a new Coordinator. Matt volunteered, and Emily gave positive feedback on that. Matt has been coordinating it since.
- Matt's last Sunday at Wesley will be June 25th.

Christian Education: Jen Ejk

- Last Sunday was the Sunday School celebration. Lee Ann Crochunis gave a talk about taking Jesus everywhere (like on vacation).
- Vacation Bible School will be June 20th, 21st, and 22nd. It will be in the evening using the "Twists and Turns" curriculum. Linda Yost is doing the story, Patty Harris and Davona Palmer are doing crafts, and Lisa Kemp is leading music. The sessions will be from 6:30 to 8 PM. The VBS kids will be asked to sing for special music (and Isaac Sichel will play his trumpet during worship on June 25th).
- Puzzle-shaped sugar cookies are needed for VBS; Jen has a cookie cutter for that.
- Some kids from a Sunday School class had a ball fishing at Janet Martin's pond recently.
- There was a question about the offering for VBS: could it be given to the Westminster Rescue Mission for the women and children project? At this time, there is a glitch at WRM with that project; however, fundraising is still possible.

Outreach: *Please see minutes in June 2023 Issue of The Wesley Journal.*

Worship: Janet Martin

- There is no new news. We will be going back to bread and juice communion on Sunday, June 4th, starting at 10 AM.
- There will be Special Music here and there throughout the summer.
- May 28th—Pentecost. There will be geraniums; the choir will not be singing,
- June 18th—Father's Day
- Pastor Gary asked about Lemonade on the Lawn; this project was headed by Reenie Harris/Visitation.

United Women in Faith: Connie Wiegel

- The UWF met last Thursday. There were 10 in attendance.
- This year, instead of a special offering for Prayer for Self-Denial, folks can bring donations for the outdoor supply cupboard. It was stocked very well; however, it has been used and now needs to be restocked with any non-perishable items. The pantry is within camera surveillance. John Sies asked if we should monitor the pantry for two reasons: one, to see if there are regular persons coming and maybe we can do more to help; the other reason is to question whether things taken are out of necessity or greed. Discussion was held. Jan Kurtz suggested that instead, we could put cards that say we could offer extra support if a person needs it. Some folks may not know about NESAP or anything like that; some may be new to being in desperate need. There are other ways to be helped other than the little food pantry at Wesley—we could include the resources on the card. The original decision by Outreach was that they do not care who comes and takes stuff—church folks included—anybody is welcome. Also mentioned that we are a small-scale pantry while others in the city, for example, are large scale. Another question came up: does the pantry usually empty quickly? The answer: not always; however, it is picking up.
- The UWF will be handing out Graduation Gifts, which will be a gift card. So far, there are six people whose names are to be printed in the bulletin.
- Fundraisers include the Boscov's coupon sale and possibly a luncheon.
- The June meeting will be a picnic at the Myatt's home.

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*(Continued from the previous page)***United Methodist Men:** Jonathan Yost

- The men had their last meeting for the year; they will be off for the summer. There is a possible transition in the works to move to a breakfast meeting in the Fall. An idea was that if there was no speaker or program, the men could meet for breakfast; if there was a speaker or program, maybe they could meet for dinner.
- The UMM need people power.

GriefShare/Visitation: Pastor Gary. Every time Visitation meets, Reenie brings cards for the group to sign to send to those in need of support. At Visitation, the group talks about concerns. Pastor Gary is visiting people now that came up because of the meeting. It is a worthwhile and important committee. Pastor Gary goes to it because the people being discussed are connected to Wesley UMC.

GriefShare: John Sies

- There have been five regular attendees and two facilitators in attendance; it is worth the time spent. Fellowship goes on with it like any small group.
- Reenie said that there will be new materials (a revised program; maybe the third upgrade since she has been there). A question was raised: will they need funds? There will be changes in the program, but this is not the first time. The price for the book will be going up to \$20, but that should not let anyone interested be dissuaded from attending; the price can be waived when necessary.

Summer Meetings: Jan Kurtz.

- Does the Ad. Council need to meet in June or July? If anything comes up, the group could meet after church or on Zoom.
Answer: There will be no Ad. Council meetings in June or July.
- The next meeting will be August 23rd at 7 PM.

The meeting was closed in prayer at 8:04 PM by Rev. Matt Sichel.

Respectfully Submitted by Jess Sichel, Recording Secretary



You Are Welcome to Join Us for Small Group!



Wesley's Small Group ministry would like to extend a welcome to all who may be interested in studying more about the faith we follow and growing in discipleship! The Small Group usually meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month during the regular schedule; however, during the summer, our dates will be June 26th and August 28th. We start with a potluck dinner at 6:30 PM (all are welcome, whether you stay for the study or not!) That is followed by the Small Group study itself at 7:30 PM.

Right now, we are in a book called "The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi" by Kathie Lee Gifford and Rabbi Jason Sobel. This study visits different places in Israel that Jesus was in during his earthly ministry while providing insights from a Messianic Jewish perspective. Books are available if you would like to join us! There is also a video that goes along with the study.

We hope you might consider joining us for dinner, study, or both! If you would like a book or have any questions about the Small Group ministry, please contact Jess Sichel at (443) 850-4274. Thanks!



Olde·Time·Church·Picnic!¶

Come·join·us·on·**Sunday, September 10th**·under·
the·pavilion·in·the·parsonage·backyard·
immediately·following·the·worship·service.¶



Fried·Chicken·and·**drinks**·will·¶
be·provided.·Please·bring·a·**side·dish**·or·
dessert·to·share.·¶



A·sign-up·sheet·for·side·dishes·and·desserts·¶
will·be·in·the·back·of·the·church.¶

¶Come·and·bring·the·entire·family!¶





JULY 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 10 AM Traditional Worship <i>Holy Communion</i>	3	4 Happy Independence Day!	5 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Visitation Committee at J&P's Restaurant 12 PM	6 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	7	8
9 10 AM Traditional Worship	10	11	12 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	13 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	14	15
16 10 AM Traditional Worship	17	18	19 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	20 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	21	22
23 10 AM Traditional Worship <i>After-Church Lunch Bunch (location TBA) following Worship</i>	24	25	26 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	27 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Book Club at MJ's Café & Baking Co. 12 PM	28	29
30 10 AM Traditional Worship	31					

[Summer Worship Schedule:](#)

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AUGUST 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Visitation Committee at J&P's Restaurant 12 PM Trustees 7 PM	3 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	4	5
6 10 AM Traditional Worship <i>Holy Communion</i>	7	8	9 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Outreach 6 PM SPRC 7:30 PM	10 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	11	12
13 10 AM Traditional Worship	14	15 September Journal Submissions Due!	16 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Worship 7:00 PM	17 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	18	19
20 10 AM Traditional Worship <i>After-Church Lunch Bunch (location TBA) following Worship</i>	21	22	23 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Administrative Council 7 PM	24 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	25	26
27 10 AM Traditional Worship	28 Small Group Dinner & Discussion in Fellowship Hall & Harrell Library 6:30 PM	29	30 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM	31 Office Hours 9:30-4:00 PM Book Club at MJ's Café & Baking Co. 12 PM	Summer Worship Schedule: 10 AM Worship The service will also be live-streamed for those unable to be in person.	

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Office Drop-In Hours: Wednesdays and
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Worship Participants for July and August:

July 2: Greeters—Brenda Kennedy & Cheryl Gore, Liturgist—John Sies, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

July 9: Greeters—United Women in Faith, Liturgist— Rev. Amy Lewis Rill, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

July 16: Greeters—Charlotte Gyory & Jim Haralson, Liturgist — Michelle Hudgins, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

July 23: Greeters—Jan & Randy Kurtz, Liturgist—Laura Waltrup, Acolyte—*Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

July 30: Greeters— Charlotte Gyory & Jim Haralson, Liturgist—Linda Yost, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

August 6: Greeters—Brenda Kennedy & Cheryl Gore, Liturgist— *Need*, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

August 13: Greeters—United Women in Faith, Liturgist—John Sies, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

August 20: Greeters—Gladys Smith & Bonnie Catron, Liturgist — Linda Hollman, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

August 27: Greeters—Jan & Randy Kurtz, Liturgist — Kim Peake, Acolyte— *Need*, A/V Team— *Need*

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