

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, worshiping & praying, and serving & connecting.

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David Stawick ~ Visiting Homilist

Andy Davenport & Linda Raver ~ Lay Preachers

Rev. Cindy Caldwell ~ Associate Minister

As a father has
compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion
on those who fear him.
Psalm 103:13



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Happy Father's Day
June 2026



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Birthdays



Jack Baumiller	1
Carolyn Whetsell	1
Michelle Hudgins	2
Jayden Hughes	6
Molly Rill	6
Madilyn Baumiller	9
Lisa Martin	10
Steven Beam	11
Ashley Jansson	11
Jana Zachman	12
Joshua Wiedefeld-Lehigh	15
Belinda Rill	17
Frank Grabowski	18
Reed Zilberman	19
Caitlin Insley	21
Jackie Otwell	21
Andrew Wilmer	22
Todd Wilmer	22
Christopher Weaver	23
Clay Myatt, III	25
Carl Rill	25
Jim Rill	25
Matt Otwell	26
Brandon Mahosky	29
Douglas Rill	30

Anniversaries



Dave & Michelle Hudgins	2
Douglas & Cheryl Rill	15
Mike & Cherie Hughes	19
Chris & Megan Weaver	26
Matt & Jackie Otwell	28
Craig & Jennifer Ejek	29



Family & Friends to Keep in Prayer

(Cards & Calls Welcome!)

Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis-Rill & Denny Rill

3674 Stewartstown Road
Stewartstown, PA 17363

Shirley Rytel

15 Pheasant Ridge Road
Hanover, PA 17331

John & Stephanie Halley

30 Fitzhugh Avenue
Westminster, MD 21157

Earl & Bonnie Christiani

244 S. Houcksville Road
Hampstead, MD 21074



Prayers

- † Giving thanks for the much-needed rain, our church leadership, and on this Memorial Day, for those in our armed services who gave their lives to keep our nation free!
- † Prayers for Dan Graf's employee, **Rick**, who is in his 20's and suffered a small stroke.
- † Prayers for **Tracey Rill**, who will be having a biopsy of her liver due to spots found.
- † **A Joy!** Patty and Wilson Harris' daughter, **Bridget**, has had her chemo port removed.
- † Prayers for healing for **Torri**, Patty Harris' friend, who has leukemia and now has pneumonia.
- † Prayers for healing for Randy Kurtz's cousin, **Mary**, who has had a recurrence of cancer.
- † Jonathan and Linda Yost's granddaughter, **Ellie**, has been diagnosed with celiac disease. Prayers for Ellie and her family as they meet with the dietician and adjust to a gluten-free diet.
- † Prayers for a successful and blessed Annual Conference Session.
- † Traveling mercies for **Pastor Melissa** as she and **her sister** vacation in Halifax, Nova Scotia this week.
- † Traveling mercies for **Linda and Jonathan** as they travel to California this week to attend their grandson Channing's high school graduation.
- † **Joy! Amanda**, a Fighter Pilot recently returned home after a 10 month deployment supporting the Iran war effort on the USS Gerald R. Ford Aircraft Carrier
- † **Joy!** Linda Hollman's grandson, **Hunter Hollman** has graduated from Penn State college with a degree in Digital Metering.
- † Randy Kurtz's cousin **Dale** needs a heart transplant. He is waiting at home for a transplant operation.
- † **Jeff Zachman's cousin** is dealing with mental health issues and has been added to suicide watch.
- † **A Joy!** Jeff Zachman's sister, **Diane** is on the road to recovery from her severe depression.
- † Prayers of support for **Carol and Nick**, friends of Charlotte Gyory who are experiencing serious health issues.
- † Jeff Zachman's friend, **Charlie** is suffering from stage four cancer.
- † Gladys Smith asked for prayers for her brother who is having cancer treatments.
- † Prayers for safety for all those in the Middle East region.



We would like to thank everyone that supported our Little Caesar's pizza fundraiser. Because of all your support, we earned \$668.00. This will truly help us to continue our mission support.

We will not be meeting over the summer. We wish everyone a safe and fun summer. We will start our meetings again in September.

***There will be no
Wesley Journal
for July!***

***Happy 250
Years
America!!!***





Planned giving is the arrangement of a charitable donation that is made in the present but that will be allocated at a future date. Planned gifts are often arranged through a will or trust and can be used to preserve your legacy and support the church and help it to reach its goals even after you have left this earth.

Planned gifts are often the largest donations that a church or other charitable organization receives and have a major positive impact on allowing the church to continue to carry out its vision to be a community filled with the hope and love of Jesus and to achieve its mission to make disciples by growing & learning, worshiping & praying and serving & connecting.

Wesley Church has an Endowment Fund which was begun in 2018 and is designed to receive legacy donations which are continuously invested to generate income. This is an excellent way to make donations that will continue to bless the church for years to come.

Please consider making donations to this fund in your legacy planning. For further information email us at Wesley@wesleychurch-hampstead.org and consult your estate planner, attorney, or tax advisor. Informational pamphlets are available at the back of the church.

CHIR Sunday

June 7

Please come & hear their wonderful singing!
Immediately after church, there will be a “potluck”
luncheon with barbeque and fried chicken
provided to honor our choir!
Come join us & bring your favorite side dish.





Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of those who recently passed:

Walter Preston Tracey



Graduation

Our high school and college graduates will be recognized on
Sunday, June 7
at our morning service





Minutes

Administrative Council Minutes – May 20, 2026, 7 p.m. via ZOOM

Attendees: Jan Kurtz, Pastor Melissa Rudolph, Brenda Kennedy, Connie Wiegel, Michelle Hudgins, Dave Hudgins, Janet Martin, Jonathan Yost, Linda Yost

Jan Kurtz opened the meeting at 7:06 pm.

Committee Reports

Pastor's Report

- Linda asked if Pastor Melissa planned to hold some Lay Leadership meetings soon, in light of the need for a Christian Education Coordinator. She said that Church (Charge) Conference would likely be in the October/November timeframe and Lay Leadership meetings would happen prior to that season.
- Pastor Melissa lifted up that our parish is part of Bright Light Cohort for multi-generational Worship and a multigenerational summit is being held on June 27, 2026 at Calvary UMC in Annapolis for anyone interested. If we send 4 persons, we can send a 5th person for free.
- September 19, 2026, 4 pm – 9 pm: Parish-wide celebration for the 15-year anniversary of the parish to be held at the War Memorial Park near St. John's UMC. We are getting use of the park for free. Because we are a hub of our own, can access up to \$1,000 grant money from the Conference. Will use funds for food, hand-outs, etc. Everyone in the parish is encouraged to attend.
- Single Board Model – Dave did a great mock-up of it. Are we interested in exploring this for 2027 as we think about leadership for the coming year? We are trying to figure out how it all works. Linda has concerns about how Trustees could work in the large group. Pastor Melissa reminded us that we can have separate discussion/planning committee meetings but that the Single Board would be the decision makers. Would have two representatives from Trustees to the Single Board: 1. Buildings and grounds and 2. looking at contracts and insurance and other legal matters. Discussion ensued. Dave observed that the core membership would be SPRC, Finance and Trustees together. Meeting together streamlines time and effort. Outreach and Worship could continue to meet separately and have a representative be part of the single board. The representatives from the core membership would be representatives to the larger parish discussions before Charge Conference and also parish evaluations. **Dave asked Pastor Melissa if she could provide us with an agenda and some minutes from one of the parish single board meetings as an example.**

Staff Parish Relations Committee

Brenda Hess, SPRC Chair was away visiting family. Her report stated that the SPRC met on April 8, 2026 with nothing to report. The next meeting will be on August 12, 2026.

Finance Report – Reports available upon request.

Dave Hudgins, Treasurer, reported:

- Dave emailed out reports. Finances are fairly well in line with expectations. Church and Hall \$3017.00 expense for Roof Right will be placed under unbudgeted emergency repairs.
- Parsonage rent will be paid in a lump sum for May, June and July by our tenant.
- Annual audit of main church accounts – deep dive this year. Fund Balance Report due to Conference by the end of June. Finance Committee reviewing main accounts including checking, building fund, memorial savings, and RBC accounts, with Jonathan Yost taking responsibility for Outreach and United Women in Faith. Need to have our audits finished by the end of May.
- Wesley Finance Guidelines – need to be reviewed. Haven't been reviewed since 2022. Involves President and Secretary of Trustees updating our corporate resolutions with banks, RBC, etc. Dave plans to update these and follow up with Maryland Business Express online to update corporate resolutions/authorized signers for church accounts, with assistance with Michelle.
- The group also addressed two music funds: the Harris Family Music Scholarship with \$298 and the Bill Harris Music Fund with \$2,200, deciding to combine these funds to simplify bookkeeping. The family agreed that as long as the money is used for our music program, that it doesn't need to be a scholarship. Dave agreed to speak with Jan Graf about using the combined Harris Music Fund amounts to purchase items for the choir, including potentially replacing the Sanctuary portable microphone.
- The group discussed restricted funds for Camp Wesley, but decided it was too late to implement a scholarship program for the current summer as registrations are closed. They agreed to revisit the camp scholarship program in February next year, with plans to find out cost of camps and offer perhaps \$100+ per child and potentially invite parents for a presentation about available camps.

United Methodist Men: Dave Hudgins, President

- UMM continues to meet at Dutch Country once a month. Will take a summer break June – August.
- The group is supporting the Wesley Food Pantry, with Greg Wiegel leading the effort.
- They are planning to bring a meal to the Westminster Rescue Mission on June 7th.

Trustees Report – Linda Yost, President

- Rafferty Coatings completed painting the Fellowship Hall metal roof and shed roof.
- The Fellowship Hall ceiling where it leaked needs to be primed with Kilz and repainted. Paint is available in the hallway closet. **Dave will plan to complete the touchup.**
- The Fellowship Hall floor needs to be monitored for buckling. Humidity needs to be maintained between 30% - 50% range. **Linda will contact flooring company for recommendation on where to set the temperature. Dave will have a wireless hygrometer procured to monitor and take action as needed.**
- The Scout Troop mulched the church gardens with mulch provided by the Scouts and Chris Weaver. **Linda will check to see if other areas like the memory garden still need mulching.**
- A mouse was spotted in the Choir Room. Calvin was notified and has set traps in additional rooms (except rooms used by children's Sunday School).
- Should place ant traps in the Fellowship Hall. Has this been done?
- **Dave is moving forward with providing appropriate door signs for the Choir Room, Library and History Room.** It was suggested that the signs also have Braille lettering.
- Chris is having a grant application prepared to have funds provided by the Md Historical Trust to have the parking lot paved.
- We should attempt to resurrect live streaming. **Linda will talk to Cheryl Gore's grandson to see if he is interested.** With a simple set of instructions, others could begin and end the live stream during the Sunday services. Need to determine amount of stipend to offer for the service.

Altar Scarf Replacement Discussion

- Brenda Kennedy reported Cherie placed the order for everything. The cross and candlesticks are here. The vases are backordered. Some of the scarves had the wrong color fringe. She will check return policy/timing for altar scarves with incorrect fringe and coordinate return with Cherie as needed.

Christian Education

- Linda reported that Sunday School was over for the year and would resume in September.
- Jackie Otwell will not be teaching next year, creating a need to find a new teacher for the 4th-7th grade class. There is concern that we may lose families if we cannot find teachers. Will need to find a new Christian Education Chairperson also.

Outreach – Jan Kurtz, Chair

- Delivered a large box of snacks to Dove House. They were very appreciative of that.
- Continuing to bring snacks to the Night-by-Night Shelter.
- Provided a meal for the Westminster Rescue Mission on April 26th. Will provide another one in the fall.
- Will donate \$100 to Westminster Rescue Mission for Women for Mother's Day.
- Will donate \$100 to Helping Up Mission for Father's Day.
- Jan attended a recent Caring Council meeting and they are collecting old blankets and towels for the Animal Shelter and empty prescription pill bottles for the Lion's Club to be used overseas. Can remove the label, or leave it on. Jan will put collection bins at the back of the church.
- Planning on having a pie/cobbler sale in October and a soup sale in January.
- Will be asking the congregation for Back-to-School donations soon, likely in July. Linda will contact NESAP for their schedule and list of items.

Worship – Janet Martin, Chair

- Choir celebration on June 7th. Need a few more food items for the potluck.
- Suggested that we combine our worship service with Emory UMC a few times during the summer. Could be together on some specific Sundays. Would need to determine the time for worship. Pastor Melissa will ask Emory if they would be interested.
- She also needs ushers and worship leaders. Need to ask people personally.

Bazaar

- Dave Hudgins agreed to be Chair/Co-Chair of the Bazaar.
- There will be an initial planning meeting on June 14th after the worship service.
- Bazaar will be held on November 7, 2026

United Women in Faith – Connie Wiegel, President

- Meeting tomorrow at Linda Hollman's for a meeting and spring luncheon.
- Have 7 graduates to celebrate. Mostly grandchildren of our congregants.
- Planning to help out at Susanna Wesley House as soon as we can and also the Women's Rescue Mission.
- Pizza fund raiser. Made \$668. Delivery date TBD in the first week of June. They come in frozen and we can keep the kits in our freezers for later pick-up if necessary.

Pastor Melissa closed the meeting in prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda S. Yost, Secretary

Sunday Schedule

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Fellowship

11:00 am Worship

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Scouts: Wednesdays  
at 7:30 pm

**June 2026**

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                             | Monday | Tuesday                                                                             | Wednesday                                                  | Thursday                                                                             | Friday | Saturday                                                                              |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 1      | 2                                                                                   | 3<br>Scouts<br>7:30 pm                                     | 4<br>Choir<br>7 pm                                                                   | 5      | 6                                                                                     |
| 7<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday After<br>Pentecost<br>11:00 am Worship<br>Choir Sunday<br>Graduate<br><br>Recognition | 8      | 9                                                                                   | 10<br>Trustees<br>7 pm<br>Library<br><br>Scouts<br>7:30 pm | 11                                                                                   | 12     | 13                                                                                    |
| 14<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday After<br>Pentecost<br>11:00 am Worship<br>Christmas<br>Bazaar<br>Kick-Off Meeting<br>After church in FH                                                               | 15     | 16                                                                                  | 17<br>Scouts<br>7:30 pm                                    | 18                                                                                   | 19     | 20                                                                                    |
| 21<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After<br>Pentecost<br>11:00 am Worship<br>                                         | 22     | 23                                                                                  | 24                                                         | 25                                                                                   | 26     | 27                                                                                    |
| 28<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After<br>Pentecost<br>11:00 am Worship                                                                                                                                | 29     | 30                                                                                  |                                                            |                                                                                      |        |                                                                                       |
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# SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP

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

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**Office Hours:** Monday & Wednesday Evenings ~ virtual  
Thursday Afternoons ~ in office

## Sunday, June 7

**Greeters:** Brenda Kennedy &  
Randy Kurtz

**Worship Leader:** Linda Yost

**Organist:** Jeff Horner

## Sunday, June 14

**Greeters:** UWFaith

**Worship Leader:** Michelle  
Hudgins

**Organist:** Jeff Horner

## Worship Participants



## Sunday, June 21

**Greeters:** Barbara Sater &  
Gladys Smith

**Worship Leader:** Jeff Zachman

**Organist:** Jeff Horner

## Sunday, June 28

**Greeters:** Jan and Randy Kurtz

**Worship Leader:** Linda  
Hollman

**Organist:** Anne Chillson

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*The Rev. Dr. Melissa Rudolph, Lead Pastor*

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