

Woodbury
United Methodist Church



Sunday, October 3, 2021



Observed annually on the 1st Sunday in October, **World Communion Sunday** calls the Church to be the universal, inclusive Church. The special offering received this Sunday supports World Communion Scholarships, Ethnic Scholarships, and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program. An offering envelope is inserted into the worship bulletin for your donations.

Benevolence Offering

WUMC's benevolence fund is used by the pastor to help persons in our community who need food or other financial assistance. The fund is supported by loose plate offerings on Communion Sundays. Because of our unusual worship arrangements in recent months, the Communion offering has not been taken and the fund is depleted. Now that we are returning to the sanctuary for worship, we are resuming the benevolence offering. A special offering box or plate is placed at the entrance to the sanctuary this Sunday to receive your donations.

Mission Statement of the Woodbury United Methodist Church

We are a welcoming Christian fellowship who celebrate and share God's love with everyone.

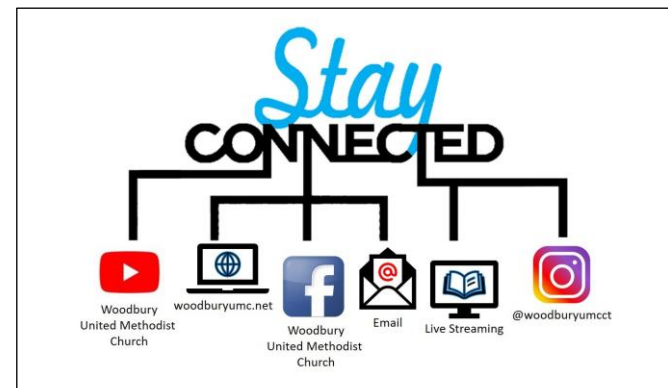
We seek a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. Inspired by His example, we strive to be God's hands in this world.

Empowered by God's word, we proclaim the Gospel and serve through worship, study, mission, and community support.

Love is Spoken Here!



Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
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WUMC Helping Hands Ministry

Vision Statement:

Provide an extended network of community volunteers for helping those with critical short-term needs, but without sufficient resources and families to whom they can turn.

Examples of Types of Services:

- Handyman projects (e.g., carpentry, painting, simple plumbing/electrical/car repairs, computer troubleshooting)
- Home upkeep (e.g., spring/fall cleanup)
- Transportation and delivery
- Family crisis support (e.g., child/elder/respite care, meals)
- Friendly visitor

Nominal Constraints:

- Short-term crisis support: 4-8 hours; 1-2 days
- Work projects: Ideally done in 1 day; up to \$200 for material cost
- Application approval predicated on resource availability and schedule

Please Contact: Woodbury United Methodist Church (WUMC) at WUMC@WoodburyUMC.net.



Woodbury United Methodist Church

October 3, 2021
19th Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday

*Please stand as you are able.

WE COME TOGETHER IN PRAISE

PRELUDE *Fur Elise* Beethoven
Grace Walkup, piano

GREETING Rev. Garrett Walkup

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 146:1-7

Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, my soul.

I will praise the Lord all my life;

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Do not put your trust in princes,
in human beings, who cannot save.

**When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;
on that very day their plans come to nothing.**

Blessed are those whose help is in the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the Lord their God.

He is the Maker of heaven and earth,
the sea, and everything in them—
he remains faithful forever.

**He upholds the cause of the oppressed
and gives food to the hungry.**

*OPENING HYMN #613 *O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread*
Hymns led by the Walkup family

*OPENING PRAYER (unison) led by Anna Walkup

Today as we gather in body, mind and spirit would you abide with us. We would provide for us a peace that transcends our understanding. Would you bring us together with your church family and those around the world who are at this

very moment doing that same. Would you bless our table fellowship that we will take later. In Christ we pray, Amen

WE SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE IN PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME	Rev. Walkup
THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)	
SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS	Rev. Walkup
THE CHURCH AT PRAYER	Rev. Walkup

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READINGS read by Grace Walkup

*Gospel Reading: Luke 22:15-20

He said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I tell you, I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves; for I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." Then he took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And he did the same with the cup after supper, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

HYMN OF PREPARATION	Praise Band	
SERMON	<i>World Communion Day</i>	Rev. Walkup

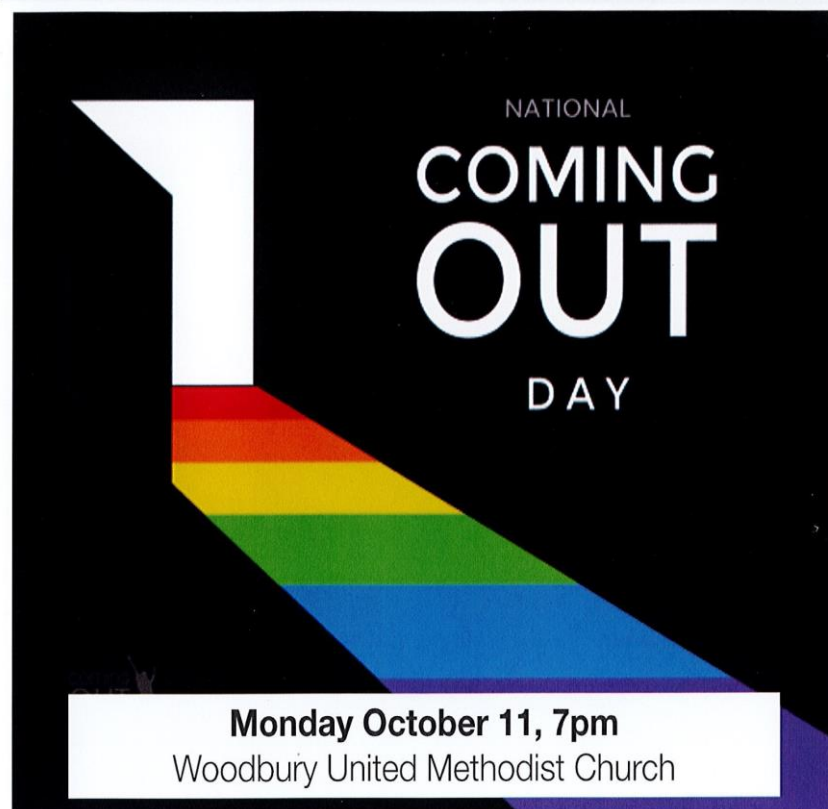
WE RESPOND IN FAITH

SILENT REFLECTION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)
from *The United Methodist Book of Worship*

God of all nations, we praise you that in Christ the barriers that have separated humanity are torn down.




A service of worship, music and celebration of LGBTQIA people and allies, celebrating queer visibility with unapologetic welcome.

Join us in uplifting dignity and respect for all, and to support and encourage LGBTQIA families in living honest and open lives!

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Facebook and Instagram: WoodburyUMCCT

Please follow COVID safety guidelines, including masking.

Rain Date is scheduled for Sunday, October 17th at 3:00 PM



**BLESSING OF
THE ANIMALS**

WOODBURY NORTH GREEN **OCTOBER**
3PM SUNDAY **10**

Join Us as we celebrate our animal companions!
All people and their pets are welcome!
Stuffed animals and pet photos are also very welcome!

We will have snacks for pets and people. *Pets must be on a leash, or in a carrier.*
Please join us even if you do not have a pet of your own.
This is a wonderful experience that everyone will enjoy!
Pet food collection to benefit the Woodbury Community Food Bank

More information at WoodburyUMC.net or at facebook.com/WoodburyUMCCT

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Yet we confess our slowness to open our hearts and minds to those of other lands, tongues, and races. Deliver us from the sins of fear and prejudice, that we may move toward the day when all are truly one in Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

*OFFERTORY HYMN *Minute from Partita in B^b* JS Bach
Anna Walkup and Rowan Boisseau

WE GATHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING FOR WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
(unison)
from *The United Methodist Book of Worship*

O God, we join with ours sisters and brothers around the world in remembering Christ's sacrifice for us. For the opportunity to eat and drink together and for the life we have received, we give you thanks and praise. In the abundance of your many gifts, grant us grace to fill one another's lives with love. Redeem, restore, and remold us until we are made new. Transform our daily bread into the bread of life, and the cup that we drink into the cup of salvation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING THE BREAD AND LIFTING THE CUP

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison) from *At the Lord's Table*

God our Father, you give us a share in the one bread and the one cup and make us one with Christ. Help us to bring your salvation and joy to all the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE GO FORTH IN JOY

CLOSING HYMN #2227 (TFWS) *We are the Body of Christ* (see insert)

*BENEDICTION Rev. Walkup

*POSTLUDE Praise Band



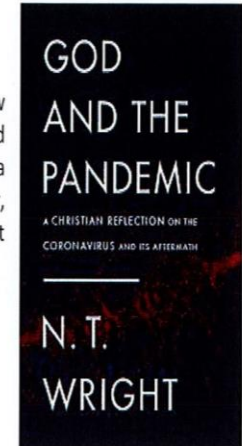
Woodbury UMC Adult Studies
Fall 2021

***God and the Pandemic: A Christian Reflection on the Coronavirus and Its Aftermath* by NT Wright**

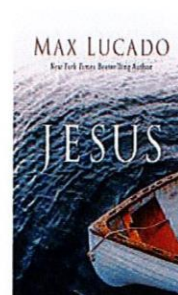
In *God and the Pandemic*, N.T. Wright uses both the Old and New Testaments to help Christians think through their reactions and responses to the pandemic. Offering spiritual guidance during a time of crisis, Wright helps readers reflect on scripture, prayer, and teachings from Jesus' life in order to think differently about disaster and how to react to it.

Gain insight on these questions:

- What should be the Christian response?
- How should we think about God?
- How do we live in the present?
- Why should we lament?
- What should we learn about ourselves?
- How do we recover?



Classes meet Sunday mornings before worship – see Bud Behlman or Pastor Michael for more information.



***Jesus: The God Who Knows Your Name* by Max Lucado**

For thirty-three years Jesus felt everything you have ever felt. Weakness. Weariness. Sadness. Rejection. His feet got tired. And his head ached. He was tempted and his strength was tested. And you know why? Because in becoming human, Jesus made it possible for us to see God. His tears, God's tears. His voice, God's voice. Want to know what matters to God? Find out what matters to Jesus. Want to know what in the world God is doing? Ponder the words and life of Jesus.

Classes will meet Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:00 pm – for more information see Bud Behlman or Pastor Michael

Books for both studies are available for purchase both in the church office as well as on line.

Please note: Livestreaming provides an opportunity for all of us to experience worship at the same time, either at home or in-person. Worshipers at home may join us by video on YouTube or audio-only by telephone broadcast. Video recordings of services are also archived on the church's website for later viewing. Later phone broadcasts are no longer provided. The options for accessing services electronically remain the same:

- **Video:** Go to <http://www.woodburyumc.net>, scroll to "Sunday Morning Worship in the Sanctuary" and click the link for livestreaming. A link is also provided for archived videos for later viewing.
- **Audio only by phone:** dial 425-436-6391, enter pin with hash sign 2431819#.

Save the Dates

Sunday, October 10 – Blessing of the Animals will be held from 3:00-5:00 PM on the North Green. Many details are being planned for this event and more information will follow very soon.

Monday, October 11 – National COMING OUT DAY, worship service 7:00 PM WUMC

Sunday, October 17– Laity Sunday - News to come regarding opportunities for youth

Saturday, November 13 – Fall Clean-Up Day at WUMC – please see your Messenger. Great way for students to get community service hours for school.

Sunday, November 28 - UMC Student Day - - News to come regarding opportunities for you & college student participation

THE PRAYER CORNER

Outpatient rehabilitation: *Michael Etcheto*, grandson of *Barbara Etcheto*

Recovering at home: *Gary McClendon; Pat Kurtz; Lynne Brencher; Carol Hennessey; Liam McGrath; Robert Mitchell*, brother of *Marci Lowman* (the daughter-in-law of *Marion Lowman*); *Amelia Eager* (friend of the *Temple* family); *Steve Thomas; Dominic Vaiuso*, father of *Karen Williams* (Newtown); *Carl Hinkle*, father of *Toby McGrath* (Greensburg, PA); *Donna Louise Burke*, friend of *Kathy Craig; Lou Calabrese* (husband of *Lynn Ramsden-Calabrese*)

Outpatient treatments: *Dave Brencher; Bob Asman; Dave Davison*, father-in-law of *Gary McClendon; Will Styblo*, nephew of *Jim Styblo* and *Catherine Mason* (Franklin, TN)

Please remember our Confirmands: *Annabelle Cloud, Cody Cordova, Zachary Cordova, James Levario, Matthew Shupenis*

Homebound members: *Florence Brown, Linda Bailey*



If you would like to send someone a birthday card, please see our website @ www.woodburyumc.net for this month's birthday listing. Reminder that we are placing flowers on the altar again so let us know if you want to sign up for a particular date.

O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread 613

1. O Thou who this mys - ter - ious bread didst
 2. Un - seal the vol - ume of thy grace, ap -
 3. Of thee com - mun - ing still, we mourn till
 4. En - kin - dle now the heav - en - ly zeal, and

in Em - ma - us break, re - turn, here - with our
 ply the gos - pel word; o - pen our eyes to
 thou the veil re - move; talk with us, and our
 make thy mer - cy known, and give our par - doned

souls to feed, and to thy fol - lowers speak.
 see thy face, our hearts to know the Lord.
 hearts shall burn with flames of fer - vent love.
 souls to feel that God and love are one.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1745 (Lk. 24:13-35)
 MUSIC: USA folk melody; arr. by Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938;
 harm. by Charles H. Webb, 1988
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LAND OF REST
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2227 We Are the Body of Christ

One heart, one Spir - it, one voice to
praise you, we are the bod - y of Christ.
One goal, one vi - sion: To see you ex -
alt - ed. We are the bod - y of Christ. —
And to this we give our lives to
see you glo - ri - fied. — One

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D.S. al Fine

WORDS: Scott Wesley Brown and David Hampton (1 Cor. 12)
MUSIC: Scott Wesley Brown and David Hampton

BODY OF CHRIST
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Week of October 3, 2021

Visitors are warmly welcomed! If you wish to learn more about WUMC's ministries, please take a copy of our weekly newsletter, *The Messenger*, which is available on the table at the registration area.

If you would like to become a member of the Woodbury United Methodist Church, please speak to Pastor Michael. Inquirers are asked to attend a two-session Membership Orientation class before joining the church.

Today is the 19th Sunday after Pentecost on the Christian calendar. The Season after Pentecost, also called Ordinary Time, begins the day after Pentecost and ends the day before the First Sunday of Advent. The liturgical color is green, symbolizing growth in Christ.

Today is also World Communion Sunday in United Methodism and many other Christian traditions. Observed on the first Sunday in October, this day calls the Church to be the universal, inclusive Church. The special offering supports World Communion Scholarships, Ethnic Scholarships, and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program (see bulletin insert).

On Communion Sundays, the Lord's Table is open to all who seek to follow Christ, regardless of age or denominational background. An offering plate is located on the left side of the chancel for donations to the church's benevolence fund.

Thanks to all those making special contributions to our worship service today: Rev. Garrett Walkup, guest preacher; Anna and Grace Walkup, Readers, Barbara and Jeff Hunt, Greeters and Ushers; the Walkup family, Singers; Rowan Boisseau, Matt Bodwell, Rod Carnes, Kate Keeler, and Sarah Kate Walkup, Singers and Musicians.