

# Wesley United Methodist Church Grand Forks, ND November 5, 2017

Our purpose is to make new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

# Welcome to Worship at Wesley

November 5, 2017

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Wesley! If you have questions or special needs, please speak to an usher. Worship activity bags for children are hanging on a rack at the back of the church.

Our ushers have large-print hymnals available.

Nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers in Room 202.

Please remember to silence your cell phone during worship.

# Gathering for Praise

**Gathering Music** 

I Love You, Lord Arr. by Carl Seal Marge Myrold

**Greetings of Christian Fellowship** 

\*Call to Worship:

Let us praise God in this holy house of worship.

Let every living, breathing creature praise God!

**Opening Hymn** 

I Come with Joy (vv. 1-4)

Red Hymnal 617

(Birthday for Missions offerings may be brought forward during this song)

\*Opening Prayer:

Loving God,

who understands before we form our prayers.

who hears when we call and translates our humble words

into beautiful hymns of gratitude and praise,

and who reponds to our uncertain cries for help

with assurance, peace, and palpable presence:

Here we are, as fully in your presence as we are able to be,

offering our fears, our needs, our hopes, our love, and our lives,  $% \left( \frac{1}{2}\right) =\left( \frac{1}{2}\right) \left( \frac{1}{2}\right$ 

for we are yours and belong to no other.

Amen.

**Choir Anthem** 

Our Hearts Embrace The Cross by Lloyd Larson

# Offering Ourselves to God in Prayer

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns** 

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Projected

Marge Myrold

Offering In His Time

Arr. by Carl Seal

\*Doxology

# The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation, Confession, and Pardon

The Great Thanksgiving

**Receiving the Elements of Communion** 

# Opening Ourselves to God's Word

Children's Conversation Kellie Burgess

Scripture Reading Psalm 17: 1-7 Old Testament, pg. 469, 470

Mark 14: 32-39

New Testament, pg. 49

**Scripture Hymn** *Open My Eyes, That I May See* Red Hymnal 454

**Sermon** Moving Inward Through Prayer Rev. Jerry Bass

Going Forth to Serve

\*Closing Hymn I Come with Joy (v. 5) Red Hymnal 617

\*Benediction

\*Musical Response Go Now in Peace (sing twice)

\*Closing Song Rejoice, the Lord Is Come Marge Myrold

by Olive Nelson Russell

## Thanks to all who have helped with today's worship service!

Welcome Team: 9:00 Bob & Dawn Boyd

Daryell & Mary Ferguson

Acolyte: 9:00 Eli Zerr

Lay Reader: 9:00 Kellie Burgess

## YOUTH NEWS

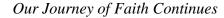
**YOUTH NEWS:** The Youth raised \$260 from their Fall yard raking/spook insurance fundraising campaign. Thank you to all those who contributed, and a special thank you to the Youth who came out and helped with the raking activities. Below is the schedule of events planned through Christmas.

Nov. 5	5:30-7:00	Lesson at church
Nov. 12	5:30-7:00	Christmas craft activity at church for shut ins
Nov. 19	TBD	Viewing of movie "Wonder" then back at church for meal
&		discussion
Nov. 26		NO YOUTH GROUP
Dec. 3	<b>3:30</b> -7:00	Deliver crafts to shut ins; back at church to attend faith
session		on the Meaning of Christmas
Dec. 10	5:30-7:00	Lesson at church
Dec. 17	5:00-7:00	Christmas potluck party at church
Dec. 24		NO YOUTH GROUP
Dec. 31		NO YOUTH GROUP

Please note that the above events are "fluid;" meaning, times and events may change, depending on weather, resources, volunteers, etc.

# PLEASE ALSO NOTE THE CHANGES MADE TO ACTIVITIES NOVEMBER 12 AND NOVEMBER 19.

Wesley's Youth Group is open to all youth in grades 6-12, and friends are welcome at any time! We hope to see you at the above events. If anyone has questions, concerns, suggestions, please see me, Kellie Burgess, or the other leaders – Marge Myrold, Mark Guy, and Laurie Guy.





After focusing on *Our Wesleyan Roots* in September and *The Sacred Word* in October, Wesley's *Journey of Faith* continues in November with an emphasis on *Prayer*. Pastor Jerry provided a segue by preaching on October 29 on how we use the Bible, including its role as a focus for prayer and devotional life.

On Sunday, November 12, we will host the third special event in our *Journey*. As with past gatherings, a light supper will be served at 5:00, this time in the Fellowship Room on the main floor alongside the sanctuary. Rev. Mark Ellingson, lead chaplain at Altru, then will present a program of interest on the month's topic of *Prayer*.

An interesting guide to our topic of prayer has been mailed to leaders of our congregation for use in the various classes and other gatherings in our church. Additional copies of the guide are available for any interested persons at the Welcome Center table in the church lobby. Also as part of our *Journey of Faith*, the Wesley Endowment trustees granted funding to provide *Upper Room* devotional booklets for all persons in the church. If you did not receive a copy in worship, please take one from the table at the Welcome Center – and feel free to take additional copies to give to family members, friends, co-workers, and neighbors.

During November worship services, Pastor Jerry will be preaching about some of the different ways we can pray to God, focusing on inward prayers (today), upward prayers (Nov. 12), and outward prayers (Nov. 19).

## Charge Conference - Sunday, November 19

On Sunday, Nov. 19, Wesley will be the site for a charge conference meeting for all of the United Methodist Churches from Hillsboro to the Canadian border. Beginning at 2:00, our District Superintendent Randy Cross will lead us in devotion and instruction. We will hear some news from each of our regional churches. Then, each congregation's participants will gather together to transact the charge conference business for their church.

Wesley members who are present that day will elect officers for 2018, receive a number of written (not oral) reports, and engage in some discussion regarding the status of our congregation and what our goals ought to be for 2018. This will include an opportunity for questions directed to our Leadership Team Chair Jessica Zerr and/or Pastor Jerry

November 17-19: Be sure to pre-order your Thanksgiving lefse! United Methodist Women will be making



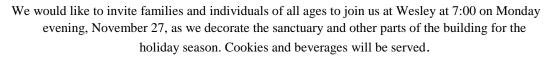
lefse on November 17 & 18 for pick up on Sunday, November 19. Orders will be taken beginning Sunday, November 5 through November 15. Packages of 3 can be purchased for \$6.00 with a limit of 3 packages. You are welcome to come and help make lefse. Please contact Pam Galegher at 599-2376 or <a href="mailto:pamelynjg@hotmail.com">pamelynjg@hotmail.com</a> to sign up or for more information.



## Thanksgiving Worship

Continuing a long tradition of joint services, persons from Wesley and Zion United Methodist churches will gather at Zion on Tuesday evening, November 21, to offer thanks and praise to God as we approach the Thanksgiving holiday. Interested individuals are invited to join the choirs at 6:00 for a rehearsal of worship music. The joint service will begin at 7:00, with Pastor Chang leading worship and Pastor Jerry delivering the message.

### Holiday Decorating







#### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSIC:

Parents – the annual Wesley Sunday School Christmas program will take place during the 9:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. We will practice Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please mark these dates on your calendar! Also – we will start practicing for the Christmas program on November 5, 2017 during Sunday School music. Please be consistent in attendance so that parts and music are learned.

## Continued Partnership with Head Start

For a number of years, Wesley UMC members shopped each holiday season to provide Christmas gifts for Grand Forks Head Start children and their siblings. Due to a variety of factors, Head Start leaders have decided to end that cooperative activity. However, we still want to maintain a partnership to provide for children's needs. Therefore, during the month of

November, we will be accepting new and like-new children's winter wear (coats, jackets, caps, mittens, scarves, and boots), particularly those sizes for ages 3-6.

We also would like to collect enough board games and other family-oriented games appropriate for children 3-6 years of age to give one to every Head Start family. That means we would need to receive over 150 games by the end of November. Pastor Jerry is confident that we can do this, so watch for the early season toy sales and bring newly purchased (not used) games to church (wrapped or unwrapped).

# Wesley UMC Calendar for November 5 – November 12

Sunday, November 5 8:30 a.m. Coffee fellowship

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

10:10 a.m. Sunday school

11:15 a.m. *Ignite* Praise Service2:00 p.m. Nepali Worship Service

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Tuesday, November 7 Pastor Jerry at District Committee on Ordained Ministry, Fargo ND

1:00 p.m. Mary-Martha Circle, Church Library

Bible Word: Salvation

3:00 p.m. Coffee Club, Panera

6:00 p.m. Miriam Circle, Eagles Crest

7:00 p.m. Tuesday Night Class

**Wednesday, November 8** 9:30 a.m. Sarah-Faith Circle, Wesley Fellowship Room

Reminder: Bring an item for UMCOR kits

1:00 p.m. Lydia-Ruth-Rachel Circle, Parkwood Place

1:30 p.m. Worship, Parkwood Place

1:30 p.m. Quilting

5:30 p.m. Kids Bells, grades 2-8

6:15 p.m. Adult Bells 6:15 p.m. Confirmation

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:30 p.m. *Ignite* Rehearsal

**Thursday, November 9** 8:00 a.m. Breakfast Club, Denny's

Saturday, November 11 Veterans' Day

Sunday, November 12 8:30 a.m. Coffee fellowship

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

10:10 a.m. Sunday school

11:15 a.m. *Ignite* Praise Service2:00 p.m. Nepali Worship Service

5:00 p.m. Journey of Faith, Fellowship Room

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Last week's attendance: 112 Last week's giving: \$3,625.00

Offering to date: \$202,009.05

We're glad you are here today! Thank you for your support!



## Worship with our Praise Band at 11:15

Every Praise Forever Reign Wonderful Cross Peace – Be Still

Psalm 17: 1-7 & Mark 14: 32-39

Pastor Jerry's Message: *Moving Inward Through Prayer*