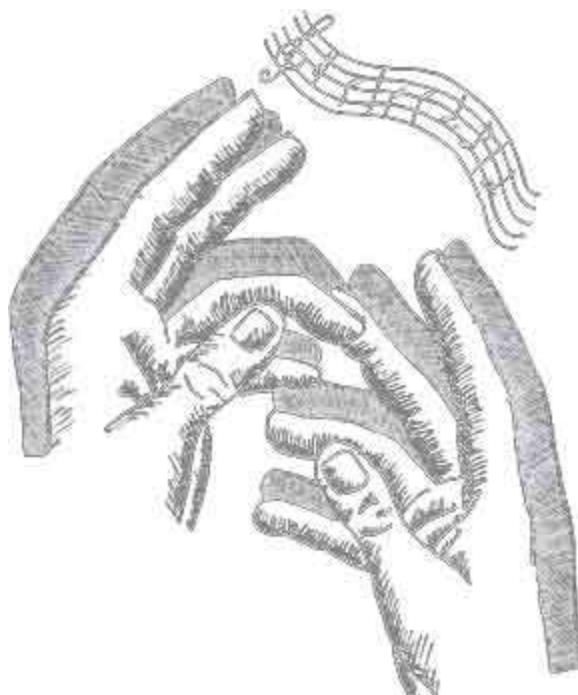


Wesley United Methodist Church

Grand Forks, ND

January 28, 2018



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

Welcome to Worship at Wesley

January 28, 2018

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

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

The Hands of Jesus
by Roger C. Wilson

Marge Myrold

Greetings of Christian Fellowship

(Please register your attendance in the folders in each pew)

*** Call to Worship:**

We all are called for service, to reach out in Christ's name.

Our ministries are different; our purpose is the same.

**To touch the lives of others by God's surprising grace,
so every folk and nation may feel God's warm embrace.**

Opening Hymn

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

Black Hymnal 2237

*** Opening Prayer:**

**All the gifts that God has given by his grace to everyone
were meant to give us each a place to serve.**

**And if we will come together to see God's will be done.
we will share in blessings more than we deserve.**

**There are differences among us God can use to make us strong.
Yet in the love that unifies us by the faith that leads us on,
we can follow with one purpose and one heart.**

**There is one God and Father of us all,
above all and through all and in all.**

Second Scripture Reading

John 13: 1-15

New Testament, p. 101

Scripture Hymn

Here I Am, Lord

Red Hymnal 593

Sermon

Why? Serving in and for the Church

Rev. Jerry Bass

Going Forth to Serve

* **Closing Hymn**

The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve

Black Hymnal 2241

* **Benediction**

* **Musical Response**

Go Now in Peace (sing twice)

* **Closing Song**

March Recessional
by Lily Strickland

Marge Myrold

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

Welcome Team: 9:00 Tom & Jackie Saddler,
Kyle Whitcomb
Acolyte: 9:00 Caleb Zerr
Lay Reader: 9:00 Steve Schlasner



Beautify the Sanctuary for Easter
Look for insert in February bulletins!

CHANGE IN YOUTH ACTIVITIES:

The remaining activities scheduled for January are canceled.

For Sunday, February 4, the Youth are scheduled to help at both services with lay reading, ushering and greeting. Laurie Guy has already emailed you about signing your Youth up for these service activities. We will also host a “bang the soup pot” (in honor of Super Bowl Sunday) that day as a fundraiser, with any funds collected to be donated to a charity on behalf of our Youth.

For Sunday, February 11, we will have a potluck for parents and youth. This will take place at the church, **from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** We will work on Valentines to be mailed to the shut-ins, which we would like the parents to participate in as well. We want to use this time as an opportunity to discuss with Youth and parents on how we can move the group forward.

The remaining activities following February 11 are canceled.

In Our Prayers

Susan Lamberson has been diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma and this past week began what will be a lengthy series of chemotherapy treatment. To assist her family with related expenses, our youth group's “bang the soup pot” next Sunday will provide an opportunity for us to all offer financial support. Your generosity will be appreciated.



Fun in the Son Valentine's Party



Wesley and Zion UMCs will be hosting a Valentine's party for Fun in the Son kids on February 10 here at Wesley from 11am - 1pm.

We are planning to have the kids decorate Valentine's cookies, play some games, listen to a bible story, sing a few songs, and have lunch together.

You can help us celebrate this day with the kids by volunteering in one of several areas -- help serve lunch, help with games, help with cookie decorating, help set up before and clean up after, or supervise and interact with kids. Monetary donations are also welcome.

If you are able to help, please talk to Judy Christy or contact her at j.christy86@gmail.com. Thank you!

Fun in the Son is a cooperative program between Wesley and Zion UMCs with children and families living in the Richards West Park area.



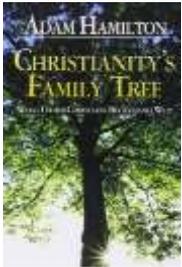


Thank you to all who donated 2018 calendars to Wesley UMC. They have been delivered to Northlands Rescue Mission for distribution to persons who utilize their services.

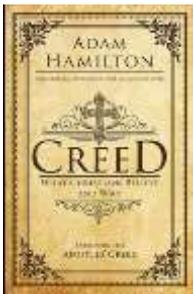
Opportunities for Faith Development at Wesley

We provide a variety of options for your involvement in faith development. We urge everyone to consider participating in the following activities.

If you would like to know more about *Christianity's Family Tree*, plan to join us in the library at 7:00 on Tuesday evenings. Each week, we will watch a video of Rev. Adam Hamilton as he offers a brief historical and religious perspective on one of the Christian denominations, and then we will engage in discussion about that group of churches. This week, we will look at Roman Catholicism and then continue through Lutheran, Presbyterian, and other denominations.



At 10:10 each Sunday morning, our church offers Sunday school classes for all ages. For adults, there two options. The "Library Class" members are discussing Adam Hamilton's book, *Creed*. Plan to join this group for an insightful look and discussion of the Apostles Creed. Pastor Jerry will participate in the other adult Sunday school class that will meet in the chapel. Each week, participants will bring questions that will serve to focus that morning's discussion, so think about the ponderings that you have and plan to bring them as topics to that group.



Would you willing to join a new book study group at Wesley? Pastor Jerry would love to start another group that could meet sometime during the day, either morning or afternoon, to read and discuss books with a religious perspective. If you would like to participate in such an activity, please visit with him and offer suggestions for the kind of topics that would most interest you.

Wesley UMC Calendar for January 28 – February 4

Sunday, January 28	8:30 a.m. Coffee fellowship 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service 10:10 a.m. Sunday school 11:15 a.m. <i>Ignite</i> Praise Service 1:00 p.m. Nepali Worship Service No Youth Group
Tuesday, January 30	3:00 p.m. Wesley Coffee Club, Panera 7:00 p.m. <i>Christianity's Family Tree</i> , Library
Wednesday, January 31	1:30 p.m. Worship in the Parkwood Place Chapel 1:30 p.m. Quilting, Room 305 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. <i>Ignite</i> Praise Rehearsal
Thursday, February 1	8:00 a.m. Wesley Breakfast Club, Denny's
Sunday, February 4	8:30 a.m. Coffee fellowship 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service 10:10 a.m. Sunday school 11:15 a.m. <i>Ignite</i> Praise Service 1:00 p.m. Nepali Worship Service Youth Group to help at both services

Last week's attendance: 97

Last week's giving: \$3,441.50

Offering to date: \$13,160.50

We're glad you are here today!

Thank you for your support!

Watch for February newsletter in your inbox or mailbox this week. To get this by e-mail, send your request to gfwesley@midconetwork.com. The next issue will have news and announcements about the upcoming season of Lent and activities in the life of our Church.





Worship with our Praise Band at 11:15

Days of Elijah

Our God

Amazing Grace (Our Chains Are Gone)

Come Alive (Dry Bones)

James 2: 14-17

John 13: 1-15

Pastor Jerry's Message:

Why? Serving in and for the Church