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Wesley United Methodist Church

Grand Forks, ND

October 29, 2017

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

Welcome to Worship at Wesley

October 29, 2017

Twenty-first 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

Church's One Foundation Medley
Arr. by Alan Hager

Little Ringer Dingers

Choir Anthem

Come Now Is the Time to Worship
Arr. by Mark Hayes

Sanctuary Choir

Greetings of Christian Fellowship

***Call to Worship:**

We come broken;

but yours is a story of hope.

We come fearful;

but yours is a story of peace.

We come cynical;

but yours is a story of liberation.

We come empty;

but yours is a story of life fulfilled.

Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing

***Opening Prayer:**

**Loving God, you speak to us through your Scriptures
and in the collective wisdom of your people
guided by your Spirit through the ages.**

**Help us to hear anew what you would speak to us this day,
for your word is always fresh,
a message of life and hope in a world
that needs to know and heed your will,
through Christ the living Word and your Spirit of illumination
who with You is the truth that sets us free. Amen.**

If able, please stand where asterisks appear.

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Offering Ourselves to God in Prayer

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and *The Lord's Prayer*

Projected

Offering

Light of the Living God
by David Paxton

Marge Myrold

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication:

O God, most merciful and gracious,
of whose bounty we have all received:
accept this offering of your people.
Remember in your love those who have brought it
and those for whom it is given,
and so follow it with your blessing
that it may promote peace and goodwill among all peoples
and advance the kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Opening Ourselves to God's Word

Our Children Sing

Alive, Alive
Traditional
The Bible Tells Me So
Dale Evans
Even the Fish Obey Him
Diane Goodman and Karen Crane

Children's Conversation

Rev. Jerry Bass

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 1: 2-7
Colossians 3: 1-17

Old Testament, pg. 551
New Testament, pg. 190

Scripture Hymn

Near to the Heart of God

Red Hymnal 472

Sermon

How can we use the Bible?

Rev. Jerry Bass

Going Forth to Serve

*Closing Hymn	<i>The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve</i>	Black Hymnal 2241
*Benediction		
*Musical Response	<i>Go Now in Peace (sing twice)</i>	
*Closing Song	<i>Sing to the Great Jehovah's Priase</i> by Lani Smith	Marge Myrold

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

Welcome Team:	9:00	Anne & Greg Bryson Andrea, Amelia & Lily Snortland
	11:15	Sharon Stewart & Danielle Holm
Acolyte:	9:00	Jayna Polries
Lay Reader:	9:00	Steve Schlasner

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.

Oct. 29	5:30-7:00	Lesson at church
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	3:30 -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.



Our Journey of Faith Continues

The focus of the Wesley Journey of Faith during November is “Prayer.” Sunday, November 12 we will have our third special event. Reverend Mark Ellingson and Jessica Zerr will lead us into greater understanding of the Bible. Plan to join us at 5:00 that day in the Fellowship Room beside the sanctuary.

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 10th. We will practice Saturday, December 9th, 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.



Special Event Today

Today Bishop Bruce Ough will provide an update on the work of our *Commission on a Way Forward*. This gathering at Fargo Calvary will begin at 3:30. Pastor Jerry invites all who plan to attend to consider joining him for conversation and supper following Bishop Ough’s presentation. Let him know if you would like to participate and if you would be interested in ride sharing.



Last Sunday was United Methodist Women Sunday. With our thanks, we celebrated Special Mission Recognition recipients Danielle Holm and Bob Boyd for their service to Wesley UMC and our community. Linda Juntunen was honored as the 2017 UMW Jewel of a Woman for her continued work with UMW, Wesley UMC and further. We offer them all our thanks and congratulations!



Thank you so much for filling shoeboxes. We have 67 complete and will be able to fill more with your cash donations and the items from the United Way. The children of the Spirit Lake will have a merrier Christmas thanks to your kindness.

October 29, 2017 and November 5, 2017



An Early Thanksgiving Meal for Older Adults

Each year the Grand Forks Senior Center (620 4th Ave S) hosts an early, delicious Thanksgiving meal for older adults. Come join us Tuesday, November 14 for either the 11:30 am meal (entertainment at 11 am) or the 5:00 pm meal (entertainment at 6 pm).

Reservations required. Limited seating. These meals always sell out so make your reservation as soon as possible by calling 701-757-4869. Suggested donation for people 60 and over is \$4.25.

Wesley UMC Calendar for October 29 – November 5

Sunday, October 29	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
	2:00 p.m.	Nepali Worship Service
	3:30 p.m.	“Commission on a Way Forward update” at Calvary UMC in Fargo
	5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Tuesday, October 31 Halloween	3:00 p.m.	Coffee Club, Panera
	7:00 p.m.	No Tuesday Night Class
Wednesday, November 1 All Saints Day	1:30 p.m.	Worship, Parkwood Place
	1:30 p.m.	Quilting
	4:15 p.m.	UMW Executive meeting
	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> Rehearsal
Thursday, November 2	8:00 a.m.	Breakfast Club, Denny’s
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.	<i>Ignite</i> Praise Service
	2:00 p.m.	Nepali Worship Service
	5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Looking Ahead: Sunday, November 12	-Journey of Faith Special Event with Rev. Mark Ellingson speaking about prayer.	
Sunday, November 19	-Annual Charge Conference	
Tuesday, November 21	-Thanksgiving Service at Zion	

Last week’s attendance: 107

Last week’s giving: \$4,106.80

Offering to date: \$198,384.05

We’re glad you are here today!

Thank you for your support!



Worship with our Praise Band at 11:15

Blessed Be Your Name

Forever

Lord, I Need You

Amazing Grace – My Chains Are Gone

Proverbs 1: 2-7 & Colossians 3: 1-17

Pastor Jerry's Message:

How can we use the Bible?