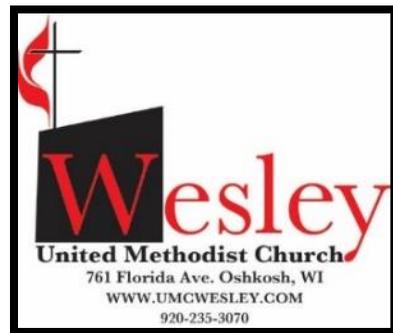


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Our Mission Statement

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world by learning God's Word, teaching God's Word, and sharing God's love through worship, education, fellowship and compassionate service to those in need in our community and the world in the name of Jesus Christ.

Serving Us Today

Bulletin Folder:

Greeters:

Ushers:

Liturgist:

Projection/Sound Room:

Lucy Jewson

Vernita & Brian Green

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Linda Colantonio

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Monday – 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



Wesley United Methodist Church

Lay Speaker, Mike Hert

November 28, 2021

Welcome to the First Sunday of Advent
November 28, 2021

**Please stand as able, in praise of God*

Prelude

Greetings & Welcome

***Call to Worship**

Liturgist: Linda Colantonio

L: Something stirs deep within us – a longing, a hope,

P: A thirst for joy, a hunger for peace, a yearning for blessing.

L: We know deep within that our hopes and fears

P: Will be met by angel songs and baby sighs.

L: It is Advent -

P: Season of waiting, hoping, yearning.

L: Advent -

All: Time to go home.

***Opening Prayer** (*Psalm 25: 1-10, Luke 21: 25-36*)

Liturgist: Linda Colantonio

**Righteous one, to you alone we lift our souls; in you alone, we place our trust;
for you alone we wait all day long. For you are the God of our salvation, abounding in
mercy and steadfast love. Help us remain alert and watchful for the coming of your
promised one— the one who comes with power and glory, the one drawing near to
bring our salvation. Amen.**

Advent Candle Lighting: Candle of HOPE (*see screen*)

Susan Zimmerman & Linda Colantonio

Advent Hymn

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”(verse 1)

UMH #211

Prayer of Confession

Silent Confession/Words of Assurance

***Opening Hymn**

“This is My Song”

UMH #437

PRAYERS

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns L: Lord in your mercy

P: Hear our Prayer

Prayer Response

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

TFWS #2193

Silent Prayer/ Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Children’s Time

Debbie Zimmerman

PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

***Doxology**

“Give Thanks”

TFWS #2036

Prayer of Dedication

The Mystery and Majesty of the Ancient Prophecies (*Narration*)

Scott Colantonio

Anthem

“Carol of Longing”

by Joseph M. Martin

Incorporating tune: Carol of the Birds

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SERVICE OF THE WORD

Old Testament

Proverbs 15:8

Liturgist: Linda Colantonio

Responsive Hymn

“Prepare the Way of the Lord”

UMH #207

New Testament

Matthew 6:5-13

Mike Hert

The Message

“The Lord’s Prayer”

Mike Hert

Announcements

SENDING FORTH

***Closing Hymn**

“It’s Me, It’s Me, O Lord”

UMH #352

Benediction

Postlude

A **Hearing Loop** is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users.
 To use, please switch to "T".
 Headphones are also available from an usher.



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We pray our worship service brings you into a closer relationship with God.
 Let us know if we can be of service to you and/or your family.
 Please take a red "Welcome Bag". They are hanging under the name tags in the lobby.
 Thank you for joining us today!

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Just a reminder....

If you have moved, are ill, having surgery, or need a visit for any reason, please contact the church office (920-235-3070) to keep the Pastor and Care Team informed.



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SCRIP Card Information

We have scrip cards available in the church office or from Jerry Krueger so you can start your holiday shopping. These cards also make great gifts for the special people on your list or even just to say "Thank You" to someone. Target, Fleet Farm, Menards, Walgreens, Applebee's, Marcus Theatres, Hardees Walmart and so many more. We also have cards for most grocery stores too, so you can finish making your cookies and treats. Festival, Piggly Wiggly, Pick 'n Save, Walmart, Target. **Buy some today!**

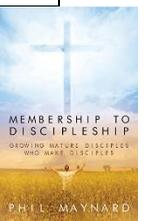
SCRIP cards are now available for purchase in the church office during regular office hours or call to make other arrangements. *Thanks for supporting this effort!*



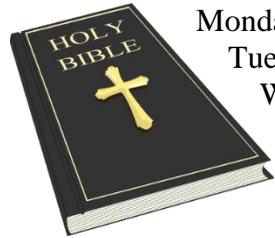
November 28- December 5, 2021

	Worship Mike Hert Sharing the Message	9:30 AM
Sun. Nov. 28 th	"Daily Guideposts" Discussion	10:45 AM
	Pastor's Office Hours	10:00-4:00
Tues. Nov. 30 th	"The Daily Walk" study group	10:30 AM
	"Membership to Discipleship" book study begins	5:00 PM
Wed., Dec. 1 st	Pastor's Office Hours	10:00 – 4:00
	Pastor's Office Hours	12:00 – 8:00
Thurs. Dec. 2 nd	Old Testament Study of Isaiah	2:30 PM
	Special Charge Conference	7:30 PM
Sat. Dec. 4 th	Tree Decorating	9:00 AM
Sun. Dec. 5 th	Worship	9:30 AM
	"Daily Guideposts" Discussion	10:45 AM

"Membership to Discipleship": Growing Mature Disciples Who Make Disciples", summary: drawing on the experiences of those congregations doing this well and on the best of current research, this resource provides practical steps for helping disciples in our congregation become more like Jesus.



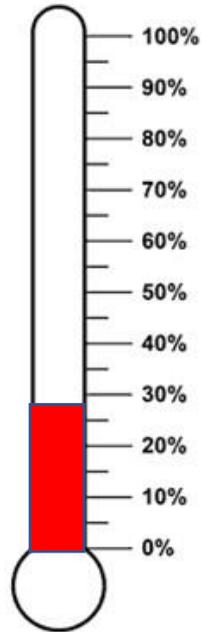
Scriptures for the week of 11/29 – 12/4/2021



Monday: Luke 21:25-36
 Tuesday: Luke 1:68-79
 Wednesday: Malachi 3:1-4
 Thursday: Philippians 1:3-11
 Friday: Isaiah 9:6-7
 Saturday: Luke 3:1-6

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Wesley's Roof



Are you aware that the roof over the sanctuary leaks? We have put some temporary fixes on it, so we can hold off until spring, when the roof will be replaced. The cost is \$26,000.00 and this needs to be raised by Spring. Please donate whatever you can afford. Any and all donations are appreciated. Just mark your envelope “roof fund”.

\$7295.91 (28.1%) has been raised of the total cost. We will update you each week as to our progress toward our goal.

Thank you for donating!

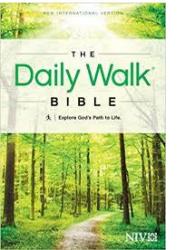
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Volunteers Wanted

Are you free during the day? **Jefferson School** could use your help with children **or** to prepare math kits for the children. If you are interested, please contact Lucy at 920-235-2670



“The Daily Walk Bible” study will be **Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Tshishinen** to discuss the previous week’s readings. You may join at any time. *The Daily Walk Bible* offers a simple daily reading plan and tools to help you complete the journey and see how the Bible fits together.

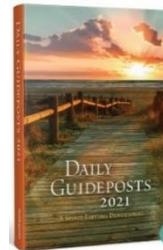


Each day’s reading includes an **overview** to give you a bird’s-eye view of the day’s reading, several chapters from the Bible, an **Insight** offering an interesting fact from the day’s reading, and **My Daily Walk**—a short devotion to help you reflect on and apply a specific insight from the day’s reading. Every seventh day offers a pause on the journey as you are invited to **Look Back** over the readings from the previous week, **Look Up** to God, and **Look Ahead** to the reading to come. This edition uses the popular New International Version text.

Contact or stop in the office to purchase/order a book. Two copies are currently available from an earlier order for \$11.49. Additional books can be ordered.

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Daily Guideposts Readers

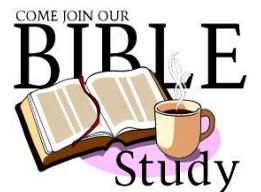


Sunday, after the service, from approximately 10:45-11:45 a.m. come to discuss the previous week’s devotions in the *Daily Guideposts*. We will be in Koeller Hall, so we can be spaced safely.

If you have questions, suggestions, or concerns please contact Debbie at the church office. (920) 235-3070

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Thursday at 2:30 p.m.
Bible Study focusing on the book of Isaiah.
Wayne Zimmerman leads this group.
We will meet in Koeller Hall.



Ways to Volunteer on Sunday Morning

Be a: greeter, usher, or liturgist/reader

Check your calendar and decide on a date that works for you. Sign up on the clipboard in the lobby outside Koeller Hall or call/email the church office.



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Thanks for your help!

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Giving Tuesday is November 30!

*Give: Love * Joy * Hope * Peace*

Close to home or around the world, the people of The United Methodist Church transform lives through their gifts in mission. You can amplify Christ's love by supporting ministries that speak to your heart.

Combined with the contributions of others, your gift can:

- *Support missionaries around the world
- *Make health care accessible to all
- *Help churches sustain and expand ministry
- *Provide material and spiritual relief in the face of disaster
- *Send help where it is most needed

Give knowing 100% of your gift will be used to help the ministry or missionary you designate.

Make a gift today:
umcmmission.org/GiveLove

November and Decembers' Mission Focus: Salvation Army



DOING THE MOST GOOD™

As in past years, the mission focus for December is the Salvation Army. We have usually signed up for two days of bell ringing for the Red Kettle Campaign, but due to the pandemic, we will not be doing that this year. We feel it could be putting our members at risk to be out in the public at this time.

However, with CO-VID still raging the need for the funds the Red Kettles bring in is even greater, so we still want to help. Therefore, we will have an opportunity to support the campaign right at our church. We will have a Red Kettle at the church on Sunday, December 12, before and after the worship service, so please plan to make your donation that day and please share this date with your family and friends, so we can collect a generous amount for the Salvation Army to support those in need in our community.

Even though we do not feel comfortable at this time to assign ringers to a location, the Salvation Army is still very much in need of bell ringers, so if you are comfortable being a ringer, please contact them. There is also an online sign-up procedure which is an easy way to see what times are available at what locations.

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Due to the increase in COVID numbers, the trustees would like to ask everyone to please wear a mask when they enter the building. This is for ALL people, those who were vaccinated and those who were not. These guidelines are in place to ensure the safety of everyone in our facilities, so please comply.





Poinsettia Order Form 2021



Would you like to sponsor a Poinsettia for the church sanctuary? *You are welcome to take it home after the Christmas Eve Service.*

The cost this year for each plant is **\$12.00** and you may designate it in honor of someone special or to celebrate an event.

PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND PLACE IT WITH YOUR PAYMENT IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR TO THE CHURCH OFFICE **BY NOVEMBER 29th.**

Circle the number of plants desired: 1 2 3 Paid Yes No

Total amount enclosed \$ _____ Envelope # _____

Your Name _____

_____ In Memory of _____

_____ In Honor of _____

_____ To Celebrate _____



Tribute Quartet Christmas Concert

Sunday, Dec. 5th, 2021 6:45 pm
Plymouth Congregational Church
1325 Georgia St. Oshkosh

No tickets required,

visit www.sgmupnorth.com for more information



Join in the decorating of the church's Christmas Tree!

When: Saturday, December 4th at 9:00 a.m.

Where: Wesley's Sanctuary

Any help is appreciated, lights need to be unwound, snowflakes need to be hung on all levels, people can hand items to people that can still climb ladders....

*Don't miss out on the fun.
See you Saturday morning!*



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Information From Bishop John Schol Regarding

Dec. 2, 2021 Charge Conference at 7:30 p.m.

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) filed for bankruptcy after numerous suits were filed for sexual abuse. As part of the bankruptcy process, United Methodist local churches across the country had the opportunity to file a proof of claim. Filing a proof of claim indicated, among other things, that the local church had a right to be indemnified/protected by BSA as well as BSA insurance policy coverage for any claim filed against the local church by a scout survivor. Your congregation was in the past and/or is presently a charter organization and could have a lawsuit filed by an abuse survivor against your local church. Your local church filed a proof of claim and now has the opportunity to vote on the bankruptcy plan. Because local churches' votes must be received by December 14, 2021, and because we will not know if all United Methodist local churches will be covered against BSA claims until November 23, 2021, all United Methodist local churches that filed a proof of claim must prepare now to record their vote. The congregation's vote is critical to ensure United Methodist local churches are protected from a lawsuit filed concerning an individual claiming they were abused while in a scouting program associated with the local church. A charge conference has been set for Dec. 2 to approve the following motion. We Wesley United Methodist Church (approve) (disapprove) the BSA plan of reorganization and give authority for the chair of the board of trustees to execute the plan ballot document.