

#### 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

Greeter:

Ushers:

Liturgist:

Projection/Sound Room:

Lucy Jewson

Steve Karst

Linda Pribek & Jim LaPoint

Randy Lovell

Jacquie Reeves & Mike LaPoint

### Wesley's Staff

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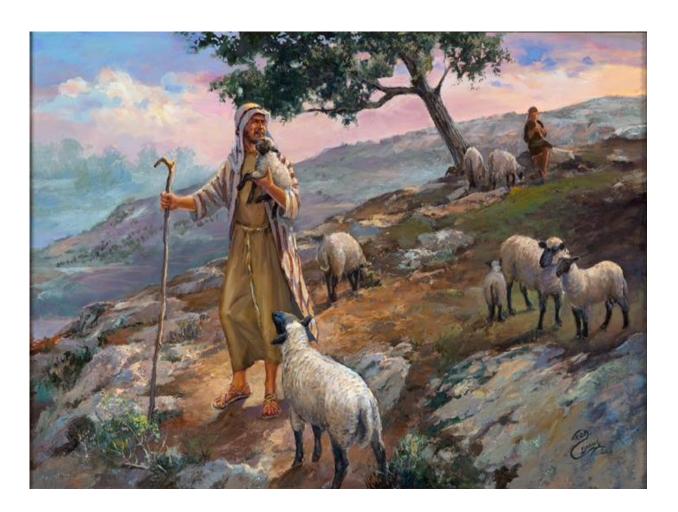
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#### **Office Hours:**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Pastor: Tuesday-Thursday 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Wesley United Methodist Church April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 Pastor Chuck Emery

# **Welcome to the Fourth Sunday in Easter** April 21, 2024 at 9:30 am

(\*)Please stand as able, in praise of God

Please sign the attendance pad in your pew so we know of your presence with us.

Medley Morning Glory Singers

"Father, I Adore You" TFWS #2038

"People Need the Lord" TFWS #2244

"Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" TFWS #2112

**Greeting & Welcome** 

Rev. Chuck Emery

\*Call to Worship Liturgist: Randy Lovell

L: From north and south and east and west,

P: All Creation sings forth your praises!

L: The mountains and the hills burst into song.

P: The trees of the field shall clap their hands.

L: Your steadfast love never ceases.

P: With joy and peace, let us worship God together.

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" **Opening Hymn UMH #128** 

\*Prayer

Psalm 23 Response #1 *UMH* p. **754** 

\*Prayer of Confession

Liturgist: Randy Lovell Gracious Lord, you created the whole world and called it good, but we look out at your world and see division and suffering. You call us to maintain the unity of spirit in the bond of peace, but we choose division over diversity, confrontation over civility, conflict over peace born from justice. You call us to love the least of these among us, but we hear the cries of the oppressed and choose our own comfort. We allow senseless suffering rather than sacrifice for our neighbors. Forgive us. Grant us fresh vision to see one another as siblings in Christ. Rekindle in us your gifts — the spirit of power, love and self-discipline that with faith in Christ, we might be made new and be part of bringing forth your peaceable kingdom. Amen

Silent Confession and Words of Assurance

Pass The Peace

**Call to Prayer** 

**Joys and Concerns** 

The Lord's Prayer

**Anthem** "3186 Days of Elijah" **Morning Glory Singers** 

SERVICE OF THE WORD

**First Reading** Liturgist: Randy Lovell 1 John 3:16-24

\*Gospel Lesson John 10:11-18 Rev. Chuck Emerv

Children's Lesson

The Sermon "Fear and Faith" Rev. Chuck Emery

**Hymn of Response** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" **UMH #381** 

PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **UMH #95** 

**Announcements** 

SENDING FORTH

\*Closing Hymn "How Firm A Foundation" **UMH #529** 

**Benediction** 

Postlude Craia LaPoint



Sun., April 21 <sup>st</sup>	WORSHIP	9:30 am	
	"Walking in Grace" Discussion	10:45 am	
Tues., April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Pastor & Office Hours	10:00 am- 2:00 pm	
	Mat Making	1:00 – 3:00 pm	
	Council Meeting	6:30 pm	
Wed., April 24 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor & Office Hours	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	
Thur., April 25 <sup>th</sup>	Disciples Path – Study of the Scriptures	10:00 am	
	Bible Study	2:30 pm	
	Office Hours Only	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	
Fri., April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Office Hours Only	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	
Sat. April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Church clean up	8:00 am - 12:00 pm	
	Pork Chop Dinner pick up	4:30 pm.	
Sun., April 21 <sup>st</sup>	WORSHIP	9:30 am	

### **Welcome to Wesley**

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!





Hearing Loop is provided for the benefit of hearing aid users.

To use, please switch to "T".

Headphones are also available from an usher or sound room.

### **Membership Care**

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.

### **Mark your calendars:**

✓ July 29 – August 1 Ecumenical Vacation Bible School 4:30 – 7:30 pm at All Saints Lutheran Church

# **Learning Opportunities**

**Anytime is the best time** to join one of Wesley's Adult Education Groups

"Walking In Grace" 2024 **Discussion Group Most Sundays After Service** 

Contact office for info

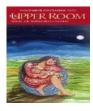




Disciple's Path Group "Study of the Scriptures" -Thursdays at 10:00 am This group is starting a new discussion, about "Study of the Scriptures" that are used the following Sunday.

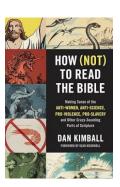
Wayne Zimmerman's Thursday Afternoon Bible Study Thursday's @ 2:30 pm *Group is exploring the gospel of Matthew.* 





\*The Upper Room\* **March-April and May-June** Available in the lobby/narthex.

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Pastor Chuck, along with the weekly Thursday morning Bible Study group, will be discussing the book, "How (Not) To Read The Bible." This group meets at 10:00 am every Thursday. Sign up TODAY.

### Suggested Scripture Readings for This Week $April\ 22^{nd} - April\ 27^{th}$

Acts 8:26-40	Psalm 22:25-31	1 John 4:7-21	John 15:1-8
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### **Facebook Fun**

Now that we have our new Facebook page up and running, It's time to have some fun with it!



Trivia Tuesdays- We post a trivia question, and you comment your answers.

> Wednesday- Find out the trivia answer. Friday Facts- We post some interesting facts on a variety of topics. And that's just some of the fun we have planned so Follow us at Wesley United Methodist Church, Oshkosh

Want to join in but need help joining our page? Contact the church office.

# Thank You! Your support means so much to us!



Our New Choir Robes made their debut on Easter Sunday, and I think everyone will agree they look wonderful.

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the cost of the robes. We were able to raise all the money needed.

We are looking into sending the old robes to a company in Pennsylvania that refurbishes them and then makes them available to churches that can't afford brand new robes.

Thanks again to all who helped in providing new robes for our choir.

## **April Mission is Mujila Falls Agriculture Center**

The original goals and objectives of the project were to increase protein, minerals and vitamins in the diet to reduce the very high infant mortality and low life expectancy of the Lunda People. It was also to help the Lunda People to increase family incomes by becoming more effective and efficient farmers. Our long-term impact is to help to make the Lunda farmers and their families competitive in agricultural pursuits that are favored by the high rainfall and



abundant land that is available here. These include milk production, fruit production, meat production, gardening, field crop production, etc.

We will be collecting funds for the Mujila Falls Agriculture Center throughout April. **Thank you for your donations!** 

News from Temba over the last quarter:

Greetings of the season! The new year comes with mixed emotions here at Mujila. We were saddened that 4 of our members were leaving. At our last devotion, Tata Sankeng took us back to when the project started, the first building and the first pair of cattle. He was very grateful to have been with the project in its different phases and periods under different leadership. Our project got him a TV that he can sit and watch in retirement. I wish him well. On a happier note, we rejoice with the coming in of 6 students on attachment from the government's Agriculture College of Zambia Monze and Mpongwe Campuses. I look forward to this new year 2024 and can't wait to witness what God has in store for us and our community. I wish you all a happy new year! God bless you, and indeed, God bless Mujila! -Temba.

This Saturday is



Our members know how to have fun as we clean-up Wesley.

Please join Us!!!

Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 8 am - 12 pm Back-up day will be May 4<sup>th</sup>

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." – Helen Keller



Saturday, April 27th

Pork Chop Dinner Pick-Up

4: 30-5: 00
Rain or Shine



From April 23 – May 3 hundreds of United Methodists around the globe are preparing to time away

from home, work and family to serve as delegates at General Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina.

General Conference is always a major undertaking with delegates and other church leaders coming from four continents. It will be up to the delegates to prayerfully make the decisions that will chart where the denomination goes from here.

"Undoubtedly, The United Methodist Church faces significant challenges," said Simpson, who is also a delegate herself from the Central Texas Conference. "But I firmly believe that God can bring forth blessings, even from the most trying circumstances."

#### Please pray for them during the next two weeks.

You may follow the actions of the General Conference at this website:

https://www.umc.org/en/who-we-are/structure/general-conference

### 73rd National Day of Prayer! "The Oshkosh Celebration"

<u>What</u>: In Oshkosh and communities across America, millions will unite at noon for the 73rd Annual National Day of Prayer, to pray for our local, state & national leaders; public officials; schools & school leaders; military; and our nation.

When: At 12 noon to 12:45 on Thursday, May 2, 2024

**Where**: At the Oshkosh City Hall, 215 Church Avenue, around the flagpole by the front entrance.

**Why:** The first Thursday of May every year has been designated by an act of Congress to be a National Day of Prayer. Prayer brings people together. Prayer builds bridges between opposing persons and even political parties. Prayer reminds us that we are created in God's image and He desires for us to represent Him everywhere we go. Prayer brings UNITY

## Lifeline is Back at Wesley

Preventative screenings save lives! Many lifethreatening diseases have no advance symptoms, so screenings are an essential tool to help you live a long healthy life spreading God's word.



May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, in Koeller Fellowship Hall Appointments start at 9:00 AM

Be screened for several cardiovascular diseases. For more information or to set your appointment by calling 888-814-0442

\*We have several Free Screening Certificates\*

They are available to Wesley members as a thank you for hosting this valuable service to our community. Please contact the office for information.

#### **Ingathering 2024**



As we look ahead towards this June we are happy to announce Wesley's continued support of Ingathering by being the Oshkosh drop-off site. In addition, we will be making Personal Dignity Kits which are now being delivered in Ukraine, Turkey & Syria. When war, natural disaster or other hardship strikes Midwest Mission jumps into action delivering kits to

people in need in the US & all over the world. An updated kit list will be available in April. Right now Midwest Mission is scheduling volunteers to check in and load donations at Annual Conference in Green Bay.

You can sign up for any times during our drop off hours: Friday, June 7th 10am-4pm and Saturday, June 8th 8am-2pm. Contact <a href="mailto:bonnieclement05@gmail.com">bonnieclement05@gmail.com</a> to help.