A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00am Contemporary Worship (Praise Center)*

10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)*

* these services are live streamed and can be viewed on our Facebook Page and our YouTube Channel.

> YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/ WesleyUMCBeaumont

Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/ WesleyUMCBmt

Use the link below to view past sermons <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UCgzhJJfVFM3OhyujuKkdBhg</u>

LET'S TALK ABOUT BIG IDEAS

Are you a spiritual seeker? Then Wesley UMC is the place for you. We are a community of people who are studying the Bible and searching for answers to the big questions in life, while helping one another and our community. We don't have it all figured out but we know the One who does! Checkout one of our Wednesday Groups, join us for Sunday school, or drop by for worship.

Attendance January 17, 2021

Sunday School

14
42
9
11
31
88
80
44
27
51

Financial News: January 17, 2021

\$1,377,000
\$26,481
\$18,636
\$79,442
\$91,003
\$11,560

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund	\$125
Memorials - All Funds	\$30
Missions	\$95
Community Garden	\$100

ETERNAL FLAME ENDOWMENT FUND

WHY HAVE AN ENDOWMENT FUND?

Recognizing those in our congregation who honor God's blessings with a planned gift to our church encourages others to share in the joy and stewardship opportunities offered through Christian giving. It also gives us an opportunity to thank our members for their unfailing generosity and celebrate the love we feel for them in Christ's name.

WHAT TYPES OF GIFTS QUALIFY?

Our Endowment recognizes the following types of gifts:

- ✦ Current gifts establishing a permanent endowment
- + The gift of a home or farm with a retained life estate.
- + Bequests made through a will or revocable living trust.
- + Life income gifts such as charitable gift annuities and unitrusts.

Beneficiary designations on IRAs, Certificates of Deposit, life insurance policies, savings accounts, etc.

For more information about how you can give, contact the church office.





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FROM THE PASTOR



SENIOR PASTOR **REV. RICK IVEY**

"Train up a child in the way they should go, And when they are old they will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6

There are a growing number of parents and grandparents who are of the opinion it is best to let children and students choose their own path to faith and what they believe. People, such as Richard Dawkins, paint caricatures of innocent children being indoctrinated into mindless drones, who grow up into violent adults, who hate people of other religions. At first, letting children make their own choices about what kind of religious instruction they want (if any) may seem like a noble intention. This is way easier on the parent (initially) as it does not require them to do anything other than champion the idea of all faiths being equal and equally true. Obviously, no one wants to manipulate or rigidly force anyone to be a follower of Jesus. We would also agree there are many paths we would never want a child to take in life, such as harming or hating people of other faiths. However, when you tell a child faith and belief are just a matter of personal preference, you are, knowingly or unknowingly, instructing them to think of it as insignificant, irrelevant, and altogether untrue.

We have no problem teaching future generations to work hard, gain an education, develop job skills, help those in need, exercise, avoid financial debt and so many more valuable lessons. We share these lessons because we have seen their value in our own life and want to help them avoid mistakes which we have made. We work hard for our kids to trust us, follow our instruction, and pay attention to those lessons because we want the best for them. Why should sharing our faith and involving them in helpful instruction be any different? Teaching my own children, the value of hard work does not put them on a path of being cruel to future coworkers who don't work hard. Having them clean up after themselves does not mean one day they will exile all those who leave their dirty dishes around the house.

If we refuse or neglect to teach future generations about faith and belief, in the name of tolerance and equality, we have in effect picked their future religion. They will be on a path which leads to them being a part of the growing number of "Nones".

That's why I delight in my kids being part of worship, Sunday School, and student ministry. And why I am happy to tell them my need for Jesus and his grace. The more they understand who Jesus is and the more clarity they gain about his life and teachings, the more they will know how to genuinely love, care, and show compassion to others. More than just tolerate, or worse be indifferent toward others, they will know how to love. Love like Jesus loves them.

In Christ.

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THIS WEEK AT WESLEY





Wesley Kids is teaming up with local photographer and Wesley Day School parent, Jesse Goodman, to create a Valentine memory for you and your family.

February 7 12:00pm-5:00pm Wesley UMC

10 minute session 5 digital images \$30.00

*If you paid to reserve your spot for the New Year's Mini Sessions that had to be canceled, let us know and we will put that toward your reservation.

Contact the church office at (409)892-7733 to pay and reserve your spot.

Images will be edited and returned by Valentine's Day.

Have you been missing Holy Communion?

We now have 3 ways that you can receive the Communion Elements outside of Sunday Morning Worship.

- 1. Drive Thru Communion
- 2. Pick-up Communion
- 3. In-Person (Wednesdays)

By Appointment ONLY. Please contact the church office to set up a time to pick up Communion elements or receive Communion in person

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 24

8:00am 9:00am

10:30am

Traditional Worship **(Sanctuary)** Contemporary Worship* **(Praise Center)** Sunday School Traditional Worship* Sunday School

 * this service is online and in person.
In person please remember to wear a mask and practice social distancing

Monday, January 25

9:00am-1:45pm

Wesley Day School

Tuesday, January 26

8:00am -10:00amCommunity Garden Work Day9:00am-1:45pmWesley Day School

Wednesday, January 27

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School 5:00pm Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room) 6:00pm Wednesday Night Activities Wesley Kids ONE Students Adult Bible Studies Zoom Bible Study

Thursday, January 28

9:00am-1:45pmWesley Day School12:00pmLadies Bible Study (Parlor)

Friday, January 29

8:30am

Wesley Serves at Some Other Place

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 17

Ash Wednesday

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January 24

Miranda Hood Brandon Thomas

January 25 Shirley Chapman

January 26

Kynleigh Hill Dan Soto Sr. Taylor Trahan Shelby Tullos Regina Winger

January 27

Carolina Keating Kevin Keating James Turner

January 28

Mary Beth McClain Tom Schwab

January 29

Madison Cowart Flo Gillispie Chris Granger

January 30

Mary Byrd Verlyn Frazier

THIS WEEK AT WESLEY



Next Opportunity to serve

Love Lunchsack January 24

Our Cub Scouts are building the lunches but can't go out so we need some one to go WITH US to deliver them. If you would like an opportunity to serve Him by serving "the least of these," here's your chance. I've never been uneasy but I HAVE been BLESSED. If you are interested in going along this Sunday or if your group would like to participate in some way another month (4th Sunday) contact Sheree Pierce at spierce@wesleyumc.com or 409-673-0884

Some Other Place January 29

Wesley's Some Other Place team is back on schedule, cooking this coming Friday at the kitchen at the corner of McFaddin and Center in downtown Beaumont. Join us about 8:30 a.m. to prepare and plate the to-go meals for the homeless who depend on this help. COVID precautions are being observed by the team.



Tuesday, February 4 (9:00am) Current WDS Families WUMC Members WUMC Clergy & Staff

Tuesday, February 16 (9:00am) Public

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