

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

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](https://www.youtube.com/WesleyUMCBeaumont)

Facebook Page

[https://www.facebook.com/
WesleyUMCBmt](https://www.facebook.com/WesleyUMCBmt)

Use the link below to view
past sermons

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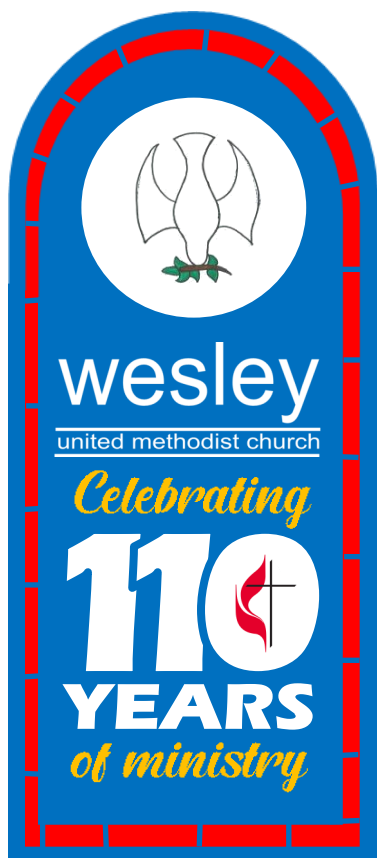
Why do we give up something during lent?

Many Christians make personal sacrifice pledges to themselves during Lent, such as giving up chocolate, alcohol or coffee. But with that sacrifice should be a pledge to give something of yourselves, to walk in the path of Christ.

For us to be renewed, (we) have to take some kind of spiritual journey, or I call, a spiritual workout. If you want to work out and get healthy, you go and you train. This is a spiritual training time, and therefore, makes a person healthier. That's part of it, but another part of it is dieting and fasting. There's a difference between abstaining and fasting, such as abstaining from certain types of food like meat on Fridays, while fasting is limiting the amount of food you take. Downsizing is another good word. That's one aspect, which leads to renewal. Christians should also share the fruits of their fasting.

"When I deny myself, I need to place at the table somebody who is less fortunate and needy. That's the origin of Christian fasting. I hear people say, 'I'm not going to Starbucks during Lent. The money I save by not going to Starbucks, I can put aside and give it to the food pantry. We gather the fruits of the fast.

"It's not just writing a check, it's connected with our fasting and purifying ourselves. Fasting and abstinence needs to have the other side of the coin. What I deny myself, I have to give to somebody else."



Join us for a Celebration

May 15, 2022

10:00am

Worship (Sanctuary)

11:00am

Brunch (Praise Center)

RSVP at wesleyumc.com

Bring a side (fruit, pastry, etc.)

Breakfast Tacos will be provided

WAYS TO GIVE at Wesley



BY MAIL

Wesley UMC
3810 N Major Dr
Beaumont, TX 77713



ONLINE

at
givewesley.com

Financial News: March 6, 2022

2022 Church Income Budget	\$1,386,000.00
Needed for One Week	\$26,653.85
Received thru 03/06/22 for Church Budget	\$31,994.15
Needed Income YTD	\$266,538.46
Received Income YTD	\$458,178.48
Difference	\$191,640.02

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$542.00
One Student Ministry	\$200.00
Building Use	\$300.00



ASSOCIATE
PASTOR
REV. MATT CECIL

**And the people of Nineveh believed God.
They proclaimed a fast and put on mourning clothes,
from the greatest of them to the least significant.**

Jonah 3:5

A fast has been proclaimed. A season of repentance is at hand. We are a week into Lent. How's your fast going? I hope you haven't given up yet. If you have, just start again. It's not too late. If you never started your fast, start now. It's not too late. If you've struggled or given in a couple of times, keep trying. You can do this!

A fast is not meant to be easy. It's not meant to be simple. A fast tears us down and makes us weaker, by its very nature. But a fast doesn't have to be done alone. Our church is fasting right now. Christians around the world are fasting right now. We can support each other. One of the amazing things about the story of Jonah is that everybody in the city fasts. Everybody from the peasant all the way up to the king. Even the animals fast. I'm sure they all wanted to eat. I'm sure they all wanted to go back to work. But they sit in their mourning clothes and ask for forgiveness from God. And they do it together, knowing that everybody else is doing it, too. They fast as a community with the strength and encouragement from their neighbors and even their king.

Forty days is a long time to go without something that you have come to rely on, but you are not alone. Stay strong. Be encouraged. I am fasting with you, along with Christians around the world. You can do it!

Grace & Peace,

Matt Cecil

Associate Pastor

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 13

Daylight Savings Time Begins

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00am **Breakfast Tacos**
Contemporary Worship* (Praise Center)
Sunday School
10:30am **Breakfast Tacos**
Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
Sunday School
6:00pm ONE Students: Sunday Night Live (Youth Center)
* this service is online and in person.

Monday, March 14

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School

Tuesday, March 15

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School
9:00am Community Garden Work Day
1:00pm Knitting Group (Parlor)

Wednesday, March 16

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School
5:30pm **Dinner (Dining Hall)**
Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room)
6:00pm **Wednesday Night Studies** (see list on page 6)
ONE Students: Midweek Worship (Youth Center)

Thursday, March 17

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School
12:00pm Heart Sisters Bible Study (Parlor)

Friday, March 18

Women's Retreat

Saturday, March 19

Women's Retreat

MONTHLY EVENTS

Methodist Men's Breakfast
1st Monday of the month

Bunco
1st Thursday of the month

Wesley Bookworms
3rd Tuesday of the month

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 13

Bambi Chapman
Michelle Jefferson
Terri Schilberg

March 14

Sherry Curtice
Alex Daubenheyer
Hank Pedigo
Spencer Roden

March 15

Gary Korry
Randy Still

March 16

Jan Kirk
Isabelle Theriot

March 17

Jeff Jefferson

March 18

Katie Baird
Armon Husband
Dan Travis

March 19

Braelyn Fenter
Valerie Graeter

SAVE THE DATE



Pinch, Pull, Eat, Repeat! **WESLEY UMC CRAWFISH BOIL**

Join us **Sunday, April 24** from
12:00-2:00pm in the West Parking Lot.

Live music by Cajun Harmony
Dessert Auction
Kona Ice

Tickets:

\$25/Person/Tray
(includes hot dog for kids 12 and under)

You won't want to miss it!

easter Lilies

It's time to order Easter Lilies for Easter Worship.
Visit our website, wesleyumc.com to place your order
in memory or in honor of a loved one.
Lilies will \$20 each. Payment can be made on-line
or by cash or check in the church office.
Deadline to order is April 3.

Wesley BOOKWORMS

Of course you can be gorgeous and smart.
That's the message in this month's book,

"The Only Woman in the Room"
by Marie Benedict.

You'll meet a Hedy Lamarr who was so
much more than the star in the fan
magazines and on the silver screen.

As usual, the meeting starts at
noon Tuesday, March 15,
at Chris Broussard's house in Old Town.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS

March 13

Make sure to move your clocks
forward one hour and join us for
Breakfast Tacos at worship.

After 8:00am worship, and before 9:00am
& 10:30am worship