

# 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

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/  
UCgzhJJfVFM3OhyujuKkdBhg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgzhJJfVFM3OhyujuKkdBhg)



### "What Is The U.S. Constitution?"

Everyone is invited to join Wesley Methodist Men for breakfast Monday, July 18th at 6:30 am in the dining hall. A special program will be a presentation on "The Constitution of the United States" from Dist. Court Judge John Stevens. He is passionate about the history of the constitution and the program promises to be enlightening. He was featured in a recent newspaper article as he presided over his 500th jury trial in 16 years.

Recently he has expressed frustration at the burgeoning case load in light of the 6th Amendment to the Constitution which speaks of "....speedy trials..." as a right. Judge Stevens has served as a district court judge since for 15 years. He served 20 years as Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Texas where he handled criminal capital cases. Many of those were high profile cases such as the "James Byrd" case in Jasper County. He was an Assistant Criminal District Attorney for Jefferson County. He is a graduate of Lamar University, University of Houston College of Law and has a Masters Degree from Syracuse University-Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. The meeting is open to all Wesley members and their guests to enjoy a great breakfast and a special program.



## CALENDAR

### Sunday, July 17

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| 8:00am  | Traditional Worship ( <b>Sanctuary</b> )                |
| 9:00am  | Contemporary Worship *                                  |
|         | Sunday School   |
| 10:30am | Traditional Worship*                                    |
|         | Sunday School ( <b>Sanctuary</b> )                      |
| 6:00pm  | ONE Students: Sunday Night Live ( <b>Youth Center</b> ) |

\*these worship services can be viewed online

### Monday, July 18

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| 6:30am | Methodist Men's Breakfast ( <b>Dining Hall</b> ) |
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### Tuesday, July 19

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| 9:00am | Community Garden Work Day        |
| 1:00pm | Knitting Group ( <b>Parlor</b> ) |

### Wednesday, July 20

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| 9:00am-12:00pm | Day School Office Open                        |
| 6:15pm         | Handbell Rehearsal ( <b>Sanctuary</b> )       |
| 7:00pm         | Chancel Choir Rehearsal ( <b>choir Room</b> ) |

### Thursday, July 21

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| 12:00pm | Heart Sisters Bible Study ( <b>Parlor</b> ) |
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## MONTHLY EVENTS

Bunco  
1st Thursday of the month

Wesley Bookworms  
3rd Tuesday of the month

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### July 17

Luke Bryan

### July 18

Louis Hebert  
Matthew Harlan

### July 19

Terri Adams

### July 20

Betty Richey

### July 21

Charlie Adams Jr.  
Dustin Hansen  
Eric Hellberg  
Jamie Lee  
Julia Winger  
Steve Breaux

### July 22

Drew Williams Jr.  
Misti Korry  
Raymond Hudler

### July 23

Kevin Parsley  
Aiden Castaneda



**SENIOR PASTOR  
REV. RICK IVEY**

**“These are the names of the twelve apostles:  
first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew;  
James son of Zebedee, and his brother John;  
Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector;  
James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus;  
Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.”**

**Matthew 10:2-4**

The original disciples and apostles of Jesus are famous. Buildings, organizations, and millions of kids have been named for them. Well, not Judas.

Bad News: Most of us won't have buildings, organizations, or have strangers name their kids after us.

Good News: You can have a life that is filled with meaning and purpose that also has a huge impact in an exponential way.

How? Be small group leader for kids, students, or adults.

Know what the most important thing you will have to do as a small group leader?

Show up.

If you show up each week to lead a small group of kids see God's love and get to know God's family, you will be sending kids filled with God's love into schools and who share God's love with their family. (You also get a ton of cute smiles, hugs, and cookies).

If you show up each week to lead a small group of students into deeper faith and deeper mission, you will see young adults multiply mission and faithfully serve God in a faithless world. (You might also see them graduate, figure out important parts of life, and there will be pizza).

If you show up each week to lead adults to greater love of God and help them lead others, you will see adults who enjoy their lives in ways they never thought possible.

Leading a small group was one of the essential ways Jesus changed the world. It is time for you to follow his example.

In Christ,

*Rick Ivey*  
Senior Pastor

## Outline of a Discernment Process

- The possibility of entering discernment can be raised to the church council for approval by either the pastor or member of the congregation.
- Administrative Council votes to enter or not enter the discernment process (July 17<sup>th</sup>.)
- Members attend or watch the recorded version of a District meeting led by the Future Discernment Task Force **(July 10<sup>th</sup> 3-4:30pm in the sanctuary of Wesley UMC)**
- Congregational meetings are held where:
- Information is shared and questions are answered about remaining in the United Methodist Church (UMC), joining another denomination or remaining independent
- Costs for leaving the UMC (apportionments and unfunded pension liability (over 300k) as well as legal costs for changing documents, construction costs for removing cross and flame logo)
- Online resources are shared, including Navigating the Waters on [www.txcumc.org](http://www.txcumc.org)
- Prayer guides for discernment are distributed.
  
- Upon completion of the process, if the Administrative Council believes there is sufficient interest in having a vote, the District Superintendent calls the church conference with the required notifications including the motion for changing affiliation. During that conference:
- Prayer is offered
- Members eligible to vote are identified and written ballots distributed, a motion to change from the UMC to a specific new status (GMC, non-denominational or other denomination) is made.
- Opportunity is provided for speeches for and against, the vote is taken, the vote is counted immediately, and the result announced.
- *Under Book of Discipline paragraph 2553 (which is what Cabinet recommends) if 2/3 of those present and voting approve, the motion for a new relationship is passed.*
- *Book of Discipline Paragraph 2548.2 requires a simple majority but is under review by the judicial council. This pathway is not recommended and might be overturned.*
  
- The local church trustees are then authorized to complete the necessary documents with the Annual Conference.

**View the District Discernment Information Meeting using the link below.**

**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6rH87xWdkhg>**

## **Update on the United Methodist Church**

Conflicts and disagreements in the United Methodist Church have resulted in some churches in the UMC to consider leaving the denomination. The process of leaving the denomination is referred to as disaffiliation. A disaffiliated church becomes independent and can then decide if they wish to align with another denomination. The primary reasons why some churches are considering disaffiliation are disagreements over human sexuality such as same gender marriage, ordination of homosexual clergy, and a lack of accountability when bishops or clergy act in ways that are contrary to the rules in our governing book of discipline. In the months to come, there will be opinions expressed, news articles released, and information shared from questionable sources. The leadership of the church wants to help you stay informed with accurate information, so please take time to do your own research on the current situation in the UMC and make plans to attend upcoming meetings as best you can.

**July 10th 3-4:30pm**—Wesley UMC will host an informational meeting to discuss the current situation and outline options for congregations. The bishop and people from other United Methodist churches in the area will be present. Half of the time will be used to present and share information and half of the time will be reserved for questions from those who attend. This will be a very helpful meeting to attend if you are unfamiliar with the current situation in the UMC and we encourage you to attend or watch online.

**July 17th after 10:30 worship**—The administrative council of Wesley UMC will meet for the specific purpose of praying, discussing, and voting to determine if the discernment process is in God's will for our congregation. The vote would be to enter a time of discernment as a church. This will not be the vote to disaffiliate or not.

If there is ever a vote on the matter of disaffiliation, the time and date of the vote will be well publicized, announced in worship, and every member will be invited to attend and vote. Unfortunately, some of our homebound members may not get to vote. Members will need to be present in order to vote. We do not have provision for voting by proxy.

Please keep the congregation, denomination, and the ministries and missions supported by the United Methodist Church in your prayers.

If you have questions, please attend the meetings or reach out to one of the pastors or leaders in the congregation.



# OUR FAITHFULNESS

## Attendance: July 10, 2022

### Sunday School

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| 9:00am Children  | 17 |
| 9:00am Adults    | 59 |
| 10:30am Children | 14 |
| 10:30am Adults   | 13 |

### Sunday Worship

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| 8:00 Worship    | 30  |
| 9:00am Worship  | 84  |
| 10:30am Worship | 114 |

### Live Stream

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| 9:00am Worship  | 23 |
| 10:30am Worship | 22 |

### Wednesday

|              |    |
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| ONE Students | 31 |
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## Financial News: July 10, 2022

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|--|-----------------|
| 2022 Church Income Budget                | \$1,386,000     |
| Needed for One Week                      | \$26,654        |
| Received thru 07/10/22 for Church Budget | \$18,679        |
| Needed Income YTD                        | \$746,308       |
| Received Income YTD                      | \$794,408       |
| Difference                               | <b>\$48,100</b> |

## Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

|                                 |       |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Building Fund- Capital Campaign | \$135 |
| Memorials - All Funds           | \$420 |
| Missions                        | \$75  |
| One Student Ministry            | \$365 |
| Soc. Of St. Stephen             | \$80  |

### ALUMINUM CANS

You can bring your aluminum cans for recycling and put them in the container near the Folsom entrance. Money is used for Methodist Men's group projects and local missions.

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at  
*Wesley*



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