

# the **CIRCUIT RIDER**

A WEEKLY PUBLICATION OF **WESLEY 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

Use the link below to view  
past sermons

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

# 8 **VERY BAD DAYS** and How God Fixed Them

Sunday, January 8  
Week 2: Joseph

## CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 8

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, January 9

6:30am	<b>Methodist Men (Dining Hall)</b>
9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School

### Tuesday, January 10

8:30am	Wesley Serves at Some Other Place
9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
9:00am	Community Garden Work Day

### Wednesday, January 11

9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
5:00pm	<b>Dinner</b>
6:00pm	<b>The Bible in 90 Days</b> <b>Wesley Kids &amp; Nursery Care</b> <b>ONE Students Mid-week worship</b>
7:00pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal ( <b>Choir Room</b> )

### Thursday, January 12

9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### January 8

Debbie Belle-Isle  
Lincoln Chapman  
Krislyn Eddings  
Brynn Hayes  
Kitty Hebert

### January 9

Jerry Gaspard  
Rick Ivey  
Livia Stahl

### January 10

Israel Beverly  
Missy Thomas

### January 11

Jack Corbitt  
Garrett Gerace  
Jaxton Lee  
Roy McLeod  
Mason Stewart

### January 12

Leslie Maddox

### January 13

Peyton Fondren  
Diana McGuirt  
Chad Mitchell Powell

### January 14

Bob Anderson  
Amber Calder  
Ella Calder  
Ted Dailey  
Della Freeze  
Todd Joosten



SENIOR PASTOR  
REV. RICK IVEY

***“More than that, I also consider everything to be a loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. Because of him I have suffered the loss of all things and consider them as dung, so that I may gain Christ.” (Philippians 3:8 CEB)***

Goal for the Year: Know more about Jesus.

That is your most important personal goal and the one that will help your family, church, and community more than anything else. Don't be embarrassed or ashamed about what you don't know. Just focus on learning more about him. Here are some ways to know more about Jesus in 2023.

Sermon Series now through February 19--**8 Very Bad Days and How God Fixed Them**: We often discover who people really are on their best and worst days. This sermon series will help you see the very best of God during the very worst days of people in the Bible.

January 11-**Bible in 90 Days**—Most Christians never take the time to read the entire Bible. Here is a chance to do so in 90 days. Each day you will spend time reading passages of the Bible and then come together to talk about some of them with a group. Whether you plan to read or listen to these passages each day, you can find motivation and encouragement by being part of a group. We met for the first time on Jan 4. Contact Pastor Matt if you would like to join.

**Daily Devotional and Prayer**—This is easy yet effective. Pick a daily devotional such as Upper Room, Bible in 90 Days, or use the Bible App to read scripture each day and pray. It will help you stay on track and grow in your faith in surprising ways. Need help with this? Let us know.

**Serve**—Want to know more about Jesus but don't want to be a part of a study or group? Serve. We need help each week with worship, children's ministry, student ministry, meals on wheels, Sunday School, communion, office, building maintenance, audio-visual, communications, outreach, funeral meals, visitation, hospitality, mission projects, and so much more. Serving Jesus is one of the best ways to know more about him. You will also make some new friends along the way.

In Christ,  
*Rick Ivey*  
Senior Pastor

## **Global Methodist Vows of Membership:**

Do you believe in God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit?

Do you confess Jesus Christ as Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord?

Do you receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures?

Do you promise, according to the grace given you, to keep God's holy will and commandments and walk in the same all the days of your life as a faithful member of Christ's holy church?

Will you be loyal to Christ through the Global Methodist Church and joining with your brothers and sisters around the world do all in your power to fulfill its mission?

Will you be a faithful member of Wesley Methodist Church, a Global Methodist local church, doing all in your power to strengthen its ministries through your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness as Christ's representatives in this world?

## **THE BEST GIFT EVER (almost)**

Gift giving can sometimes be difficult – sizes, colors, and what about that technology? For that special lady in your life, be it wife, mother, daughter, sister, or even a friend, give her the experience of the Wesley Women's Retreat. This includes an overnight stay in lovely accommodations, 3 delicious meals prepared by Chef Deacon Steve, and a special parting gift. This retreat is a time for spiritual reflection, comradery, and lots of fun!

This year's theme is **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**, and it begins on Friday, February 17 at 5pm and concludes Saturday around 4pm. The cost is \$125. You pay a non-refundable deposit of \$60 now with a balance of \$65 due by Feb 1. This gift doesn't have to be dusted or washed and you don't have to worry about size. She will truly love it!

**Call the office today to reserve her spot,  
409-892-7733 or Debbie Canant, 409-673-8854.**



## Dear Wesley Members and Visitors:

2022 has been a very difficult year for our church and our denomination. The Methodist Church and Wesley were forced into making a decision that no one wanted to make. In July, when the thought of disaffiliation started, I knew this was a no win decision. After the congregation was polled, we realized that 25% to 30% would be dissatisfied with any decision that was made. If we stayed with the United Methodist Church, disaffiliated, join the Global Methodist Church or the Free Methodist Church, it didn't matter, someone was going to be upset. A story may help with this:

Two men who lived in a small village got into a terrible dispute that they could not resolve. Therefore, they decided to talk to the town sage. The first man went to the sage's home and told his version of what happened. When he finished, the sage said, "You're absolutely right." The next night, the second man called on the sage and told his side of the story. The sage responded, "You're absolutely right." Afterward, the sage's wife scolded her husband. "Those men told you two different stories and you told them they were absolutely right. That's impossible -- they can't both be absolutely right." The sage turned to his wife and said, "You're absolutely right."

From Isaiah 43:16-21 he writes,

**This is what the Lord says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. The wild animals honor me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.**

2023 is going to be that year. We trust God will make a way. He never let's us down. Wesley will move forward, “To Know God and to Make God Known.”

The Global Methodist Church is our new denomination. I am excited about what new things God will bring our way. Let's remember all the good that has come to us, our families and Wesley. Let's keep the Main thing the Main thing. Happy New Year and Praise God!

*Steve Lucas*

Lay Leader

# OUR FAITHFULNESS

## Attendance: January 1, 2023

### Sunday School

9:00am Children	3
9:00am Adults	12
10:30am Children	3
10:30am Adults	NA

### Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	34
9:00am Worship	61
10:30am Worship	52

### Live Stream

9:00am Worship	10
10:30am Worship	10

### Wednesday

ONE Students	NA
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## Financial News: January 1, 2023

2023 Church Income Budget	\$1,312,000.00
Needed for One Week	\$25,230.77
Received thru 01/01/23 for Church Budget	\$10,660.50
Needed Income YTD	\$25,230.77
Received Income YTD	\$10,660.50
Difference	<b>-\$14,570.27</b>

### Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund- A/C Repair	\$370.00
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$333.00

We are still working to complete the 2022 End of Year Financial Report. This will be included in an upcoming Circuit Rider.

## WAYS TO GIVE at Wesley



### BY MAIL

Wesley MC  
3810 N Major Dr  
Beaumont, TX 77713

### ONLINE

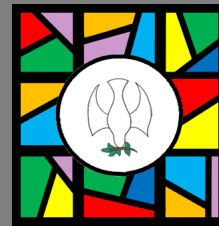
at  
[givewesley.com](http://givewesley.com)



### 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.

## CONNECT WITH US



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