

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)

Christmas FEST

DON'T BE A GRINCH

December 2, 2022

5:00pm-7:00pm

Food Trucks, Bounce House, Petting Zoo, Christmas
Crafts, Pictures with Santa, Live Band

6:00pm

Christmas Tree Lighting

7:00pm

Outdoor Movie

"Dr. Suess' How the Grinch Stole Christmas"

Volunteers Needed

Click [HERE](#) to sign up

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 13

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

*these worship services can be viewed online

Monday, November 14

9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
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Tuesday, November 15

9:00am	Community Garden Work Day
9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
1:00pm	Hooks & Needles (Parlor)

Wednesday, November 16

9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
5:30pm	Dinner
6:00pm	Bible Studies & Groups
6:15pm	Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (choir Room)

Thursday, November 17

9:00am-1:45pm	Wesley Day School
11:30am	Prayer Card Ministry (Conference Room)
12:00pm	Heart Sisters Bible Study (Parlor)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Fest (December 2)

Christmas Cantata (December 4)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 13

Daryl Ann Borel
Laura Holmes
Maurissa Milligan
Kathy Renick-Bell
Sarah Wilson

November 14

A.K. Brown
Kaye Bryant
Patty Burmeister
Patrick Stewart

November 15

Ridleigh White

November 16

Joshua Beck
Peggy Feldman
Jack George
Scotty Gregorcyk
Debbie Mobley
Maureen Tucker

November 17

Anna Hughes
Robert Lyons
Taylor Stewart
Tina Stratton

November 18

Luke Erickson
Beverly Hoffmeyer
Wanda Lanham

November 19

Madison Jefferson
Lynda Minick
Kathy Sykes



**SENIOR PASTOR
REV. RICK IVEY**

**“For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”**

Colossians 1:13-14

A.W. Milne was a one-way missionary about 100 years ago. He packed his belongings in a coffin and went to a small island in New Hebrides. The island was known for headhunters and cannibals, but he was not afraid as he had already given his life to Jesus. He was there for over 35 years. When he died they buried him in the coffin he had brought and put a sign over it that said, “When he came there was no light; when he left there was no darkness.”

I hope and pray that more and more people will make that kind of commitment to God. The kind of commitment that is not afraid of the consequences if it brings God glory. We live in a world that has a great deal of darkness, we need more people who can bring the light of Christ into it.

St. Paul had the same prayer for the people he knew. His prayer recorded in the book of Colossians revealed “For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God.” (Colossians 1)

Who in your life do you know that needs to be delivered from darkness into light? Who needs to hear about the redemption and forgiveness that Jesus alone offers? Will you commit to praying for them for the remainder of the year?

Hope to see you Sunday for another fun sermon about Elijah!

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Ivey".

Senior Pastor

**You are awesome, God, in your sanctuaries—
the God of Israel who gives strength and power to his people!
Psalm 68:35**

Below is an image from the newly launched James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) of the Pillars of Creation. The Pillars are a massive system of clouds and gas within the Eagle Nebula where there are dozens of stars being formed. With the JWST we are finally able to see through those thick clouds to see the stars within. At the tip of each pillar a new red star is being formed and the gas that is around that new star is larger than our entire solar system. Space is big and big things happen.

When the Psalmist says in Psalm 68 that God is awesome, he means something more significant than 'it would be really awesome if the Dallas Cowboys won the Super Bowl this year.' Our God is an awesome God, powerful, strong, and a God that creates big things. The Psalmist begins with a description of God's military victories and prowess, something that is perhaps obviously awesome. But quickly he shifts to describing God's awesome power to defend the widow, provide for the poor, and freedom for the oppressed. Then at the end, he describes a wonderful worship service filled with praise for our awesome God and he urges God to show His might during worship, in the sanctuary. 'You are awesome, God, in your sanctuaries - the God of Israel who gives strength and power to his people!

We worship an awesome God. A big God. A God that creates throughout the universe, a God that creates new life for the widow, the orphan, the poor, and the oppressed. A God that can create something new in you as we worship. Do you have faith that God can do something awesome in you?

Prayer

Almighty God, blessed is your holy name and blessed is the creation which you have made, from the grandeur of galaxies and nebulae to the blades of grass in our own backyards. You are awesome! Forgive us when we fail to recognize your power and strength each and every day. Summon your strength and work through our times of worship, so that we might see what you are creating in us today. And then, Lord, help us to share that new creation wherever you lead us.





Christmas Wreaths Needed

It's that time!! We have been asked to again provide a wreath for each patient's door at Harbor Hospice! What a wonderful way to share just a little joy with people and their families at a most difficult time. Please purchase (or MAKE) a wreath (artificial ONLY) and deliver it to the church or contact Sheree Pierce for pick up. 409 -673-0884 We will be placing them the first week of December. Thank you!



ANGELS OF ADVENT

Advent Bible Study
Wednesdays
November 30-December 14
5:30pm Dinner
6:00pm Study

Pastor Matt will be leading a three week Advent Bible Study on Wednesdays beginning November 30. Dinner will be at 5:30pm and the study will follow at 6:00pm in Room 106.

Three angels visit three people in the months leading up to Christ's birth. How did they react? What did they do? Let's talk about the angels' message for those three people and their message for us today as we prepare for the birth of our savior!

Wesley BOOKWORMS

This month's Depression-era read for the Wesley Bookworms has a heap-
ing helping of Galveston lore.
Austin author Sarah Bird's

"Last Dance on the Starlight Pier"

is a riveting tale that should make
for lots of discussion when we
meet at

**noon on Tuesday,
November 15.**

Grab a copy and get started!

BIBLE IN 90 DAYS

Church-wide Bible Study
Wednesdays
January 4-April 5

Be on the look out for more
information.



Through the month of November, Wesley UMC will be collecting **NEW** and **GENTLY USED** toys for the Enterprise Empty Stocking Fund. As you clean out to make room for Christmas, please consider donating items! Collection boxes are by the office and the gym! **THANK YOU!**



The Golden Triangle Handbell Ensemble

The Golden Triangle Handbell Ensemble would like you to share our joy in the season. Our winter concert will be on December 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Please celebrate with us at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 1350 N. 23rd St, Beaumont, 77706.



This Christmas Eve, our communion rail offering will go to help the Wesley Foundation at Lamar University. The Wesley Foundation is a mission for all God's people and they are located on Lamar's campus. They serve college students by helping them find a life in Christ that leads to commitment and continued service to the Kingdom of God. They do this through weekly worship and Bible studies, campus mission work with a food pantry and meal offerings, and volunteer missions with Buckner Children's Home, Garth House, and various Disaster Relief efforts. They led the Methodist disaster relief effort after Imelda in our area. We want to support and continue to be part of the mission they are doing for Christ on the Lamar campus and beyond.

Part of the reason we are asking at this time has to do with the denominational split in the UMC. As the local conference has lost many churches, the funding for conference ministries (such as the Wesley Foundation at Lamar) will decline. We want to make sure Lamar Wesley can continue on in strength in the new year. In addition to their wonderful mission work and Christian discipleship, they also raise up young leaders in the church. They currently have a candidate for ordained ministry working at the Wesley Foundation, and a previous member of this campus ministry was a local pastor at Wesley.

We are excited for our fantastic Christmas Eve services and we are excited to partner in ministry with the Lamar Wesley Foundation with our communion rail offering.

Grace and Peace,
Matt Cecil

OUR FAITHFULNESS

Attendance: November 6, 2022

Sunday School

Children	19
Adults	68

Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	34
9:00am Worship	73
10:30am Worship	97

Live Stream

9:00am Worship	16
10:30am Worship	15

Wednesday

ONE Students	55
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Financial News: November 6, 2022

2022 Church Income Budget	\$1,386,000.00
Needed for One Week	\$26,653.85
Received thru 11/06/22 for Church Budget	\$34,322.47
Needed Income YTD	\$1,226,076.92
Received Income YTD	\$1,148,056.38
Difference	-\$78,020.54

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund- Capital Campaign	\$520.00
Building Use	\$200.00
Landscaping (Memorial Garden)	\$565.00
Methodist Men- Pecans/Bread	\$43.00
MOSAIC	\$75.00
One Student Ministry	\$15.00
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$421.10
Wednesday Night Meal	\$115.00
Youth Pumpkin Patch	\$3,857.75

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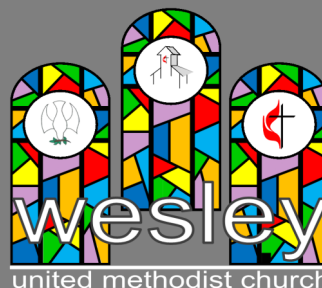
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ALUMINUM CANS

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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