

# 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)



Join us for week four of our Advent Sermon Series, "Winning the Season."

## Christmas Sing-Along

We will have a Christmas Sing-Along  
during 10:30am worship,  
on December 18.

Let us know your favorites and come  
ready for worship and fun.



## CALENDAR

### Sunday, December 18

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| 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, December 19

No Wesley Day School

### Tuesday, December 20

No Wesley Day School

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

### Wednesday, December 21

No Wesley Day School

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|--------|--------------------------------------|
| 5:30pm | Dinner                               |
| 6:15pm | Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)       |
| 7:00pm | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (choir Room) |

### Thursday, December 22

No Wesley Day School

|         |                                    |
|---------|------------------------------------|
| 12:00pm | Heart Sisters Bible Study (Parlor) |
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### Saturday, December 24

|         |                                   |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| 4:00pm  | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service |
| 6:00pm  | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service |
| 11:00pm | Christmas Eve Candlelight Service |

## UPCOMING EVENTS

|                        |  |
|------------------------|--|
| December 25            | Christmas Day Worship (10:00am)            |
| December 26-December 2 | Office Closed                              |
| December 30            | Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:30am) |

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### December 18

John Brian  
Gene Broussard  
Matt Cecil  
Lyn Kennett  
Ethan Meaux  
Doris Melancon

### December 19

Blake Beals  
Ty Landry  
Bailey Woodall

### December 20

Ty Badon  
Jerit Kethley  
Sharon Lytle

### December 21

Cooper Floyd

### December 22

Ashley Glenn  
Louann Holliday  
Betty Roe  
Mike Welch

### December 23

Dylan Castaneda  
Doris Waldron

### December 24

Mike Bienvenu  
Margaret Broussard  
Ron Spell  
Sandy Trew



**SENIOR PASTOR**  
**REV. RICK IVEY**

**“Don’t be afraid. From now on,  
you will be fishing for people”**

**Luke 5:10**

Jesus says so much in a single sentence. He starts with “Don’t be afraid.” I wonder if it is kind of like when we tell people, “Don’t be mad at me” or “Put that blunt object down before we talk.” He obviously knows the next words he says and the situation the disciples were in would cause fear. We can all relate.

“From now on” We all know how quickly life can change. We have gone through a lot of change this year as a church. It has been hard. Really hard. The worst part is losing people who did not agree with the votes this year. Like you, each one that has indicated they were leaving or thinking about leaving is a person who I have prayed for, loved, counted as a friend, and hoped would stay with us. May God help us all to heal, forgive, and hopefully be reconciled to one another in Christian love. May the same love we shared with one another before this year be restored to all who feel betrayed, hurt, unheard, or cast out. (Everyone is always welcome).

“You will be” Our church has voted to join the Global Methodist Church in January 2023. I have been a United Methodist all of my life, a United Methodist Pastor for 23 years, and leaving behind all of that is not easy. However, this is where God has put me, and I am happy to be with such a wonderful church as we move forward together to be part of the Global Methodist Church. We are joining a brand-new denomination. We will get to help shape and influence it as it develops. I hope they realize what wonderful people they are getting.

“Fishers of People” Now is the perfect time for us to reach people for Jesus. New and old. Whatever our denomination is, our task is always to partner with Jesus to save souls. I will be in prayer for you in the months to come. I pray Jesus “will strengthen you in your inner selves from the riches of his glory through the Spirit.” And “live in your hearts through faith.” (Eph 3) I hope God’s grace pours out upon our church and fills our hearts. I pray he will help us to share that grace with others in the upcoming year.

In Christ,

*Rick Ivey*  
Senior Pastor



# BIBLE IN 90 DAYS

Church-wide Bible Study  
Wednesdays  
January 4-April 5  
5:30pm Dinner  
6:00pm Study

Bible in 90 Days will begin at 6pm in the Parlor on January 4. It will run for 14 weeks and end on the Wednesday before Easter. We will have dinner beforehand at 5:30. The study will be a video study in the parlor with small group time afterwards to encourage each other and discuss big themes from scripture each week.

## 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, camaradery, 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<sup>st</sup>. 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.

## Christmas AT WESLEY

Candlelight Worship  
December 24  
4:00pm, 6:00pm, & 11:00pm

## Christmas DAY

Worship With Us  
December 25  
10:00am  
Sanctuary

# OUR FAITHFULNESS

## Attendance: December 11, 2022

### Sunday School

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| 9:00am Children  | 31 |
| 9:00am Adults    | 48 |
| 10:30am Children | 12 |
| 10:30am Adults   | 16 |

### Sunday Worship

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| 8:00 Worship    | 33  |
| 9:00am Worship  | 81  |
| 10:30am Worship | 100 |

### Live Stream

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| 9:00am Worship  | 16 |
| 10:30am Worship | 10 |

### Wednesday

|              |    |
|--------------|----|
| ONE Students | 45 |
|--------------|----|

## Financial News: December 11, 2022

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| 2022 Church Income Budget                | \$1,386,000      |
| Needed for One Week                      | \$26,654         |
| Received thru 12/11/22 for Church Budget | \$73,607         |
| Needed Income YTD                        | \$1,359,346      |
| Received Income YTD                      | \$1,283,321      |
| Difference                               | <b>-\$76,025</b> |

### Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Building Fund- Capital Campaign | \$175   |
| Christmas Fest                  | \$115   |
| Helping Hands                   | \$200   |
| Memorials - All Funds           | \$25    |
| Methodist Men- Pecans/Bread     | \$19    |
| One Student Ministry            | \$420   |
| Soc. Of St. Stephen             | \$80    |
| Wednesday Night Meal            | \$150   |
| Youth Pumpkin Patch             | \$2,423 |

## WAYS TO GIVE at Wesley



### BY MAIL

Wesley UMC  
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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