

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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March 5, 2020

THIS WEEK AT | WESLEY

Sunday, March 8

- 8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:00am Contemporary Worship (Praise Center)
- 9:15am Sunday School
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 1:00pm Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay
- 4:30pm Kids Worship Arts
- 5:30pm ONE SM Sunday Night Live (Youth Bldg.)

Monday, March 9

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

Tuesday, March 10

- 8:00am Community Garden Workday
- 9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School

Wednesday, March 11

- 9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School
- 11:00am Prayer Card Ministry (Conference Room)
- 12:00pm Communion Service (Sanctuary)
- 5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Mid-Week Dinner (Dining Hall)
Financial Peace University (Rm 104)
- 6:00pm Wednesday Night Bible Studies
One Students Mid Week Worship (Youth Bldg.)
Wesley Kids (Pam's Place)
- 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, March 12

- 9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Day School
- 12:00pm Senior Games day (Parlor)
Hearts to Hands Knitting Group (Parlor)

⁵ He set free those who were held in slavery their entire lives by their fear of death."

Hebrews 2: 15

Because Jesus has overcome death and invited us to share in the victory, we are free to live our life joyfully, unrestrained, and in obedience to his loving call on our lives.

Jesus is clear that we will have difficult times in our lives. He never claims that we will live a life free of tragedy, hurt, loss, illness, or any other part of the human experience in this world. However, he does tell us that he has overcome the world (John 16:33) and that we do not need to live our lives in fear of death.

The fear of death is not just about the final moments. The fear of death is also why people spend so much of the energy and resources on worldly achievements, amassing wealth, and seeking out pleasurable experiences so they "make the most of their short life".

Death has been defeated, the battle may still linger on, but the war will end in Jesus triumph over death and the powers of evil.

Death no longer has the final word over a Christians life. It is not what gets to decide the quality of our life nor does it decide if we are qualified to be loved and cherished in eternity.

Instead, Jesus is the one who has all authority over life and death. Jesus is the one who promised us the Spirit would help us have the assurance that we belong to God and that death has been defeated.

We are no longer slaves to fear and death, but in Christ we are new creations who joyfully serve the Kingdom that our King has won.

Grace & Peace,

Rick Wey

For a complete listing of times, locations and additional events such as recovery meetings and scouts, visit <http://www.wesleyumc.com/calendar/>

OUR | FAITHFULNESS

Attendance March 1-4, 2020

Sunday School

9:00am Children	22
9:00am Adults	71
10:30am Children	18
10:30am Adults	25

Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	57
9:00am Worship	128
10:30am Worship	169

Live Stream

9:00am Worship	15
10:30am Worship	0

Wednesday

Communion Service	11
ONE Students	53

Financial News: March 1, 2020

2020 Church Income Budget	\$1,378,000
Needed for One Week	\$26,500
Received thru 03/01/20 for Church Budget	\$33,599
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$238,500
Received Income YTD	\$321,261
Difference	\$82,761

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Missions	\$50
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$789
Kairos Prison Ministry	\$20
Youth Ministry/Pumpkin Patch	\$12
One Student Ministry	\$20
Building Use	\$5,150
Community Garden	\$12



We have 5000 glow-in-the-dark eggs for the egg hunt. That means we need a lot of candy to fill them all. Donations of unopened bags of individually wrapped candy can be dropped off at the church office or in the buckets outside of worship on Sunday.

Garage Sale

JUNE 18-20

Be on the look-out for
more information



LAMAR UNIVERSITY WESLEY FOUNDATION Spring Feast

MARCH 27 6:00PM-8:00PM

Childcare available

HOSTED AT WESLEY UMC

You are invited to attend the Lamar University Wesley Foundation Spring Feast on March 27th from 6-8pm at Wesley UMC. Tickets are \$25 dollars and include dinner, dessert, entertainment, and a live and silent auction. Childcare is available for \$5 up to fifth grade. Tickets available in Church Office.



Mark your calendars!
We're going to a ballgame.

Saturday, April 25
Game time 3:10pm

Be on the look out for
more information

Wesley BOOKWORMS

We hope you've tracked down a copy of "Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe" by Heather Webber because you have less than two weeks to read it! We'll meet at noon on Tuesday, March 17, at Chris Broussard's home. Bring your own lunch and wear green. It's St. Patrick's Day!

SAVE THE DATE

Pinch, Pull, Eat, Repeat!

WESLEY UMC CRAWFISH BOIL

Join us Sunday, April 19 from
12:00-3:00pm by the youth center.

Live music by Cajun Harmony
Washer Tournament (\$5 to enter)
T-Shirt Drawings

Tickets:
\$20/Person or \$80/Family
(includes hot dog for kids 12 and under)

You won't want to miss it!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

- 8 Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 10 Wesley Serving at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 17 Wesley Book Worms (12:00pm)
- 22 Kairos Cooking Baking (10:00am-3:00pm)
- 24 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)

APRIL

- 5 **Palm Sunday**
- 6 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 9 Ladies Bunco (6:30pm)
Maundy Thursday
- 10 **Good Friday**
- 12 **Easter Sunday**
Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 14 Wesley Serving at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 21 Wesley Book Worms (12:00pm)
- 28 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)

6th Grade Confirmation Classes

Wednesdays, 5:00pm-6:00pm

Begins April 1

Confirmation Sunday

May 31, 2020

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 8

Mitchell Betar
Chad George
Bubba Haney
Travis Hare
Helen Lord
Evan Smithey
Joe Strahan
Kyle Tully

March 9

Eddie Connolly
Amanda Keyser
Carole Marsh
Lisa Peterson
Ross Simmons
Kaye Spell

March 10

Margie Allen
Will McNeil

March 11

Kim Joosten
Natalie Kent
Bryleigh Lovett
Eddie Sims

March 12

Lauri Arnold-Calder
Angelin Floyd
Holly Scarbrough

March 13

Bambi Chapman
Jayla Imhoff
Michelle Jefferson
Jackie Raney
Amber Russell
Terri Schilberg

March 14

Sherry Curtice
Robin Peurifoy
Charlene Stough