

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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July 9, 2020

THIS WEEK AT | WESLEY

Sunday, July 12

8:00am	Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00am	Contemporary Worship* (Praise Center)
9:00am-1:00pm	Garage Sale open to church members
10:30am	Traditional Worship* (Sanctuary)
11:30am	Drive-Thru Baby Shower for Jonathan & Lysie Martin (Youth Bldg)

* this service is online and in person.
In person please remember to wear a mask
and practice social distancing

Tuesday, July 14

8:00am Wesley serves at Some Other Place

Wednesday, July 15

Wednesday worship posted online
4:00pm-7:00pm Garage Sale open to church members
6:15pm-8:00pm ONE Student Ministries** (Youth Bldg)

** Students please arrive at 6:15, no earlier.
Free Pizza & drinks
Service from 6:30pm-8:00pm
Everyone will be wearing a mask inside

Friday, July 17

Weekly devotional posted online



We will be having a church drive through baby shower for Jonathan and Lysie Martin on July 12, after the 10:30 service by the youth room. They are registered at Target and on Amazon for their baby boy who is due in August. Please join us in showering love over Jonathan and Lynise in this special time.



FROM THE | PASTOR

“I assure you that if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, ‘Go from here to there,’ and it will go. There will be nothing that you can’t do.”

Matthew 17

Mustard Seed and Mountain.

They are not proportional. The mountain takes up way more of our view than a mustard seed. The mountain appears insurmountable and if you are over 40 you probably need your readers to see a mustard seed. What’s the mountain blocking out your plans right now look like? Probably covid-19 but maybe it is something else. It can be so disappointing when our plans for garage sale, VBS, or summer camp are forced to be changed. And maybe Covid-19 is not your main problem right now. Maybe it is a problem you have been facing for a long time or a question for which you cannot find an answer. Perhaps the mountain is something painful that causes you to suffer daily.

Here is a reality: The mountain is not what Jesus tells us to focus on. We are meant to use the faith we have been given and nurture it, trusting that God can move the mountain, even if we cannot. To water those seeds of faith with our worship and praise until we see God move or remove the obstacle.

Mustard seeds and mountains are not proportional in size, but they are also not proportional in potential or power. Mountains can’t grow themselves. Mustard seeds have within them the potential to overtake massive amounts of land in one lifetime. Growing plants can split tough rocks in two. Just imagine what an almighty God can do.

So where will your focus be in the upcoming days. On the mountain or on the mustard seed of faith God has given you?

Grace and Peace,

Rick Ivey

Sr. Pastor

We are so very thankful for all the hard work, love, and planning that has gone into our annual garage sale. The garage sale raises thousands of dollars each year to support programs that help children in Beaumont and other vital missions in our area. It requires a lot of work, sweat, and cooperation. Please say a word of thanks, pray for, and encourage the people that have helped. They especially need it this year with the uncertainty, challenges, and disappointing setbacks they have faced due to covid-19 restrictions. We know their good works will still shine bright in our community but as a church we need to do all we can to let them know how grateful we are that they are serving Christ and helping children in this wonderful way.

Next Sermon series starting July 19. Indestructible Life. Jesus taught his disciples how to have indestructible life. Not just how to be optimistic or endure but how to have life abundant even when everything is going wrong and we are powerless. Join us for this inspirational and powerful series.

GARAGE



1 Public Garage Sale Canceled

2 Not Accepting donations

3 Please remove your "Garage Sale" Yard Sign from your yard. Drop it off at the church office or hang on to it and we will have stickers available next year to update the signs.

4 Church members will be able to shop through what we have already collected.

Sunday, July 12 (9am-1pm)

Wednesday, July 15 (4pm-7pm)

HAPPY | BIRTHDAY

July 12

Pat Archer
Michael Broussard
Jane Ann Kemplay
Quinn Keyser
Iris Smithey

July 13

Reta Parrish
Jeanette Simmons

July 14

Darlene Barlow

July 15

Elva Burlin
Dilainia Hargrove
Dan Parker
Ruth Richmond

July 16

George McClain
Janis Pretridge
Liz Welch

July 17

Dustin Ringler

July 18

Drew Daigle
Louis Hebert
Glen Permenter

OUR | FAITHFULNESS

Attendance July 5-July8, 2020

Sunday School

9:00am Adults	47
10:30am Adults	8

Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	35
9:00am Worship	55
10:30am Worship	46

Live Stream

9:00am Worship	39
10:30am Worship	16

Wednesday

ONE Students	53
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Financial News: July 5, 2020

2020 Church Income Budget	\$1,378,000
Needed for One Week	\$26,500
Received thru 07/05/20 for Church Budget	\$19,150
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$715,500
Received Income YTD	\$825,549
Difference	\$110,049

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Memorials - All Funds	\$150
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$232
Garage Sale	\$30
Camp Scholarship	\$225
Community Garden	\$200

Wesley BOOKWORMS

July Meeting Canceled!

Hold that thought (and plot line)! Circumstances don't seem to be cooperating with the book club schedule, so we'll skip the July meeting. But we're not skipping the July book, which is "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" by Kim Michele Richardson. It's a novel, but is based on the Works Progress Administration program known as the Pack Horse Library, which brought books to outlying areas of Appalachia during the Great Depression. It's thought-provoking on a number of counts, and now you have extra time to read it!

See you in August.

MASKS REQUIRED FOR IN PERSON WORSHIP

