

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/channel/ UCqzhJJfVFM3OhyujuKkdBhq

Facebook Page

https://www.facebook.com/ WesleyUMCBmt

Use the link below to view last week's sermon,
"Indestructible Life:
Risk & Reward."

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-UKIsONLhY



FROM THE PASTOR



SENIOR PASTOR REV. RICK IVEY

"Let your yes mean yes, and your no mean no. Anything more than this comes from the evil one."

Matt 5:17

The passage above is part of teaching Jesus gave about not using sworn oaths or anything else as a way to deceive or finesse words and language for personal gain.

Think about what a different world would be possible if more people made use of his teaching. No more would we worry about fake news, lying, deception, and misinformation at this time. It would make everyone's life far more comfortable than what it is right now. We would not have to sort and sift through the news to figure out what the actual truth is.

Truthfulness and honesty in our speech are essential to us being able to live at peace with one another. Countless acts of violence and evil are the result of someone trying to cover up their lies or make their side of the story appear true.

Denying truth and failing to speak and practice it is a fundamental problem. 1 John 2:22 says, "Who is the liar? Isn't it the person who denies that Jesus is the Christ?" Lies and deception remove our ability to trust and have faith in the fundamental truths about God and God's word. They erode our capacity to hold on to what is essential about God and what God has done in Jesus Christ.

Being part of the church is such an important part of learning to be truthful. When we worship together each week, our prayers, songs, hymns, scripture reading, message, and communion help us share and practice the truth of who God is. Our prayers of confession help us be honest about our failings. Our hymns and songs remind us of a truth that has been proven over thousands of years, and the scriptures remind us we are not the first people to struggle to understand the complexities of evil and how it can be overcome.

Jesus promised to teach us the truth and that this truth would set us free. May we pray and practice in a way that rapidly puts an end to deceptive speech, fake news, and half-truths that have had such a devastating impact on our world.

In Christ,

Rick Ivey
Sr. Pastor

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 2

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00am Contemporary Worship* (Praise Center)

10:30am Traditional Worship* (Sanctuary)

* this service is online and in person.

In person please remember to wear a mask

and practice social distancing

Friday, August 7

Weekly devotional posted online

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 16 How Happiness Happens Sermon

Series & Study Begins

August 19 Wednesday Night Studies Begin

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 2

Rob Jones Elaine Wikstrom

August 3

Lindsey Hanson Paul Kent Vernon Pierce Eric Wooten II

August 4

Joe Chapman
Patty Edwardsen
Mike Ryan
Susan Ward
Liz Wiggins
Katie Williams

August 5

Jimmy Clark Jr. Karl Huch Jim Rose III Mike Wiggins

August 6

Jim Cornelius Laurie Jennings Lisa Tullier Dennis Wright

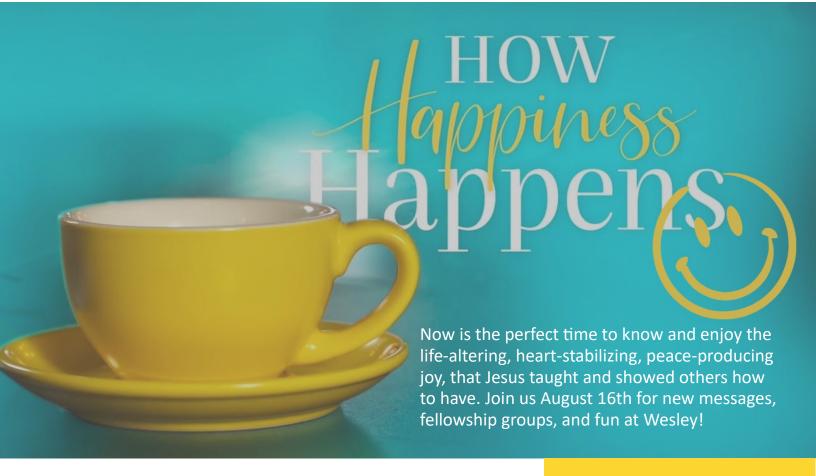
August 7

Debra Ball
Sheila Burrell
Linda Carroll
Ashton Diaz
Don Hansen
Samantha Williams
Ann Zuccaro

August 8

Nancy Bazar Mason Garza Keith Quinn Susan Swearingen Jerdon Covel

Last week Charles Curry's Birthday (7/26) got left off the list. Make sure to wish him a happy belated birthday.



FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Wesley's Fellowship Groups provide a place for people to belong so they can become who God has called them to be. Going from "rows" on Sunday morning to "circles" during the week helps us create relationships, allows us the opportunity to "do life" together and move from where we are to where God wants us to be. Checkout our Fall Fellowship Group opportunities.

WEDNESDAY GROUPS

Men's Group Leader: Chris Ayers

Women's Group

Leaders: Kellye Badon & Diana Miles

Parent's Group Leader: Iris Smithey

Young Adult Group Leader: Chase Cobb

THURSDAY GROUPS

Zoom Study (9:00am) Leader: Pastor Matt

SERMON SERIES

Join us for worship on Sundays as we explore "How Happiness Happens," based on Max Lucado's book by the same name.

The series begins on August 16 and you join us in-person or online.

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Attendance July 26, 2020

Sunday School 9:00am Adults 10:30am Adults	52 12
Sunday Worship 8:00 Worship 9:00am Worship 10:30am Worship	28 80 102
Live Stream 9:00am Worship 10:30am Worship	65 31
Wednesday ONE Students	NA

Please let us know when you need care. Need a pastor to pray with you before surgery or visit someone? Please let us know by contacting the church office.

Financial News: July 26, 2020

2020 Church Income Budget	\$1,378,000
Needed for One Week	\$26,500
Received thru 07/26/20 for Church Budget	\$16,492
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$795,000
Received Income YTD	\$877,687
Difference	\$82,687

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$60
Garage Sale	\$338



SANCTUARY LAMP

The Eternal Flame Permanent Endowment Fund was set up to keep our Sanctuary Lamp lit at all times. Anytime you enter the Sanctuary you see the Eternal Flame keeping the Holy Spirit alive. This is a great way to honor a loved one that has passed on. If you would like to contribute to the Eternal Flame Permanent Endowment Fund, in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact the church office, (409) 892-7733.



Order your
"Happiness Happens"
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\$10 Each

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