

# THE CIRCUIT RIDER

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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August 15, 2019

### THIS WEEK AT | WESLEY

#### Sunday, August 18

- 8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:00am Contemporary Worship (Praise Center)
- 9:15am Sunday School
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30am Acolyte/Usher Training (Parlor)
- 12:00pm-2:30pm Pickin & Prayin (Praise Center)
- 5:30pm ONE SM Sunday Night Live (Youth Bldg.)

#### Monday, August 19

- 10:00am Cooking for Some Other Place Tasting (Kitchen)

#### Tuesday, August 20

- 8:00am Seeds for Needs Workday
- 10:00am Cooking for Some Other Place Tasting (Kitchen)
- 12:00pm Wesley Bookworms at Bruno's

#### Wednesday, August 21

- 11:00am Prayer Card Ministry (Conference Room)
- 12:00pm Communion Service (Sanctuary)
- 5:00pm Wednesday Dinner (Dining Hall)
- 6:00pm-6:30pm Wiggle Worship (Room 115)
- 6:00pm Wesley Kids (Pam's Place)
- Adult Bible Study (See Assigned rooms)
- ONE Students Mid-Week Worship (Youth Bldg.)
- 7:00pm-8:15pm Open Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 7:00pm Music Open House (Choir Room)

#### Thursday, August 22

- 12:00pm Heart Sisters Bible Study (Bride's Room)
- Senior Games Day (Parlor)
- Hearts to Hands Knitting Group (Parlor)

### FROM THE | PASTOR

**"Let's raise a joyful shout to the rock of our salvation"**

**Psalm 95**

What brings you joy?

So much of our Christian life is held together by joy. Joy helps us remain patient in the moments when we are anxious for what comes next. Joy holds us peacefully when the storms of life rage all around us. Joy makes so many moments of our life exceptional and meaningful. And Joy certainly compels us to be more generous.

So how can we have more of it?

Psalm 95 begins with words of worship and joy but then quickly moves to instructing us on what might remove Joy from our lives. If we want the gift of Joy, we should not "harden our hearts" like the people of Israel did when they tested and scrutinized God in the dessert even though they had already seen what God can do. Not trusting and celebrating God in the dessert cost the people of Israel 40 years of wandering.

It is not hard to figure out why the people of Israel would have gotten to a place of questioning and scrutinizing God. After all, they were in the dessert without some of the things they had gotten used to having in Egypt. But more than a journey from Egypt to the promised land, the people of Israel were being called to distance their old life from the one the new one God was creating. Their distrust and scrutiny of God's new life for them

For the psalmist, Joy flows from knowing God and trusting in the promise that we are God's workmanship, God's creation, the sheep of God's pasture! We belong to God as does all of creation. Joy comes from our hearts and minds being trained to remember those truths and remembering that in our baptism we are brought into God's family and made heirs to the inheritance he has promised we would enjoy together. Joy is also found in our efforts to grow in our worship of God and developing the skill of singing, shouting, and giving thanks to the one who has given us salvation.

*-Rev. Rick Ivey*

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 August 11-14, 2019

### Sunday School

9:00am Children	NA
9:00am Adults	69
10:30am Children	NA
10:30am Adults	23

### Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	562
9:00am Worship	197
10:30am Worship	257

### Live Stream

9:00am Worship	
10:30am Worship	

### Wednesday

Communion Service	18
ONE Students	52

## Financial News: August 11, 2019

2019 Church Income Budget	\$1,377,000
Needed for One Week	\$26,481
Received 08/11/19 for Church Budget	\$20,171
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$847,385
Received Income YTD	\$873,203
Difference	\$25,818

### Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Capital Campaign- A/C & Sound	\$235
Missions	\$95
MOSAIC	\$75
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$40
Youth Ministry/Pumpkin Patch	\$680
One Student Ministry	\$185
Building Use	\$200
Community Garden	\$30

# Kids

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## • worship arts •

**Who:** Children enrolled in K-5th grade

**Where:** Praise and Family Life Center

**When:** Sundays, 4:30-6:00 pm

KWA will take children on a creative journey of discovering God. They will cultivate talents in the arts and learn how to best use them for the Lord's Glory. Kids Worship Arts will offer music (vocal and instrumental ensembles), art and theatre. Children will be assigned to age appropriate groups and rotated between the various arts offered. Each age group will share their "art" as an enhancement to Sunday Worship Service several times throughout the year. KWA will also perform in a multi-generational Christmas Musical on December 15th.

**Start date:** It begins with FAMILY NIGHT at Kids Worship Arts on Sunday, August 25th. Kids, bring your parents for a fun, interactive introduction to KWA. Parents get to experience the activities with their children, meet the teachers and enjoy an informational reception. Childcare will be provided for baby-5 year old children.

## FALL BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesdays, beginning August 21

Dinner (5:00pm-6:00pm)

Studies (6:00pm-7:00pm)

**Intro to the Old Testament** (Room 106)

**Leader:** Pastor Matt Cecil

What's in the Old Testament? Who wrote it, when, and for whom? This class will give an overview of the Old Testament from Genesis to Malachi with a focus on the covenants between God and people, the history of Israel, and an organization of the scripture itself.

**Living All Your Days** (Room 104)

**Leader:** Pastor Betty Edwards

Our best decisions about life's most important events are seldom made in a time of crisis. *Living Fully, Dying Well* is a book designed to assist us in making careful, wise and prayerful preparation for meeting life's most important moments. (8 weeks long)

**Young Adult Disciple Group** (Parlor)

**Leader:** Megan Newsom

We are a young adult group that studies through books of the bible and/or concepts in the bible. We are currently working through Revelation and will still be doing so come August 21st. We also look to build relationships with each other by spending time talking about the previous week with praises and laments. Our goal in this bible study group is to help each other grow in their relationship with their bible and with God. We want to see each other prosper by seeking in, looking up, and reaching out to God.

**Children of the Day** (Room 103)

**Leader:** Ellen Wiemers

The New Testament believers carried the Spirit of God as they walked along the shores of Thessalonica, just as you carry that light today. Your circumstances and conditions are not coincidental in your journey. God's timing is impeccable. Join Beth Moore on the Thessalonian shores as you face real crises, real medical diagnoses, real afflictions, real relationships, real doubts, real concerns, and real fears. This women's study is your journey to the shores of Thessalonica where you'll write your name in the sand. (9 weeks long)

Nursery care for children 8weeks-3 years is provided from 6:00pm-7:00pm)

For more information about the Adult Bible Studies, please contact Pastor Matt in the church office.

Be on the look out for more information about Children's Activities

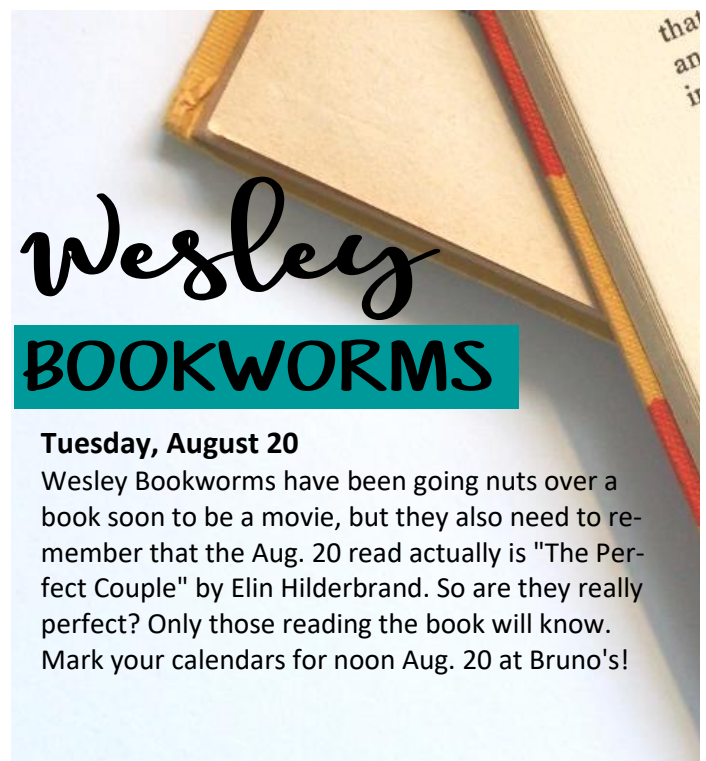
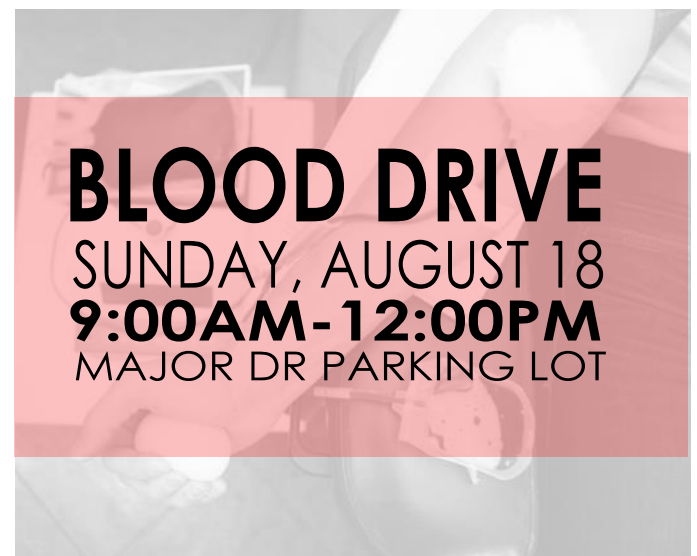
**ONE Student Ministries**

Dinner 5:00pm

Worship & Activities 6:00pm-7:30pm



Wesley is looking for some awesome, motivated and loving individuals who want to take care of our youngest members. This job is usually suited to college students, moms looking to earn a few extra \$ or retired individuals who love working with children. Must be 16 or up, responsible and reliable. If you have a flexible schedule (some evenings and weekends), love children, and are willing to complete a background check and CPR through the church, please contact Aleta Gibbs - 409-201-6916.



**Tuesday, August 20**

Wesley Bookworms have been going nuts over a book soon to be a movie, but they also need to remember that the Aug. 20 read actually is "The Perfect Couple" by Elin Hilderbrand. So are they really perfect? Only those reading the book will know. Mark your calendars for noon Aug. 20 at Bruno's!

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## AUGUST

- 18 Blood Drive (9:00am-12:00pm)  
Back To School Splash Bash (11:30am-3:00pm)
- 20 Wesley Bookworms (12:00pm)
- 30 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 Office Closed for Labor Day
- 3 Wesley Day School Resumes classes
- 5 Ladies Bunco (6:30pm)
- 8 Lunch with the Pastors (11:30am)  
Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 9 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 10 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
- 17 Wesley Bookworms (12:00pm)

## OCTOBER

- 3 Ladies Bunco (6:30pm)
- 6 Kairos Baking (10:00am-3:00pm)  
Pumpkin Unload (12:00pm-2:00pm)
- 7 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)  
Pumpkin Patch Opens
- 8 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
- 13 Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 15 Wesley Bookworms (12:00pm)
- 20 2nd Pumpkin Unload (12:00pm-2:00pm)

## NOVEMBER

- 4 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 7 Ladies Bunco (6:30pm)
- 10 Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 12 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
- 19 Wesley Bookworms (12:00pm)
- 28 Office Closed for Thanksgiving
- 29 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)

# HAPPY | BIRTHDAY

## August 18

James Makin  
Sondra Mayfield  
Jamie Hansen

## August 19

G.A. Matthews  
Marty O'Brien  
Carol Perkins  
Elizabeth Pittman  
Westin Rice  
Margaret Shelton  
Don Smith

## August 20

Larry Lucas  
Angela Strahan

## August 21

Emily Brashear  
Natalie Brashear  
Renee Cash  
Kim Diaz  
Hallie Rice

## August 22

Janice Barras  
Lily Hamilton  
Bob Shiflet

## August 23

Penny Ferrell  
Stewart Frank  
Kim Huch  
Reza Margard  
Charlie McCracken  
Michelle Yentzen

## August 24

Dawn Cody  
Jason Haynes