

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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August 16, 2018

THIS WEEK AT | WESLEY

Friday, August 17

9:00am PieceMakers Quilting Group (Room 106)

Sunday, August 19

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00am Contemporary Worship (Praise Center)
Sunday School
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
Sunday School
2:00pm Hearts to Hands gathering (Room 105)
6:00pm ONE SM Sunday Night Live (Youth Building)

Monday, August 20

6:30pm Ladies Bible Study (Parlor)

Tuesday, August 21

10:00am Seeds for Needs Workday
12:30pm Wesley Bookworms at Brunos
6:30pm SPRC Meeting (Parlor)
7:00pm Some Other Place Tasting at
Beaumont Civic Center

Wednesday, August 22

11:00am Prayer Card Ministry (Conference Room)
12:00pm Communion Service (Sanctuary)
6:30pm ONE SM Mid-Week Worship (Youth Building)
Open Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, August 23

12:00pm Heart Sisters Bible Study (Bride's Room)
Senior Games Day (Parlor)

For a complete listing of times, locations and additional events such as recovery meetings and scouts, visit

<http://www.wesleyumc.com/calendar/>

FROM THE PASTOR

**“Write a vision, and make it plain upon a tablet so that a runner can read it.”
Habakkuk 2:2**

The main thing I believe we need to work on as a church in the upcoming year is growing our average weekly worship attendance. In the conversations I have had with staff, people at the fellowship gatherings, and church members, attendance has been what they believe is important as well. Our current average worship attendance is 416. The number includes our three Sunday services, Wednesday night Student Ministry worship, and our Wednesday noon communion services. To reach a goal of 650 in average worship attendance we are going to have to do our best and trust that God will give us an even greater increase than we could accomplish on our own. To do this we need everyone in our church to be in worship each week unless they are sick or out of town, Pray for God to send us people that need a church home, and be intentional about inviting people to join us in worship. If we are faithful in this, I know that God will also be faithful and bless in a tremendous way. Back to Church Sunday is September 9th make plans to attend and invite someone to join us on this special day!

-Pastor Rick Ivey

OUR | FAITHFULNESS

Attendance

August 12-15, 2018

Sunday Morning Groups

9:00am Children	21
9:00am Adults	79
10:30am Children	20
10:30am Adults	23

Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	60
9:00 Worship	136
10:30 Worship	180

Live Stream

9:00am Worship	19
10:30am Worship	13

Wednesday

Communion	15
ONE Students	69

Financial News: August 12, 2018

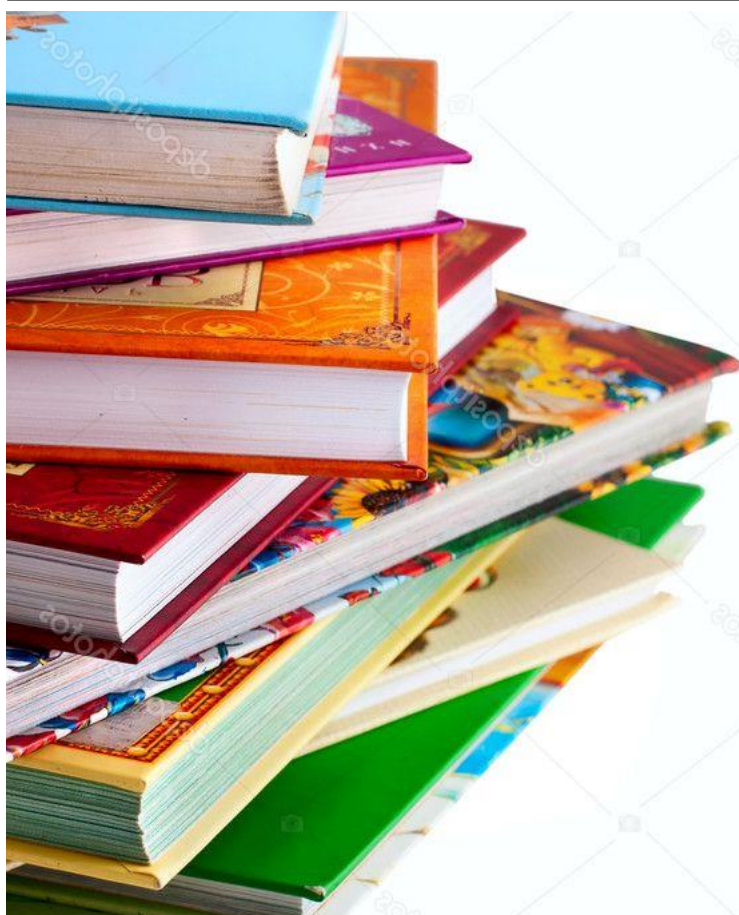
2018 Church Expense Budget	\$1,469,208
Needed for One Week	\$28,254
Received 08/12/18 for Church Budget	\$19,067
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$904,128
Received Income YTD	\$821,983
Difference	-\$82,146

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund	\$355
Memorials - All Funds	\$430
Missions	\$95
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$50
Building Use	\$702
Hurricane Harvey	\$200
Utila Mission Fund	\$700
Sound System	\$200
Books	\$120

Sunday of Blessing

What a great morning of worship we had on August 12th. It was great to have a time when we could bless the students, teachers, and administrators as they head into the new school year. Thank you to everyone who brought a children's book or donated money to purchase children's books. We will continue to collect books and money for books until 8/20. The books will then be distributed to teachers in our area.



AUGUST | EVENTS

LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Monday, August 20 - 6:30pm - Parlor

Hello Ladies,

This summer, I was blessed by about 20 ladies and the Ruth bible study. We fellowshiped, we prayed, and we dove deep into the scripture. This fall we would like to continue the Monday night bible study to give ladies another opportunity to join a small group. We know that Wednesday evenings do not work for everyone, so we are hoping that Mondays might be better for a few of you. Starting on September 10th at 6pm, we will begin a new bible study, **No Other Gods** by Kelly Minter. "Often, idols are obvious—money, power, fame. But subtler idols can sometimes take the form of sweet loved ones, Instagramable interiors, and busy seasons of ministry. But if your heart is prioritizing any of those pursuits before God, they are taking up space meant for Him alone." This is an 8 week study, each week we will be in the Parlor at 6pm. If you would like to be a part of this study, please let me know as soon as possible so that we can order your book (\$15). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to send me an email or call.

Ellen Wiemers

Director of Discipleship

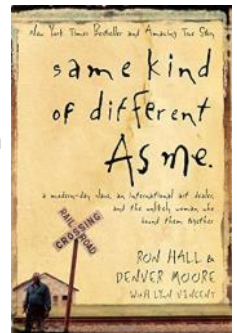
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WESLEY BOOKWORMS

Tuesday, August 21 - 12:30pm - Bruno's

The Wesley Bookworms chose "Same Kind of Different As Me" by Ron Hall and Denver Moore as the book for the Aug. 21 meeting at 12:30 p.m., which has moved to Bruno's Italian Kitchen on Dowlen Road (Patty Edwardsen highly recommends the stuffed mushrooms!). You might recall this book, which also was a 2017 film starring Greg Kinnear and Renee Zellweger. Join us then!



A TASTING FOR SOME OTHER PLACE

Tuesday, August 21 - 7:00pm

Beaumont Civic Center

Tickets \$10

Since 1968 Some Other Place has served the North Jefferson County area by providing emergency assistance to low/no income families who have faced emergency situations. It was decided by the Board of Directors to host this event in hopes that it would become an annual event with all proceeds going to benefit the work of Some Other Place. The last fifteen year's events were HUGE successes with as many as 3,000 tickets sold and over 3,000 people attending. Thousands of dollars have been raised each year to help to insure the continuation of the work of SOP. This is the only fundraising endeavor sponsored by Some Other Place for SOP programming.

Sponsoring and supporting congregations and other supporters of Some Other Place will each host a booth and provide "tastings" of favorite recipes to ticket holders. The Wesley booth will have something delicious to eat and some great fellowship.

Contact Roy Follmer or the church office for more information or to purchase tickets.



Beaumont Independent School District

ROAR

Community Reading Partnership

Want to do some good...AND have some fun?

No, it's not Vacation Bible School! It's much easier than that, because you only play with one kid at a time. It's time to ROAR again—that's Reach Out And Read! It's really easy—just sign in at our partner school, Roy Guess Elementary, and sit down for thirty minutes with a second grader who wants to read like a third grader. Listen to them read, ask a few questions to see if they understood what they read, and then tell them how proud you are of their progress. They feel great, and you feel great, and as our mayor would say, "It's another great day in Beaumont!"

Reading with the kids doesn't start until October 8th, but you'll need a volunteer application from the BISD website filled out and filed before you start so they can check your background. BISD is doing one hour training sessions on Sept. 11th from 9:30-10:30 and again from 5:30-6:30. Check BISD website for additional dates. Here's the link to sign up or just learn more: <https://www.bmtisd.com/roar>

Roy Guess Elementary is Wesley's school partner, so you'll see quite a few WUMC folks out there on campus. Don't want to work with the 2nd Graders? No problem! You can still support our kids and their families by doing one-on-one tutoring or mentoring. Not your cup of tea yet? How about being an aide in the classroom, the library or the nurse's office—or even a front office helper? Just remember, there are lots of ways to show Christ's love, and this little elementary school is a great place to do it!

Sheree Pierce can answer questions for you, and so can I. Let us know what you think!

Nancy Beaulieu
(A Three Year ROAR Volunteer)



HAPPY | BIRTHDAY

August 17

Rod Dolan
Blaycie Fenter
Ashley Goforth
Tillie Graeter
Mary Ellen Hebert
Courtne Kash
Kay Meyers
Betsy Tucker
Adam Vaughan

August 21

Emily Brashear
Natalie Brashear
Renee Cash
Kim Diaz
Kurt Gilchrist
Leah Heniger
Celeste Lorusso
Caris Moulton
Hallie Rice
John Ricks
Sammie Streeper
Jerry Tullier

August 18

James Makin
Sondra Mayfield
Olive Ann Ringler
Bob Sandefur
Darlene Uresti

August 22

Janice Barras
Lily Hamilton
Bob Shiflet

August 19

Jamie Hansen
Cora Hill
G.A. Matthews
Marty O'Brien
Carol Perkins
Elizabeth Pittman
Miguel Ribbik
Westin Rice
Margaret Shelton
Don Smith
Curtis Waldrop
Jimmy Wren

August 23

Penny Ferrell
James Foxworth
Stewart Frank
Kim Huch
Alexander Hughes
Reza Malgard
Liana Pinson
Shannon Pinson
Avery Redmon
Finn Swan
Michelle Yentzen

August 20

Ryan Bloss
Autumn Haynes
Larry Lucas
Angela Strahan
Logan Thompson

SEPTEMBER | EVENTS

ONE BIG NIGHT

Wednesday, September 5 - 6:00pm

All youth 6th-12th grade are invited to join us for our annual back to school kick-off. We will have food, prizes, games, and worship.

HEART SISTERS BIBLE STUDY

NEW STUDY "Keep it Shut" by Karen Ehman

Thursday, September 6 - 12:00pm - Bride's Room

The Heart Sisters Bible study will begin a new study on Thursday, September 6, We meet in the bride's room, off the parlor, at noon every Thursday. The new study is "Keep it Shut" by Karen Ehman. "Keep It Shut" will teach us the difference between gossip and properly processing with a trust friend; a helpful grid for using our digital tongues as we talk online or on social media; how to pause before you pounce, attacking the problem but not the person; how to avoid saying something permanently painful just because you are temporarily ticked off; and what the Bible teaches about making our speech laced with grace, as sweet as honey, and yet seasoned with salt. All ladies are invited to attend. A workbook will be available if you would like to purchase one. For more information or questions, please contact Kim Dolan by phone call or text at 409-656-8906.

BURGERS & BLUEBELL

Wednesday, September 12 - 5:30pm

Everyone is invited to dinner on September 12. Join us for a night of food, and fellowship as we celebrate just being a family. This will serve as our Kick-Off to our Wednesday night classes. You will get to hear what each class is about and be able to decide which you'd like to join!

NEW SUNDAY EVENING SMALL GROUP

Sunday, September 16 - 6:00pm

Boundaries for Teens Small Group Study Starting Sunday September 16th at 6pm. Study is free and open to anyone but group size is limited. Contact Rick Ivey Rickivey@wesleyumc.com or 409.892.7733 to RSVP, get information, or about childcare questions.

FALL BIBLE STUDIES BEGIN

Wednesday, September 19

Dinner - 5:30pm - Dining Hall

Studies - 6:30pm - Assigned Rooms

We will begin fall Bible Studies, Classes, and Life Groups on September 19. These groups are a great way to get connected and build faith forming relationships. You're never too grown up to learn something new, grow spiritually, or have fun. Check out the complete list of Wednesday Night Bible Studies and Life Groups on the next page. We hope to see you there.

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER

Friday, September 21

\$64 per person

It's that time of year again! Time for Murder Mystery Dinner Theater! This year is sure to be an outstanding performance as the famous Kirby-Hill House actors take the stage performing "A Murder Has Been Renounced" by Lee Mueller used by special arrangement with Play-Dead Murder Mysteries.

The menu is: Hor d' oeuvres, Spring Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing, Legendary Baked Potato Soup, Chicken Francaise with Mushrooms and Scallions, Tuscan Tomatoes, Mama Jack's Famous Green Beans, Rolls, Cherry Cobbler, and coffee. Water, sweet, and un-sweet tea will be available throughout the night.

There are 16 tickets reserved for the Friday, September 21 production. Tickets are \$64 per person and includes dinner. This is a fun night and a great meal. You can read about the play at <http://www.kirbyhillhouse.com/> If you would like to go, please contact Kim Dolan by text or phone call at 409-656-8906.

FALL BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays - September 19 –November 7

Dinner - 5:30pm - Dining Hall

Classes - 6:30pm - Assigned Rooms

We are excited to be starting our Fall Bible Study opportunities. Join us for 8 weeks of spiritual growth and fellowship.

Run for God

Leader: Jana Corrick Oliver

Run for God's 5K Challenge is a 12-week Bible study program that allows runners to combine faith and endurance training in a way that helps take people, even those who have never run, through their first 5K.

Short devotion followed by a run/walk at the Folsom Hike and Bike path. Working towards a 5k at the end of the training.



Covenant

Leaders: Megan Campbell and Trevor Guidry

This is the third portion of the Covenant Study - Trusting: LIFE, AS WE ALL KNOW TOO WELL, IS IMPERFECT. Difficulties are inevitable. That's why the final eight-weeks, Trusting the Covenant, looks at the crises that sometimes call covenant life into question, and how we are restored to trust in God when troubling things happen. This module discusses the loss of hope, and how it is restored by faithfulness in the midst of suffering. From the story of Job, to the Hebrew exile, to the apocalyptic visions in Daniel and Revelation, how faithful love is at work in everything—to restore hope, freedom, and wholeness to our lives.

Planning for your Future

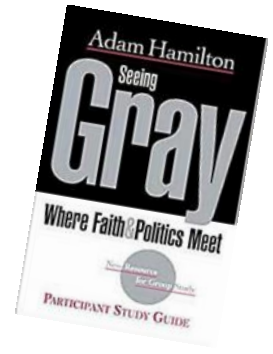
This is a series of different classes to talk about all the different obstacles and options families face when planning for the future. Some of our classes include funeral planning with Broussard's Funeral Home and adoption planning with Cradle of Life.



Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White by Adam Hamilton

Leaders: Rev. Donna Brown and Bev Hoffmeyer
Have you ever been apart of a conversation with someone that had a different view than you? Did you listen? Do you only see in black and white? Come learn how to see the gray in life. How do we find a balance between subject and scripture?

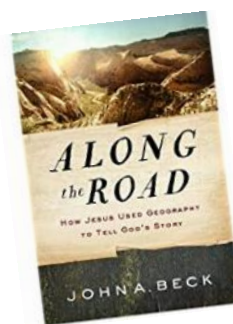
Everyone agrees that America is polarized, with ever-hardening positions held by people less and less willing to listen to one another. No one agrees on what to do about it. One solution that hasn't yet been tried, says Adam Hamilton, is for thinking persons of faith to model for the rest of the country a richer, more thoughtful conversation on the political, moral, and religious issues that divide us. Hamilton rejects the easy assumptions and sloppy analysis of black and white thinking, seeking instead the truth that resides on all sides of the issues, and offering a faithful and compassionate way forward.



Along The Road by John A. Beck

Leader: Rev. Wade Floyd

In this study we will be going on a journey together as we use the book Along The Road by John A. Beck to look at the Holy Land from a biblical, geographical, and cultural perspective. Dr. Beck was the leader of Pastor Wade's recent trip to Israel who brings context to our understanding of the Bible through



looking at the places much of it took place on. Here is a description of the book, "In Along the Road, John Beck delves into the conversations that would naturally occur if you had walked with Jesus along a first-century road. Journey with Beck as he weaves the Old Testament context of each locale into Jesus's experience there, and discover how these easily overlooked geographical and cultural details can enhance your understanding of God's Word." From this book and Pastor Wade's time in Israel we will have 8 sessions to look at the ins and outs of the Holy Land, we hope you will join us as we take this journey together.

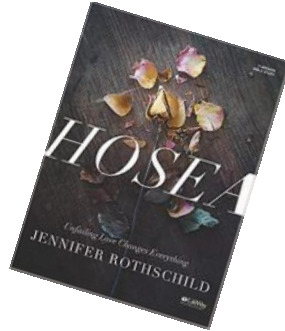
Hosea: Unfailing Love Changes Everything

Leader: Ellen Wiemers

The book of Hosea is deeply personal and a passionate love story, yet it's a difficult story. As an account full of harsh judgment unfolds, we find in its midst a rare and pure gem: the truest and purest of loves.

Hosea, an old-testament prophet, preached his own life message using his marriage as the sermon illustration. The study of Hosea looks deeply at that message. It provides background to better understand the intricacies of the man and his message. You'll be guided to understand, but more especially to apply the message of the prophet of love.

The book will challenge us with judgment so harsh it will singe our hair—an unheeded sermon warning of devastating doom shortly to come. But it will show us the kind of love we dream about. Be amazed by the love of Hosea for his wayward spouse—and more amazed by the unfailing love of God for His wayward people, and for all people. Hosea showers us with hope—hints and portents pointing to the coming of the promised Messiah.



ONE Student Ministries

Leader: Jonathan Martin
Students 6th –12th Grade are invited to a night of worship and fellowship. Meet us in the Youth Building at 6:00pm for dinner followed by worship led by our Youth Praise Band and fun activities.



Wesley Kids

Leader: Julie Floyd

On Wednesday nights, Wesley Kids Adventure Club incorporates adventure, exciting stories, science experiments, arts and crafts, animated video storytelling, and active games into a living-faith experience that will help children discover what it

means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ today!

Nursery Care is provided for children 8 weeks-3 years.



Scripture Through Songs

Leader: Chase Cobb

The class will explore many well known, as well as not so well known songs & hymns. We will align each of these songs with the scripture in which they referencing. We will come together and learn to play and sing these songs as a group. Bring your guitar, keyboard, drum, or whatever calls to your heart as we learn the deeper worship behind these songs.



1. Your Grace is Enough- Matt Redman
2. The Table- Chris Tomlin
3. Great is thy Faithfulness - UMH 140
4. Psalm 100- Chris Tomlin
5. Mighty to Save- Hillsong United
6. It is Well- UMH 377
7. Glory to God Forever- Steve Fee
8. Heaven Song- Phil Wickam

For more information about any of our Wednesday night activities please contact the church office at, (409) 892-7733.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Office Closed for Labor Day
- 4 Wesley Day School Resumes Classes (9:00am-1:45pm)
- 5 ONE BIG NIGHT (6:00pm)
- 6 Ladies Night Out Bunco (6:30pm)
LIT Salute to the Real American Heroes (6:00pm)
- 7 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 9 Back to Church Sunday
Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:30pm)
- 11 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 12 Burgers & Blue Bell (5:30pm)
- 16 Boundaries With Teens Small Group (6:00pm)
- 18 Wesley Bookworms (12:30pm)
- 19 Fall Bible Studies Begin
Dinner 5:30pm - Classes 6:30pm
- 20-13 Men's Emmaus Walk
- 21 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
Kirby-Hill House Murder Mystery
- 25 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 26

OCTOBER

- Pumpkin Patch
- 1 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 4 Ladies Bunco (6:30pm)
- 6 Color Rush
- 5 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 7 Kairos Cookie Baking (10:00am)
Pumpkin Unload
- 9 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 14 Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 16 Wesley Bookworms (12:30pm)
- 19 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 21 Pumpkin Unload
- 28 LifeShare Blood Drive (9:00am)
- 31 Fall Festival



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