



Wesley United Methodist Church
“Building Bridges between Christ and Community”
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Newsletter, March, 2017

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HAPPY ST. PATRICK’S DAY!

St. Patrick’s Day---March 17th.



**May your blessings outnumber the shamrocks that grow,
And may trouble avoid you wherever you go.**

Irish Blessing

UPCOMING EVENTS:



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

Ash Wednesday---March 1st.

Church Service is at 7 PM.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS! SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Please take note...

1.) Effective immediately, Al Weidman is stepping down as Chairman of Board of Trustees. He has dedicated himself to this position for the past twenty years and he will be missed! Thank you, Al, for all you have done for Wesley United Methodist Church! Your hard work was greatly appreciated.

2.) Carl Schauer has volunteered to be the Liturgist on a regular basis. He will fill in the vacant spots scheduled until the end of June, then he will act as Liturgist for every Sunday after that. He will continue to greet and head the ushers each Sunday, as well. Thank you, Carl.



CHURCH CLOSET CLEAN OUT! Please come and help! We will be cleaning the old Boy Scout storage closet and the Zacchaeus closet.

March 4th

9:00 AM

The more hands we have, the less time it will take!



United Methodist Women's Meeting--

First Sunday of the month after worship. Next meeting March 5th after worship.





BIBLE STUDY---Starts Wed, March 8th, 7PM.

This group meets in the Fellowship Hall of the church. All are welcome.

Contact Joe Post for more info.

Biblical Basketball Awards 🏀

Best Dunker: John the Baptist

Most Improved: Paul

Defensive Player: Peter

Comeback Player: Lazarus

MVP: Jesus

Explanation: John baptized people by dunking their head under water and in basketball you dunk. So in a sense he is a dunker.

Paul persecuted Christians and he changed to being Godly, hence most improved.

Peter best defender because he denied Jesus 3 times. If you get denied in basketball, it means you got blocked. Meaning Peter here is a shot blocker.

Lazarus was dead and he's back alive. Comeback from a pretty crazy injury in which case here was death.

Well, Jesus is Jesus. Da real MVP (most valuable player).



Daylight Savings Time Begins.

SPRING AHEAD! Set your clocks ahead by one hour before you go to bed on Sat.March 11th.

KITCHEN CLASS! Sat, March 11th, 10AM

Darla Miller, will discuss rules and regulations from the State of MI for a safe and hygiene kitchen. Topics include: Contaminants, Allergies, Cleanliness, Eating & Drinking in kitchen area and more...

If you use the kitchen, please plan to attend.





PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING DAY & TIME!

Ad Council/Finance meeting—March 14th, 7:00 PM

This meeting is being changed to the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

Come and keep track of how the church is doing behind the scenes!



ST PAT'S NECKLACES FOR THE REGENCY—The church will

provide a green beaded necklace to every resident at the Regency Nursing Home, Whitmore Lake. The Activity Director said that she thinks it will be “cool” to see everyone walking around that day wearing a green necklace!

Trustees Meeting —March 15th, 7PM. 3rd. Tuesday of each month.

Remember: all church activities must be approved by the Board of Trustees. Bring your ideas and/or concerns regarding the building and maintenance to them.



Church Supper---Sat., March 18th.---

Children: age 1-9 \$5

Adults: \$9 Seniors: age 62 or older \$8

FISH FRY! FISH FRY!





GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE!

Need a small gift? Wesley United Methodist Church is offering a gift certificate to be used for one of the church dinners! Cost is \$9.00 and it can be presented at the door, instead of cash, at any of the upcoming dinners! See or contact Laurie Clement, 734-449-9282, to purchase a certificate! Proceeds will go into the general fund.



Announcing: RUMMAGE SALE AND FLEA MARKET

Last year's rummage sale and flea market was financially successful for the church so we will be doing it again this year. It will be held in June, date to be determined. PLEASE remember the church when you start your spring cleaning and donate items for the sale. PLEASE nothing chipped, ripped or stained. We need items in good condition. NO CLOTHING. Contact Darla Miller, 248-573-7613, with any questions or to reserve a booth space for \$15. Thanks, all!



EASTER LILY SALE—

Begins Sunday, March 26th. Lillies will be for sale for \$12 this year. They will adorn the Sanctuary until Easter day which is when you can take them home. If you wish to donate them to the church, they will stay on display until spring. When the weather warms up, they will be planted outside. See Ruth Schauer with any questions.

Weekly meetings...

Tuesday—Alcoholics Anonymous—8 PM

Wednesday—Narcotics Anonymous---7PM

Thursday—Samaritan Counseling—by appointment (734) 677-0609



HAPPENINGS AND UPDATES:

February Dinner—The German dinner made \$375. Approximately 40 people attended.

Annual Ice Golf Tournament—Was cancelled due to warm weather.

Habitat Gathering—Wesley hosted this year's gathering. It was well attended by several Habitat leaders from other churches. It was a great chance for our church to meet others from other area churches.

Valentines for the Regency—The church provided Valentines for every resident at the Regency Nursing Home. It was very much appreciated and the residents enjoyed getting them.

Leadership Training Day—Pastor Fred, Diane, Sara Davis and Darla Miller traveled to Northville to attend workshops at the Northville First United Methodist Church. They also had a chance to hear our new Bishop, David Bard, who was the keynote speaker.



ITEMS FOR SALE

You will notice several items for sale in the Fellowship Hall. They are for anyone who wishes to purchase them, with proceeds going to the church. These items will change frequently, and more will be added, so check it out!
If you care to make a purchase, see Pastor Fred. Thanks for shopping!



Food Donation Box— the donation box is in the Fellowship Hall for donations to the Whitmore Lake area food pantry. Please be sure to check the dates on what you donate, as past date food will not be accepted. Thanks!





MARCH BIRTHDAYS

01 Bob Camron
03 Vivienne Turri
08 Bob Smith
29 Dennis Leland

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

02 Sheryl and Bill Hunt



16 John and Chelsea Brough



LIGHTS OUT! Please help to trim our electric bill. Turn the lights off when you leave a room, and if you enter an area that has lights on, but no one is using it, flip that switch as well! Thank you

PRAYER CHAIN---Karen Smith is updating the church prayer chain. Please give her your name, email address and phone number if you want to be a part of the chain. If you no longer want to participate, please contact her and let her know this as well. Thanks all. Karen's numbers are: **734-449-2359 or cell 248-444-3813.**





WHAT'S COOKIN'?

Submitted by: Sara Davis

Shhhhhh... it's the Colonel's secret recipe for:

KFC Cole Slaw

½ cup mayonnaise

1/3 cup sugar

¼ cup milk

¼ cup buttermilk

2-1/2 Tbsp lemon juice

1-1/2 Tbsp white vinegar

½ tsp salt

1/8 tsp pepper

8 cups finely chopped cabbage (about 1 head)

¼ cup shredded carrot (about 1 medium)

2 Tbsp minced onions

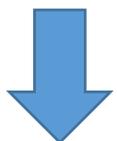
Be sure cabbage and carrot are **CHOPPED** up into very fine pieces (about the size of rice).

Combine mayo, sugar, milk, buttermilk, lemon juice, vinegar, salt, and pepper in large bowl and **BEAT** until smooth.

Add cabbage, carrots and onion. Mix well.

COVER and **REFRIGERATE** for at least 2 hrs before serving.

Serves 10-12.



MARCH Schedule—



Liturgist

01 Ash Wed Service 7 PM
05 Carl Schauer
12 Sheryl Hunt
19 Carl Schauer
26 Faith Wheeler



Coffee Hour

01 Ash Wednesday
05 UMW
12 Sheryl & Nora & leftovers from supper
19 the Turri Family
26 Laurie Clement, Melissa & Pat Mowry

If you would like to sign up to be a Liturgist or to sponsor a coffee hour, see Pastor Fred.

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS—A gentle reminder... Please remember to wipe off tables, take out trash and do the dishes after coffee hour has ended. THANK YOU for keeping the Fellowship Hall clean!



Nora Post and April Schauer for generously purchasing St. Pat's necklaces for the Regency nursing home residents.

Sara Davis, Nora Post, June Possley, Judy Allen and Darla Miller for signing 125 Valentines last month. These cards were given to the residents of the Regency Nursing Home, Whitmore Lake.

Thanks to Laurie Clement and Nora Post for heading the Souper Bowl last month. Also thanks to Judy Allen, June Possley, Sara Davis, Fred and Diane Hatfield and Darla Miller who helped and provided food to make this little party a success!

Thanks to April Schauer, Pastor Fred and Diane and Darla Miller for providing trays of food for the Habitat gathering held at our church last month. Thanks to April Schauer and Diane Hatfield for organizing the event.

Ruth Schauer who is heading up the Easter Lily sale this year.



Happy first day of Spring—March 20th!



Planting Your Spring Garden

For The Garden of Your Daily Living

Plant Three Rows of pēas

1. Peace of Mind
2. Peace of Heart
3. Peace of Soul

Plant Four Rows of Squash

1. Squash Gossip
2. Squash Indifference
3. Squash Grumbling
4. Squash Selfishness

Plant Four Rows of Lettuce

1. Lettuce Be Faithful
2. Lettuce Be Kind
3. Lettuce Be Patient
4. Lettuce Really Love One Another

No Garden is Complete Without Turnips

1. Turnip For Meetings
2. Turnip For Service
3. Turnip To Help One Another

To Conclude Our Garden We Must Have Thyme

1. Thyme For Each Other
2. Thyme For Family
3. Thyme For Friends

Water Freely With Patience And Cultivate With Love.
There Is Much Fruit In Your Garden Because You Reap
What You Sow. Pass It On!!!





Fellowship Hall Rental.... Darla Miller is in charge of the Fellowship Hall rentals. If you would like to reserve it for a party or meeting, please call her at the number below. She will assure the proper paperwork is done and approved by the Trustees.

The newly painted hall is a great place to hold family gatherings, meetings and parties! Reasonable prices! Call Darla for more information: 248-5763-7613.

For church activities that do not require a rental: Please fill out a request form and place it in the Trustee's mailbox or Al Weidman's mailbox.



Join the Choir...

**You'll Be Glad
You Did!**

THE CHURCH CHOIR--

Sundays, before worship service. If you would like to join, see Diane Joslin. They would love to have ya!



The following positions are open. Can you help?
Ask Pastor Fred for a description of duties.

Board of Trustees—Chair (Open position)

Evangelism— Chair (Open position)

Pastor Fred

should have **4-6 team members**. Meets as needed.

Finance—Chair: (Open position)

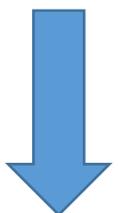
United Methodist Men---President: (Open position)

Vice President: (Open Position)

Secretary: (Open Position)

Treasurer: (Open Position)

Sign Steward—Open Position





There are several ways to help the church in addition to your tithes. Please take a look at the suggestions below. Can you help in any of these areas?

DONATE YOUR USED INK CARTRIDGES— Wesley United Methodist church wants your used printer cartridges! Place them in the drop bag under the stairs by the pop can drop box and we can take them to Staples for credit in their store! That will help with purchasing copy paper and other supplies for the office!

DONATE YOUR POP CANS--- Place them in the closet underneath the stairs. Please make sure they are rinsed first to avoid ants!

SAVE THOSE ALUMINUM TABS---from pop cans, cat food, canned vegetables, etc. They also can be donated for money! Give them to Ruth Schauer, or put them in a baggie and place them in her church mailbox.

ATTEND a MONTHLY MEETING--- There are several meetings to attend. Ad Counsel, Finance, Trustees, UM Women, UM Men...Keep informed and know what is happening within the Wesley church!

SIGN UP TO SIT ON A COMMITTEE—you do not have to chair a committee, but you can sit on one! Whether you can help weed flower beds, clean up after coffee hour, or help with an upcoming event, get involved! We can use your help!



WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, 10 AM



SEE YOU IN CHURCH!