

February 18, 2018

February 18 – February 25, 2017

Let Us Pray....

- Sunday:** and praise God that He continues to uphold the universe by the word of His power (Heb.1:3) Pray for those worshiping here today to know the God of creation. Ask God to bless the Joyful Noise Handbell Choir and Director as they prepare for worship. Pray for the Sunday School Teachers and Students as they learn together. Ask God to bless the Youth Group and Leaders as they gather for fun and learning.
- Monday:** that as we spend time with God in reading His Word and prayer, our hearts will be filled with gratitude for His mercy and grace toward us who are so undeserving. Ask God to bless all those enjoying the Clothing Closet Appreciation Luncheon today.
- Tuesday:** for the Men's Bible Study as they enjoy breakfast together. Pray that they will spur one another on to loving Jesus more. Pray for the Staff as they meet to prepare for worship. Ask God to encourage each one today. Pray for the Women's Covenant Discipleship Group as they share together how they have kept their covenant. Pray for the Trustees as they meet. Ask God to fill them with His wisdom and discernment.
- Wednesday:** for the Women's Bible Study as they continue their journey through *Philippians*. Intercede for those experiencing difficult circumstances in their lives. Pray that they would turn to God and know His peace, and the power of His Word, and the joy of His presence, and the rest that comes from trusting in Him. Pray for the Prayer Shawl Group as they meet. Thank God for their talent and dedication to bringing comfort to others. Pray for the Parenting Class to learn good skills from God's Word. Ask God to bless the Soup & Bread Meal and La Caminante Service. Pray for the Bell Choir and Director as they prepare for worship.
- Thursday:** for our Organist, Chancel Choir, and Director, Praise & Worship Ensemble, and Leader as they prepare for worship. Pray for the Missions Committee as they meet to discern where and how we need to be involved in mission work.
- Friday:** for those in authority. Ask God to give them wisdom and discernment beyond their natural ability so that they might do what is right and good. Pray for our military as they protect our freedom.
- Saturday:** for the Living the Five Bible Study as they deepen their relationship with Christ. Pray for those who are living in places of poverty, civil unrest, persecution, famine, etc. Pray that God's people will provide the resources to alleviate these conditions. Pray for the Mama Tola School to be a blessing to all in attendance.
- Sunday:** and prepare to worship God. Pray that as Scripture is read and proclaimed, lives will be changed.

Pray for our Pastors every day. Ask God to fill them with an unquenchable thirst for His Word, And give them time alone with Him in prayer.

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The purpose of Wesley United Methodist Church is to proclaim God's love by: *Providing spiritual nurture to those who have accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior, and witnessing his love to those who have not yet accepted him; and by providing for the needs of the human community as God reveals them to us.*

We gather to publicly worship the Lord through Praise, Prayer, Word, and Sacrament. Worship is by definition a communal act. We gather in response to the grace already given to us through Jesus Christ. So at its heart, worship is about thanksgiving for the relationship established through the crucifixion and resurrection of our Savior. We bring a sacrifice of praise. We gather not as an audience, but as actors on a stage, directed by the worship leaders, directing our worship toward our audience: our faithful, awesome God.

The Chancel Flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Benny Divita II, by Jennifer, Beckett and Deklyn Divita.

Participants in Today's Services:

Pastors: Amy D. Yarnall & Jewett M. Short

Organist: David E. Wilkins

Ushers: (9:45 a.m.) Tom Anderson, Ralph & Fran Deats, Don & Penny Gibbs

Sound System: (8:00 a.m.) Brian Wasko

(9:45 a.m.) Don Knox

(11:15 a.m.) Jim Snell

Projection Operator: (11:15 a.m.)

Hearing assistance devices are available. Please speak with an usher if you are in need of one.

A Family Restroom can be found in the Music Suite on the same level as the Sanctuary by using the door to the left of the pulpit.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

- 8:00 a.m. **Worship Service** – Sanctuary
- 8:45 a.m. **Adult Sunday School Classes** – Education Building & Parlor
- 9:45 a.m. **Children’s Sunday School** – Grace Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 a.m. **Outreach Sunday School** – Student Ministries Center
- 9:45 a.m. **Senior High Sunday School** – Parlor
- 9:45 a.m. **Worship Service** – Sanctuary
- 8:30 - 11:00 a.m. **Fellowship Time** – Visitors, please join us in Grace Fellowship Hall for a cup of coffee or juice, a cookie or two, and get acquainted with Wesley Church’s congregation.
- 11:15 a.m. **Worship Service** – Sanctuary
- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. **Youth Group** – Student Ministry Center
- 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. **Leadership Development** - Grace Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. **DCS Outreach Choir** – Choir Room

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018

- 12:00 p.m. **Clothing Closet Luncheon** – Grace Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

- 7:00 a.m. **Men’s Bible Study** – Hall’s Family Restaurant
- 9:30 a.m. **Staff Meeting** – Library
- 12:00 p.m. **Women Supporting Women** – Olive Garden Restaurant
- 2:00 p.m. **Women’s Covenant Discipleship Meeting** – Parlor
- 7:00 p.m. **DE Choral Society** – Grace Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. **Trustee Meeting** – Parlor

WEDNESDAY, February 21, 2018

- 9:30 a.m. **Women’s Bible Study** – Parlor
- 12:00 p.m. **Lent Contemplative Prayer & Meditation Service** – Chapel
- 5:30 p.m. **Love & Logic Parent Class** – Grace Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. **Soup & Bread Dinner** – Parlor
- 6:30 p.m. **Bell Choir Rehearsal** – Bell Room
- 6:45 p.m. **La Caminante Spanish Service** – St. Paul’s Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. **N.A. Meeting** – Ed Bldg.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018

- 7:00 p.m. **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** – Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. **Praise & Worship Rehearsal** – Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. **PreSchool Staff Meeting** – Grace Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018

- 9:00 a.m. **Al-Anon Meeting** – Search Class Room - Education Building
- 11:00 a.m. **Energy Workshop** – Grace Fellowship Hall

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Family Life Bowling Party

Dover AFB Bowling Lanes

March 24, 2018 – 4-6 p.m.

Food Provided

See a Family Life committee member in Grace Fellowship Hall on Sunday or call the church office at 302-678-9626 to sign up. The following information is needed to gain access on to the base. Full name of driver, date of birth and driver’s license information. Come and join the fun!



Wednesday, February 28th from 5 to 7 p.m. Our church is hosting the Chamber of Commerce Mixer/Meet the Candidates. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the community to see Wesley Church. Our members are encouraged to attend, as well. We are looking for volunteers that evening to help out:

- 3 - 4 Volunteers:** Set Up (tables, chairs, tables for food, displays, banners, sandwich boards) - 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
- 2 Volunteers:** Outside Greeters (people to help make sure the Chamber members enter through the doors leading to Grace Fellowship Hall so we don't interfere with the Pre-School). - 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
- Volunteers varies:** Provide Hot and/or Cold Hors D'oeuvres (we are looking for something substantial and may be feeding as many as 100 people): - Food can be dropped off in advance or directly before the social. Please list what you can bring.
- 4 Volunteers:** Food Servers (we are looking for individuals to set-up the food and make sure it is replenished - it will be buffet style) - 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.
- 3 - 4 Volunteers:** Clean Up - Taking down tables and chairs and picking up afterwards - 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- 1 - 2 Volunteers:** Sanctuary - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

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We want our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, and civilians, as well as their families, to know of our prayers and support for them while they are deployed overseas.

Tom Pratt, Sam Slate, Kyle Smith and Patrick Stamas.

Please notify the Church Office if your family member/friend is no longer serving overseas.

Prayer Request: Please put your request in the offering plate and we will include it for Wednesday prayer. To place a request on the prayer chain, please call Diane Boyce, 697-6020, or send an e-mail to ddboyce61@comcast.net. Please send specific prayer requests to: pastor.amy@wesleyumc-dover.com.



Please keep the following people uplifted in prayer:

Alex, Delores, Donna C., Jackie G., Jean C., Jessica, Kathy, Lila, Mark, Paul, Trevor, Wilma & Dan, Jon Andrews, Leonard Barnhart, Harry & Lou Baxter, Emory Berkley, Abigail & Ed Bickham, Thurman Bruffey, Al Burris, Michael Cantino, Peter Chippie, Vivian Clow, Dee Coffey, Conrad Cohen, Joan Collins, Margaret Courtney, Arthur Devine, Mary Jo Faust, Bernie Floriani, Karen Flower, Donna Forgash, Carol Geiger, Eva Goodrich-Moore, Frances Goodrich, Gayle Hickman, Mary Hill, Jean Hitchens, John Hotchkiss, Mary Huston, Candice Joynes, Ruth Lauter, Kathy Layton, Judi Leming, Sam Lockard, Sara Lyons, Harry Montgomery, Alberto Moran, Bob Mercer, Jennifer Moore, Tom Olsen, Jim Orth, Doris Redick, Cyndi Rees, Danny Robinson, Anton Romano, Ed Rowlinson, James Schindler, Patrick Simons, Margaret Slaughter, Linda Smith, Charlotte Spence, Owen Spivey, Debbie Taylor, Ryan Timmons, Tyler Trego, Tucker Family, Mark Urian, Matt Vaughn, Juan Vivó, Judi Voshell, Marguerite Webb, Cathy Woodhouse, John Zimmerman and the family of Bill Livingston.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018

11:15 a.m. Small Group Study – Parlor

4:00 p.m. Valerie Bradshaw Shower – Grace Fellowship Hall

Announcements

Welcome: Thank you for joining us in worship today. We hope that you have felt God's love in a new way. If you are a first time visitor, please let one of the ushers know; we would like for you to have a welcome bag. Following the 8 and 9:45 a.m. worship services we invite you to join us in Grace Fellowship Hall for a cup of coffee or juice, and a cookie or two. We look forward to worshipping with you again soon.

240th Anniversary Fun Fact: DID YOU KNOW... that in 1806 Bishop Richard Whatcoat was buried under the altar of Wesley Church on North Street? When a monument was erected in his memory in 1855, the marble slab from his tombstone was removed and imbedded in the wall in the front hall of this church. Have you noticed it?

240th Anniversary Committee: Our 240th Anniversary Committee has been busy doing presentations in the local community speaking on the significance of Wesley United Methodist Church in Dover's history, as well as today. If you know a local organization who would be interested in hearing more, please contact the church office at 302-678-9626.

Attention, Collectors – The 240th Anniversary Committee is organizing to celebrate Wesley Church's birthday throughout 2018. Have you collected memorabilia about the church, such as plates, photos, letters, Sunday School pins, documents, and articles, that you would like to share? If so, please bring the items to the church office or call Connie Strickland (678-0685) to pick up. Donna Josefowski is scanning photos showing church events in the church's website (wesleyumc-dover.com). Please contact her to lend your pictures: (djosefowski@gmail.com or 697-6210). If already digital, they can be e-mailed to Donna as well. The photos can then be shared on Wesley's Facebook Page and saved for our records.

Flower and Greeter Calendars for 2018 – On Sunday morning take time to stop in the hallway to sign-up for one of these ministries, or, call the church office.

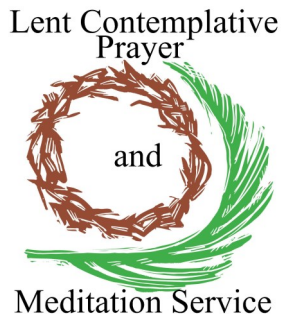
Ushers Needed – If you would like to volunteer, please call Fran Deats, 302-734-7010. Thank you!

Friendly Calendar Reminder – Numerous meetings are held daily at Wesley. If you are planning a meeting, luncheon, wedding, etc., and using the church facilities in any way, it is important that you call the church office @ 678-9626 to avoid conflicts with scheduling.

Hospital Visitation: So that we can visit you, please let the church office know you are in the hospital. Pastors Amy Yarnall & Jewett Short and Sigrid Mills visit our members and friends in the hospitals as needs arise. With HIPPA, we can only see the list of those who register as a Methodist. If you know of someone -- a member, regular attender, or a loved one -- who is hospitalized, please get their permission to add their name to our hospital list. Then call the church office (678-9626) to let us know.

Join the Search Class – An adult class which meets in the Search Classroom at the back of the Educational Building on Sundays from 8:45 - 9:40 a.m. Come for coffee, tea, and something sweet, and watch sermons by Rev. Adam Hamilton of the UMC of the Resurrection, Kansas City. The videos always inspire thought-provoking discussion. We hope to see you there! In March we will be focusing on the following topics: March 4th - What Buddhists Believe and Why; March 11th - What Jews Believe and Why; March 18th - What Muslims Believe and Why; March 25th - What Christians Believe and Why. Studying other faiths can make us even more sure of our own beliefs and can lead to better understanding of other cultures. Come join us for coffee, sweets, and great fellowship!

Lent Contemplative Prayer and Meditation Service – Wednesdays at noon, come to the St. Paul's Chapel for a 30 minute time of reflection, silent prayer, and meditation. No experience required; beginners encouraged. Pastor Amy will lead you in ways of praying. February 21st, 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th.



Men's Bible Study – Come join us on the 1st, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 7 a.m. in the Education Building, and on the 3rd Tuesdays at Hall's Restaurant for breakfast.

Making Sense of the Bible by Adam Hamilton, one of the country's leading pastors and Christian authors, addresses the hot-button issues that plague the church and cultural debate, and answers many of the questions frequently asked by Christians and non-Christians alike. Did God really command Moses to put gay people to death? Did Jesus really teach that everyone who is not a Christian will be assigned to hell? Why would Paul command women to "keep silent in the church"? Were Adam and Eve real people? Is the book of *Revelation* really about the end times? Who decided which books made it into the scriptures and why? Is the Bible ever wrong? In approachable and inviting language, Hamilton addresses these often misunderstood biblical themes, leading readers to a deeper appreciation of the Bible so that we might hear God speak through it and find its words to be life-changing and life-giving.

Women's Bible Study – Join us on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the church parlor. Our Study is *To Live Is Christ: The Book of Philippians*. It is an eight-week, verse-by-verse study on the book of *Philippians*. The Apostle Paul's letter to the Philippians has been the foundation for a life of contentment and joy to all who have embraced its message over the generations. We will learn how to rise above the circumstances of life, experience joy amidst adversity, and live with Christ at the center of our lives. Please contact Diane Boyce, 697-6020, if you are interested in this class. Study books are \$10.00.

NEW SMALL GROUP – Join leader John Damron on Saturday mornings from 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in Grace Fellowship Hall. Come early; there will be food served each week, as we begin this newly-formed group study, dedicated to deepening our relationships with Jesus Christ. During the first five weeks we will be covering ***Living the Five*** by Jim and Jennifer Cowart, an in-depth study of the Great Commandment and the Great Commission. Children are welcome, but childcare will not be provided.