

## **SERMON NOTES**

**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 the blessings of this day by Bernice Biddle.

**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 8:00 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.

**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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**Download our Smart Phone App** – Download our smart phone app and stay up-to-date with the sermons on video, events, the calendar, electronic giving and more. The instructions to download the app are: Text **wumc app** to **77977** (the space between wumc and app is important).

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**CHURCH CALENDAR**

**SUNDAY, July 15, 2018**

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service** – Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Hymn Sing** – Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Children’s Sunday School** – Grace Fellowship Hall
- 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
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting** – Parlor

**TUESDAY, July 17, 2018**

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting** – Library
- 2:00 p.m. Women’s Covenant Group** – Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting** – Search Class Room - Education Building
- 7:00 p.m. Board of Trustees Meeting** – Parlor

**WEDNESDAY, July 18, 2018**

- 9:30 a.m. Intercessory Prayer** – St. Paul’s Chapel
- 3:00 p.m. Habitat Build Kick-Off** – Meet at lot on South Kirkwood Street
- 6:00 p.m. N.A. Meeting** – Ed Bldg.

**THURSDAY, July 19, 2018**

- 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Ignite** (Rev. Estevez) – Student Ministries Center
- 5:30 p.m. Steering Meeting** – Library
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting** – Library
- 7:00 p.m. Praise & Worship Rehearsal**

**SATURDAY, July 21, 2018**

- 9:00 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting** – Search Class Room - Education Building

**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.

**Being Good Stewards** – As members of Wesley, when using a room for meetings, etc., please make sure that you leave the room clean and tidy, and all the lights turned off. If your group is the last one in the building, please walk thru and secure the building and insure the alarm has been activated. Thank You!

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***July 15 – July 22, 2017  
Let Us Pray...***

- Sunday: and thank God that His mercies are new every morning. Pray that as Scripture is read and proclaimed God’s truth will be heard. Pray for the Summer Sunday School Teachers and Students as they learn more about God and His love for them. Pray for Shannon Yarnall and Zach Williamson as they enjoy this week at Camp Pecometh. Pray for the Worship Committee as they meet.
- Monday: that as we read and study the Bible each day we will grow more like Christ and live our lives in the strength of the Holy Spirit. Thank God for the joys of summer.
- Tuesday: for the Staff as they meet to prepare for worship. Pray that God would give them wisdom and discernment as they meet their responsibilities. Ask God to bless the Women’s Covenant Discipleship Group as they meet to share how they are maturing in their faith by keeping their covenant. Pray for the Trustees as they meet.
- Wednesday: for those who are going through difficult circumstances in their lives. Ask God to intervene and meet their greatest need, to fill them with His peace, to give them hope for the future, courage for each new day, and perseverance as they await His healing touch. Pray for the Youth and Youth Leaders as they enjoy a picnic together.
- Thursday: for our Organist, Praise & Worship Ensemble, and Leader as they prepare for worship. Pray for our guest musicians as they fill in for the choir during the summer months. Pray for the Steering Committee as they meet to share insight on the direction of Wesley Church. Ask God to give wisdom and discernment to the Finance Committee as they meet.
- Friday: for those in authority to desire to know truth, to do what is right, to be people of integrity and truth, and to have courage to follow their convictions in a way that is respectful to all. Pray for people living in places still recovering from natural disasters to have the resources they need to rebuild their lives.
- Saturday: for the children and teachers of the Mama Tola School in the Congo. Pray that they will be protected from violence and will have the supplies needed to learn skills that will ensure a successful future.
- Sunday: and prepare our hearts and minds to worship God in spirit and in truth. Pray that worshipers will have a desire to hear and know truth.

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

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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. **Matthew Goodrich, Sam Slate, Kyle Smith and Patrick Stamas.**

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

**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 visit those who let us know they are hospitalized. 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.

**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](mailto:ddboyce61@comcast.net). Please send specific prayer requests to: [pastor.amy@wesleyumc-dover.com](mailto:pastor.amy@wesleyumc-dover.com).



**Please keep the following people uplifted in prayer:**

Betty Jo, Delores, Elizabeth, Jean C., Kathy, Kelly, Lila, Lois, Mark, Nick, Rachel, Trevor, Wayne H., Wendy & Courtney, Will, Trip Anderson, Jon Andrews, Paul Barker, Leonard Barnhart, Harry & Lou Baxter, Marty Berny, Abigail & Ed Bickham, Al Burris, Michael Cantino, Peter Chippie, Tom Clow, Vivian Clow, Conrad "Connie" Cohen, Joan Collins, Arthur Devine, Ann & Debbie Fleischer, Bernie Floriani, Carol Geiger, Harry Hayes, Mary Huston, Carol Jacobsen, Candice Joynes, John Kelly, George Kendall, Jordan Knisely, Ed LeBorgne, John Marine, Alberto Moran, Jennifer Moore, Gerrie Outten, Carl Parry, Greg Poore, Kim Robinson, Anton Romano, Skip Ross, Ed Rowlinson, James Schindler, Patrick Simons, Margaret Slaughter, Jane Small, Debbie Taylor, Ryan Timmons, Tucker Family, Mark Urian, Matt Vaughn, Juan Vivó, Rose Wagner, Stan Whittum, and Cathy Woodhouse.

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**Announcements**

**240th Anniversary Fun Fact: DID YOU KNOW** ... that as Wesley Church grew, it needed more space, and therefore, the church purchased property at the rear of the church from Mrs. Henry Ridgley in 1950 in order to build Grace Fellowship Hall?

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

**Summer 2018 Youth Group Schedule** — For all scheduled events we will meet at the Student Ministry Center, unless otherwise noted! Dates and times are subject to change! Please keep watch for emails, Facebook posts, and posts on the website for updates!

**Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>** @ 6:30 p.m., Picnic at Joy's: 230 Marble Court, Camden

**Sunday, July 29<sup>th</sup>** @ 3:00 p.m., Hand-out Water Bottles to Dover Community

**Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>** @ 5:00 p.m., Picnic at the Parsonage:140 Hazel Rd, Dover

**Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>** @ 1:00 – 5:00 p.m., Pool Party at Dave and Mary Ann Evans: 388 Clark Farm Rd, Smyrna DE 19977

**Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** @ 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Fall Youth Group!

**2018 Pecometh Campers** — Please keep the following children uplifted in prayer as they attend the various camps offered this summer at Pecometh.

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| <b>July 15<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup></b> | Shannon Yarnall      | Late Night With Jesus |
|   | Zach Williamson      | Splashdown            |
| <b>July 22<sup>nd</sup>– 27<sup>th</sup></b>  | Alexander Williamson | Top Chef              |

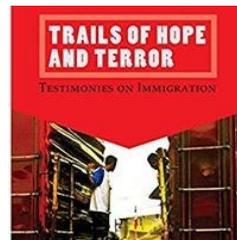
**Shorebirds Rain Date** — Come join us at the Delmarva Shorebirds on Saturday, July 21, 2018. Ticket cost is \$28.00 per person, food included. Located right where the action is, the Hardball Cafe is a great spot to enjoy the game while eating and socializing with your group on the second floor, behind home plate. Hardball Café menu consists of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, BBQ chicken legs, baked macaroni and cheese, watermelon, popcorn, water, tea and lemonade. If you are interested in attending, please call James Turner at 674-2591 or Ralph Deats at 734-7010. We will carpool from the Walgreens in Woodside.

**To our Wesley Church family:** We want to thank you all for the food and friendly visits while our family adjusted to our newest addition, Merida Brook. It has truly been a godsend to be a part of this community, and we greatly appreciate all that you have done for us. Tim, Mandy, Tressa, Lenna, and Merida Stant.

**What: Story Sharing: Immigration Before Us**

**When: September 19, 2018** from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Together we will watch the movie "Trails of Hope and Terror: Testimonies of Immigration", and then share a panel discussion. The panel will include young adults with first-hand experiences of immigration. The discussion will include theological reflection and historical contextualization designed to lead us into a conversation that includes: causes of migration, the U.S. response before decades of Central and South America exodus, and step actions towards a just consciousness.



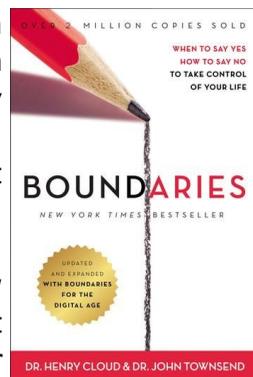
**Location:** Wesley United Methodist Church – Grace Fellowship Hall

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Questions and Suggested Registration: Amy Yarnall

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**Boundaries** Come, join study leader, Sherri Harrell, on Wednesday evenings beginning September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Parlor, for a nine-week session written by Dr.'s Henry Cloud and John Townsend. Uncover the secrets to cultivating the habit of setting and maintaining healthy boundaries that provide the framework for rich, productive relationships. Healthy relationships and sound living depend on maintaining effective personal boundaries. But many people don't know where to start. Do you have trouble saying no? Can you set limits and still be a loving person? Are you in control of your life? Do people take advantage of you? *Boundaries* presents the centerpiece for insights, exercises, and spirited group discussion that can profoundly improve the quality of your relationships in every sphere of life--marriage, family, friendships, church, and the workplace.



**What is a Deacon?** Ordained to Word, Service, Compassion, and Justice, Deacons are persons called by God, authorized by the church, and ordained by a bishop to a lifetime ministry of Word, Service, Compassion, and Justice, to both the community and the congregation in a ministry that connects the two. Deacons exemplify Christian discipleship, create opportunities for others to enter into discipleship, and connect the needs and hurts of the people with the church.

In the world, the deacon seeks to express a ministry of compassion and justice and assists lay persons as they claim their own ministry.

In the congregation, the ministry of the deacon is to teach and to form disciples, and to lead worship together with other ordained and lay persons, connecting the needs and hurts of the people with the church. UMBOD(¶1329)



**Meet Reverend Carlos Samuel Reyes Rodríguez** — Carlos was appointed Deacon at Wesley UMC at the 234<sup>th</sup> session of the Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference held in Princess Anne, Maryland. Carlos' primary appointment is in the Conference Office (which takes care of his salary), his secondary appointment is here at Wesley UMC. Staff Parish Relations Committee is currently working to finalize a covenant that outlines our relationship together.

A little bit about Carlos. Carlos lives with his wife, Kaylee, in Dover, where he has attended Wesley UMC since 2014. Besides playing soccer and watching independent movies, Carlos enjoys monitoring the news from around the world, -especially newspapers and podcasts- a habit of his journalist degree with emphasis on politics and economic communication; a bachelor degree earned at Universidad Autónoma del Caribe in Barranquilla, Colombia, in 2006.

After graduating from Wesley Theological Seminary in May 2016, with his Master of Divinity, Carlos initiated a new position as Coordinator of Hispanic-Latino Ministries at the Peninsula-Delaware Conference. A native of Barranquilla, Colombia, Carlos is passionate for the expansion of liberating narratives "made flesh" that powerfully free people from oppressive systems. "These narratives are challenging for the suppressors to understand or even recognize, but for me, the liberating narratives are intersections of justice and the divine here on earth," he says. As a commissioned Deacon for the United Methodist Church, Carlos is ordained to word, service, compassion, and justice; he hopes to continue building bridges of love and seeking justice for the "realization of the true peace as a reflection of God's manifestation in a diverse body." He is currently working and learning from the resilient spirit of the migrant communities from Central and South America in the U.S. "They are the revolutionary faces of Jesus." Welcome Carlos!