

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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April 12, 2018

THIS WEEK AT | WESLEY

Sunday, April 15

- 8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 9:00am Contemporary Worship (Praise Center)
- 10:00am Kairos Cookie Baking (Kitchen)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 1:00pm-3:00pm Hearts to Hands Ministry (Room 106)
- 6:00pm ONE SM Sunday Night Live (Youth Building)

Monday, April 16

- 9:30am Kairos Chain Gang (Parlor)

Tuesday, April 17

- 8:00am Wesley Serves at Some Other Place
- 9:00am Seeds for Needs Workday
- 12:30pm Wesley Bookworms at Brazos Cattle Company
- 5:00pm Men's Basketball (Praise Center)

Wednesday, April 18

- 12:00pm Communion Service (Sanctuary)
- 5:30pm Wednesday Night Dinner (Dining Hall)
- 6:30pm Bible Studies and Groups
- ONE SM** Mid-Week Worship (Youth Building)
- Open Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, April 19

- 12:00pm Heart Sisters Bible Study (Bride's Room)
- Senior Games Day (Parlor)
- 6:00pm Heart sisters Movie Night (Parlor)
- 7:00pm Open Praise Band Rehearsal (Praise Center)

Friday, April 20

- 9:00am PieceMakers Quilting Group (Room106)

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

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

HEARTS TO HANDS MINISTRY

April 15 - 1:00pm-3:00pm - Room 106

Do you love to knit or crochet? Maybe you have always wanted to learn how to knit. Well, on Sunday April 15 (that's THIS SUNDAY) we will be hosting our first "Hearts to Hands Ministry" meeting from 1-3pm in ROOM 106 in the education building. This meeting is open to all level of knitters from beginners to experts. "The purpose of our work is to knit God's love, care, and warmth into prayer shawls and hats for the homeless for those who need them." The desire is to bring God's love to others in a tangible way. This group will be meeting every Sunday at the same time during the month of April. If you already have supplies, please bring them, but we will have lots of different yarns and needles for you to try out this Sunday for all beginners so just show up for the fun and love.

WESLEY BOOKWORMS APRIL GATHERING

April 17 - 12:30pm - Brazos Cattle Company

Everyone enjoyed the Lisa Wingate book last month, and this month we're reading "A Spool of Blue Thread" by Anne Tyler. It got rave reviews when it came out, so we can see if we agree when we meet at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17 at the Brazos Cattle Company on Eastex. Questions about the book or the group? Call Elaine, 409.454.6460.

VBS INFORMATION MEETING

April 22 - 10:30am - Dining Hall

April 22 - 11:30am - Parlor

On April 22nd, we will be having our first informational meeting for VBS 2018 - Shipwrecked. Rescued by Jesus! Discover how we'll venture onto an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive, anchored in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms. Daily activities will include Bible Discovery (dramatic play), Castaway Sing & Play (music & dance), Imagination Station (crafts & science), Ship Rec Games, and Tropical Treats (snacks). For your convenience there will be two informational meetings with the same information. The first meeting will take place in the dining room immediately after the 9:00 am service. The second meeting will take place in the Parlor immediately after the 10:30 service. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, please feel free to contact me at corrickoliver@att.net. See you on April 22nd!

OUR | FAITHFULNESS

Attendance

April 8-11, 2018

Sunday Morning Groups

9:00am Children 10

9:00am Adults 61

10:30am Children 5

10:30am Adults 25

Sunday Worship

8:00am 52

9:00am 135

10:30am 148

Wednesday Communion 19

ONE Wednesday Worship 51

Financial News: April 08, 2018

2018 Church Expense Budget	\$1,469,208
Needed for One Week	\$28,254
Received 04/08/18 for Church Budget	\$19,190
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$395,556
Received Income YTD	\$430,124
Difference	\$34,568

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund	\$100
Memorials - All Funds	\$100
Missions	\$190
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$200
One Student Ministry	\$275
Hospitality Fund	\$2
Life Supper	\$168
Coke/Snack Machine	\$234
Kairos Cookies and Meals	\$743
VBS	\$10
Love Lunchsack	\$75

Dear Wesley UMC family and friends,

On Wednesday, April 4, our District Superintendents, Rev. Tony Vinson and Rev. Alicia Coltzer Besser, announced to us and the Staff-Parish Relations Committee that we, Pastor Robert and Pastor Tim, will be serving in new pastoral positions in the upcoming appointment cycle.

Bishop Scott Jones invited Pastor Robert, to serve as the Director of the Center for Congregational Excellence of the Texas Annual Conference. Pastor Tim's new appointment will be to a two-point charge at Bethel UMC, Elysian Fields and Mt. Zion UMC, Panola, Texas.

The coming months will indeed present many challenges to us as a faith-family. Change never comes easy, and it comes as a shock when transitions surface in relationships as meaningful as the pastoral relationship. I have served in this community for a long time, building significant relationships that are irreplaceable for so many of us. It has been my honor and pleasure to do so and I have so many wonderful memories and friendships to take with me. Likewise, Pastor Tim has grown into a pastoral identity while at Wesley, creating a special bond with this congregation. However, we have sought to add life and ministry alongside of you, and we hope that you feel equipped in ministry for this moment when this time with us comes to an end. We will definitely miss our Wesley family.

Many questions may surface for you as you hear this news. Also, you may have much that you would like to share with either Pastor Robert or Pastor Tim before our time as your pastors concludes. Shannon Holmes, the SPRC chair and the entire committee remain available for your questions. Both of us will remain your pastors until the last day of our appointments here at Wesley. There will be plenty of time to process the transition as well as to wish both of us a farewell.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Robert Besser
Rev. Tim Turner

CONFIRMATION LED WORSHIP

April 22 - 6:30pm - Sanctuary

Join us in a special evening service with our 2018 Confirmation class. The Confirmands have been working with Pastor Tim to learn more about why and how we worship. This service has been planned and designed by the class. This is always a great way to experience worship through the eyes of our children. We hope to see you there.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

April 29

Join us as we welcome our newest Confirmation class into membership in the United Methodist Church. The confirmation class has been meeting weekly since September to get them ready for this day. They have learned about our history, what we believe as United Methodist, and how they can live their faith. All this has led up to Confirmation Sunday, when they stand before you ready to claim their faith as their own. We hope you can join us for this special day in their faith journey.

FAREWELL LUNCH FOR PASTOR ROBERT

May 20 - 11:00am - Praise Center

Combined Worship at 10:00am - Sanctuary

Join us as we thank Pastor Robert for his 11 years of dedicated service to the Wesley family. As he begins a new adventure in the Conference office we want him to remember all the good time he had here. Pastor Robert has been with us thru storms and celebrations. He has held our hands as we mourned family losses and cradled the new life of our children. We will have a combined worship service at 10:00am on May 20, followed by a celebration lunch. Join us as we say farewell to a beloved member of our church family.



Thursday, April 26 - 5:00pm-7:00pm

Come see the incredible display of artwork from our classrooms and see our Preschool children's art gallery.

On display will be renditions of famous artists the students have studied this year:

Picasso, Van Gogh, Matisse, Pollack,
O'Keefe and Kandinsky.

We will also have a Silent Auction.

Some of the fun items in the auction are the classroom theme baskets. Each class participates by providing a theme basket for the auction. Here are a few of the basket themes we have for this year: "Crazy 'bout Crawfish", "Huntin' & Fishin'", "Let's Bake", "All About Sports", "Family Movie Night", "Backyard Family Fun", and "Lots of Legos".

Proceeds will go toward renovation and expansion of our playground, curriculum materials for classrooms and our art program.

HAPPY | BIRTHDAY

April 13

Tanner Marsh

April 14

Cory Marsh

Bralynn Eddings

April 15

Jake Seaman

April 16

Deklin Ribbik

April 17

Shirley Trahan

Bubba Cash III

Reagan Cowart

April 18

April 19

Phyllis Smith

Nancy Beaulieu

Sarah Timaeus

Tyler Ruppel



UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

- 17 Wesley Bookworms Book Club (12:30pm)
- 20 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 22 Confirmation Led Evening Worship (6:30pm)
VBS Information Meeting (10:30am & 11:30am)
- 24 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 26 Wesley Day School Art Show (5:00pm)
- 29 **CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**
Yard Games at Boys' Haven (2:00pm-4:00pm)

MAY

- 3 Ladies Night Out Bunco (6:30pm)
- 4 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
BINGO (6:00pm)
- 6 Evening Worship (6:30pm)
- 7 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 8 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 13 **MOTHER'S DAY**
SENIOR SUNDAY (moved from May 20)
Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 15 Wesley Bookworms Book Club (12:30pm)
- 18 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 20 **COMBINED WORSHIP (10:00am)**
FAREWELL LUNCH FOR PASTOR ROBERT (11:00am)
- 22 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 28 **MEMORIAL DAY**

EVENING WORSHIP

May 6 - 6:30pm - Sanctuary

We will have our monthly Sunday Evening Worship Service on May 6 at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. This is an intimate service of reflection and praise.

YARD GAMES AT BOYS' HAVEN

April 29 - 2:00pm-4:00pm

Once a month our Young Adult ministries hosts an afternoon of outdoor games with the boys living at Boys' Haven. You don't have to be a young adult to join us, just young at heart. These boys are our neighbors and we want to show them that adults love them and want good things for their lives. We hope you can join us.

SUMMER EVENTS

- June 14-16 Garage Sale
- June 18-22 Verge Camp
- July 8-13 District Church Camp
- July 15-21 U.M. Army at Bay City
- July 23-27 Vacation Bible School

