



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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October 4, 2018

## THIS WEEK AT **WESLEY**

### Friday, October 5

8:00am ABC Jesus Loves Me Conference (Praise Center)  
9:00am PieceMakers Quilting Group (Room 106)

### Saturday, October 6

8:00am Gift of Life Color Rush 5k, downtown Beaumont  
ABC Jesus Loves Me Conference (Praise Center)

### Sunday, October 7

8:00am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:00am Contemporary Worship (Praise Center)  
Sunday School  
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)  
Sunday School  
**Kairos Cookie Baking (Kitchen)**  
**Pumpkin Unload**  
12:00pm Hearts to Hands Gathering (Room 105)  
2:00pm ONE SM Sunday Night Live (Youth Building)  
6:00pm Boundaries with Teens Small Group (Room 106)

### Monday, October 8

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Methodist Day School  
6:00pm Ladies Monday Bible Study (Parlor)

### Tuesday, October 9

8:00am Seeds for Needs Workday  
Wesley Serves at Some Other Place  
9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Methodist Day School  
1:30pm Marion's Bible Study (Bride's Room)

### Wednesday, October 10

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Methodist Day School  
11:00am Prayer Card Ministry (Conference Room)  
12:00pm Communion Service (Sanctuary)  
5:30pm Dinner (Dining Hall)  
6:00pm ONE Students Mid-Week Worship (Youth)  
6:30pm Life Groups & Bible Study  
Adventure Club  
Open Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### Thursday, October 11

9:00am-1:45pm Wesley Methodist Day School  
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

**15** This saying is reliable and deserves full acceptance: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"—and I'm the biggest sinner of all. **16** But this is why I was shown mercy, so that Christ Jesus could show his endless patience to me first of all. So I'm an example for those who are going to believe in him for eternal life.

**1 Timothy 1: 15-16**

One of the common mistakes I have seen Christians make is thinking their past mistakes or their current struggles somehow disqualify them from serving God. They think God only invites perfect people with perfect pasts to be a part of the work of the Kingdom of God. Or they fear what might happen if they attempt to serve God and their imperfections are revealed or get in the way. Paul must have felt the same way at some point. Despite being the most influential Christian to ever live, at one point he was someone who had done everything he could to stop the good news of Jesus Christ. He had his share of temptations, frustrations, and limits, yet he decided to trust in what God could do with his life and we all have benefited from what happened when he did. He knew the mistakes of his past better than anyone, was aware of how limited his resources were, yet was willing to follow God because of the amazing news of Jesus Christ.

I hope each of us takes this wonderful truth to heart on a regular basis. We need to remind ourselves and others that God loves to call the imperfect, the flawed, and the sinful, to be part of the amazing mission and ministry of the Kingdom of God. God made us, loves us, and calls each of us to place all that we are into his hands so that we can see we are made for more!

In Christ,

**Pastor Rick Ivey**

## OUR | FAITHFULNESS

### Attendance

September 30-October 3, 2018

#### Sunday Morning Groups

9:00am Children	18
9:00am Adults	81
10:30am Children	30
10:30am Adults	34

#### Sunday Worship

8:00 Worship	62
9:00 Worship	137
10:30 Worship	164

#### Live Stream

9:00am Worship	15
10:30am Worship	12

#### Wednesday

Communion	15
ONE Students	68

### Financial News: September 30, 2018

2018 Church Expense Budget	\$1,469,208
Needed for One Week	\$28,254
Received 09/30/18 for Church Budget	\$15,530
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$1,101,906
Received Income YTD	\$977,088
Difference	-\$124,818

### Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Missions	\$50
One Student Ministry	\$1,200
Building Use	\$55
Community Garden	\$20
Life Supper	\$213
Class Books	\$80
Kairos Cookies and Meals	\$497
Methodist Men Pecans	\$130



# PECANS

## \$13.00 a bag - whole or pieces

proceeds support United Methodist Men's Mission Fund

Contact Jack George (409.782.8600) or stop by the church office.

# THE PUMPKIN PATCH

at Wesley United Methodist Church



## OPEN DAILY

October 8-31, 2018

### Hours of Operation

Monday– Friday (2pm-8pm)

Saturday (9am-8pm)

Sunday (12pm-8pm)

### Volunteers are needed for the following events.

#### Pumpkin Patch Set-up

Sunday, September 30 - 1:00pm

#### Pumpkin Unload #1

Sunday, October 7 - 12:00pm

Snack lunch provided.

#### Pumpkin Unload #2

Sunday, October 21 - 12:00pm

Snack lunch provided.

If you would like to volunteer for one of these events or in The Patch during regular operating hours, please contact Jonathan Martin or Susan Martin.

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**Susan Martin**

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## OCTOBER | EVENTS

### NEW MEMBER LUNCH

**October 21 - 11:45am - Dining Hall**

If you have recently joined Wesley or have been visiting for awhile and are thinking about joining we want to get to know you. Join us for a special lunch on October 21. The lunch will give you the chance to meet other people that are new to Wesley, visit with Pastor Rick, other church staff members, and leaders in the church, ask questions and get information about Wesley. A sack lunch will be provided. Please help us plan for this event by letting our Membership Secretary, Missie Landry, know that you will be in attendance and how many people you will be bringing with you. You can contact her in the church office at 409.892.7733 or by email at [mlandry@wesleyumc.com](mailto:mlandry@wesleyumc.com).

### WESLEY BOOKWORMS

**Tuesday, October 23 - 12:30pm**

For a couple of reasons, the next Wesley Bookworms session has been postponed a week to Oct. 23. That gives all of you plenty of time to pick up a copy of "Something in the Water" by Catherine Steadman, which involves young professionals on a dream honeymoon -- a dream until things take a turn for the worse

### LIFE SHARE BLOOD DRIVE

**October 28**

Make plans to stop by the LifeShare mobile unit on Sunday, October 28. Your donation can save a life.

### FALL FESTIVAL

**Wednesday, October 31 - 5:30pm-7:30pm**

Everyone is invited to a fun safe place to celebrate Halloween. We will have games and prizes for kids of all ages. Food will be available for sale and the music will be good. Invite a friend to join us for the fun. We need your help to make this event a success. Join our Fall Festival Team and volunteer to run a booth, serve food, help guide

### THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all who came and worked in the Church Gardens last Saturday. We had a great turnout and got some much needed work done on our property. We will have another work day in the early Spring, so please be on the lookout for that date and help us again to make our Church beautiful.

—Tony Lucenti



## HELPING HANDS

Sunday, September 30, Don Wilson, Jack George & Crew brought a pickup and large trailer to Maplewood Lane and helped clear out the garage and home of Russell Bres who had to be out of his home by Sunday night. It was a huge task and the men worked tirelessly for almost two hours rescuing good used items (furniture, microwave, printer, books, DVDs, CDs, etc.) from being left behind or going out on the street. They also helped haul trash out to the street and worked hard and fast and with good humor in the heat. It was a great display of Christian teamwork and brotherly love.

-Mike & Kathie Platt



## LENDING LIBRARY

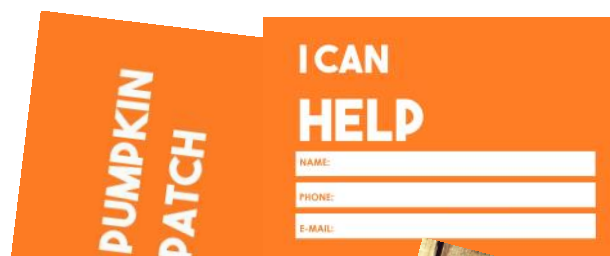
Wesley Day School now has a Lending Library. We want to share the love of reading with the youngest members of our congregation. Please help yourself to books every Sunday either to use during worship OR to take home for the week and return the next Sunday. Lending Library tote boxes are placed outside the entrance to the Praise Center and the Sanctuary. Grab some books and put them back when you can. We hope you enjoy our books and if you have some you want to donate, drop them in the boxes anytime.

-Meredith Love  
Wesley Day School Director



## VOLUNTEER CARDS

Are you interested in volunteering in the Pumpkin Patch or at Fall Festival? We have these nifty cards available for you to sign up as a volunteer. Look for the cards outside the worship spaces or in the church office. After you have filled out the card return it to the welcome desk, drop it in the offering plate, or take it to the church office. Your information will be passed along to the volunteer coordinators for these events and they will contact you to get you signed up for a volunteer spot. It takes a lot of volunteers to make these events successful, we need YOU!



## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

When you think of stewardship, what comes to mind?

Maybe fundraising or a capital campaign. Possibly taking care of the environment. Or maybe you think it's just a stale old word you've seen in history books. Maybe, if you're being honest, you're not really sure what it means.

The reality is that many people today, including lots of Christians, don't understand the true meaning of stewardship. And that's a tragedy. Why? Because stewardship is our **ultimate calling as Christ followers**.

It's the first assignment God gave the human race in Genesis 1:28. That's when God told Adam and Eve to "have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth" (NKJV).

**Stewardship is managing God's blessings God's ways for God's glory.** See, the Bible tells us in Psalm 24:1 that He owns it all: "The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof" (KJV).

And if He's the owner, that means we're not. Instead, we're His stewards—His managers. God commands us to be stewards over everything He blesses us with. *Everything*. **That means our time, talents, treasure, relationships, jobs and, yes, stuff.** It's all God's, and He trusts us with it.

Did you catch that? We *get* to manage all of the *Creator's* stuff. How awesome is that? It's both an honor and a serious responsibility! When we get that in our spirit, well, it changes things. It changes our perspective on our family budgets, our daily decisions, even our purpose in life. When we understand true, biblical stewardship, the trajectories of our lives change with every decision we make.

We begin to build a legacy of stewardship in our families. We treat our spouses and kids differently. We approach our work with a new sense of purpose. We become grateful for everything we have. We live within our means. We have more money to give. And we have hope for the future.

I'm here to tell you that I want to reclaim the word *stewardship* in the church today. But it's up to all of us to make sure every believer understands God's role as owner and our role as stewards. When we get to heaven and have to give an account of how we managed God's resources (1 Corinthians 4:2), I hope God will reply to all of us, **"Well done, good and faithful servant."**

*A dynamic pastor and speaker, Chris Brown joined the Ramsey Solutions team in 2014 to carry the message of stewardship and intentional living across the country. On June 1, 2015, Chris Brown's True Stewardship will launch on twenty radio stations nationwide. You can follow Chris on Twitter at [@ChrisBrownOnAir](https://twitter.com/ChrisBrownOnAir) and online at [stewardship.com](http://stewardship.com) or [www.facebook.com/ChrisBrownOnAir](https://www.facebook.com/ChrisBrownOnAir).*

# MADE FOR MORE



# HAPPY | BIRTHDAY

## October 5

Ruth Bawcom  
Nancy Beall  
Debbie Brown  
Jerry Fortenberry  
Samantha Gaudet  
Bobby Haney Jr.  
Natalie Huynh  
Thomas F. Peterson  
Amy St. Clair

## October 6

Isabela Diaz  
Frankie Hare  
Alicia Hargreaves  
Sharon Wright  
Fred Yust

## October 7

Jack Ardoin  
Randy Carrell  
Wendy Carrell  
Daniel Hana  
Charles Lewis  
Brandon Ricks  
Spencer Sebastian  
Randy Slater  
Scott Thorn

## October 8

Joshua Hagar  
Staci Harken  
Hannah Schilberg  
Dianne Walker

## October 9

Lamiah Brown  
Bert Fontenot  
Brandon Franklin  
Tong Huynh  
Parker Levinthal  
Sherene Malgard  
Ann Robinson  
Mike White

## October 10

Christian Aziz  
Jacob Cody  
Viridiana Colunga  
Jordan Flory

## October 11

Collin Ayers  
Stacy Dolan  
Christine Haynes  
Charlotte Holland  
Thomas Regan

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## OCTOBER

- 6 **Color Rush**
- 5 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 7 **Kairos Cookie Baking (10:00am)**  
**Pumpkin Unload (12:00pm)**
- 8 Pumpkin Patch Opens
- 9 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)  
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 11-14 **Kairos Weekend**
- 14 Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 19 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 21 **Pumpkin Unload (12:00pm)**
- 23 Wesley Bookworms (12:30pm)
- 28 LifeShare Blood Drive (9:00am)
- 31 **Fall Festival (5:30pm-7:30pm)**

## NOVEMBER

- 1 Bunco (6:30pm)
- 2 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 4 **All Saints Sunday**
- 5 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 6 Office Volunteer Luncheon (11:30am)
- 10 Tour de TAC Meeting (4:00pm)
- 11 Friendly Beasts at Pelican Bay (1:00pm)
- 13 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 16 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 20 Wesley Bookworms (12:30pm)
- 22 **Office Closed for Thanksgiving**
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- 27 Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)