

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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February 1, 2018

THIS WEEK AT | WESLEY

Thursday, February 1

- 12:00pm Ladies Bible Study (**Bride's Room**)
Senior Games Day (**Parlor**)
6:30pm Ladies Night Out Bunco (**Parlor**)
7:00pm Open Praise Band Rehearsal (**Praise Center**)

Friday, February 2

- 9:00am PieceMakers Quilting Group (**Room 106**)

Sunday, February 4

- 8:00am Traditional Worship (**Sanctuary**)
9:00am Contemporary Worship (**Praise Center**)
10:30am Traditional Worship (**Sanctuary**)
11:30am Souperbowl Cook-off: Missions Lunch
(**Praise Center**)
5:30pm Evening Worship (**Sanctuary**)
6:00pm ONE SM Sunday Night Live (**Youth Building**)

Monday, February 5

- 6:30am Methodist Men's Breakfast (**Dining Hall**)
6:00pm Lamar University Wesley Foundation
Winter Feast (**Praise Center**)

Tuesday, February 6

- 9:00am Seeds for Needs Workday
5:00pm Men's Basketball (**Praise Center**)

Wednesday, February 7

- 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, February 8

- 12:00pm Ladies Bible Study (**Bride's Room**)
Senior Games Day (**Parlor**)
7:00pm Open Praise Band Rehearsal (**Praise Center**)

LADIES NIGHT OUT BUNCO FEBRUARY 1 - 6:30PM - PARLOR

Have you been looking for a fun evening of fellowship, games, and food? We have just the thing for you. Ladies Night Out Bunco meets the first Thursday of each month. Bring a snack to share and join us.

SOUPER BOWL COOK-OFF FEBRUARY 4 - 11:30AM

Join us for a "Souper Bowl" party in the Dining Hall and Praise Center following the 10:30 am service. We are having a Cook-Off of Soup provided by you, the congregation. The idea here is that you, your family, your Sunday School, or another church group will bring in a crockpot full of Soup for the meal. Those that attend the lunch will then vote on the best soup. Several prizes will be given out based on the voting. Also, we ask that the congregation bring desserts to share as well. If you are wondering what we mean by "Soup", we are loosely defining it as anything typically served in bowls; so think chili, gumbo, stew, potato soup, split pea soup, taco soup, etc. This is a free event open to everyone to attend, you don't have to make soup to attend. We want everyone to come and enjoy some good Soup and learn more about the Missions Wesley is involved in. There will also be Live Music provided by our very own Paul Vick and the Praise Band. So get excited, sign up on this Sunday's bulletin insert or on our website <http://www.wesleyumc.com/souper-bowl-cook-off/>.

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

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

OUR | FAITHFULNESS

2018 Church Expense Budget	\$1,469,208
Needed for One Week	\$28,254
Received 01/28/18 for Church Budget	\$12,391
Needed Income YTD for Expense Budget	\$113,016
Received Income YTD	\$110,611
Difference	-\$2,405

LADIES BOOK CLUB FEBRUARY 20 - 12:30 PM

The Wesley Bookworms had a good group and a good time at the January session, and want others to join them when they do it again at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 20 at the Brazos Cattle Co on Eastex Freeway. The book is "**Beneath A Scarlet Sky**" by Mark Sullivan, and it comes highly recommended by Kim Dolan. Start reading early; it's a little longer than some others!

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund	\$200
Memorials - All Funds	\$25
Soc. Of St. Stephen	\$55
College Ministry	\$62
Life Supper	\$139
Event Rental	\$100
Winter Feast Tickets	\$175



UPCOMING | EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 1 Ladies Night Out Bunco (6:30pm)
- 2 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 4 Souper Bowl Sunday: Mission's Lunch (11:30am)
- 5 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
Lamar University Wesley Foundation Winter Feast (6:00pm)
- 10 Pruning the Rose Bushes (8:00am)
- 13 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
- 14 Ash Wednesday Services (6:00am, 12:00pm, 6:30pm)
- 16 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 18 **Scout Sunday & Third Grade Bible Presentation**
- 20 Ladies Book Club (12:30pm)
- 21 **Southeast District: Apportionment Formula Listening Session (7:00pm)**
- 22 Oyster Supper at FUMC Beaumont (4:30pm-8:30pm)
- 24 Lay Servant Training (9:00am-4:00pm)
- 25 Lay Servant Training (2:00pm-5:00pm)
Yard Games at Boys' Haven (2:30pm-4:30pm)

MARCH

- 1 Ladies Night Out Bunco (6:30pm)
- 2 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 2-4 **Confirmation Camp at Lakeview MCC**
- 5 Methodist Men's Breakfast (6:30am)
- 13 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Marion's Bible Study (1:30pm)
- 16 PieceMakers Quilting Group (9:00am)
- 25 **Palm Sunday**
Yard Games at Boys' Haven (2:30pm-4:30pm)
- 29 Maundy Thursday Worship (6:30pm)
- 30 Wesley Serves at Some Other Place (8:00am)
Good Friday Worship (6:30pm)
- 31 Easter EGG-stravaganza

SAVE THE DATE

- April 1 Easter Sunday
- April 15 Confirmation lead Evening Worship
- April 30 Confirmation Sunday
- May 20 Senior Sunday
- June 18-22 Verge Camp

HAPPY | BIRTHDAY

February 2

Sandra Womack
Cory Cash

February 3

Johnny French Sr.
Donna Broussard
Ellen Baker
Michelle Smith
Parker St. Clair

February 4

Abby Thomas
Karen Butler
Mary Kathryn Harrison
Addison Haselden

February 5

Lori Seaman
Theresa Ryan
Jordan Galle

February 6

Taryn Hebert
Robert Besser
Chris Dolan
Tommy Butler Jr.

February 7

Brittani Sparks
Howard Smith

February 8

Chaney Haynes
Tammy Crutchfield
Conley Broussard

PRUNING WESLEY'S ROSES **FEBRUARY 10 - 8:00AM**

It's that time again—the time to prepare Wesley's rose bushes for another year of beautiful rose production. Yes, in order to make that happen we must first cut the bushes back unmercifully, it seems. This pruning of the plants customarily takes place in early February, and it's a procedure that calls for the assistance of a gang of participants. Many of Wesley's members have assisted in this event and will be welcomed again on February 10, 2018.

To provide leadership and assistance, several members of the Golden Triangle Rose Society will gather at Wesley at 8:00 am Saturday, February 10 to lead the proceedings. If you are already equipped with a pair of "by-pass" pruning shears (those that cut like scissors) and some leather gloves, you are already qualified to participate. Wear a long-sleeved shirt (or jacket) and pants made of durable fabric, like denim. If you are unsure about your expertise, be advised that you can be fully qualified in the correct way before you know it with the instructions and guidance of GTRS members.

It's a lot of fun and the opportunity to learn under expert instructions will make you an expert in your own gardens. Please be there to start Wesley's roses off to a banner year of beautiful roses.

-Tommy Hebert

METHODIST MEN'S BREAKFAST **FEBRUARY 5 - 6:30AM - DINING HALL**

We will meet at 6:30 AM in the dining hall and we invite all the men in Wesley, and all of you who would like to come, to join us for what is a very good breakfast and a great speaker.

Our speaker will be W L Pate, Jr., who is a Beaumont City Council member at large. WL will provide a "state of the union" type talk on where Beaumont is on a number of fronts. This is a chance for you to understand the operations of Beaumont better than you have before, and to ask questions about things you are interested in.

We hope to see you!



WESLEY'S STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2018

Every fall, as we close out the year we have to begin thinking about how we are going to continue the work we do. Finances are a necessary part of running the church, no matter how much we dislike talking about it. Keeping the lights on and the water running while still providing strong programs is difficult if the congregation is not committed to supporting the church with their tithes and offerings. As we begin this new year we want you to spend so tie in prayerful consideration of how you can be a good steward of the gifts God has given you. This year's stewardship packet includes 5 commitment cards, one for each division of ministry; Worship, Growth, Caring, and Building and Administration, and one card for your 2018 financial commitment. Please take some time to fill-out these commitment cards and return them to the church office. How are you making life better with Wesley?

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP **FEBRUARY 14**

According to The United Methodist Book of Worship, "Ash Wednesday emphasizes a dual encounter: we confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith. . . .

The service focus is on the dual themes of sin and death in the light of God's redeeming love in Jesus Christ." Ash Wednesday then is a time to reflect on our nature as finite, sinful people and on God's nature as forgiving and redeeming. On Sunday morning, many of us confess our sins and declare that we are sinners. Ash Wednesday gives us the occasion to stop—or at least to slow down—and to reflect on what exactly it means for us to acknowledge that we are sinners and that we will die. Recognizing these realities gives depth to our gratitude for God's love and grace.

Join us for Ash Wednesday Worship!
6:30am - Come & Go imposition of Ashes
12:00pm - Communion & Imposition of Ashes
6:30pm - Worship & Imposition of Ashes

WELCOME TO OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Hello, my name is Kara Steward, I am the new Congregational Care Director at Wesley UMC. My husband, Mike, and I moved to Beaumont about a year ago and we recently joined Wesley UMC. My mission is to be involved in the community I live in and have a positive impact on those around me. I have an extensive background in organizing charity events and fundraisers and am looking forward to using those skills to develop our member ministries. Below is a list of ministries in need of volunteers. Please put a check mark next to any ministry you are interested in and I will give you a call or send you an email with more details. I am looking forward to meeting all of you.



New Born Ministry

When a member family has a new baby, the committee will provide a meal upon return of mother and baby from the hospital.

Time commitment- Approximately one-two hours when a new baby is born.

Flower Ministry

The flowers on the altar each Sunday are removed and a volunteer delivers them to hospice or one of the local care centers.

Time commitment- Approximately 30 minutes a week every Monday or Tuesday

Prayer Card Ministry

Volunteer members meet once a week to sign and pray over cards. Cards are sent out to members who are in the hospital, sympathy, special birthdays (90+), weddings, births, baptism, confirmation, graduation, military and new members.

Time commitment- Approximately one hour a week

Sitters and Transporters

Sitters provide respite care for families of homebound members.

Time commitment- Approximately 1-2 hours weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly

Transporters provide rides to doctor's appointments for members who are not able to drive. Appointments can be in Beaumont or Houston.

Time commitment- Approximately 1-4 hours on a rotating basis throughout the year.

Homebound Ministry

Volunteer shepherds work alongside clergy to ensure our members who cannot attend worship regularly feel a part of the church family and to know that they are not forgotten. Contact can be made through home visits, phone calls, and communion elements.

Time commitment- Approximately 1-2 hours weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly.

Funeral Meals Ministry

Bereavement teams provide a meal for the family of a deceased member on the day of the funeral. The team will be notified of an upcoming funeral and will need to bring a main dish, sides, and dessert to the church parlor the day of the funeral. The team is also responsible for set up and clean up of the parlor. Teams will be made up of 4-5 members with one member designated as the lead.

Time commitment- Approximately 2-4 hours 1 time per quarter rotating between 3-4 teams.

OYSTER SUPPER FUMC BEAUMONT FEBRUARY 22 - 4:30PM-8:30PM

It's time for the annual Oyster Supper at First Methodist Beaumont. Tickets are \$30 in Advance or \$35 at the door. You can purchase your tickets in the Wesley UMC office during regular business hours.

LAY SERVANT TRAINING

FEBRUARY 24 - 9:00am-4:00pm

FEBRUARY 25 - 2:00pm-5:00pm

ST. PAUL'S UMC, BRIDGE CITY

Lay Servant Ministry is about developing leaders and improving leadership skills for ministry in the local church & beyond.

All Laity are Encouraged to Attend!

Pre-registration is required by
Monday, February 19.

COURSES OFFERED

Local Lay Servant Basic Course

Advanced Course: Living Our United Methodist Beliefs (Heritage)

Advanced Course: God's Mission...Our Journey (Missions)

To attend an Advanced Course you must have completed a course within last 3 years.

You must attend BOTH days to receive credit for the course.

COST \$35 (includes book and lunch)

Books will be mailed to you after paid registration. Please review your book prior to class.

Registration Link at www.southeastdistrict.org/Lay-Servant.

2018 CAMP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Lakeview had a great summer and is ready to register for next summer! Registration is now open and enables parents to start paying fees throughout the year rather than just at the deadline.

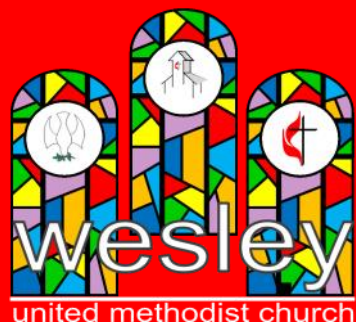
Remember these great changes from last year:

- Camp starts on Sunday afternoon.
- Children as early as entering 3rd grade may attend.
- Registration is completely online and is now open at www.lakeviewmcc.org
- You can pay on your account throughout the year.
- New programs, activities, and staff are being added.
- Churches/Campers have a choice to attend the camp week they prefer.

June 10-15, 2018	Tri-District Volunteer Team
June 17-22, 2018	South/Southeast Volunteer Team
June 24-29, 2018	East/West Volunteer Team
July 8-13, 2018	North/Northwest Volunteer Team

We are part of the South/Southeast District, but ONE Student Ministries will be attending Verge Camp June 18-22. We will be sending volunteers to District Camp July 8-13. Your family is encouraged to pick the week that works best for you.

Scholarships are available through Lakeview Methodist Conference Center and Wesley United Methodist Church. If you have questions about camp or scholarships, please contact Pastor Robert Besser at rbesser@wesleyumc.com.



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