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*So Christ himself
equips his people for
works of service.*

Ephesians 4:11-12

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God's Dream for His Church

"From Christ the whole body (church) builds itself up in love,
as each one does its part."

Ephesians 4:16

Together We Serve

By Daniel Charles Damon

Together we serve, united by love,
inviting God's world to the glorious feast.
We work and we pray through sorrow and joy,
extending your love to the last and the least.

We seek to become a beacon of hope,
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.
We learn, year by year, to let love shine through
until we see Christ in each person we meet.

We welcome the scarred, the wealthy, the poor,
the busy, the lonely, and all who need care.
We offer a home to those who will come,
our hands quick to help, our hearts ready to dare.

Together, by grace, we witness and work,
remembering Jesus, in whom we grow strong.
Together we serve in Spirit and truth,
remembering love is the strength of our song.





“But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.”

Philippians 3:10

Responding to God’s call, we gather to encourage one another to be faithful Sundays:

8:00 AM

Early Morning Worship

9:30 AM

In His Word Christian Education

10:45 AM

New Life Praise Service

August Worship Highlights

“I encourage you to live as people worthy of the call you have received from God. Conduct yourselves with all humility, gentleness, and patience. Accept each other with love.

Ephesians 4:1-2

August 2, 2015

As Each One Does Their Part Sunday

“The body makes itself grow in that it builds itself up with love as each one does its part..”

Ephesians 4:15

Ministry of Music

Both Services - Crystal Morris

August 9, 2015

To Tell the Truth Sunday

“Each of you must tell the truth to your neighbor.”

Ephesians 4:29

August 16, 2015

Sing, Sing, Sing Sunday

“Sing and make music to the Lord in your heart.”

Ephesians 5:19

August 23, 2015

On the Mountain with Jesus

“God is faithful, who has called you into the fellowship with his son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”

I Corinthians 1:9

August 30, 2015

Mirror, Mirror on the Wall Sunday

“Now we see only as a reflection in a mirror.”

I Corinthians 13:12

Ministry of Music

8:00 am - Bob & Debby Moore



August 16

Sunday

Begin the day with worship for your Spiritual Check up at 8:00 am and 10:45 am. Stay for a free lunch at noon.

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Free Health Screenings and Life Assessments will be offered for you to get a Check Up on your life:

Holy Spirit Hospital:



- Blood Pressure
- Bone Density Screening
- Cardiovascular Risk Assessment
- Cholesterol/Glucose Screenings
- Food & Nutrition Information

- Sleep Assessments
- Spirit of Women

Perry Human Services

- Education Materials
- Mock Bedroom

Quality Community Outreach Specialist

- AmeriHealth Caritas—health insurance for low income

Pinnacle Health

- Skin Analysis
- Skin Cancer Information

Marysville Police

- Child Find

Lion's Club

- Vision & Hearing Screenings

Blood Mobile

- Blood Drive

Inspired Hands by Lori Massage Therapy

- Hand Massages
- Benefits of Massage Therapy Information

Beth Klinger

- Financial Life Coach



6:00 pm

An Evening of
Worship with
**Pastor Brian
Moyer**

While in New Orleans in April for Neuroendocrine Cancer surgery, God placed a message on Brian's heart that he is super excited to share with you his message about

"Lessons

Learned
through
Serving an
Immovable
God."



Mark Your Calendar for...



"The Bible is one of the greatest blessings bestowed by God on the children of men. It has God for its author; salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture for its matter. It is all pure."
~John Locke

The **ACTS Bible study** class begins the fall session on Sunday afternoon **September 20, @ 3:00 pm**. The class will meet room 216 on the second floor. Everyone is invited to join us for fun and fellowship. No sign up necessary, just show up and bring your Bible. You will be encouraged by the examples of both men and women of the New Testament church. As believers of the Way, they were transformed and empowered by God the Holy Spirit, spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ to all who would listen. "And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."



Family Ministries Camping 2016

Family Ministries will be camping at Paradise Streams Camp Ground in Blain the weekend of **July 8-10, 2016**. If you would like to join us for that weekend, call the camp ground @717-789-2117 to reserve your site. When you call, let them know you are part of the Wesley Church Group. If you have any questions contact Martiel Edwards 439-4304.



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Wesley's 3rd Annual
"CAMO DAY" and Pig Roast
September 13, 2015

A full day of activities is planned for everyone!

Morning Worship:

Worship with us at **8:00 and 10:45 am** with Sunday School at 9:30 am.
 Be sure to wear your camouflage!

2:00 – 5:00 PM

Sunday School Kick-Off! – Fun for the kids as we celebrate God's love for us.

- ◆ Bounce House
- ◆ Petting Zoo.



Celebration of God's Nature! – Fun and information for everyone!

- ◆ Presentations on "Nature and Wildlife" from the PA Game Commission, mounts, and "In the Woods Survival Techniques."
- ◆ Turkey calling and Casting contests for kids
- ◆ Informational Speakers
- ◆ Paintings from the PA Game Commission competition, local nature photos and nature paintings from local artists.



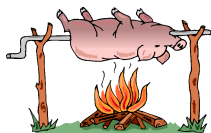
Cake Decorating Contest – Family Fun!

- ◆ 2 Categories:
 - Children: Age 11 and under
 - Adult: Age 12 and over
- ◆ Bring your best completed and decorated cake to the church by 1:45 pm for judging.
- ◆ Voting will take place from 2-4 pm
- ◆ Cakes will then be served as dessert for the Pig Roast.



5:00 pm

Annual Pig Roast



- ◆ Bring along your lawn chairs,
- ◆ Bring a large covered dish to share.
- ◆ Enjoy the breathtaking views of the Rockville

Bridge and Susquehanna River from our lawn atop the hill.

Come, bring a friend and enjoy a day of fun, animals, nature and a few furry friends. There is something for everyone! This event will be held rain or shine and is one you won't want to miss. This is open to the public at no charge. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Announcing a Kid's Musical!!

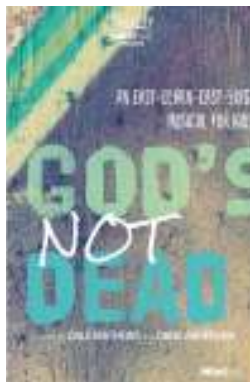
“God’s Not Dead”

An easy-to-learn, easy-to-sing
musical for kids.

30 minutes in length.

October 11, 2015

10:45 service



All kids are invited to participate in this musical experience where we look at everyday things and experiences to reveal that God is indeed NOT dead. This musical utilizes familiar and popular contemporary Christian music, such as “God’s Not Dead (Like a Lion)” by the Newsboys.

Needed:

5 Speaking Parts

1 Adult Female

2 Boys

2 Girls

Children’s Choir

Kids age 6-14 (minimum of 10 kids needed)

Auditions

Tuesday, August 18

7:00 pm

Wesley UMC Sanctuary

What I need are a few adults who can help me and some great kids who are willing to speak clearly and sing! Depending on availability of painters, it would be nice to paint a few flats to use as backdrops for the living room and park.

If you are interested in participating in this musical adventure, please contact Deb Landrum by phone call or text to 717-979-4939 or by email at dlan87@ptd.net. You **do not** need to be a member of Wesley to participate!!! Rehearsal schedule will be determined after auditions and based on schedules of those participating.

Wesley Preschool had some wonderful events to complete the school year. We had picnics and graduation ceremonies. In addition, our annual Trike-A-Thon raised \$1,403.00 for a family of our preschool with some special needs! We are so proud of the children and all they have and will accomplish in their futures!



Thank you so much for everyone who participated in our Giant A+ Fundraiser! Just by designating your Bonuscard to Wesley Preschool, we earned \$503.61 in the 2014-2015 school year! It will soon be time to designate your Bonuscard for the 2015-2016 school year. We will post instructions in an upcoming newsletter article.

We currently have an opening for a teacher's aide position. This is part-time on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Applications can be picked up in the church office or mail your resume to preschool@wesleyum.org.

Thanks for all of your support of this ministry!

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Youth Fellowship News

Open to all youth in grades 7-12

Plans are being made for a mission trip to Garnett, Kansas in July of 2016. If you are interested, contact Abby at 503-2020 for more information.

August 15 — Car Wash

Our first fund raiser for the mission trip will be a car wash on August 15th from 10:00 – 2:00 at the Dollar General Store on Routes 11&15 in Duncannon (beside Sheetz). Come and get your car washed! We will also have lunch items available for sale.



August 28-30 — Camping



Let's celebrate the end of summer with one last camping trip. We will go to Buttonwood Campground in Mifflintown August 28 - 30. Hopefully, it will still be warm enough for tubing on the river. Families are welcome to join us! Let me know by August 12 so I can reserve spots.

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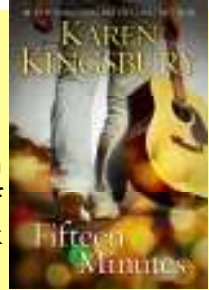


Make & Bake
August 5, 2015
9:30 am

Join us for a "watermelon" of a good time! Hot lunch and a craft to take home. Enjoy fellowship and friends. There is no charge and this ministry is open to the public.

Women's Book Club
Monday, August 24
7:00 pm

The Women's Book club will meet on August 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Barbara Hammaker to discuss the book "Fifteen Minutes" by Karen Kingsbury.



Please note that this meeting is one week later than usual.

**Mark Your
Calendar!**



Wesley's Women's Retreat
November 13-15, 2015
"Flip Flops, Faith, & Friends"

All ladies are invited to come for the weekend at Whitetail Lodge. Julie Nevel will be here for the entire weekend, including Sunday morning worship. Contact Judy Richards for more information or watch for more details to come!

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Tuesday, August 25, 2015
9:30 am



All men are invited to join us for fellowship and a hot home-cooked breakfast. Enjoy the company of your fellow brothers in Christ and make new friends. This activity is open to the public and free of charge. Bring your friends and neighbors!

Tent Pegs

by
Lori Archer



*"From Judah will come the cornerstone, the tent peg,
the bow for battle, and all the rulers." Zachariah 10:1 NLT*

Recently when Pastor Scott Kramer of GT Church faced a sudden and unexpected tragedy, his friend said to him, "At least you have your faith to fall back on." Pastor Scott replied, "I want you to know my faith was never Plan B."

Friends, our faith needs to always be Plan A in our lives. A faith that you only look to in trouble or struggles is not a true faith. Your faith should be ever-present in your life, wrapping around you like a cloak. **We don't fall back on our faith, we press forward in our faith. It is what leads us and guides us. Our faith goes before us, not trails behind us.**

And now we have run into His Heart to hide ourselves in His Faithfulness. THIS is where we find His Strength and Comfort, for He empowers us to seize what has already been established ahead of time—an unshakeable hope! We have this certain hope like a strong, unbreakable anchor holding our souls to God Himself. Our anchor of hope is fastened to the mercy seat which sits in the heavenly realm beyond the sacred threshold, and where Jesus, our Forerunner, has gone before us (Heb. 6:18-20 tPt).

The time to make sure your soul anchor is firmly attached in faith to God Himself is not when the storms roll in, it should not be your back-up plan. God is not only Plan A, He is the ONLY plan. Think of Noah. **He didn't fall back** on his faith when the floods came. **NO! He pressed forward** in faith and built the ark of safety YEARS before the rains came. Faith opened Noah's heart to receive revelation from God about what was coming, even things that had never been seen. But he stepped out in reverent obedience to God and built an ark that would save him and his family. By his faith the world was condemned, but Noah received God's gift of righteousness that comes by believing (Heb. 11:7 tPt). Noah's anchor of hope was firmly fastened to the mercy seat. His faith was Plan A. His faith PREPARED him to face the future storms.

Will God meet us in the day of trouble even if we have been unfaithful? Yep. When His children call with repentant hearts, He hears and responds in mercy. But I would challenge you, Friends, to live a life with the Holy Spirit at the helm, and Christ our Savior as our anchor. Live with Faith as Plan A, A-ll times, A-lways.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Each month this insert will contain news and needs from our families. Please email your information to the church office at office@wesleyum.org or call 957-4481. If you have suggestions for added categories, let us know.



HOSPITALIZATIONS AND REHAB CENTERS

Health South Rehab, Mechanicsburg:

Faye Hammaker

RECOVERING AT HOME or MOVED TO A NURSING HOME

Margaret Miller

Dorothy & Gene Hammaker

Jim Walker

Stan Beavis

Bill Pratt

HOME GOING:

7/7/15—Bryce James Wysocki - Son of Glen & Missy Wysocki

7/15/15 - Abram "Abe" Crider - Father of Vonnie Parker

MARRIAGES:

5/30/15 - Cody Briner & Felicia Weyant

6/13/15 - Brandon Wray & Keri Dry



Our many thanks from both of us for your grateful prayers during our illness with pneumonia. Many thanks for the cards, visits, and food. Having you thinking about Ken and I were deeply appreciated. May God Bless the Wesley United Methodist Church.

~Ken & Denise Smith



Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for your many ways of helping ease our pain in the passing of my dear father. Your thoughts and prayers uplifted us. Your presence, hugs, cards and the flowers reminded us of your love and care. We will miss Daddy but we know he went from this world into paradise and we know we will see him and be with him and the Lord someday.

Thank you,

~Vonnie & PJ



August Helping Hands

8:00 AM SERVICE

WELCOMING TEAM:

August 2:
 August 9:
 August 16: Bob & Rose Motter
 August 23:
 August 30:

WORSHIP LEADER:

August 2: Jeff Miller
 August 9: Kevin Long
 August 16: Cindy Thomas
 August 23: Joyce Barnhart
 August 30: Robert Moore

WAVE BOOTH TECHNICIAN:

August 2: Ray Landrum & Ann Alandar
 August 9: Tony Lacroce & Ann Alandar
 August 16: Ray Landrum & Ann Alandar
 August 23: Ray Landrum & Ann Alandar
 August 30: Ray Landrum & Ann Alandar

INFANTS TO AGE 5

August 2: Martiel Edwards
 August 9: Martiel Edwards
 August 16: Martiel Edwards
 August 23: Martiel Edwards
 August 30: Martiel Edwards

10:45 AM SERVICE

WELCOMING TEAM:

August 2: Austin Briner
 August 9:
 August 16:
 August 23:
 August 30:

WORSHIP LEADER:

August 2: Todd Wendorf
 August 9: Abby Foy
 August 16: Kathy Latsha
 August 23: Sharon Engdahl
 August 30: Deb Troutman

WAVE BOOTH TECHNICIAN:

August 2: Tony Lacroce & Katie Humphrey
 August 9: Tony Lacroce & Scott Lenker
 August 16: Tony Lacroce & Doug Foy
 August 23: Tony Lacroce & Scott Lenker
 August 30: Tony Lacroce & Troy Dry

CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

August 2: Vonnie Parker
 August 9: Vonnie Parker
 August 16: Vonnie Parker
 August 23: Vonnie Parker
 August 30: Vonnie Parker

NURSERY (0-3 Yrs. old—Room 302)

August 2: Amy & Bailey Gilmore
 August 9: Julie Shaak & Adam Humphrey
 August 16: Mickey Pines & Charley Baker
 August 23: Tiphonie & Cassidy Roberts
 August 30: Kim & Charley Baker

NURSERY (4 Yrs. old-K—Room 207)

August 2: Sharon Engdahl & John Pines
 August 9: Jenn Edwards & Katie Humphrey
 August 16: Kim & Colby Baker
 August 23: Sue Hopkins & Adam Humphrey
 August 30: Sharon Engdahl & Colby Baker

TABULATORS:

Patti Copp
 Amanda McCoy
 Sally McCoy

FOOD BOX VOLUNTEERS:

(Packing August 14, @ 8-9:30 AM)

Norm Wolfe, Gertrude Crawford, Dave Thomas, Bill Louder, Martiel Edwards, Jack & Joyce Barnhart, Phil & Donna Snyder, Wayne & Cindy Parson

(Distribution August 15 @ 8:00 AM)

Dave & Cindy Thomas, Scott Bogdon, Steve Darlington & Duane Brady, Martiel Edwards