Upcoming Events and Information

Tue./Thur.:	Exercise Group (Activity Room)	4:00pm
Saturdays:	Wesley Men's Group (Fireside Room)	8:00am
Next Sun. 9/12:	Car Wash fundraiser (from 9:00-10:00 and 11:00-?)	
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- Everyday Essentials for local pantries are being accepted in the fellowship hall. Throughout September we are collecting <u>toilet paper</u>. We also need <u>travel-sized toiletries</u>. Thank you to everyone who continues to support our neighbors in need!
- **Loose coins** for **Sept.** goes to: **UMCOR** (100% of your donation will go directly to help the people in need).
- There is a sign-up sheet for *special music* on the bulletin board. Please consider sharing in this ministry. Music can be sacred or secular, just appropriate for all. Contact Dylan: dylanhinrichs3727@gmail.com

The flowers on the altar are in Memory of Bill Olson and in Honor of Carol Olson, from Bill and Sue Abate.



Worship Leaders today

Music ministry: Dylan Hinrichs (director) Judy Bushman (organist) **Head usher:** Jeff Cedro **Children's sermon** (online@9:45am)

Liturgists: Amy Lopez Greeters: Jan Glover

8:00am

10:00 am Amy Lopez Frank and Janne Rausa

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Wesley United Methodist Church

September 5th, 2021 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church September 5th, 2021

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE	"Open My Eyes"	by Clara H. Scott/arr. Paul Taylor
	"Appalachian Meditation"	by Donald Lee Moore
	"Enter His Courts With Prais	e" by Adam Mason
INTROIT	"Walk with Me	by John S. Rice

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† OPENING PRAYER (Ps. 23, John 10)

Shepherding God, guardian of our souls, you offer us rest in the safety of green pastures, shower us with your love, and offer us fullness of life in your name. When our spirits are parched, you lead us beside still waters and quench our thirst for righteousness; you restore our souls. Touch our hearts and minds, that your goodness and mercy may follow us each and every day of our lives, and that we may abide in your love and your grace forever. Amen.

† OPENING HYMN "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" UMH #89 vs.1,2,4

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MORNING PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

† RESPONSE	"Glory Be to the Father"	#70
	PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE	
HYMN	"Are Ye Able"	UMH #530 v1

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 4:1-9 This is the Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Parable of the Sower"

THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

RESPONSE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Loving sower, as you sow the seed, the Good News, in us and water us in your love, may the gifts we bring this day sow the seed and water on it to a world in need; may our offering reach into places of despair, and show the world that there is the Farmer who brings comfort and hope. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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	† CLOSING HYMN	"The Summons"	TFWS #2130 vs 1,2,5
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	† RECESSIONAL	"God Be with You till We Meet Ag	ain " UMH #672 v1
	POSTLUDE	"How Majestic Is Your Name"	by Michael W. Smith
UMH #530 v1	<i>†Please stand if yo</i> Bold print indicates	u are able in your body or spirit. s in unison	