

## Upcoming Events and Information

<b>Tue./Thur.:</b>	Exercise Group (Fireside Room)	3:30pm
<b>Saturdays:</b>	Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room)	8:00am
<b>Wednesdays:</b>	Lenten Bible Study (Fireside Room)	9:30am / 6:00pm
<b>Tue., March 29:</b>	Worship Team (Fellowship Hall)	7:00pm

- **Everyday Essentials** for local pantries are being accepted in the fellowship hall. Throughout **March** we are collecting **toilet paper**. We also need **travel-sized toiletries**. In **April** we switch to **bar soap**. Thank you for helping those in need!
- **Loose coins** for **March** goes to: **Midwest Distribution Center**. In **April** we are collecting for Caretakers of God's Creation.



**GAMESTORMING EVENT!** Youth grades 2-High School are invited to stay after 10am worship on **April 3rd** for games, food, and fellowship! This is an opportunity for us to get together and see what we want this next chapter of Youth Ministry to look like. Please RSVP by email to the church office at [office@sterlingwesley.com](mailto:office@sterlingwesley.com), or look for the sign up sheet on Sundays leading up to the 3rd! More information coming in the April Chimes!

### Worship Leaders today

**Youth Director:** Melissa Hurley  
**Music Ministry:** Judy Bushman (Organist)  
Pam Clodfelter (Handbell Choir Director)  
**Head Usher:** Jeff Cedro

<b>Liturgists:</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>
<b>Greeters:</b>	Rory Smith	Toby Johnson
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jan Glover	Toby, Heather, Harper, August Johnson
	Rita Smith	Kris/Elliot Noble



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## Wesley United Methodist Church

**MARCH 27TH, 2022**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**

**Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church**

**March 27, 2022**

**ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE**

*Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross  
Are Ye Able?*

by William H. Doane/arr. Lani Smith  
by Harry S. Mason/arr. Ellen Jane Lorenz

**INTROIT**

*Surely the Presence of the Lord*

Words/music Lanny Wolfe

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

† **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Eph. 2, John 3)

**God of light and love, shine upon your people this day. Meet us in our brokenness, and heal our errant ways. Take from us our spirit of disobedience, and save us with your grace. Lead us into your truth, that we may live as children of light, and act as children of the Most High. Amen.**

† **OPENING HYMN**

"Amazing Grace"

UMH #378v1,2,4

**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.**

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

† **RESPONSE**

"Glory Be to the Father"

#70

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:00am)**

**HYMN**

"Just as I Am"

UMH#357vs 1,2,6

**SCRIPTURE READING**

1 John 4:7-11, 16b-21

This is the Word of God for the people of God  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

"Fear or Love"

**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**

**God of light and love, shine through our offerings this day. May they bring light to the darkness and help lead others from death into life. Transform these gifts into your glory, that they may reflect the joy of your saving grace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

† **CLOSING HYMN**

"Because He Lives" UMH#364 v.1, refrain x2

† **BENEDICTION**

Leave the shadows of your lives behind and go forth into the glorious light of God.  
**We will walk in the light of Christ.**  
Leave your brokenness of disobedience behind and rest in God's compassion and grace.

**We will abide in Christ's tender mercies.**

Go with the blessings of almighty God.

† **RECESSIONAL**

"More Like You" TFWS#2167 (1st part only)

**POSTLUDE**

Beecher (*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*) by John Zundel

† *Please stand if you are able in your body or spirit.*

***Bold print indicates in unison***