## **Upcoming Events and Information**

Tue./Thur.:	Exercise Group (Fireside Room)	3:30pm
Saturdays:	Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room)	8:00am
Mon.,8/1:	Education Team (Fellowship Hall)	6:30pm
Tue.,8/2:	Trustees Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	5:30pm
Thur.,8/4:	Greeting Card Ministry (Fellowship Hall)	9:30am

- **Everyday Essentials** for local pantries are being accepted in Fellowship Hall. In July we are collecting laundry detergent. Also needed: travel-sized toiletries. Thank you for helping those in need!
- Loose coins for July: Rockford Urban Ministries. July's 5th Sunday giving: Native American Ministries



- Middle and High School Youth! FOOD BANK Saturday, August 6th join us for an outing to the Northern Illinois Food Bank followed by a trip to Hurricane Harbor! We will need you to RSVP to Mel as soon as possible if you are planning on attending. If you have questions, email me at melissahurlev08@gmail.com
- For help with the **communion cup**, please contact an usher.



## Worship Leaders today

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

8:00am

Renee Duncan

**Tony McCombs** 

Liturgists: Greeters: Ushers:

10:00 am Katie/Grace Wetzell Elisa Gatz Nancy/Andy Pitsch Katie/Grace/Lily Wetzell **Bill** Parker

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## Wesley United Methodist Church



Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church July 31, 2022				PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE			
				† RESPONSE	"Glory Be to the Father"	#70	
ENTRANCE				CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:00am)			
Prelude				SPECIAL MUSIC (10:00am) ISAAC HALVERSON			
Arioso by James Denton							
Meditation on a Scotti	<i>ish Hymn</i> by Ione T.	by Ione T. Hanna/arr. Stewart Lando		HYMN	"Surely the Presence of the Lor	d" UMH #328	
Introit	Thy Word	by Michael W. S	mith	SCRIPTURE READING	G Genesis 7:24; 8:1, 4, 18; 9	:8-12	
Announcements				This is the Word of God for the people of God <b>Thanks be to God.</b>			
<sup>†</sup> OPENING PRAYER (Acts 2, John 7) Spirit of Pentecost, blow open the doors of our hearts, and set our tongues free to proclaim your praise. Bestow your gifts on all people and blow into our lives, and renew us as a people of faith,				SERMON	"During the Flood"		
				<u>Thanksgiving</u>			
that we may find the strength and courage to be the people you call us to be. Amen.			all	SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION			
				RESPONSE			
†OPENING HYMN	"How Firm a Foundatic	on" UMH #529 vs	s 1,2	OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES			
JOYS AND CONCERNS				OFFERTORY			
<b>PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE</b> Bless your church throughout the world, O Gracious One, that she may devote herself to				† doxology "Pi	raise God, from Whom All Blessi	ngs Flow" #95	
<ul> <li>prayer and be your witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth;</li> <li>Sing praises to God's Name.</li> <li>Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth, be glad and rejoice, that God may finish the work that Christ began to bring peace and unity to the world;</li> <li>Sing praises to God's Name.</li> <li>Father of orphans, defender of widows, look with compassion upon all the people of the world; with your great power restore, support, strengthen, and establish them.</li> <li>Sing praises to God's Name.</li> </ul>				† PRAYER OF DEDICATION			
				Gracious God, we give you thanks for all your love and blessings. With thanksgiving, we bring our time, our hearts, and our offering to you. May these gifts bring dreams and visions to world in need of hope and direction. May they refresh our community of faith, that as we turn to Christ in our need, our hearts may overflow with rivers of living water. Amen.			
Let your Name dwell with us in our community, O God, to refresh our land, bless our homes, and make provision for the poor, that we may be one as you are one.			our	8	Sending Forth		
Sing praises to G		e one as you are one.		$\dagger$ closing hymn	"Standing on the Promises	" UMH #374 vs 1,2	
MORNING PRAYER				† BENEDICTION			
<i>The Lord's Prayer:</i> 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 forgir 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.				† RECESSIONAL	"More Like You"	TFWS#2167 (first half)	
			give	POSTLUDE	We've a Story to Tell to the National States of the National States	ons by H. Ernest Nichol	
				<i>†Please stand if you are able in your body or spirit.</i> <b>Bold</b> print indicates in unison			