

## Upcoming Events and Information

<b>Tue./Thur.:</b>	Exercise Group (Fireside Room)	3:30pm
<b>Tuesdays:</b>	Bell Choir Practice	5:15pm
<b>Wednesdays:</b>	Bible Study	7:00pm
<b>Thursdays:</b>	Bible Study	6:30pm
<b>Saturdays:</b>	Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room)	8:00am
<b>Sundays:</b>	Middle School Youth group	1:30-3:00pm
	High School Youth group	3:00-4:30pm

**Sunday (Nov. 20)** Hanging of the greens following 10:00 a.m. service

### Thursday - Thanksgiving Day Celebrate your blessings.

- **Everyday Essentials** for local pantries are being accepted in Fellowship Hall. **November** collection: dish soap. Also needed: travel-sized toiletries. Thank you for helping those in need!
- **Loose coins** for November: **FISH**
- **Thanksgiving baskets** ministry is \$30/each; our goal is 25 baskets.
- **Nursery** is provided for 10 am service.

#### *Worship Leaders today*

<b>Youth Director:</b>	Melissa Hurley
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Judy Bushman (Organist)
	Mary Nelmes (Handbell Choir Director)
<b>Head Usher:</b>	Jeff Cedro
<b>Nursery Supervisor:</b>	Carol Cravatta
<b>A/V Specialists:</b>	Logan Ayala and Joey Cordell

<b>Liturgists:</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>Greeters:</b>	Erin Graves	Amy Lopez
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jan Glover	Steve Lopez
	Nancy Pitsch	Bill Parker



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# Wesley United Methodist Church

HAPPY  
*Thanksgiving*  
WE ARE GRATEFUL

**NOVEMBER 20, 2022**  
**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER**  
**PENTECOST**

***Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church***

***November 20, 2022***

***Reign of Christ Sunday***

**ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE**

*Thanks Be to Thee*

*Prelude on We Gather Together*

by G.F. Handel/arr. Stewart Landon

Dutch Melody/arr. Gregg Sewell

**INTROIT**

*Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place*

by Lanny Wolfe

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**† CALL TO WORSHIP: (PSALMS 132)**

Let's enter God's dwelling place.

**Let's worship in the house of God!**

Let's enter with thanksgiving and praise.

**Let's worship with the joy of the Lord!**

Let's worship with our words and our lives.

**Let's live as the household of God.**

**† OPENING HYMN**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

UMH #64 (vs 1,3,4)

**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

**SPECIAL MUSIC (10:00AM)**

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Mary Nelmes & Lonnie VanGilder

by Johann Cruger

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

**HYMN**

"Come Ye Thankful People, Come" UMH #694 (vs 1,2)

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1Thessalonians 5:16-18, Philippians 4:6-7

This is the Word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

"Let Us Cultivate Gratitude"

**MEMBERSHIP CARE TEAM PRESENTATION**

**THANKSGIVING**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**RESPONSE**

**OFFERTORY**

† **DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

#95

† **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Ruler of creation, through our gifts this day, bring your reign of love and compassion here on earth. Bless these gifts of thanksgiving and praise, that others may have reason for gratitude and joy. In your mighty love, we pray. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

† **CLOSING HYMN**

"Here I Am"

UMH #593 (vs 1)

† **BENEDICTION**

† **RECESSIONAL**

"More Like You"

TFWS#2167 (first half)

**POSTLUDE**

*Majesty, Worship His Majesty*

by Jack Hayford

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

***Bold print indicates in unison***

The flowers on the altar are in memory of

*John "Jack" L. Partridge, Jr.*

Given by Jean & Joan Partridge

and also in honor of

*Jean's 96th birthday*