## **Upcoming Events and Information**

Tue./Thur.: Exercise Group (Fireside Room) 3:30pm Bell Choir Practice **Tuesdays:** 5:15pm 9:30am & 7:00 pm Wednesdays: Bible Study Thursdays: 6:30pm Bible Study 8:00am Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room) **Saturdays: Sundays:** Combined Youth Group (MS & HS) 1:30-2:30pm

Mon. (Dec. 19th) Blue Christmas Service at 7:00 pm Sat. (Dec. 24th) Christmas Eve Services at 7:00 pm & 11:00 pm Sun. (Dec 25th) Christmas Day 10:00 a.m. service only - Pajama Sunday

- Giving envelopes for 2023 are available to be picked up.
- Altar flower sign-up poster for 2023 is posted. Reserve your date.
- We are looking for hosts for coffee fellowship for January & February. Please see the sign-up sheet.
- Loose coins for December: Loaves and Fishes.
- **Nursery** is provided for 10 am service.

Worship Leaders today

Melissa Hurley **Youth Director:** 

Judy Bushman (Organist) **Music Ministry:** 

Mary Nelmes (Handbell Choir Director)

**Head Usher:** Jeff Cedro **Nursery Supervisor:** Carol Cravatta

Liturgists:

Logan Ayala and Joey Cordell A/V Specialists:

> 8:00 AM 10:00 AM Nancy Pitsch Nancy Pitsch

**Greeters:** Jan Glover Mark & Sharon Taylor **Ushers:** 

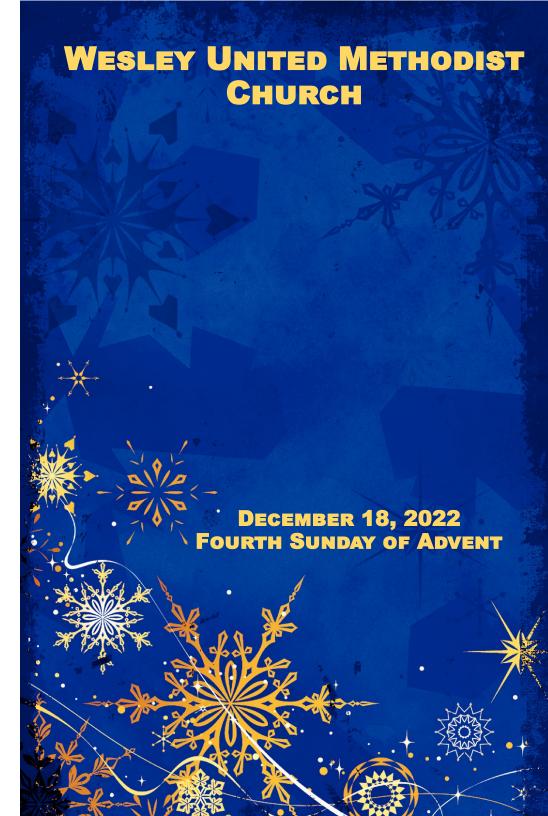
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# Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church December 18, 2022

### **ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE** 

O Come, Little Children The Little Drummer Boy Do You Hear What I Hear? by J.P.A. Schulz/arr. Edward Broughton by K. Davis, H. Onorati, H. Simeone by N. Regney & G. Shayne

**INTROIT** 

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place

by Lanny Wolfe

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

†OPENING PRAYER:

My Soul magnifies the Lord. My spirit rejoices in God my savior. For the Mighty One has done great things, and holy is God's name. Amen.

**LIGHT ADVENT CANDLE (insert)** 

**†OPENING HYMN** "O Come All Ye Faithful" UMH #234 (vs 1,2,3)

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

Sean Sandrock "O Holy Night"

**HYMN** "What Child Is This" UMH #219 (vs 1,2

**SCRIPTURE READING** Matthew 1:18-24

This is the Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

**NEW MEMBERS COMMENDATION (insert)** 

#### **THANKSGIVING**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

RESPONSE

**OFFERTORY** 

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

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† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

You deliver us, O God, from separation and despair into communion with you and your people. We thank you for all that draws us closer together. Accept our gifts as signs of our gratitude and honor to your presence. Amen.

#### SENDING FORTH

**†CLOSING HYMN** "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" UMH #240 (vs 1,2)

† BENEDICTION

† **RECESSIONAL** "More Like You" TFWS#2167 (first half)

**POSTLUDE** 

Bell Carol Ukrainian

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

**Bold** print indicates congregation response

Thank you to everyone that participated in, organized, directed and supervised the Children's Program. Your efforts were enjoyed by everyone.

The altar flowers are presented in honor of Pastor Paul