

### *Upcoming Events and Information*

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

Coffee & donut hosts for Sunday, January 22nd are Rita & Rory Smith.

Leadership Training Saturday, January 28th 9:00 - noon.

No Regrets Men's Conference on Saturday, February 4th in sanctuary.

- **Everyday Essentials** for local pantries are being accepted in Fellowship Hall. **January collection: laundry detergent.** Also needed: **travel-sized toiletries**. Thank you for helping those in need!
- **Loose coins for January: Rev. Dr. Jin Y Kim**
- **5th Sunday donations for January** designated for Human Relations Day
- **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> Jeff Davey	<b>10:00 AM</b> Carolyn Heuck
<b>Greeters:</b>	Lynn Majewski	Andy Pitsch
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jan Davey	Warren Heuck



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# **WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**JANUARY 15, 2023  
2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

**Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church**  
**January 15, 2023**

**ENTRANCE**

**PRELUDE**

*Medley of Hymns*

**INTROIT**

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

by Lanny Wolfe

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**† CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAISE:** (Matthew 3, Acts 10)

Listen, you people of God.

**God has called each of us to be a light to the nations.**

The Lord has put a new song in our lives, a song of praise to our God.

**We will sing of God's salvation. We will shout of God's faithfulness.**

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**† OPENING HYMN** "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" UMH #383 (vs 1,4,5)

**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** "Lord, Be Glorified" TFWS #2150 (vs. 1,3)

**SCRIPTURE READING** Luke 1:46-56

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

**SERMON**

Steve Downes

**THANKSGIVING**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**RESPONSE**

**OFFERTORY**

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

**† PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**Sacrifices and offerings you do not desire, O God, but the transformation of our hearts and minds. This we know. As we await your revelation in the world, fashion us and all that we offer this day into a living testimony of your glory. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

**SENDING FORTH**

**† CLOSING HYMN** "Spirit Song" UMH #347 (vs 1)

**† BENEDICTION**

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

**POSTLUDE**

*Standing on the Promises*

by L. Kelso Carter

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

***Bold print indicates in unison***

The flowers on the altar are in celebration of  
*Renee Duncan (donut lady)*

