

Upcoming Events and Information

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

Coffee & donut hostess for Sunday, January 29th is Jan Glover.
Leadership Training Saturday, January 28th 9:00 - noon.
Potluck meal following 10:00 service on Sunday, January 29th.
No Regrets Men's Conference on Saturday, February 4th in sanctuary.

Altar flowers today are in celebration of *Bella Styles'* birthday from Grandma Amy & Grandpa Steve Lopez.

- **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

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

Liturgists:	8:00 AM Mary Downes	10:00 AM Stacey Wendelken
Greeters:	Renee Duncan	Matt & Myla Wendelken
Ushers:	Steve Downes	Ellie & Sadie Wendelken



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JANUARY 22, 2023
3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church
January 22, 2023

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

*Chorale on "Gott Sei Dank"
Sing to the Lord on High*

arr. Rob Roy Perry
by Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

INTROIT

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place

by Lanny Wolfe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAISE: (Micah 6, Psalm 15, Matthew 5)

What does the Lord require of you?

To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.

With what shall we come before the Lord?

**With speech that is gentle, and words that build up. With actions
bring peace and works that lift up the lowly.**

Come, let us worship the Lord our God in spirit and in truth.

All are welcome here!

† OPENING HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

UMH #451 (vs 1,2)

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

BELL CHOIR

"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

arr. Linda Lamb

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:00AM)

HYMN

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"

TFWS #2086

SCRIPTURE READING Galatians 6:2 and 1 Corinthians 1:10

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

God of mercy and compassion, may these offerings be for the world: peace and justice, love and kindness, comfort and hope; may these offerings be for our church: honor and openness, gratitude and thankfulness, inspiration and expectation. Blessed are those who seek justice, love, kindness, and walk humbly with our God. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

† CLOSING HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

UMH #593 (vs 2,3)

† BENEDICTION

Seek justice and discover God's blessings.

We go forth to walk humbly before our God.

Practice kindness and touch Christ's presence within.

We go forth to follow the way of peace.

Share mercy and abide in the Holy Spirit.

We go forth in the footsteps of compassion. Amen.

† RECESSIONAL

"More Like You"

TFWS #2167 (first half)

POSTLUDE

I Stand Amazed in the Presence

by Charles H. Gabriel

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

Bold print indicates in unison