Upcoming Events and Information

Tue./Thur.:Exercise Group (Fireside Room)3:30pmWednesdays:Bell Choir Practice5:15pmSaturdays:Men's Bible Study (Fireside Room)8:00amSundays:Combined Youth Group (MS & HS)1:00-2:30pm

Potluck today following 10:00 service. Monday, Jan. 30th Missions Committee meeting at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan 31st Worship Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2nd Greeting Card Ministry at 9:30 a.m.

Coffee & donut host/hostess for Sunday, Feb. 5th are Sue Klock & Steve Lopez. 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

Youth Director: Melissa Hurley

Music Ministry: Judy Bushman (Organist)

Mary Nelmes (Handbell Choir Director)

10:00 AM

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

A/V Specialists: Logan Ayala and Joey Cordell

8:00 AM Wendy Fitzanko

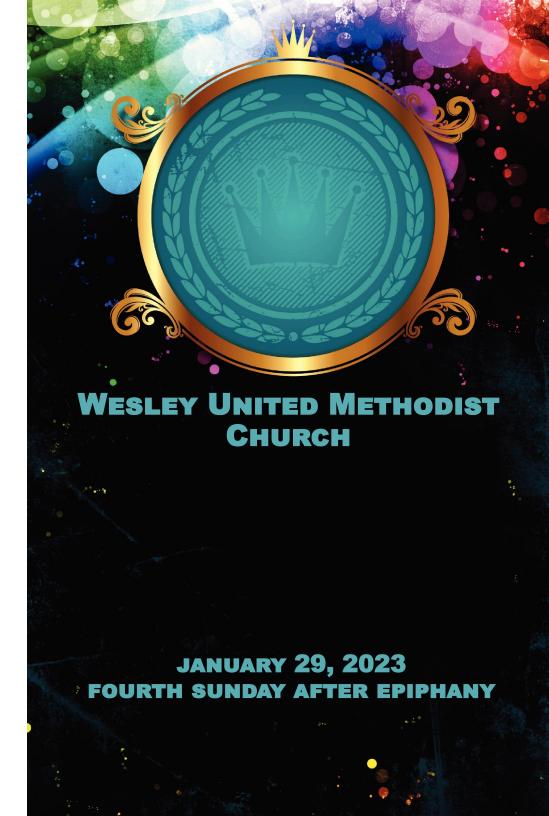
Liturgists:Wendy FitzankoAaron FlickGreeters:Aaron & Derek FitzankoAaron & Remy FlickUshers:James FitzankoDevon & Jovie Flick



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Welcome to Wesley United Methodist Church January 29, 2023

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

Arioso by J.S. Bach/arr. Bill Irwin Fantasia by Johann Pachelbel The Old Rugged Cross by George Bennard/arr. Robert J. Hughes

INTROIT

Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place by Lanny Wolfe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

†CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAISE: (Psalm 29, Luke 3:21-22)

The voice of God resounds upon the water.

The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.

The Son of God is named, "Beloved."

And all who worship shout out, "Glory!"

Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.

Let us worship God in holy splendor.

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

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 "Spirit of God" TFWS #2117 (vs 1,5)

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2:8-12

This is the Word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God

SERMON "The Sign for You"

THANKSGIVING

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

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

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† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, we are thankful for your love and mercy on our life and grateful for your providence. May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as your faithful daughters and sons, born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen

SENDING FORTH

†CLOSING HYMN "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" UMH #402 (vs 2,3)

† BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE

Sent Forth by God's Blessing Welsh Folk Tune

†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 Amy Lopez

