



# Wesley Park Weekly

January 13, 2019

Date	Event	Birthdays	Anniversaries
Monday, January 14		Steve Ellens	
Tuesday, January 15		Joey Schick	
Wednesday, January 16	Women's Prayer Group, 10 AM Community Dinner, 5:30 PM Youth Group, 6:30 PM Bible Study, 6:30 PM Square Dance, 6:45 PM		
Thursday, January 17	Praise Team!, 5 PM Chancel Choir, 6:30 PM	Annette Jeltema Sally Morrow	
Friday, January 18		Peg Pittenger Kirgin Tanis	
Saturday, January 19		Jackie Andary	
Sunday, January 20	Foundations Service, 9:15 AM Youth Group, 9:30 AM Fellowship, 10:30 AM IMPACT, 11 AM Dinner Theater Practice, noon	Kevin Graham David Mosqueda Myron Williams	

## Blue Bags Ministry Share Offering

### 100% Ministry Shares Challenge

Received To Date:  
**\$753**  
**(1 Weeks Completed)**

Remaining Balance Needed:  
**\$46,269**  
**(51 Weeks Remaining)**

Offered last week: **\$753**

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### Pastor's Page

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words.

Romans 8:26

The Congregational Care Team and the Women's Wednesday Prayer Group are prepared to sit with anyone in need of someone to pray with today or at any time.

The Women's Wednesday Prayer Group meets each week and holds the church, community, and world in prayer. They carry with them the names of those they are lifting in prayer and know that God both receives prayer and responds. Look for: Joan Boyd, Susan Kaminski, Anne Bellgraph, Phyllis Prentiss, Jan McReery, Gayle Poertner, Myrtle Hartzog, Janice Thompson, Pauline Shinn, Pam Bravata, Esther Fernandez

The Congregational Care Team meets each month for continuing education, prayer, and support. Members of the Congregational Care Team visit people in need of connection and prayer in their homes or at the hospital or care center. The Congregational Care Team is in the process of creating a prayer room by Easter near the narthex. Look for: Maynard Culver, Anna Rabine, Susan Kaminski, Chuck Johnson, Janice Thompson, Gayle Poertner, Darlene Pinder, Mary Mingledorff, Tena Podein

As you open yourself up to praying with someone, consider these guides:

1. Create a safe space.
2. Listen with undivided attention.
3. Love unconditionally.
4. Remain non-judgmental.
5. Hold one another in the Light of Christ.
6. Allow for silence.
7. Maintain confidentiality.

*Randee Pittin*

## *The Prayers of Our Hearts*

**Nancy Carpenter** - Please pray for Judy Vander Meer (she used to play piano here). She's been diagnosed with Dementia and her husband is looking for help with her while he is at work.

**Marilyn Knapp** - We're grateful for the beautiful Covenant Service as part of our heritage thru John Wesley.

**Dolores Sanford** - Prayers that Ron's new test shows some improvement.

**Jackie Matson** - Prayers for my grandson, Dylan, who is in the military and having some difficulties.

**Freddi Angus** - Still in need of prayers for the twins, Carlie and Cora. Cora is out of the ICU, but Carlie is still in critical condition. My dear friend, Marianne Gibbs Smith, went to Heaven on January 5. She is a wonderful author. She will be missed.

**Dorie DeCommer** - Pray for my son and his family. Their neighbors need a different, kinder heart. Sallie's wheelchair is broken so she stayed home. Thank you.

**Kathy DenHollander** - Prayers for friend, Stephanie, whose brother died suddenly and my niece, Kara, who is not making good decisions. There are 3 young girls involved. Thank you very much.

**Damary Lofgren** - Thank you Dean for the beautiful Epiphany service and celebration on Saturday with La Nueva Esperanza UMC. The music was fabulous and so was the food.

## **Holy Conversations**

Wednesday night dinners and adult classes will start up again on January 16th at 5:30 pm. There will be a class for younger kids and childcare for infants and toddlers. You can register for the class online at: <https://goo.gl/forms/RvDg36Zx6QUgmqzK2> or at the Information Desk. Contact the office with any questions.

## **Youth Dinner Theater**

The youth have begun practicing for their 5th annual dinner theater performance which will be held on March 23, 2019. They stay after church every Sunday until 3 pm. We are in need of some folks to provide lunches for the kids. The dates that are still available are Jan 27; February 17 and 24; March 10. Please contact Bill Schick (616-261-0428) if you would like to volunteer.

## **Craft Day**

Do you like to knit, crochet, scrap book, stamp, sew, quilt, woodworking or that is not mentioned? Or just hang out with others?

The last Saturday of each month thru April, come to church and work on your crafts from 9am-3pm. The first one will be January 26th. Let us know what you need for tables and/or chairs. We just ask for a donation to help heat and pay for the electricity while we are here.

Bring an extension cord if you need it. Lunch is not provided, so bring a sack lunch or order in. If you would like to bring a snack to share, this is optional.

You can register at <https://goo.gl/forms/YA4E0kLWQd0j28n23>

See you on the 26th. Bring a friend or two. The more the merrier.

## **United Methodist Women**

All women are invited to meet with the United Methodist Women in the Welcome Center at 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday, January 22. The program will look at historic ways Methodist women have worked together to ensure human flourishing despite whatever was happening in the world around them. Also, "Reading the Bible in a Year" will be discussed. Bring your Bible and any devotional booklet you are using or have been especially helpful to you. Childcare is provided.

## **Wesley Park Variety Show**

Can you sing, dance, play an instrument, tell jokes, cook, or any other talent? We need you to sign up for the variety show on March 2 at 2 pm. You can register online (<https://goo.gl/forms/bMh9NkBfnQOuxRMz1>) or at the Information Desk. Contact Cindy Lang (616-531-0862) if you have any questions. Deadline for signing up is Sunday, February 24.