

Date	Event	Birthdays	Anniversaries
Monday, October 29		Susan Kaminski Jan Kutschinski	
Tuesday, October 30			Steve & Pam Bravata
Wednesday, October 31	Womens Prayer Group 10 AM		
Thursday, November 1	Knitting Group, 10 AM Food Truck, 5 PM Praise Team!, 5 PM Chancel Choir, 6:30 PM		
Friday, November 2		Krista Berends	David & Mary Workman
Saturday, November 3	Square Dance, 6 PM	Suzanne Elliott	
Sunday, November 4	Foundations Service, 9:15 AM Youth Group, 9:30 AM Fellowship, 10:30 AM IMPACT, 11 AM	Courtney Buck Andrew Kropp	Joe & Jayne Schafer

Blue Bags Ministry Share Offering

100% Ministry Shares Challenge

Received To Date:
\$22,314
(43 Weeks Completed)

Remaining Balance Needed:
\$29,022
(9 Weeks Remaining)

Offered last week: **\$279**

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Wesley Park Weekly

October 28, 2018

Pastor's Page

*And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."
Revelation 21:5*

In 2013, Wesley Park invested in new computers to help tell the story of Jesus. The previous computers had served the church well over the years but with advances in worship technology it was time to upgrade. Rather than plugging in lots of different styles and brands of laptops and desktops we decided to go with one operating system allowing all the technology to work in unison so that we can talk to one another clearly. We chose Apple brand laptops and desktops, along with two mini iPads. I have always appreciated the reliability of a Mac computer. I have found them trustworthy and capable of creative expressions in print and video. The computers have worked great together and they continue to work great! Thanks be to God!

As with all computers, from time to time there are required free updates to download and install. These updates address problems people have experienced, close any vulnerabilities, and introduce new ways of working more efficiently. The changes are incremental and might even be hard to notice at first. But over time the updates help strengthen the system for the long haul. This week it was time to download and install macOS Mojave Version 10.14 which unveiled dynamic organization with a click of a button, intuitive searching, and an option to help focus on the task at hand more fully.

All this made me think of what God is doing in each of us all the time. When we plug into prayer, worship, study, and service God is constantly updating our Operating Systems! Yes, the changes might be hard to notice at first but with continued use you will find it easier to do the work that Christ requires of us. Day after day, God is at work making all things new. Take a moment to reboot, and then go and make disciples of Christ for the transformation of the world.

Randee Martin

The Prayers of Our Hearts

Val Rienks - Cognitive testing results came in this week. I am testing average for a person of my age. No signs of dementia, ADHD or depression. I do have a panic disorder which I deal with by avoidance of crowded places. Continued prayers as I look for a new home for my mother-in-law.

Dolores Sanford - Thank you for the many prayers. Ron's MRI showed more healing in the bones.

Chuck Johnson - Prayers for friend, Keith U'Ren. He is now guarding the gates of Heaven. Semper Fi brother.

Susan Kaminski - Please pray for my stepson, Ryan, as he travels to California on Monday and returns on Friday. Thanks!

Julie Riemersma - God is working in my life and I am thankful for that. He forgives me and loves me even though I am a sinner.

Rick & Sheryl Jones - It is cold!

Adrienne Prentiss - Please pray for my friend, Maggie. She has cancer and is in a lot of pain. Please pray for healing and relief, meaning and time with the people who love her. Pray that she will know how much she is loved.

Ross & Erin Vanderlaan - We are so thankful to celebrate with Kay & Ray for their adoption finalization of their son, Tyler, this week. We ask continued prayers for patience as we wait on God's plan for our adoption.

Ken & Linda McKenney - Prayers for those suffering physical and mental health issues.

Marilyn Knapp - Thank you Liz for your lovely organ music.

Nancy Carpenter - Prayers please for broken friendships and the loss of trust.

Esther Fernandez - We will miss you in choir, Gordon and Maynard, but I understand and will keep you in my heart always. Thank you for singing for so many years. God bless you!

Bake Sale

The youth is going to be hosting a bake sale in conjunction with their annual craft/vendor show. They will be looking for donations of your baked goods to sell. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Family Promise Christmas Store

Annual Craft and Vender Show

The youth group will be hosting their annual craft and vendor show on Saturday, November 24, 2018. There are still a few booths available to rent. All proceeds are going to benefit Family Promise Christmas Store. Please contact the office with any questions (tabi@wesleypark.org, 616-988-6738).

Statements and Year End Giving

Your third quarter giving statements are now available in the Welcome Center! Also, if you would like to consider how you might benefit from year end giving, an informational brochure is available in the welcome center as well. Thank you for your faithful giving!

Invitation

Our congregation was started in the 1950's by the Grand Rapids Metro Ministry. We are invited to a celebration of the 65 years of Metro Ministry at 3 p.m. Sunday, November 11, at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, [4301 Ambrose Ave. NE](#), one of the other churches started by Metro. At the beginning of 2019, Metro will unite with the mission and outreach ministry of our new Midwest District. Join others on November 11 to celebrate all that United Methodists in Grand Rapids have done in urban ministry since 1954!

Diaper Donations

Just a reminder that we are continuously accepting donations of diapers to hand out at the food truck the first Thursday of the month. You can bring them in anytime throughout the month; but they will be blessed on the first Sunday of each month. Contact the office (616-988-6738) if you have any questions.