

Date	Event	Birthdays	Anniversaries
Monday, February 15	Council, 7:00 pm		
Tuesday, February 16	Praise Team, 7 pm		Maynard & Imogene Culver
Wednesday, February 17	Prayer Group, 10 am Fellowship Meal, 5 pm Youth Group, 6 pm Disciple Class, 6:15 pm Ladies Bible Study, 7 pm	Gabrielle Gast	
Thursday, February 18	Baton Class, 5:30 pm Chancel Choir, 7 pm	Arvilla De Vries	
Friday, February 19		Duane Frick Lonnie Mosqueda	
Saturday, February 20		Jill Beck David Coates Krystal Kinney Robert Timm	
Sunday, February 21	Worship, 9 am Faith Formation, 10 am Worship, 11 am	Margaret Lowing Nicholas Wierenga Susan Wright	

Dates to Remember

☆ Florentine's Dinner: **February 22**

☆ Purchase your ticket (\$10 adult, \$4 child) after worship today just outside the sanctuary or at the door. Remember to add on your tip for good service.

Our Mission is to build a Christian community with all people.

Our Vision: By 2018, Wesley Park will strive to inspire from the youngest to the oldest and everybody in between to live out the greatest commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself.



Wesley Park

February 14, 2016

Our Lenten Journey: Poverty and Hunger

Access of West Michigan's Logo includes the words: "Providing a place at the table." This table imagery describes the importance of relationship-building, and getting to know one another as we sit around the table. The table also is a powerful sign in our community of faith, representing the Lord's Table, the breaking of bread and the acts of service, compassion, repentance, and grace.

Celebrating the activity of God in our midst, the mission of Access of West Michigan is to be a faith-based leader in linking congregational, individual, and community resources to eliminate hunger and reduce the impact of poverty in Kent County.

Please welcome Brenda Nichols today, who has come from **Access of West Michigan** to share the message in worship. Poverty and Hunger affects the lives of our neighbors, friends, family members, co-workers, students, and community. It is important for us to understand as well as we can the challenges that hunger and poverty pose. This time of worship might cause us to ask difficult questions, and to seek out ways to walk alongside one another.

We may even consider what it means to sit at table together. Who is hungry - for food, for connection, for faith, for hope?

Randee R. Hill

Florentine's Dinner Monday, February 22

Buy your tickets today for all-you-can-eat Spaghetti, salad, drink, and bread sticks (\$10 adults, \$4 children, not including tip). Tickets will be sold after each worship service. This all-church fund raiser is the fourth Monday of each month.

Wesley Park Youth Give Back

The Wesley Park youth are hosting a fundraiser for Helen Devos Children's Hospital through Thirty-One. The youth group has had 2 youth members diagnosed with cancer in the last year and both have been treated and supported by the staff at HDCH. The kids want to fill care packages for cancer patients at the hospital. We will be filling Thirty-One Cinch Sac's with items picked out by Hannah and Ben and delivering them to the hospital. The congregation can either purchase a cinch sac (that will be given to a patient) or donate money towards purchasing a bag. If you have any questions or would like to donate; you can do so at the Youth table in Narthex.

Ministry Shares

100% Ministry Shares Challenge

Received To Date:
\$3050
(6 Weeks Completed)

Remaining Balance Needed:
\$48483
(46 Weeks Remaining)

Offered last week: **\$902**

Youth Mission Trip Support

Ever thought about changing someone's life? You can!! The youth group is traveling to Marvell, Arkansas this coming July for a our annual mission trip. While there we will be engaging in exterior work on resident's homes, and running a VBS day camp for elementary aged children. The cost per youth is \$288.00. Would you consider changing a life and helping to pay for one youth to go on this amazing experience? Envelopes and giving amounts can be marked "Youth Mission Trip" and checks can be made out to "Wesley Park Youth." Thank you! The Wesley Park Youth - "Changing Hearts And Minds One Gathering At A Time"

UMW Meeting Tuesday, February 23

The UMW will meet in the Cornerstone room at 6:30 pm. Rose Simmons, Director of Older Services and Community Relations at United Methodist Community House will be speaking. All women are invited to come and learn more about our local United Methodist ministry at Community House. Childcare will be provided.

Blood Drive

Sign up today to give blood on March 20. See Bill Kerby for more information.

Fair Trade Coffee

Fair Trade Coffee is available in the Marv and Omie Tanis Welcome Center, in the Family Life Center, and in the downstairs Fellowship Hall each Sunday.

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