



# Wesley Park Weekly

April 21, 2019

## Pastor's Page

He is risen! He is risen, indeed! Let us embrace the new life all around us.

The Community Garden begins its second growing season soon. What does it mean to grow fresh food? How could we share the food that is grown? Are you interested in helping? \* Did you know that Griffin Urrutia is planning to build benches for the Community Garden and Play Area at Wesley Park? Could you invite people to sit and pray in the garden, or play in the playground? \* The Wesley Park UMC Congregational Care Team connects with people who need a visit or contact. Have you ever needed someone to pray with? Would you like to pray with others? \* The Wesley Park Prayer Room is ready. What would you need to have a sacred space to pray? \* The Memorial Garden work will pick up again this spring and summer. Have you volunteered to help with the planting and upkeep? Have you shared with others the information about the Columbarium? \* The United Methodist Women organization has turned 150 this year. Have you thought about getting more involved in Missions? \* The Youth Group will be going on their mission trip July 13-20. Have you considered helping to sponsor a youth to go on this life-changing experience? \* The Food Truck (Feeding America Mobile Food Pantry) comes to Wesley Park the first Thursday of each month. Have you ever volunteered to help? How does the Food Truck connect with our mission, to build a Christian community with all people? \* Have you thought about bringing change the first Sunday to worship for our noisy Sunday? This offering helps to buy diapers. \* The next Family Promise week is May 12-18. Have you ever volunteered to help at the church? Consider signing up early and inviting a friend to lend a hand creating a home for our special guests for the week. \* Do you love to sing? Do you know someone who loves to sing? Have you talked with Sara about joining the Choir?

*Rae Dea Martin*

Date	Event	Birthday	Anniversary
Today, April 21	Sunrise Service, 7 AM Easter Breakfast, 7:30 AM Foundations Service, 9:15 AM Fellowship Time, 10:30 AM IMPACT Service, 11 AM		
Monday, April 22	Office Closed Administrative Team, 10 AM		
Tuesday, April 23	UMW, 6:30 PM		
Wednesday, April 24	Women's Prayer Group, 10 AM Community Dinner, 5:30 PM Book Study, 6:30 PM Youth Group, 6:30 PM Square Dance, 6:45 PM Faith Development Team, 8 PM	Brad Berends Richard Soest	Tom & Deb Workman
Thursday, April 25	Praise Team!, 5 PM Chancel Choir, 6:30 PM		Doug & Karin Drost
Friday, April 26	Rummage Sale Set-up, 5 PM Craft Day, 6 PM		
Saturday, April 27	Rummage Sale, 8 AM Craft Day, 9 AM		
Sunday, April 28	Foundation Service, 9:15 AM Youth Group, 9:30 AM Fellowship Time, 10:30 AM IMPACT Service, 11 AM		

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Contact the office to receive weekly emails on our Care Connection.

## *The Prayers of Our Hearts*

- ❖ **Shirley Diederiks** - Thank you for this day. I am counting my blessings everyday. So glad to have a church family and a church to be able to worship. Have a blessed week!! Beautiful anthem, choir! Thank you Pastor Dean for the lovely message this morning.
- ❖ **Ann Bellgraph** - I enjoy the old hymns so much. Reminds me of attending church with my dear mother, Esther. She lived by example and was responsible for me attending Wesley Park.
- ❖ **Myrtle Hartzog** - A very good sermon.
- ❖ **Kathy DenHollander** - My trip to Memphis and Nashville was so fun. What amazing sights, music, and many new friends.
- ❖ **Ron & Dolores Sanford** - Prayers for good results for Ron's MRI on Wednesday and Friday.
- ❖ **Tjeerdsma Family** - Prayers for my cousin and his family.
- ❖ **Nancy Carpenter** - My fibromyalgia is flaring and causing me so much pain. Please pray for relief. Thank you.
- ❖ **Esther Fernandez** - Please pray for my niece, Miriam. She was tested on Friday. Pray that she does not have breast cancer; but God's will be done. Thank you. Continue praying for Anna. She is doing well after her second surgery. I am so proud of her. Pray for her kids. Thank you Sara for choosing that song. I love it.
- ❖ **Maynard Culver** - Pray for our church.
- ❖ **Julie Riemersma** - I pray for all the seasons of life. Thank you Lord for walking with us all the way. Prayers for friends going through a hard time.
- ❖ **David Waugh & Tena Podein** - Prayers of comfort, peace, and love for Jill and her whole family as they begin another journey without their dear husband, father, and friend.
- ❖ **Linda Carter** - Please pray for my friend who is having neck surgery.
- ❖ **Laura Szczepanek** - Prayers for my mom in Florida. She is fighting our assisted living requests. I go back May 12 to bring her to Michigan. Lots of issues with her health. One day at a time, sweet Jesus, one day at a time.
- ❖ **Lynda Edsall** - Prayers for those who struggle and who see no way forward. Help all to see that God is always with us.
- ❖ **Barb DeCan** - Prayers for some tests this week and that all goes well.
- ❖ **Mary Jane Milheron** - I need prayer for high anxiety. Prayers for Mike's family and for good results from the MRI.

- ❖ **Bob & Rosie McDowell** - Pray for God's will to be done in our families health situation as our 56 year old son, Curt Owen, has been diagnosed with terminal kidney (renal clear cell carcinoma) failure. He has been told he has 2 or so years left. We are praying God will heal him.
- ❖ **Diane Carpenter** - Please God, bless our children and help them to have a Christian life.
- ❖ **Val Rienks** - Trystan is registered for kindergarten. He will be in an all day class and will ride the bus with Kyley. The MRI tech said if there was something unusual someone would have come right in. No one came in so we just wait for the results.
- ❖ **Liz Montcastle** - Prayers for Rich and Nancy. Rich is going through serious health problems. Prayers for guidance in making difficult decisions.
- ❖ **Aimee Terry** - Thank you all for your prayer and support. Avery has been referred to get a brain scan and nerve conductor test. Please continue to pray that we we find answers to why Avery is experiencing leg weakness and that God will lead us to right doctors. God will heal our Avery.
- ❖ **Linda Conklin** - To the music team: Every week your gifts fill my soul with joy. For all prayer warriors: Please pray for me. I am undergoing testing for a possible lymphoma recurrence.
- ❖ **Chuck Johnson** - Prayers for Jane's sister, Beth, and her family as our brother-in-law, Tom, goes thru his surgery on April 16th.
- ❖ **Sallie McLean** - Please pray for Dorie and me because the bus does not come next week. It's my favorite time of the year.

## **Craft Day(s)**

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 Friday (6pm-10pm) and Saturday (9am-3pm) of each month thru April, come to church and work on your crafts. 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. You can bring a snack to share, but this is optional. You can register at <https://forms.gle/nXf6c99yWBQTYWoHA>. See you on the 26th and 27th. This will be the last crafting weekend for the spring. Bring a friend or two. The more the merrier.

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