

Date	Event	Birthdays	Anniversaries
Monday, June 20	Council, 7 pm	David Moore Laura Reidel	Myron & Maudy Williams
Tuesday, June 21	Senior Saints, 12 pm Rock and Mineral, 6:15 pm	Bill Beaty Phyllis Orcutt Jerry Seim	Jeffrey & Shari Piccard
Wednesday, June 22	Prayer Group, 10 am Worship, 7 pm	Doreen Coates Hope Hurtgers	
Thursday, June 23	Intro to Spanish, 6:30 pm Softball, 7:30 pm	Tony McCarty	
Friday, June 24		Jim Bloomer	
Saturday, June 25		Tom Montcastle	Alan & Susan Wright
Sunday, June 26	Worship, 10 am Faith + Fun day, 11 am	Gregory Brewer Charlie Swanson	

Senior Saints

A friendly reminder that the Senior Saints will meet on June 21 at noon for a potluck lunch. They will meet in the Family Life Center.

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Wesley Park

June 19, 2016

Annual Conference Reflections

We will have additional opportunities to share what happened at Annual Conference, but please allow me to give a brief summary. Each year delegates from every United Methodist Church in the West Michigan Conference gather for Annual Conference. Lay and clergy worship together, receive reports, debate and decide on legislation, and renew our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. This was Bishop Kiesey's final Conference before her retirement. For the first time, Annual Conference met at the Michigan State University Breslin Center. And, for the first time, the West Michigan Conference met with the Detroit Conference, anticipating the new Michigan Area Conference that will bring us all together as one in 2019.

The combined Michigan Area Annual Conference was both challenging and extremely rewarding. One of my responsibilities was to step in as the Shuttle Commander, and make sure there were busses and routes to transport the thousands of delegates around MSU. It was a joy to work with the "Grace Patrol." I was also elected to be the Chair of the Order of Elders, to work with the incoming Bishop to provide support, encouragement, connection, and continuing education for the Elders in Full Connection in our conference. And, I was reappointed to serve Wyoming: Wesley Park United Methodist Church. For this I am very thankful and blessed.

During the conference, we participated in an emotional act of repentance for the injustices committed against Native Americans. The conference also was inspired by the witness of those doing transformative mission. Worship was highlighted by beautiful music, and powerful preaching from Bishop Deb Kiesey, Bishop Don Ott, and Bishop Gregory Palmer. Significant times of prayer and calls for action and strength in the face of the gun violence on Sunday were especially meaningful. New friendships were made, old friendships were rekindled, and hope in the midst of our struggles became the theme of the conference. May we all celebrate what God has been doing, and continue the work that is before us.

Randee R. H. H.

Random Acts of Kindness

Ever thought about how to show God's love to the community as a church? On June 12th, July 10th and August 14th we will be meeting from 11-12:30 in the Family Life Center to plan a HUGE Random Acts of Kindness event in our community for late August. We will also be doing a smaller community service project each of these Sunday's. These meetings are open to everyone!! Have ideas? Please put them on the enclosed card and make the meetings if you can!! Thank you! The Youth.

Wesley Park Softball

The next softball double-header is Thursday, June 23 at Orchard Hill Reformed Church, 1465 3 Mile NW. The game begin at 7:30 pm (field 2). You won't be able to miss the new uniforms! We hope to see you there!

Intro to Spanish Class Starts June 9

Are you interested in learning some introductory Spanish this summer? Many of our friends who visit the food truck on the 1st Thursday of the month speak only Spanish or very little English. In order to be hospitable hosts to our Spanish speaking friends at the food truck and in our community we will be offering a basic Spanish course taught by Jeanie Friedland who teaches Spanish classes locally at UCOM as well as private lessons. Spanish learners of all levels are invited to join us June 9th at 6:30pm for the 1st class. The hour-long lessons will be held through the summer on Thursdays at 6:30pm except for the 1st Thursdays of the month when we host the food truck and are able to practice our Spanish while getting to know our neighbors better. Please email Anna Spencer (aspencer@wesleypark.org) or call the office if you are interested in attending. Jeanie told me today that she believes that anyone can learn another language! With consistent attendance and a little practice at home or with other Spanish speakers, you will be on your way to speaking more Spanish.

Summer Worship-Plus!

Our 10 am Summer Worship experiences will included a little something extra each week. Please plan to stay after the service to engage your faith.

- First Sunday: Meal
- Second Sunday: Random Acts of Kindness
- Third Sunday: Training
- Fourth Sunday: Faith and Fun Days

Beginning June 15 we will also have a Wednesday night 7 pm service, centered on prayer. Each week we will lift up a particular group in prayer inviting them into this Prayer Service. Wednesday night worship concludes August 24 with a Blessing of the Animals outdoor service.

Summer Faith + Fun Days

Mark your calendars for the Summer Faith + Fun days after the 10 am services:

- ◆ Sunday, June 26th – Potluck + Carnival games at the Church
- ◆ Sunday, July 31st – Cookout + Games at the Park
- ◆ Sunday, August 28th – Picnic at John Ball Zoo

Family Camp

When: Friday, August 19 - Sunday, August 21

Where: Lakeview Camp, Lakeview, MI

Cost: \$54 per site

Reservations can be made with Val Rienks in the Marv and Omie Tanis Welcome Center between services on May 22 and before and after services beginning June 5. Deposit of \$27 due at time of reservation. Please make check out to Lakeview Camp. Cash is also accepted.

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Nancy Carpenter - Please pray for Vicky, who is in treatment for lung and esophageal cancer.

Susan Kaminski - Bless you, Will, for showing the love for God that you have.

AJ Valdez - Asking for prayers for my grandfather, Gary. Prayers that Hospice provides him with the most comfort possible. Please pray also for strength for the family.

Jan McCreery - Doug is having open heart surgery. Not sure of the date. We will find out Monday (June 13).

Esther Fernandez - Please pray for my great niece, Mira. She is only 3 months old and is in the hospital with an infection. My heart goes out to her and her parents. God is good. Blessings to you all. Al, I do love it when you sing. Thank you.

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Pat Beadle - Thank you Anna.

Sallie McLean - Pray for Dorie. She is still in the hospital after 6 weeks.

Freddi Angus - Thank you Al. Well done Anna!

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