



All You Can We Need Wisdom

October 18 & 19, 2025

Proverbs 2:6

For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

2 Timothy 1:5

I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

Message Notes

Wisdom:

1. Begins with God
2. Has a Relational Quality
3. Requires Humility

Food for Thought

When you think of someone being 'wise,' what qualities do you think of?

In what ways does God give you wisdom? In what areas of life would you like to receive more wisdom?

Who are people in your life from who you gained wisdom? With whom in your life are you sharing your wisdom?

In what ways do you feel you have wisdom when it comes to managing your money? In what ways would you like more wisdom?

How does gaining wisdom give you life and hope?

STILL WATERS exists to **FIND** the lost, **RELEASE** the captive and **DEVELOP** disciples of Jesus

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Worship Hours: Saturday 5:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am & 10:30 am

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-2pm

Happy Birthday!

Oct 19	Jill Dhein, Al Helsell, Judy McCabe-Krudwig, Kim Silver
Oct 22	Lily Smith
Oct 24	Rachel Fechter, Rhonda Peterson, Leah Witte
Oct 25	Eugene Schneider, Karen Vallee

Happy Anniversary!

Oct 22	Kevin & Jenny Ruffing
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Saturday
5pm

Ushers

Jan Giza

Sunday
9am

Kelly & Vicki Passineau

10:30am

The Miles Family

Greeters

Rick & Debbie Dembeck

Paul Sanders & Heidi Ludorf

Church Website



Online Giving



Greetings Still Waters Family and Friends! I hope your fall is going well! As the fall routine is perhaps settling, I wonder... What decisions are the important ones in your life right now? Where do you need some perspective on relationships and life? How are you feeling about finances, especially knowing that Christmas is around the corner? We are starting a series this weekend called "All You Can." Just as God has given us all that He is, the question we might ponder is, "How can I give all that I am back to God and His world?" We enter this series considering how we are stewarding our resources. The series will culminate in Consecration Sunday, in which we will have a wonderful celebration! This week, we'll look at the fact that each of us "Need Wisdom." Where are you searching for perspective, insight, and wisdom? Join us this weekend as we begin that discussion!

Here are more details of this and other upcoming opportunities:

Souper Sunday! October 19th, 11:45 a.m.

Last month's "Souper Sunday" was amazing! Thanks to so many who showed as we gathered, connected, laughed, and cared for each other. "Souper Sunday" is an awesome meal for our congregation, sponsored by our youth on the third Sunday of each month. Come for a great meal/ intergenerational fellowship. Free will offering accepted, and proceeds will benefit our amazing youth ministry. Sign up on your Connection Card or website. Contact Lisa with questions.

Trunk or Treat

Save the date! **Sunday, October 19th, from 12:30 -2:30 p.m.** we'll host "Trunk or Treat!" Join us for a wonderful afternoon of treats, s'mores, hot apple cider, photo booth, and more! The event provides a safe family environment for kids to enjoy Halloween! **Kids- feel free to wear your costume to church-** you'll be ready for Trunk or Treat following church! Contact Jena (jenametzler@gmail.com).

Be a Trunk

You can "Be a Trunk"! Come on Sunday, October 19th, with a decorated vehicle trunk, and ready to hand out treats! Come and get your vehicle 'situated' 12:00-12:30, and ready to hand out treats from 12:30 - 2:30 as kids/families come by. See the website for all the guidelines regarding 'being a trunk'.

The Flock, Sunday October 19, 5:00 p.m.

Fellowship and Informational Meeting for Youth, Parents, and Siblings

"The Flock" is the name given to a monthly gathering for an informational meeting for youth, parents, and siblings. Snacks available. This meeting was rescheduled from October 12. Sign up online or on the Connection Card.

Book Study, Monday and Wednesday!

The week of October 20, we will be starting a new 4-week book study, offered in each of our ongoing small groups, studying the book, "**Earn. Save. Give.**" with a subtitle of "**Wesley's Simple Rules for Money**". This new book study, by James A. Harnish, will correspond with our Stewardship series, as we consider how our faith has a relationship to our financial resources. Based on the Methodist Church Founder John Wesley's writings on Faith and Money, we'll learn God's wisdom for managing our own finances so that instead of money controlling us, we can control it! Book is \$14. Choose which day of the week works best for you, each study is an hour long, lasting 4 weeks:

- Mondays, 7:00 p.m. starting October 20, Pastor Lori facilitating
- Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. starting October 22, Jena Metzler facilitating

Celebrate Jay's Ministry, October 25/26

We will be celebrating Jay Maier's ministry as he steps down from the role of Worship Media Coordinator, a position that he has held for sixteen years! Jay has been there through massive media changes, including the significant change introduced by the pandemic when the entire church pivoted to online/video/multi-camera worship. Jay is not going anywhere, and will continue to support our tech and other ministry here as a volunteer. We hope you will be able to be at worship with us on October 25/26 weekend as we celebrate Jay's ministry!

Looking Ahead...

Don't forget to "Fall Back"

Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 2, so remember to set your clocks back an hour (for those of you with clocks that don't do that automatically!) Enjoy the extra hour of sleep and see you Sunday morning!

All Saints Weekend, November 1/2

The weekend of November 1/2 is All Saints Weekend. On this weekend during worship, we remember and honor those who have gone before us and are now in God's heavenly kingdom. We will read the names of those Still Waters members who have passed away within the last year, as we light candles. We will also be given the opportunity for those who would like to, to light additional candles honoring and remembering *all* our loved ones who have gone before us, whether this last year or anytime. It is a wonderful weekend to remember the ways those who have gone before us have impacted us and made us who we are. If you're worshipping online, feel free to get a candle ready at home, that you might light your own candle(s) there.

Peer Mentor Training

Any youth who is a current peer mentor or peer mentor in training, mark your calendars for **Saturday Nov. 8, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** This will be essential leadership training for this for all peer mentors as we continue to grow in our faith and in our leadership. The latter part of the afternoon we will join the adults for Safer Sanctuaries training. Lunch provided. Sign up on the Connection Card or online. Any questions, contact Lisa at swym2019@gmail.com.

Safer Sanctuaries Training

It's that time again! Any adults our peer mentors who work with youth, children or vulnerable individuals are required to take Safer Sanctuaries Training; **Mark your calendars for Saturday Nov. 8, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. It is time to re-certify!** "Safer Sanctuaries" enables faith communities to be empowered and flourish as we continue to make everyone safer. Please sign up on the Connection Card or online. Contact Lisa at swym2019@gmail.com with questions.

Feeding America

You're invited Wednesday, November 12, at 1:00! Let's share food as well as God's love with those who are experiencing food insecurity. We'll distribute food from our church lobby to a couple hundred families. On-the-job training!

Consecration Sunday is Coming!

We are excited to share that a special Sunday is coming... Consecration Sunday, November 16- mark your calendars! Please see the attached letter from our Leadership Board Chairperson, Fred Kandel.

Men's Breakfast, Wednesday, November 19, 8:30 a.m.

Men are invited to this monthly men's breakfast, 3rd Wednesday at 8:30 a.m., meeting at a local restaurant (which switches from month to month). Contact John Haas at jxhaas@yahoo.com or 262-617-7004 to sign up for this month's breakfast! (John calls the restaurant to make a reservation, so please contact him by Tuesday, November 18th.)

ADVENTure- Saturday, Nov. 22nd

Calling all children and families! On SATURDAY November 22nd we will have our Family ADVENTure! We'll begin with a meal at 11:30 a.m. Then from 12:00 -1:30, together we will prepare for the Advent Season (which starts the 4th weekend prior to Christmas, i.e. November 30). During this amazing ADVENTure, we'll learn about and prepare for Advent by uncovering the mystery of the Advent Wreath! You'll journey around to a station for each candle of the Advent wreath then end by making your very own Advent Wreath! Come join us for a family fun filled time! Be sure to sign up on our Connection Card or website so that we have enough materials for all. Invite a friend! This is a great event for all!

Friendsgiving Sunday, November 23rd!

We're so excited for Friendsgiving! The youth will be hosting this intergenerational gathering. Sunday evening, November 23, **doors open at 4 p.m., dinner begins at 5 p.m.** True to Friendsgiving tradition, friends have the chance to sign up from the Still Waters website to provide a side dish of their family's favorite. If you're willing to share your recipes, we will add them into our ever Still Waters Friendsgiving Family Recipe book. (Send recipes ahead of time to office@stillwaterschurch.com.) The current Recipe book which contains our recipes from previous years is available online or pick up a hardcopy in our Still Waters lobby. **Sign up on the website to reserve your spot/table for this event.** Each table will be hosted by one of our very own Still Waters Youth. As we now have invited you to join us for an evening of friendship, food, and fun with a chance to renew and build friendships, we ask you to **extend this invitation to your friends and family** within and outside of Still Waters! See you Sunday evening, Nov 23rd!

Spring Forest Retreat- Dates Confirmed!

We have finalized and confirmed the dates for our retreat at **Spring Forest Retreat Center, North Carolina**, in April of 2026! The retreat will be **Tuesday and Wednesday, April 28 and 29th**, and we will plan to travel on Monday, April 27 and travel back on Thursday, April 30. The cost for the retreat is \$300, which covers the cost of lodging, food, and retreat leader fees. Additionally, (and probably the larger of the cost) several of us will plan to fly on Monday and Thursday. On this retreat, we will get amazing teaching from Dr. Elaine Heath, former dean of Duke Divinity School, as she equips people to connect deeply with God, each other, and the world around us. It is a retreat center on a beautiful farm with walking paths, and there is a rhythm of prayer, learning, work, rest, table. I (Pastor Lori) was able to attend a retreat there this year, found it to be the most powerful and life-changing retreat that I've ever attended. I plan to attend this retreat with you in 2026! We'd love to open the experience up to others! Lodging is on site in a beautiful Farmhouse and Forest House. Assume shared rooms, couples potentially getting their own room. Please talk to Robin Olson, Nancy Oreshack, or Pastor Lori if you have questions. Please sign up on the Connection Card or online. The first 14 that register will have priority to stay on site. A minimum deposit of \$100 will hold your spot. Full payment (remaining \$200) due January 15, 2026. Please indicate dietary restrictions when you sign up.

New Worship Media Coordinator

If you were in worship this last weekend you heard the 'breaking news' shared from the desk of Dean Maytag, our Staff Parish Chairperson! We are excited to let you know that Mark Salewsky will be our new Worship Media Coordinator, beginning November 1. Mark has already been learning the ins and outs of our media team, including preparing pro-presenter (slide) presentations for weekend worship, getting familiar with the cameras, slides, and equipment in the A/V booth. Mark will start officially on November 1. Mark has enthusiastically already begun dreaming new dreams for our media ministry. Please be sure to congratulate Mark when you see him.

Thank YOU!!!

Oh my goodness, many thanks to Kim Bartusek and to the whole Still Waters community for the many ways you shared your appreciation on what apparently was "Pastor Appreciation Weekend" last weekend! Words actually cannot express the many ways you shared your gratitude and how my heart was deeply moved. From the many notes to the surprises of snacks, journal, food, gift cards, and not to mention an amazing cake and decorations! As I mentioned last weekend, it is such a privilege to serve alongside all of you at Still Waters Church. I am very aware that I am very imperfect... In fact, that's part of what it is for each of us to be human. But as I said last weekend, there's something truly beautiful about a congregation full of imperfect people together pursuing the heart of our perfect God.

Thank you Still Waters!

Grace and peace,

Pastor Lori