



Wesley United Methodist Church
3700 Indian Hills Drive
Sioux City, Iowa 51104

Wesley Wings

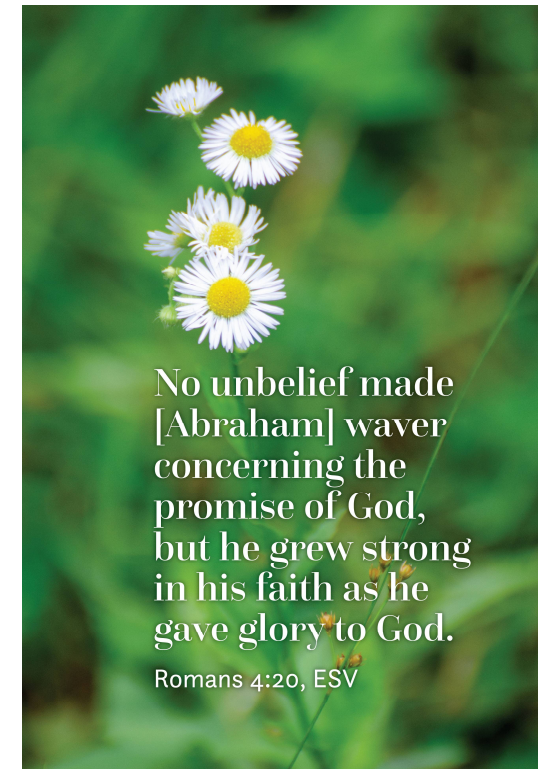
MAY 2023



**Welcome to
Wesley U.M.C.**

9:00 AM Traditional Service
10:00 AM Fellowship time
11:00 AM Inspiration Service

Communion is served on the first
Sunday of every month.



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Last Sunday, April 23, I reminded everyone of the obvious, that we are in a time of transition. For me it feels something like the Exodus wilderness wanderings of God’s people who have left something hard and challenging yet familiar, for something new and adventurously hopeful yet unfamiliar. The reassuring constant through it all, of course, is the cloud of God’s presence that abides with us and guides us.

That’s what the whole past few years have kind of built up to: dealing with all the challenges associated with the pandemic and then all the discussions and at times heated disagreements surrounding questions of disaffiliating from the United Methodist Church to contemplating affiliation with the Global Methodist Church. Now it feels we are at the water’s edge of acting on the determined decisions and direction we have made. Let’s do a brief review:

On September 18, 2022, by way of a special called Church Conference, a majority of members present voted to have the Administrative Council use ways and means to pursue disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church and seek affiliation with the Global Methodist Church. We have sent in our application to join the GMC as a charter member and as of Friday, April 21, we have received acknowledgement and approval for official membership, effective July 1, 2023.

In the meantime, our local transitional leadership will be preparing for a special “Wesley Covenant Service” that will inaugurate our new affiliation membership. The date of that service has yet to be determined.

Also on May 23, a Special Iowa Annual Conference will be held for a Conference vote on our disaffiliation from the UMC along with 78 other Iowa churches. Once likely approval takes place, within a few weeks thereafter, we will pay off all disaffiliation costs of \$115,133 with a \$150,000 loan from Wesley Investment Foundation. The remaining loan money will be used to purchase a new digital electronic sign in front of our property as well as for other aesthetic upgrades and for the removal of old signs.

More information regarding our membership status and process will be shared as soon as possible. If you have any questions you may contact Pastor Todd at 712-578-8850 or any member of our “Transitional” Administrative Council: Tylene Woods (Chairperson) at 712-899-7254, Karen Day at 712-389-8445, Mike Cook at 712-898-2606, Bill Woods at 712-898-4170, Kim Cooper at 712-389-1827, Kevin Arends at 712-490-8565, and Carolyn Yockey Streiffeler at 712-899-8284.

Through it all we trust in the promise of God in Romans 8:28, *“And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.”*

Blessings,
Pastor Todd

May Worship Schedule



Ways to Worship at Wesley:

Join us on Sundays:

- 9:00 AM Traditional Service
- 10:00 AM Fellowship time
- 10:10 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Inspiration Service

You may join us live on our Facebook page on Sundays at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM.



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Finding Inspiration on Sunday Morning!

Looking for something inspirational in a Sunday Service? Prefer a smaller, more familiar service setting than an ‘auditorium’ style service?

Like listening to Contemporary Christian music on the radio at home or on the go?

Come to the “Inspiration” Service at 11 AM on Sunday morning at Wesley! You’re likely to hear some of your favorites performed LIVE during the service and it’s in a more familiar setting.

OK, the music may not be performed by the ‘original’ artists—but the band “Inspire!” performs many of today’s contemporary Christian songs during the service. We select five or more songs each week that meet these criteria:

It is meaningful to the theme of the service that week.

It is easy for the congregation to interact with and even sing or clap along with the music! YES, we Methodists ARE allowed (and we encourage you) to clap and sing along with most of the music. It’s why we put the lyrics up on the screen!

It can be one of the newest songs OR perhaps a more contemporary version of hymns or music done in more traditional settings.

It seeks to glorify God and celebrate his presence in worship.

Inspire! is Emily Bartels on keyboard and vocals, J.R. Reider on 12 string, acoustic and electric guitars, Paula Reider on electric cello and bass and Jim Roscovius on drums and vocals. **BULLETIN!** *We are delighted to announce the return of Chrissy Martinez on keyboard and vocals! We’re glad to have her back playing and singing with us!*

If you’d like, come for coffee and donuts at 10 AM with those who attend the traditional service at 9AM—mingle and enjoy some fellowship time!

And at 11AM join us at the Inspiration Service for a different style of worship!

It’s the best service that you haven’t yet seen!



Part TWO of a series of messages on the Book of ROMANS

The Power of the Gospel

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| April 16 - | Mind Your Business | Rom. 8:1-17 |
| April 23 - | Is it Really Going to Work Out? | Rom. 8:18-30 |
| April 30 - | Love Like a Hurricane | Rom. 8:31-39 |
| May 7 - | A Rock that Doesn’t Roll | Rom. 9 |
| May 14 - | You Can’t Contain It | Rom. 10 |
| May 21 - | Grafted and Growing | Rom. 11:1-27 |
| May 28 - | Wonder-FULL Worship | Rom. 11:28-36 |
| June 4 - | Word of God Speak! | Special Guest |
| June 11 - | LIVE Sacrifice | Rom. 12:1-8 |
| June 18 - | All-in Kind of Love | Rom. 12:9-21 |
| June 25 - | Christian Citizen | Rom. 13:1-14 |
| July 2 - | From Another to One Another | Rom. 14, 15:1-13 |
| July 9 - | Reviewing Our Mission | Rom. 15:14-33, 16 |

April 14, 2023

Dear Wesley Church Family,

With the vote of the congregation on March 12 to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church and become affiliated with the Global Methodist Church, we would like to provide you with an update regarding the disaffiliation process.

Wesley’s disaffiliation agreement was received from the Iowa Annual Conference and has been reviewed by NCLL, our legal representative, along with Ad Council. The final costs came in \$2,000 higher than the original estimate; our total costs will be \$115,133 paid to the Iowa Annual Conference in mid-June. Additional costs will be incurred for the removal of all United Methodist Cross and Flame insignias from our property. This transition provides a unique opportunity to replace and upgrade our existing street sign to promote our new affiliation with the Global Methodist Church.

A loan application has been submitted to the Wesleyan Investment Foundation for \$150,000 to cover all costs. The final loan amount will be adjusted based on special gifts received from YOU. ***Please consider a special gift designated “disaffiliation costs” in the near future.***

Wesley’s disaffiliation agreement documents will be submitted by the May 1, 2023 deadline.

The process to join the Global Methodist Church has been initiated.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness and support of Wesley.

In Christ’s Service,

Administrative Council

Tylene Woods, Chair

Karen Day, Mike Cook, Bill Woods, Kim Cooper, Kevin Arends, and Carolyn Yockey,
Board Members

Our Life Together



Prayers and Concerns:

Prayers for Healing

- Pray for Donna Wurster as she continues to battle some serious health issues.
- Pray for Fran & Pat Northren and their family.
- Niece Nancy Swift had her eye removed and then a tumor was discovered on her liver. She also suffers from MS.
- Niece Emily Nietering is having a breast removed on April 13. Her husband was killed in a car accident 1 1/2 years ago.

Prayers in Deaths

- Pray for all who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Continuing Prayers

- Pray for Jeremy Kilmick continues to recover from a broken leg. He is at Accura Healthcare.
- Pray for Dee Ashley, as she battles pancreatic cancer.
- Pray for granddaughter of JR Reider, Ayla, who will undergo her second surgery out of three after having her colon removed.
- Pray for Dan Mace, son of Caroline Mace as his four year battle with cancer continues.
- Pray for Yvonne, friend of Wendy Arends, who suffered a stroke.

Special Prayer Requests

- Pray for our country that God may be brought to the center.
- Pray for members of the military.
- Pray for our pastor, our church, and our denomination.

Congratulations!

To **Christy Cook** who just got back from a State of Iowa-Girl Scouts-Circle of Excellence where she received the “Volunteer of Excellence” Award. To her surprise, they actually created a brand new award this year as well, the “CEO Award”. This award was also given to Christy for the amazing efforts she continually puts in for Sioux City and surrounding area Girl Scouts and the Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa. Congratulations Christy, we are all so proud of you!



God and My Girlfriends:

May TBD.

Attention Graduates!

If you have a graduating senior from high-school or college you would like recognized in our Wesley newsletter please send in a photo as well as full name and future plans to the church email, wesleyumcsiouxcity@gmail.com. Please have the information in to the church office by May 23rd.

The last day for Sunday School is May 7th.

Stellar VBS is July 10-13th 6-8pm



Who: Kindergarten and older students

When: Friday, June 11th 5:30-8:00

Where: Wesley UMC
3700 Indian Hills Dr.

What: **Supper: hot dog, fruit, chips, drink and movie snacks**

Why: **Food, Fun and Fellowship!**

Bring your kid for an evening of fun and you can enjoy an evening off!

*Please register by calling the church office (712) 239-2382 or signing up the night of the event.



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 6:30-7:30 pm Girl Scouts  | 2 1 pm OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS 5:00-9:00 pm Dancers 6:30 pm Eve Circle | 3 5:30 Inspire  Growth Groups—6:30 pm Al-Anon—7:00 pm | 4 | 5 | 6 10:30 am - noon OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS |
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| 14 MOTHER’S DAY 9:00 Worship (Traditional) 10:10 Fellowship 11:00 Worship (Inspiration) 2:00-4:00 French Ministry 5:00 pm TLC Meeting | 15 | 16 1 pm OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS 5:00-9:00 pm Dancers | 17 5:30 Inspire  Growth Groups—6:30 pm Al-Anon—7:00 pm | 18 | 19 | 20 10:30 am - noon OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS |
| 21 9:00 Worship (Traditional) 10:10 Fellowship 11:00 Worship (Inspiration) 2:00-4:00 French Ministry 5:00 pm TLC Meeting | 22 | 23 1 pm OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS 5:00-9:00 pm Dancers | 24 5:30 Inspire  Growth Groups—6:30 pm Al-Anon—7:00 pm | 25 | 26 | 27 10:30 am - noon OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS |
| 28 9:00 Worship (Traditional) 10:10 Fellowship 11:00 Worship (Inspiration) 2:00-4:00 French Ministry 6:00 pm TLC Meeting | 29 MEMORIAL DAY | 30 | 31 |  | | <u>NOTICE:</u> Items for the Bulletins need to be in by Wednesday morning of each week. Items for the Wings should be to Teri by the 23rd of the month. |