



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

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# Wesley Wings

JULY 2023



**Welcome to**  
**Wesley Global Methodist Church**

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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**Now what?** After surviving a pandemic that halted indoor services, then to accommodate a variety of worship provisions such as online video services only, to outdoor drive-in style services in the parking lot, to modified indoor services with masked and distancing rules, to gradually getting back to “normal” meet and greet services... **FINALLY** at the end of 2021 we began to deal with a new kind of viral reality that has been brewing for some time in the background. We began discussing through sermons, simple conversations and printed article considerations the growing dissension and division in the United Methodist Church over issues surrounding sexuality, marriage, ordination, and core convictions over Biblical authority and doctrinal dispute. Then in early 2022 we had special guest speakers, representing opposing points of view to provide reasons why we at Wesley should consider leaving or staying with the UMC. In the spring of 2022, we had a series of small discussion groups and town-hall style meetings to try to inform our time of discernment. On September 18, 2022, we took an unofficial straw poll vote that resulted in 72% expressing that we should leave the United Methodist Church in favor of joining the new formed Global Methodist Church. Then, officially, on March 14 of this year we had a Special Church Conference that resulted in 74% affirming leaving the UMC for the GMC by July 1.

Guess what? It's July. It's official. We are now Wesley Global Methodist Church of Sioux City. Clearly, we have had quite a journey that has afforded us heartfelt and at times **HARD**-felt struggle. Through it all I believe it has caused us to really think and pray about our core convictions, values and aspirations concerning our discipleship and witness here in Siouxland. And the question for us now is... **NOW WHAT?**

First, I would suggest taking a pen and crossing out the first paragraph of my letter, not because we don't value historical reflection, but more to the point that now is the time to move on from the past. It's time to move on from previous discussing, debating, and discerning the issues of the past few years. It's time to joyfully move on to embrace a marvelous new adventure of living out our faith in association with a new denomination determined to pursue the higher ideals of a renewed Methodism. Now is the time to really focus on what we are for, rather than on what we stand against.

## July Worship Schedule



## **Ways to Worship at Wesley:**

### Join us on Sundays:

9:00 AM Traditional Service

10:00 AM Fellowship time

11:00 AM Inspiration Service

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

### ***Wesley***

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**Website:** [www.wesleyumcsc.com](http://www.wesleyumcsc.com)

**Also: Wesley UMC on Facebook**

### ***Office Hours***

**Monday-Friday  
Hours: 9:00 am—1:00 pm**

### ***Staff***

**Rev. Todd Schlitter**  
Pastor  
eaglewing1960@yahoo.com

### **Teri McCallum**

Director of Administrative Services  
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Join us on Sunday August 27th at 10:00 am for a combined service with the other local Global Methodist churches at Country Celebrations, 5606 Hamilton Blvd. There will be a time of fellowship following the service.

**\$12,335.00 has been donated so far on our disaffiliation costs.**

Thank you to everyone who has donated so far.

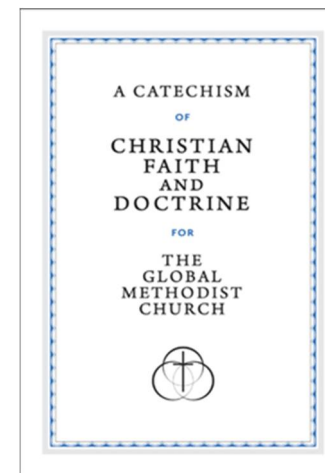
Please consider a special gift for Wesley's expenses related to the disaffiliation.

### 100th Birthday Celebration!

Leah Shearon's 100th birthday will be celebrated on July 4th at 1:00 pm on the 2nd floor at Heritage of Northern Hills Assisted Living, 4002 Teton Trace, Sioux City.

Leah's Wesley friends are invited to come and enjoy birthday cake with her.

Included in this newsletter is promotion of a new sermon series titled, "We're Global Methodists: Now What?" Please attend our services and take advantage of some the brochures and printed materials that will help better inform you about our new journey together.



One primary resource is the booklet titled, "A Catechism of Christian Faith and Doctrine for The Global Methodist Church" that will help provide foundational guidance concerning Wesleyan doctrinal beliefs. This and other materials will be made available near the entrance to our sanctuary. Also, we will have video messages from our new Global Methodist, Bishop Mark Webb who will lead us in our Upper Mid-West Conference which includes Iowa, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Nebraska, and northern Missouri.

Many other exciting things are being planned like a "Siouxland Global Methodist Connection" Worship Service planned for August 27, 10am at Country Celebrations Event Center, 5606

Hamilton Blvd. This will include connecting with other Sioux City GMCs: Crescent Park, Trimble, St. James, Riverside, and Kingsley.

Exciting days are ahead! Let us... *"lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."* - Hebrews 12:1-2

Renewed Joy and Peace!

Todd



" The Power of the Gospel " series concludes.

July 2 - **From Another to One Another** Rom.14,15:1-13

July 9 - **Reviewing Our Mission** Rom.15:14-33, 16

**As we conclude our sermon series on the Book of Romans we look forward to another new adventure of faith exploring our new affiliation as a Global Methodist Church. It's time to let go of the debates of the past and consider what we are for as we embrace the future!**



## We're Global Methodists: Now What?

July 16 - **What's with the Name "Global"?** – Mat. 28:16-20

July 23 - **Why a New Expression of Methodism?** – Rev 2:1-7

July 30 - **Methodists "Worship Passionately"?** – Psalm 84

Aug. 6 - **Methodists "Love Extravagantly"?** - Acts 2:42-47

Aug. 13 - **Methodists "Witness Boldly"?** – John 4:1-42

Aug. 20 – **What Difference Will We Make?** – 2 Cor. 5:11-21

Aug. 27 - **Siouxland Global Methodist Connection!**

*(A special 10am worship connection with other Siouxland GM Churches  
at Country Celebrations Event Center, 5606 Hamilton Blvd.)*

# Our Life Together



## Prayers and Concerns:

### Prayers for Healing

-Joy - Paula Reider's surgery was successful and she got home on June 28th.

-Pray for Dee Ashley, as she awaits plans for next steps in her pancreatic cancer treatment.

-Pray for Michael Streepy who is dealing with health concerns and continues with testing.

-Pray for Ed Niemeyer who is back home but not doing well.

### Prayers in Deaths

-Pray for Delores Townley and family as they mourn the loss of Lynn, who passed away on June 20th.

-Pray for Kay Dahlquist and family as they mourn the loss of Terry Dahlquist, who passed away on June 8. Terry and Kay were members of Wesley.

-Pray for Wayne and Cathie Shively and the family, as they mourn the loss of Cathie's mom, Delores Cook, who passed away yesterday in Sioux Falls.

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

### Continuing Prayers

-Pray for Dan Mace, son of Caroline Mace as his four year battle with cancer continues.

-Prayers for Fran & Pat Northren's niece Nancy Swift who had her eye removed and then a tumor was discovered on her liver. She also suffers from MS.

-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.

# Volunteer

We need volunteers!

We would love to start having members of the congregation be Liturgists again.

Please contact the church office if you would be interested in being a Liturgist.



# Congratulations!

Several of our College students got Dean's List at UNI for Spring Semester!!

Tori Wilson, Madisyn Urban, Cassandra & Catrina Tounjian!

A poster for a church event titled "STELLAR SHINE JESUS' LIGHT". The title is in a metallic, 3D font inside a dark oval with a starry background. Below the title, the text "July 10-13th 6-8pm" is in a blue, sans-serif font. Further down, "Join us for the fun! PreK-5th" is in a smaller blue font. Below that, "Volunteers NEEDED 6th grade- adult" is in a larger blue font. Then, "Register today with the link below" is in a blue font. At the bottom, the URL "https://vbspro.events/p/events/cd9a31" is in a white font. A QR code is located in the bottom right corner of the poster.

**STELLAR**  
SHINE JESUS' LIGHT


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Join us for the fun! PreK-5th

**Volunteers NEEDED** 6th grade- adult

Register today with the link below

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> 10:30 am - noon OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS
<b>2</b> 9:00 Worship (Traditional) 10:10 Fellowship 11:00 Worship (Inspiration)  2:00-4:00 French Ministry	<b>3</b>	<b>4 INDEPENDENCE DAY</b> 1 pm OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS  	<b>5</b>  5:30 Inspire  Growth Groups—6:30 pm Al-Anon—7:00 pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 10:30 am - noon OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS
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