



WELCOME



PRELUDE



+CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God, some of us come today with songs of joy, rejoicing at all God has done for us.
We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

Some of us come today with songs of mourning in our hearts, feeling the weight of loss, isolation, and loneliness.

We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

Some of us come today with songs of worry and distress, overwhelmed by the troubles and the sufferings of the world.

We come to remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness.

In our joy, our sorrow, our isolation, and our worry, God is faithful!

**We come to sing God's praises, for in all things, God's steadfast love and faithfulness never fail.
Thanks be to God! Amen.**



+OPENING HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140



INVITATION TO THE PRACTICE OF GIVING

Give by Text: (630) 528-0155, Online: wesleynaperville.org/giving
The offering basket is also available at the front of the sanctuary.



OFFERING PRAYER

Faithful God, we lift our voices and our gifts in grateful memory of your saving work. You call us to sing of your goodness and to remember your wonders, even when the way forward is hidden from view. Use these offerings for hope and healing in a hungry world. Make us instruments of your purpose—seeds of justice, salt of compassion, and signs of your steadfast love. Receive what we bring as praise made tangible, and send us out as a people who remember, who trust, and who sing of your deliverance in every season. Amen.



+GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14: 22-33

The Gospel of Our Lord. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!**



TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES



JOYS AND CONCERNS

"WALKING ON THE WATER"

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 9, 2026



Arr. B. Mayo



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God is with you, Christ is present,
the Holy Spirit surrounds you and unites us all.

**But we have turned our eyes to the challenges of this life,
lost our focus on God, and are sinking in sin.**

You can begin again.

Imagine a new way of being.

We have cast aside our dreams to maintain the familiar.

We have cast aside the dreams of others, fearful of what they might mean.

God loves you,

Christ will lift you from the waves of doubt,

and the Holy Spirit will rescue you from currents of insecurity and alienation.

In these moments of quiet reflection, confess to God all that separates you from God and one another.

(silent prayers)



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Take heart, do not be afraid.

Everyone who calls upon God's name will be saved.

We are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.



PREPARATION HYMN

Be Still, My Soul

UMH 534



SERMON

WALKING ON THE WATER

Pastor Eunbae Doh



+CLOSING HYMN

Lonely the Boat

UMH 476 (v.1,2,3 & 5)



+SENDING FORTH

Go now, proclaiming to all how much Jesus has done for you.

Be as one with each other in Christ.

And may God be your fortress;

May Christ Jesus release you from all that torments you;

And may the Holy Spirit give you light and truth
to sustain you day and night.

**We go in peace to love and serve the Lord,
In the name of Christ. Amen.**



POSTLUDE

All Creatures of Our God and King

Arr. L. Shackley

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAYS Additional parking is allowed in the Old National Bank (formerly, Midwest Bank) lot

10:00 AM (Hybrid):

2nd - 4th Sundays:

After Worship In Person

6:45 PM

Worship in-person or online wesleynaperville.org (Sanctuary–Level 1)

Sunday School immediately following the time for Young Disciples.

Fellowship in the Atrium (Coffee and Nibbles–Level A)

Foxhall AA (Enter through Franklin Street Entrance–Fellowship Hall)



CHILDREN and YOUTH

Time for Young Disciples in worship, immediately followed by Sunday School (2nd–4th Sundays). Talk to Pastor Alexander for more info.

GIVING TO OUR ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund invests donations to provide for outreach programs and to supplement the church budget. You can donate directly, dedicate a leaf on our Wesley Family Tree or put Wesley in your will. I am happy to help answer your questions. Please contact our finance chair, Ron Sellberg, at rpsellberg@aol.com for more information.

JOIN THE CHOIR!

Lend your voice at our weekly choir rehearsals at 6:30pm on Wednesdays when we return in September!

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

We are working on updating them. We will let you know when they are available. If you have any changes you would like made, contact the office or Lynn T 630-957-7612.

STYROFOAM RECYCLING

Bring your Styrofoam recycling to the special recycling bins on the lower level. Stained and soiled items are not accepted. Please rinse ahead of time. Help our earth!

COFFEE HOUR

Join us after Worship in the Atrium for a cup of coffee or tea, and a little nibble. If you would like to bring a treat or help with set-up, contact our church office at 630-355-1834 or info@wesleynaperville.org

IN THE NAME OF JESUS, WE PRAY...

(6-14-25) For continued courage to fulfill our baptismal vows to *accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves.*

(11-20-25) For Fay Wilson as she recovers from surgery.

(1-20-26) For protection for the immigrant community as they experience heartbreaking levels of violence.

If you have a prayer concern, email us at prayers@wesleynaperville.org, contact the church office, Pastor Doh, or Pastor Alexander.

HELPING ONE ANOTHER

The bins on the Lower Level (B) are available for donations and use of whomever may have need of these items that comes to our door: Deodorant, Menstrual Hygiene Products, Shampoo & Conditioner (Travel Size Preferred), Soap, Socks, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Wash Cloths.

LOAVES & FISHES COMMUNITY SERVICES

The needs in our community outpace supply. You are welcome to drop off items to the donation baskets.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

To subscribe to our weekly e-news scan the QR code, or contact Pastor Alexander. If you would like KIT mailed to your door every two to three weeks, please let Alexander know.



FIFTH SUNDAY WORSHIP THROUGH MISSION

On 5th Sundays we Worship Through Mission by doing some hands-on act of service that helps children and youth. We also have a special collection for United Voices for Children. If you have an idea for a Worship Through Mission opportunity, please reach out to Alexander or Pastor Doh. Next: Aug. 30.

DISABILITY EDUCATION SUMMIT

Saturday, September 26th from 9am-4pm

Location: Bethany of Fox Valley UMC, 2200 Ridge Ave, Aurora, IL, 60504

Cost: \$10 for participants, Free for volunteers!

Hosted by Pastor Alexander and the Northern Illinois Conference Committee on Accessibility. Reach out to Pastor Alexander to register or sign up as a volunteer!

WORSHIP RESOURCES USED TODAY Tanner, Henry Ossawa, 1859-1937. "Disciples See Christ Walking on the Water," from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt University Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://act.library.vanderbilt.edu/artworks/55904> [retrieved August 4, 2026]. Original source: http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Henry_Ossawa_Tanner_The_Disciples_See_Christ_Walking_on_the_Water_c._1907.jpg. United Methodist Discipleship Ministries, *The United Methodist Book of Worship. The United Methodist Hymnal*. New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition. Images by Alexander Grey and Unchalee Srirugsar via Pexels.

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Christ Jesus,
welcomes ALL people.
So do we.**

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About Wesley UMC

Founded in 1832

Mission Statement

To proclaim God's grace through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to nurture spiritual growth throughout life, and to serve God by caring for all people.

Welcome Statement

God, as known to us in Jesus Christ, welcomes all. So do we. All people of any race, ethnic identity, gender, sexual orientation, age, ability, economic status, or life situation are welcome here. Wesley is also proud to be a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network, which is "Mobilizing United Methodists of all sexual orientations and gender identities to transform our Church and world into the full expression of Christ's inclusive love."

www.rmnetwork.org

What We Believe In

Proclaiming God's grace through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Nurturing spiritual growth throughout life.

Serving God by caring for all people.

We try to live into the challenge of John Wesley, who said:

"Do all the good you can. By all the means you can. In all the ways you can.
In all the places you can. At all the times you can. To all the people you
can. For as long as ever you can."

Wesley has entered into a discernment process highlighted in Paragraph 213 of *The Book of Discipline*. This process allows us to partner with members of the community and the conference to evaluate Wesley's needs and passions to better serve the community. We invite everyone to ask questions and lend their voice to the ongoing discussion as we seek to further peace and justice in our world. Feel free to reach out to Pastor Doh or Alexander with any questions!

Blessing of the Animals!

Sunday, August 30th

All furry, feathery, scaly, two-legged,
four-legged, six-legged, and more-
legged friends welcome!

If you have any concerns, reach out to
Pastor Alexander for how to best
accommodate your pets!