

God, as known to us in Jesus Christ, welcomes all.
So do we.

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# ..let your light shine

—Matthew 5:16

February 5, 2023  $\sim 10:00$  a.m.



# WELCOME



The flowers on the altar in honor of Ellen's birthday on the 8th, and their Anniversary on the 10th. Congratulations, Sellbergs.



**PRELUDE** Open Our Eyes with Be Thou My Vision

R. Cull and traditional Irish melody, arr. M. Hayes



# +CALL TO WORSHIP

Please stand in body and in spirit.

One: God said, "Let there be light."

Many: And there was light.

One: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

Many: And the light shone in the darkness.

One: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world."

Many: And the light shall not be quenched.



# **+OPENING HYMN**

We Are Singing

**TFWS 2235a** 



# **OPENING PRAYER of CONFESSION**

Eternal Spirit, Creator of all places and peoples, we come together in the name of the Christ. In him you became one with us, that we might become one with one another in the worship of you. We are prone to point the finger at others and to pervert justice by exaggerated charges. We want the rich to feed the hungry, but not to share from our own provisions. We prefer

charity in principle, but in practice evade our duty even to our own kin. Some of us live in half-empty houses while there are families crowded into rooms too small for them, if they have rooms at all. Forgive our failure to live up to the best we know, and our failure of not freeing the oppressed, after you have freed us. Amen.



# **+GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 5:13-20 CEB

Please stand in body and in spirit. You are invited to read the words in bold.

13 "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its saltiness, how will it become salty again? It's good for nothing except to be thrown away and trampled under people's feet. 14 You are the light of the world. A city on top of a hill can't be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they put it on top of a lampstand, and it shines on all who are in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before people, so they can see the good things you do and praise your Father who is in heaven.

17 "Don't even begin to think that I have come to do away with the Law and the Prophets. I haven't come to do away with them but to fulfill them. 18 I say to you very seriously that as long as heaven and earth exist, neither the smallest letter nor even the smallest stroke of a pen will be erased from the Law until everything there becomes a reality. 19 Therefore, whoever ignores one of the least of these commands and teaches others to do the same will be called the lowest in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever keeps these commands and teaches people to keep them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 I say to you that unless your righteousness is greater than the righteousness of the legal experts and the Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.



**+HYMN OF PREPARATION** 

More Like You

**TFWS 2167** 



TIME FOR ALL DISCIPLES

Rev. Megan Tobola





**+HYMN OF FAITH** 

This Little Light of Mine

**UMH 585** 



# THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

In the United Methodist Church, Christ's table is open and available to all. The cup is non-alcoholic, and gluten free elements are available.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

...now and forever. Amen.



# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We are one in Christ, and one community of faith gathering in-person and digitally. If you have a prayer concern, please email us at prayers@wesleynaperville.org. We will pray for you either privately, or, with your permission, we will share your request with the congregation in the *Keeping In Touch* weekly email and during our time of prayer.

# 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.



# INVITATION TO THE PRACTICE OF GIVING

Thank you for your support of mission and ministry!

Give by Text: (630) 528-0155.

To give electronically visit wesleynaperville.org/giving.

The offering basket is also available at the front of the sanctuary.



POSTLUDE

You Are The Seed

UMH 583 (v. 1,2)

Yours Is The Kingdom

Cindy Berry

Thank you for remaining seated until after the postlude.

Worship Resources

Cara B. Hochhalter, Let Your Light Shine. http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=59034

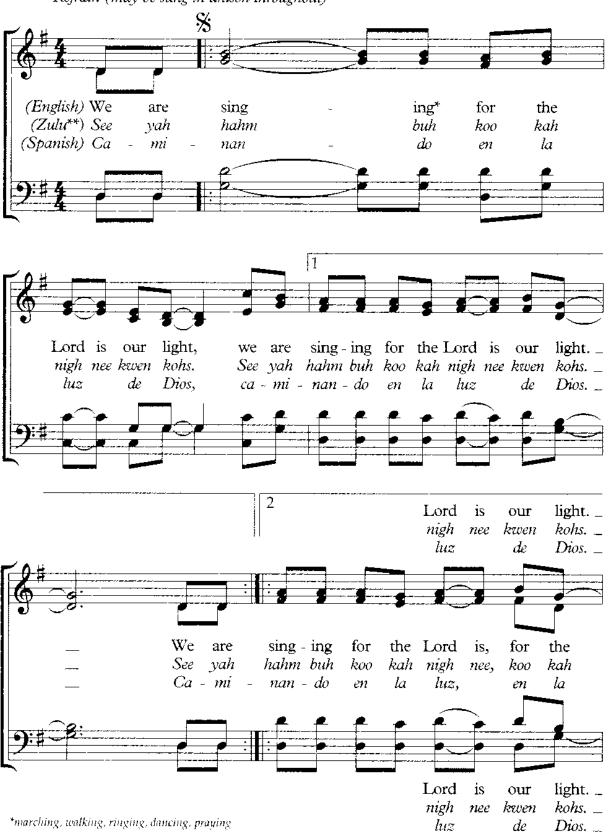
The United Methodist Book of Worship,

The United Methodist Hymnal, The Faith We Sing, Ministry Matters

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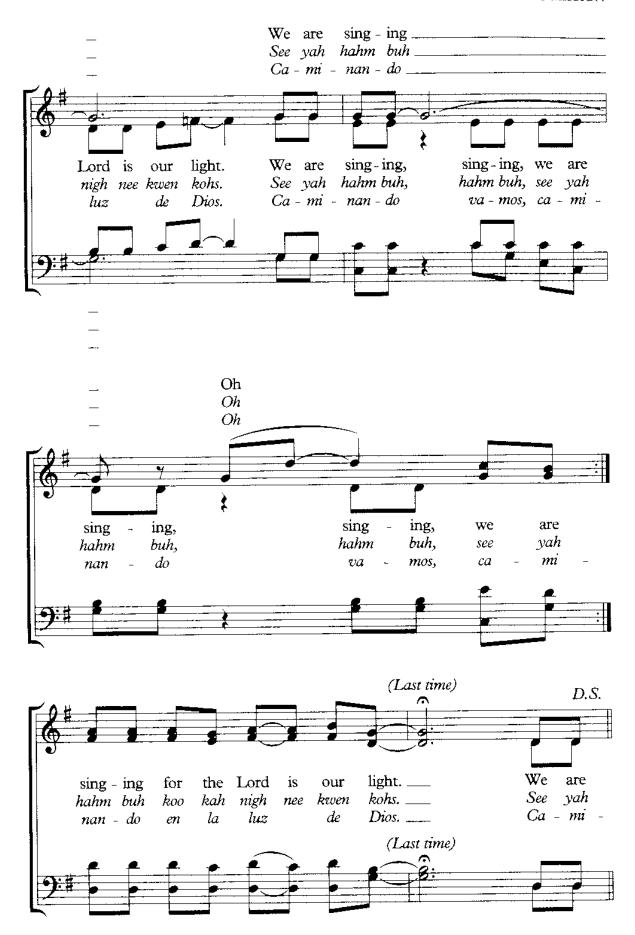
# We Are Singing (Siyahamba/Caminando)

Refrain (may be sung in unison throughout)



<sup>\*\*</sup>Phonetic syllables; see 2235-b for original language.

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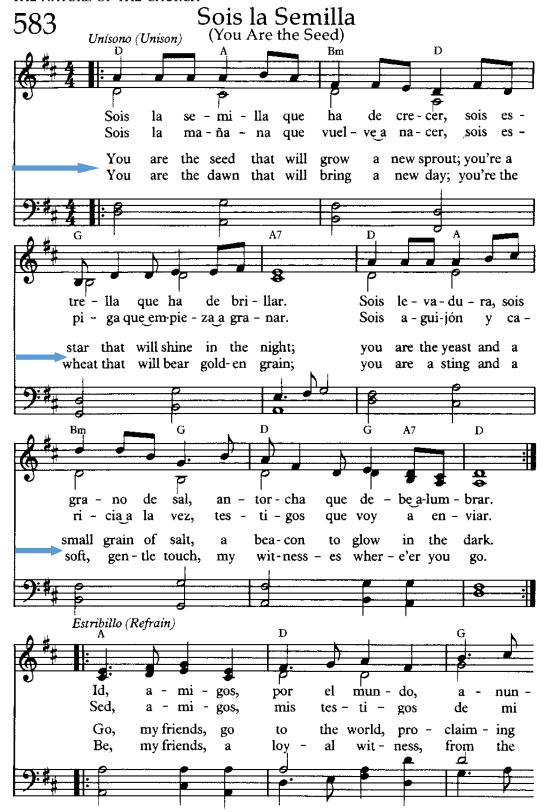


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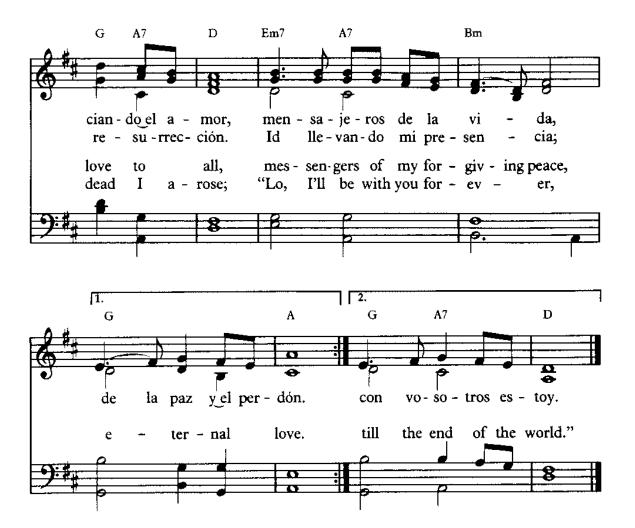
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Sois una llama que ha de encender resplandores de fe y caridad.
Sois los pastores que han de llevar al mundo por sendas de paz.
Sois los amigos que quise escoger, sois palabra que intento esparcir.
Sois reino nuevo que empieza a engendrar justicia, amor y verdad.
Estribillo

You are the flame that will lighten the dark, sending sparkles of hope, faith, and love; you are the shepherds to lead the whole world through valleys and pastures of peace. You are the friends that I chose for myself, the word that I want to proclaim. You are the new kingdom built on a rock where justice and truth always reign. Refrain



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Sois los pastores que han de llevar al mundo por sendas de paz.
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# **Children's Ministry**

On First Sundays children are invited to attend



the full worship service with their families. On the remaining Sundays of each month, the children will be dismissed from worship following the Time for Young Disciples for Sunday School. If you would like to volunteer to help with Sunday School contact Alexander at alexander@wesleynaperville.org or call 630-355-1834 ext. 104.

# This Week At Wesley

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5 FEB, SUN	• 10 – 11am	Time For Young Disciples & Sunday School
	• 10 – 11am	Worship 21 E Franklin Ave
	• 11:45am – 12:45pm	Hope UMC
	• 6:45 – 7:45pm	Foxhall AA
6 FEB, MON	9am – 2pm	Kids Day Out
	• 6:45 – 7:45pm	Scout Troop 100 Fellowship Hall
7 гев, тие	• 10:30 – 11am	Krejci Academy
8 FEB, WED	<ul><li>9am – 2pm</li></ul>	Kids Day Out
	• 6:30 – 8:30pm	Highland Guard Atrium and Felllowship hall
	• 6:30 – 7:30pm	Chancel Choir rehearsal
10 FEB, FRI	• 9am – 2pm	Kids Day Out
12 FEB, SUN	• 10 – 11am	MMDC School Kit Packing Wesley United Methodist Church
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	• 10 – 11am	Worship 21 E Franklin Ave
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	• 6:45 – 7:45pm	Foxhall AA



# **Several Job Opportunities Available at**

wesleynaperville.org/job-opportunities



# We're excited to invite you!

# **Sunday School Volunteers**

The children's ministry program is looking for any adults willing to be a second adult for Sunday School time during Sunday Worship--except for the 1st Sunday of the month.

Please reach out to Alexander to find a Sunday that would work with your schedule!

Question Box Throughout February, we will have a box at the church where all of our kids can write questions on paper and place them in the Question Box, or email questions to Alexander at alexander@wesleynaperville.org. Any and all questions are welcome, be it about church, the Bible, advice about school or personal life, or just fun questions about your favorite topic that you would like to learn more about. On February 19th Pastor Megan and Alexander will read the questions during the children's time and try to answer them!

Lent and Palm Sunday Throughout Lent, our Sunday School time will learn what each section in our worship service means, talk about where we experience God in the service, and think about what we would like to see in a Sunday service. Our children will be learning how to plan and lead our Palm Sunday Service! Even if someone doesn't want a speaking role, we invite them to help write prayers, pick out songs, create art work for the altar, or find another way to bring their gifts to the service! We will be working on this mainly in Sunday school but anyone who wishes to be involved is invited to reach out to Alexander at alexander@wesleynaperville.org.



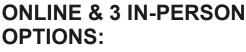
# LAITY CONVOCATION 2023



# Thinking Outside the Church

**Making Community** Ministry Happen





**FEBRUARY 11, 2023** 

- Barrington UMC 98 Algonquin Rd., Barrington,
- Disciples UMC 102 Maple Avenue, Mount Morris, IL
- LOCATION CHANGE -Faith UMC - 15101 South 80th Avenue, Orland Park,

**COST \$15** 

https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/laity-convocation-2023



**Guest Speaker: David Teel** - Director of Laity & Leadership at Discipleship Ministries

Also highlighting 3 Churches In Active **Community Ministry** 

"For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you."



Prairie Central District Lay Academy Spring 2023 4 Sunday afternoons 3/5, 12, 19 & 26 2 to 5 p.m. Grace UMC Naperville, IL 300 E. Gartner St.

# Registration closes March 1

**Classes offered:** (all sessions need to be attended)

- Intro to Lay Ministry: The BASIC CourseFoundational for Lay Servant ministry, the BASIC course encourages participants to discover their gifts and calling as followers of Christ as well as considering the importance of accountable servant leadership rooted in consistent spiritual practices. Instructor: Roger Curless
- United Methodist Polity Delve into the structure and organization of the United Methodist Church. A must for anyone desiring a greater understanding of how United Methodists relate to one another both at home and around the world. Instructor: Rev. Daniel Diss
- Planning Worship Building on the course Leading Worship, this course explains the basic pattern of United Methodist worship within the broader context of Christian worship and how its formative nature can revitalize Christian lives. Instructor: Rev. Danita Anderson
- Unrevealed Until Its Season Join our District Superintendent in a unique and fascinating indepth theological unpacking of the Lenten Season through hymns, prayers, and scriptures in the Wesleyan tradition. Instructor: Rev. Jeffry Bross, District Superintendent

Contact person: Steve Mecker, stevemecker@gmail.com Online Registration https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=735153&







# **Welcoming Incoming Immigrants**



**CLOTHES.** Choosing clothes from our closets and drawers that we no longer need or want because they are too small or too big or too out of date or too whatever, but they are good usable clothes which Migrants need — bag them up and bring them to Wesley. We will take these bags of clothes to a place called REPEAT BOUTIQUE in Carol Stream where the Immigrants can shop for FREE every three months.

**FOOD.** Wesley United Methodist Women will purchase Gift Cards from Scrip, (now known as RaiseRight), for Target or Walmart. Put money in the specially marked envelopes in the atrium and we will purchase the Gift Cards and get them to World Service DuPage. If you wish to write a check please do so to Wesley United Methodist Women. We can handle cash also.

So let's WELCOME INCOMING IMMIGRANTS with clothes and food from Wesley!



# **Intergenerational Service Project**

Midwest Mission Distribution Center (MMDC) opened in 2000, and Wesley sent our first group of volunteers to MMDC in 2001. During Wesley's 18 trips to MMDC, we have watched them grow and expand their outreach in exciting ways. We have not been able to send a team to MMDC for a few years, but we want to continue to support the vital work they do! On February 12, 2023 we will be hosting a "school kit" packing event at Wesley! This service opportunity will be open to all ages and will take place during worship at 10:00 a.m. Thanks to your generosity, we surpassed our fundraising goal, and will be able to get enough supplies to fill ALL of the remaining bags that Sonnie Widder has graciously made.

See you for a time of worship through mission on Sunday, February 12!

DRESS COMFORTABLY!

# Wesley Vices Day

# Boosters

Are you excited to get other people excited about KDO?

Are you interested in supporting the Wesley Kids Day Out ministry by coming up with creative fundraising, advertising, and outreach efforts?

Whether you have a little time to volunteer, or a lot,

you would be an excellent BOOSTER!

Get in touch with one of us to join

<u>Pastor Megan</u> pastor@wesleynaperville.org 630-355-1834 ext. 102

Ken Tobola (KDO Director) wesleykidsdayout@gmail.com 630-355-1758

# Registration Is Open!

For ages 6 months to 5 years

# **Contact Us**

Wesley Kids Day Out 21 E Franklin Ave Naperville, IL 60540

Phone: 630-355-1758

**Email:** 

wesleykidsdayout@gmail.com

# **Positions Available!**

wesleynaperville.org/job-opportunities



Please join Bishop Dan Schwerin for a day of introduction, reflection, and conversation on your district on Thursday, February 9.

**Laity** will gather at Elgin: Journey of Hope UMC - 37W040 Highland Avenue, Elgin, IL. The gathering will be an evening conversation from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Registration not needed.

You are encouraged to join in the gathering for our district, but should the one planned for our district not work for you, any gathering can be attended. Find all the details online at <a href="https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/bishops-days-on-the-district">https://www.umcnic.org/calendar/bishops-days-on-the-district</a>.

# **Keep on baking!**

On Wednesdays, Wesley provides baked treats for North Central College students to enjoy after Wednesday evening chapel (Focus).

Sign up in the Atrium to provide 3 dozen treats. Please include ingredient information. Disposable containers are preferred, but if you would like your container back, please label it.

Drop off your treats to the church by Wednesday at the church by 2pm or call the church office at 630-355-1834 to arrange a pickup.

THE STUDENTS ARE THANKFUL!



# Pancake Breakfast

Scouts Troop 100 will be serving up a pancake breakfast in Fellowship Hall.

Included in the breakfast: Sausages, Coffee, Orange Juice, Milk and Water



**Date: Saturday** 

February 18, 2023

Time: 7a.m. to 12p.m.

Cost: \$ 5 Individual

\$15 Family

# **Sunday Mornings**

For your convenience, our Atrium and Center St. doors will be open at 8:30am.

Additional parking is allowed in the Old National Bank (formerly, Midwest Bank) lot for Sunday mornings.

10:00 AM (Hybrid): **Worship in-person or online** at wesleynaperville.org

2nd - 5th Sundays: Sunday School for Children (dismissed from Sanctuary following Time For

Young Disciples)

11:45 AM In Person: **HOPE United Methodist Church** Worship Service

**Keeping In Touch** 

Our weekly e-news helps us connect with YOU! We hope you are finding our Thursday delivery in your e-mail service, however, if you need to have it mailed to you, let us know where to send it!

Contact the church office via email at info@wesleynaperville.org,

or call the church office at 630-355-1834.

**Children are always welcome at Wesley UMC**, and for your convenience, we have child-friendly areas for your infants and children who are not yet in school full-time who need a safe, cozy and fun place to worship. **CHANGING TABLES** are available in the Nursery (Main Level) and in the gender neutral restroom just down the narthex steps.



**Cozy Kids Corner** is located in the narthex, at the back of the sanctuary. There you will find age-appropriate books and toys to keep your little ones engaged in the service so that you can worship. Please stay with your child as they play, as this area is not supervised otherwise.



Enjoy interacting with the ark animals in the Atrium.

Adult supervision is required for this area of play. Sanitize your hands or pick a pair of CLEAN gloves to wear during play. Be careful not to stand or sit on the bow or stern or the ark.

# In Person Office Hours\*

\*As long as there are no emergencies or unforeseen circumstances

Rev. Megan Tobola

W, TH, F

9:00 AM - 2:00PM

Cell: (312) 715 - 8752

pastor@wesleynaperville.org

# **CHURCH OFFICE**

Vicki Stokes, Administrative Assistant In office T, W, TH 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

info@wesleynaperville.org

Alexander Dungan, Children's Minister T, W 2:00 - 5:00PM

alexander@wesleynaperville.org