

ANNOUNCEMENTS



APRIL'S NOISY CAN INGATHERING @ WISCONSIN ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2025

Each year at Annual Conference, churches are asked to donate items and/or money to assist people in need (including those affected by war or disaster.)

Wisconsin Conference Mission Motivation Committee will be collecting specific items for *Personal Dignity Kits* and *Home Care Kits* on behalf of Midwest Mission Distribution Center (MMDC). These kits will be distributed locally, nationally and internationally to those in need during time of crisis. All supplies are given free of charge regardless of gender, race or religion.

Our April Noisy Can collection will go to support this important outreach of our conference. The funds will be used by Midwest Mission to purchase specific supplies for the kits and to help fund shipping them to where they are most needed.

Prelude songs this morning ...

A Place called Gethsemane

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

Consecration

Jesus, Keep me near the cross



Wesley's Worship Team Today

Worship Leader: Pastor Doug

Organist: Sharwin G.

AV Team: Joel & Deb T.

Ushers: Cameron S.,

Nolan H., Orin H.

Liturgists: Isabella S., Jackie Z.

Communion Assistants:

Mark & Kris M.

UMCOR SUNDAY

We are extending our Special Sunday offering for UMCOR. If you weren't able to make it to church on Sunday, March 30 & wanted to contribute; please bring your offering this Sunday.

-Thank You-

This week's YouTube link for Sunday Worship Service

<https://www.youtube.com/live/rMQ2D1M5s0M>

UPCOMING APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Happy
Birthday

10: ARDIS A.

12: KELLY H.

LET'S PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS!

If you have a joy or concern let us know! wumcoffice@wesleyhopeconnection.org

JOYS: those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week (see announcement page). Share with us your joys so we may celebrate together and glorify our Lord for your blessings!

CONCERNS:

- For **Allean F.** as she continues her recovery.
- For **Shar** (*friend of Mary E.*) who is dealing with arm pain.
- For **Jered** (*son of Sharwin G.*) who will be having surgery during Holy Week.
- For **Anna** (*sister of Caleb H.*) who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer.

HOMEBOUND: Ruth S. Dorothy D. Shirley S. Ardis A.

OTHERS:

- For the people of **Myanmar, Thailand**, and regions affected by the major earthquake.
- For Wisconsin Council of Churches and others affected by sudden withdrawal of public health funds.
- For **Neri Alvarado, Alireza Doroudi, Rumeysa Ozlurk**, and others taken from their homes, schools, and workplaces.
- For **President Trump** and his administration, for **Governor Evers** and **those who work with him**, and for all our **elected officials**, wherever they serve, that we might work together toward God's vision for our world-one of God's peace, justice, and love.

This week, we saw God "breaking through" ...

- ...in **Allean's** improvement.
- ...in the ice 'dressing' on the trees.

Tell Our Story

All of us are a part of the story of Wesley UMC, and it is only fitting that we should all participate in telling that story. This is part of the MCCI process. The report has been divided into five areas -

History & description

Demography

Community Study

Beliefs & practices

Documents

You can sign-up for a team on any of the sheets in the Fellowship Hall at church or by contacting the church office.



Wesley UMC has 8 pre-registered spots to volunteer on

Thursday, April 24 from 3 PM to 4:30 PM. The event is held at Zion Community Church, Marshfield.

We want to take our Noisy Can giving further by volunteering our time when the opportunity allows us to do so. Please sign-up in the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



"THE LAST SUPPER"

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WILL PRESENT THE 21ST PRESENTATION OF
"THE LAST SUPPER"

THE PRESENTATION WILL BE HELD
AT WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH,
211 SOUTH MAPLE AVENUE, MARSHFIELD

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025

@ 7:00 PM



IF YOU WISH TO PURCHASE A WESLEY UMC T-SHIRT, ORDERS ARE DUE ON SUNDAY,

APRIL 6TH. I WILL BE PLACING THE T-SHIRT ORDER ON MONDAY, APRIL 7TH. PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR ORDER FORMS WITH PAYMENT TO THE OFFICE OR PLACE IN THE OFFERING PLATE. ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO WESLEY UMC.

Wesley's next dates to staff the Food Pantry are **April 7th & 9th.**

Please see Jackie if you're able to volunteer.

New volunteers are always welcomed.



2025 Lenten Book Study

Five Marks of a Methodist

Steve Harper

- Monday, April 7 @ 11AM
In-person or Zoom
- Tuesday, April 8 @ 7 PM
Zoom Only

LAST WEEK OF LENTEN STUDY

Thank you ❤️

Thanks, Wesley Family for opening your purses and emptying your pockets for our March Noisy Can collection. We raised **\$107.80** to support Marshfield's "Feed My Starving Children" mobile food pack event coming up in April. You can also support this local mission project by being a member of our Wesley Team actually helping to pack the meals on the afternoon of April 24th. Sign up in the fellowship hall.

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT | HOLY COMMUNION

+Indicates that all are invited to stand in body or spirit.
Congregation is invited to respond as indicated by **Bold Print**

PRELUDE

Sharwin G.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Doug

BREAKTHROUGH SIGHTINGS

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER (UNISON)

God, we do not know what to do, but You do. Open our hearts, eyes, and minds to You. Amen.

CENTERING TIME

Lenten Interlude

Sharwin G.

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Isabella S. | Jackie Z.

Isabella: Great is the Lord; praise be to them on high!

All: Creation resounds with thanksgiving to God.

Isabella: Know that the Lord is good; their love, forever.

All: Blessed be the One in whom we live and move.

Isabella: We are called to offer ourselves, one for another.

All: We will bear witness to them in all we say and do.

+OPENING HYMN

To God Be the Glory

UMH # 98

+OPENING PRAYER (UNISON):

Isabella S. | Jackie Z.

Creator God, to you be all glory, honor, and praise! You, alone, have done great things; and the signs of your life-giving presence are all around us. Their beauty and wonder is beyond our imagining. Greater still is the gift of your Son, Jesus, who you sent to be among us. An example of what it means to live every moment in your steadfast love, he calls us to follow by doing the same in our lives. But, in truth, we do not always want to. We are afraid of taking the risk; we are unsure of what the outcome will be. So, we stick with what we know instead of opening ourselves to one another. Forgive us, O God! Remind us that true love comes, not from our own will, but from your Divine being. Open our hearts to the possibilities you are setting before us, here and now. Give us the strength and courage to always reach for connection, that we may forever live toward perfection with you and with each other. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

+SILENT PRAYER

+SHARING THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Doug

+GOSPEL READING

1 John 4:7-21

Isabella S. | Jackie Z.

⁷ Dear friends, let's love each other, because love is from God, and everyone who loves is born from God and knows God. ⁸ The person who doesn't love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ This is how the love of God is revealed to us: God has sent his only Son into the world so that we can live through him. ¹⁰ This is love: it is not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son as the sacrifice that deals with our sins.

¹¹ Dear friends, if God loved us this way, we also ought to love each other. ¹² No one has ever seen God. If we love each other, God remains in us and his love is made perfect in us. ¹³ This is how we know we remain in him and he remains in us, because he has given us a measure of his Spirit. ¹⁴ We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the savior of the world. ¹⁵ If any of us confess that Jesus is God's Son, God remains in us and we remain in God. ¹⁶ We have known and have believed the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who remain in love remain in God and God remains in them. ¹⁷ This is how love has been perfected in us, so that we can have confidence on the Judgment Day, because we are exactly the same as God is in this world. ¹⁸ There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear, because fear expects punishment. The person who is afraid has not been made perfect in love. ¹⁹ We love because God first loved us. ²⁰ Those who say, "I love God" and hate their brothers or sisters are liars. After all, those who don't love their brothers or sisters whom they have seen can hardly love God whom they have not seen! ²¹ This commandment we have from him: Those who claim to love God ought to love their brother and sister also.

SERMON

"Loving Others"

Sharing what we have received from God

Pastor Doug

HYMN

Help Us Accept Each Other

UMH # 560

COMMUNITY PRAYER

Isabella S. | Jackie Z.

OFFERTORY

Sweet Hour of Prayer

+DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH # 95

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APRIL 6, 2025

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Isabella S. | Jackie Z.

God of Grace, we know that in every moment you are present among us. You teach us what it means to love one another without limit, and you give us what we need to live more fully together. May the gifts we return to you—our words, our deeds, our whole selves—be a witness to the great abundance and right relationship that you desire for all people. Amen.

If you do not feel comfortable speaking your joy or concern aloud, please complete a prayer card and pass it toward the center aisle. Pastor will collect the cards as we sing the following hymn:

PRAYER HYMN

Live in Charity (3x)

TFWS # 2179

JOYS & CONCERNS

HOLY COMMUNION

UMH # 9-11

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

+CLOSING HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

TFWS # 2223

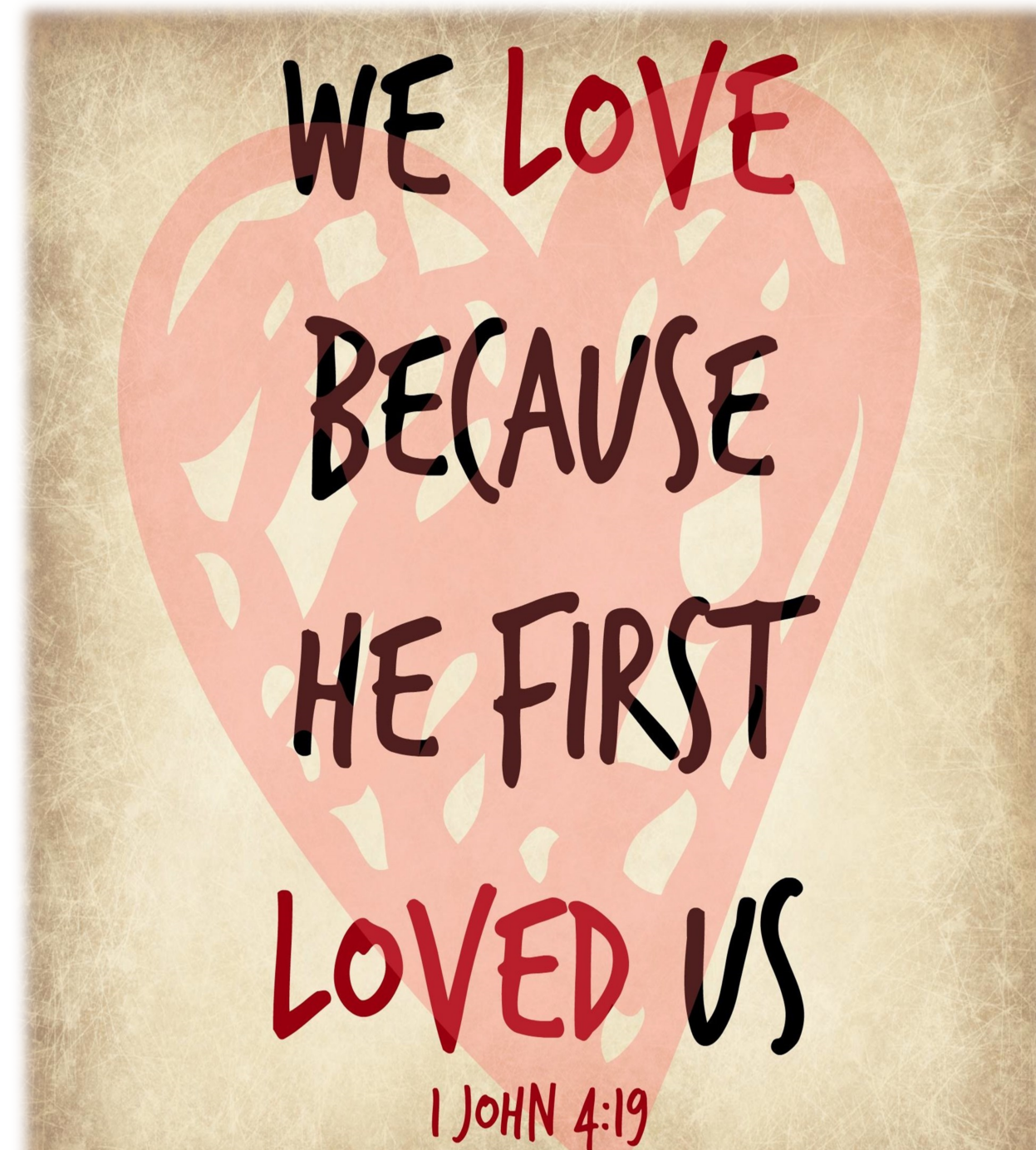
+BENEDICTION

Pastor Doug

POSTLUDE

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Sharwin G.



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

REACHING UP TO WORSHIP GOD | REACHING OUT TO SERVE OTHERS | REACHING IN TO GROW TOGETHER