

# Wesley United Methodist Church

Worship Sundays 9 AM

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## July 12, 2026

### +PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Jeff N.*

Spirit of God, you descend upon our hearts, filling us with all of the passion and love that is in Christ. You teach us how to be incarnations of hope, and you give us what we need to mend this world. Knowing that all we have is yours, we return to you these humble offerings – a sign of commitment to your way. May our sharing (and our striving) be a faithful witness and service to you. Amen.

### PRAYER HYMN

*In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful (x2)*

TFWS # 2195

### JOYS & CONCERNS

### 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Pastor Doug*

### +CLOSING HYMN

*We Are God's People*

TFWS # 2220

### +BENEDICTION

*Pastor Doug*

### POSTLUDE

*Hope of the World*

*Sharwin G.*

And if the Spirit  
of him who raised  
Jesus from the dead  
is living in you,  
he who raised Christ  
from the dead  
will also give life  
to your mortal bodies  
through his Spirit,  
who lives in you.

– Romans 8:11 –

# 7th Sunday after Pentecost

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

**PRELUDE** *The Lost Cloud | Faith | Holy Spirit Faithful Guide* *Sharwin G.*

**GREETING & WELCOME** *Pastor Doug*

## BREAKTHROUGH SIGHTINGS

**BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER (UNISON)** *Pastor Doug*  
**God, we do not know what to do, but You do. Open our hearts, eyes, and minds to You. Amen.**

**CENTERING TIME** *Meditation on a Song Fragment* *Sharwin G.*

**+CALL TO WORSHIP** *Jeff N.*

Jeff: From every moment of joy; out of the depths of struggle and sorrow,

**All: we are called to worship the Lord, to lift our whole selves in praise.**

Jeff: The Lord meets us where we are; Christ dwells in us, body and spirit,

**All: making it possible for us to set our minds on what’s been promised.**

Jeff: God sustains us in the midst of our brokenness, offering life renewed,

**All: freeing us to embody the kin-dom reality for all those we encounter.**

**+OPENING HYMN** *Ye Servants of God* *UMH # 181*

**+OPENING PRAYER (UNISON):** *Jeff N.*

Mighty God, the whole of Creation is your handiwork on display. You have made yourself known in rolling seas and painted landscapes; you have fashioned a wondrous masterpiece across the sky. And still, you are never far away. Indeed, you enter our lives, moment by moment, celebrating our success and sharing our brokenness. You call us to move together, to embrace your way of being. But, too often, we choose to follow other paths. We set our minds on worldly things; we chase after fortune and glory; we seek power over one another, rather than living according to your Spirit. Forgive us, O God! Release us from those places where we are still bound up by sin and death. Help us to open our hearts and our minds, to find true purpose (and endless possibility) in you. Free us, in every way, to take up your promise and, through joyful obedience, to share the hope that you offer with all your beloved children. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

## +SILENT PRAYER

## +SHARING THE PEACE

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** *Pastor Doug*

**SCRIPTURE READING** *Romans 8:1-11* *Jeff N.*

So now there isn’t any condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup> The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup> God has done what was impossible for the Law, since it was weak because of selfishness. God condemned sin in the body by sending his own Son to deal with sin in the same body as humans, who are controlled by sin. <sup>4</sup> He did this so that the righteous requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us. Now the way we live is based on the Spirit, not based on selfishness. <sup>5</sup> People whose lives are based on selfishness think about selfish things, but people whose lives are based on the Spirit think about things that are related to the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> The attitude that comes from selfishness leads to death, but the attitude that comes from the Spirit leads to life and peace. <sup>7</sup> So the attitude that comes from selfishness is hostile to God. It doesn’t submit to God’s Law, because it can’t. <sup>8</sup> People who are self-centered aren’t able to please God.

<sup>9</sup> But you aren’t self-centered. Instead you are in the Spirit, if in fact God’s Spirit lives in you. If anyone doesn’t have the Spirit of Christ, they don’t belong to him. <sup>10</sup> If Christ is in you, the Spirit is your life because of God’s righteousness, but the body is dead because of sin. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your human bodies also, through his Spirit that lives in you.

**SERMON** **“In the Spirit”** *Pastor Doug*  
*Setting our minds on that which is life and peace*

**HYMN** *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* *UMH # 500*

**COMMUNITY PRAYER** *Jeff N.*

**OFFERTORY** *O Day of God, Draw Nigh*  
**+DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* *UMH # 95*

This week's YouTube link for Sunday—

[https://www.youtube.com/live/\\_HR4PH6MweE](https://www.youtube.com/live/_HR4PH6MweE)

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

If you have a joy or concern let us know! [wumcoffice@wesleyhopeconnection.org](mailto: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!

- For **Corey** (*nephew of Darlene and Dale W.*), who was married on Sat. (July 4).
- For **Jeff N.** and his grandson, **Felix**, who are on a guided fishing trip.
- For the **30th annual Garden Tour** on July 12; for the volunteers and generous donors.

#### CONCERNS:

- For **Megan** (*niece of Karalee L.*), who has a diagnosis and is waiting for options.

**HOMEBOUND:** Dorothy D. Shirley S. Ardis A. Marge K.

#### OTHERS

- For those affected by overwhelming heat and storms this past weekend.
- For the families of the three children who were killed on **Lake Geneva** when their boat capsized.
- For those who find these celebrations difficult-veterans, trauma victims, others who struggle with noise.

#### This week, we saw God “breaking through”...

- ...in the celebration of 250 years of freedom and independence for the United States. (*Joel T.*)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## JULY'S NOISY can

### Marshfield Area Special Olympics

Marshfield Area Special Olympics offers year round sports activities for cognitive disabled athletes. At all the of the competitions there are free health screenings, dental checkups, eye exams with free glasses, if needed, free hearing tests and foot exams. Most of the athletes are on a very low income and cannot afford to pay for any of these activities. The areas that Special Olympics serve are athletes from Marshfield, Auburndale, Pittsville, Vesper, Stratford, Spencer, Greenwood and Colby. Special Olympics do fundraisers to help pay cost of rental on training facilities . Also the cost of uniforms, equipment needed for each sport, transportation to competitions and lunch while at competition, transportation being the most costly.

All money raised local stays local.

**Thanks**, SOS volunteers, for your service at the food pantry this past week. Helping out were **Gary G.**, **Rebecca N.** and **grandson, Karalee L.**, and **Mark K.** This important work makes a difference in our community and we are grateful for our Wesley volunteers.



Our next week of service is August 31st through September 4th, helping out on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

# PUB THEOLOGY with Good Shepherd Lutheran

Wednesday, July 15 @ 6 PM

Scotty’s Pizza | Pub Topic: Who is my neighbor?



Come for a time of fellowship as we explore our doubts and wonderings together. Engage with others, share perspectives, and grow through meaningful conversation and learning.

## Hub City Days (noun)

**Hub City Days** (*hŭb sīt'ē dāz*): An annual community celebration featuring live music, delicious food, family-friendly activities, local shopping, and opportunities to connect with friends and neighbors. Known for its lively atmosphere, hometown pride, and memorable experiences, Hub City Days brings the community together for a weekend of fun and entertainment.

**Example:** "We'll be spending Saturday at Hub City Days volunteering for our community."

Hub City Days is July 23rd through July 25th in Downtown Marshfield. This event is hosted by Mainstreet Marshfield with many generous sponsorships.

## HUB CITY DAYS

Please consider signing up to volunteer at Hub City Days on **Saturday, July 25!** Three volunteer shifts are available: 11:00 AM–1:00 PM, 1:00–3:00 PM, and 3:00–5:00 PM. We hope to have at least four volunteers for each shift, though additional helpers are always welcome. You would be assisting guests, monitoring trash cans, and taking bags to dumpsters as needed.

Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship Hall.

Join us as we connect with our community beyond the church walls!

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## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Reaching up to worship God | Reaching out to serve others | Reaching in to grow together