

Wesley United Methodist Church

Worship Sundays 9 AM

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+DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH # 95

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Karalee L.

Holy God, we give you thanks for all the wonder and blessing you have given to us, and for the many ways that you continue to make us part of your abundant, everlasting generosity in this world. Accept these, our offerings (along with our very lives) as evidence of our commitment to your way of discipleship. By your grace, may they continue to grow as visible signs of faith in action. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN

Lord, Be Glorified (V. 1 & 3)

TFWS # 2150

JOYS & CONCERNS

Leader: God of Grace...

People:...hear our prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION

UMH # 7-11

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH # 895

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 All Are One in Mission

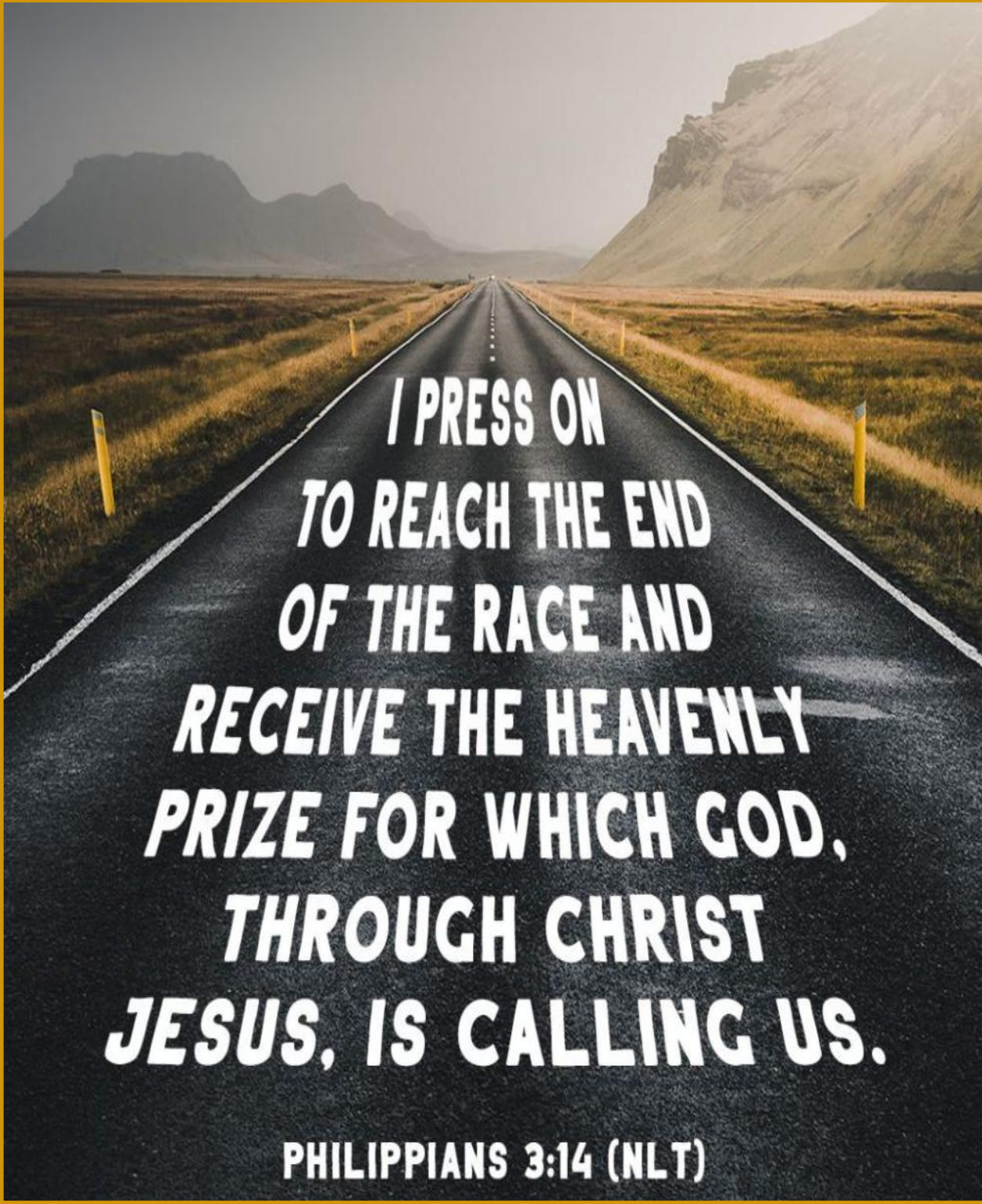
TFWS # 2243

+BENEDICTION

Pastor Caleb

POSTLUDE

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord



**I PRESS ON
TO REACH THE END
OF THE RACE AND
RECEIVE THE HEAVENLY
PRIZE FOR WHICH GOD,
THROUGH CHRIST
JESUS, IS CALLING US.**

PHILIPPIANS 3:14 (NLT)

World Communion Sunday

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

PRELUDE Standing on the Promises | Sanctuary | When I Survey the Wonderous Cross

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 Jesus, We Are Here

+CALL TO WORSHIP Karalee L.

Karalee: In every time and space; from each generation and beloved community,

All: we’ve been gathered to celebrate God, present and at work among us.

Karalee: Here, at the table of Christ, everyone is a recipient of God’s Divine grace,

All: able to share freely with all of our brothers, sisters, and siblings in faith.

Karalee: Forgiven and freed, filled with God’s Spirit, we’re sent out into the world,

All: to bear witness, and to be living examples of God’s love for all the earth.

+OPENING HYMN Let’s Sing unto the Lord UMH # 374

+OPENING PRAYER (UNISON): Karalee L.

Creator God, you are the Maker of heavens and earth! You brought all things into being-the stars, sun, and oceans-and, upon seeing their wondrous beauty, you declared them all to be ‘good’. By grace, you made each of us in your Divine image. You fill us with your mighty Spirit, and you give us opportunity to share together in your goodness, not just with you, but also with each other. Yet, too often, we have not. Amid life’s chaos, we have lost sight of your way. We neglect the various gifts you have given us, and we fail to pass on to others the faith we, ourselves, have received. Forgive us, O God! Save us from our fears of being alone, abandoned, and forgotten. Remind us that you are with us, and that we journey with countless others who are seeing your work in this life. Renew in us your Spirit of Power, that we might honor their witness, sharing your good news and living out your faith as love for all your children. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

+SILENT PRAYER

+SHARING THE PEACE
We shake hands and say, “The peace of Christ be with you.” If you are not comfortable shaking hands (or have difficulty moving about), you are invited to bump elbows, wave, or offer some sign of peace.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Pastor Caleb

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 3:4b-14 Candy P.-T.

If anyone else has reason to put their confidence in physical advantages, I have even more:

⁵ I was circumcised on the eighth day.
I am from the people of Israel and the tribe of Benjamin.
I am a Hebrew of the Hebrews.
With respect to observing the Law, I’m a Pharisee.
⁶ With respect to devotion to the faith, I harassed the church.
With respect to righteousness under the Law, I’m blameless.

⁷ These things were my assets, but I wrote them off as a loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ But even beyond that, I consider everything a loss in comparison with the superior value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. I have lost everything for him, but what I lost I think of as sewer trash, so that I might gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him. In Christ I have a righteousness that is not my own and that does not come from the Law but rather from the faithfulness of Christ. It is the righteousness of God that is based on faith. ¹⁰ The righteousness that I have comes from knowing Christ, the power of his resurrection, and the participation in his sufferings. It includes being conformed to his death ¹¹ so that I may perhaps reach the goal of the resurrection of the dead.

¹² It’s not that I have already reached this goal or have already been perfected, but I pursue it, so that I may grab hold of it because Christ grabbed hold of me for just this purpose. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, I myself don’t think I’ve reached it, but I do this one thing: I forget about the things behind me and reach out for the things ahead of me. ¹⁴ The goal I pursue is the prize of God’s upward call in Christ Jesus.

SERMON “The Unfinished Journey” Rev. Caleb McGregor
The joy of being open and responsive

HYMN Take My Life, and Let It Be UMH # 399

COMMUNITY PRAYER Karalee L.

OFFERTORY We Walk by Faith

This week's YouTube link for Sunday—

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

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!

- For **Fay J.**, who is home from rehab and continuing his recovery.
- For **Ken P.** (*grandfather of Pastor Doug*), who is in rehab and doing well.
- For people met on travels, who are willing to pray for each other. (*Karalee L.*)
- For **Marshfield Schools** as they celebrate homecoming week. (*Caleb H.*)
- For the opportunity to introduce two pastors to their new congregations. (*DS Park*)
- For busy days ahead-Parkinson's Conference, breast cancer walk, respite care conference. (*Marilyn S.-K.*)

CONCERNS:

- For **Kay** (*neighbor of Penny M.*), who has gone onto palliative care.
- For **Rebecca N.** (*and Jeff*) as she begins a journey to address a spot on her lung.
- For **Ann Marie** (*relative of Rebecca N.*), who has been hospitalized awaiting lung transplant.
- For **Tammy** (*sister of Karalee L.*), who is recovering from a stroke.
- For **Megan** (*niece of Karalee L.*), who is navigating ongoing health issues.

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

OTHERS

- For those who find themselves in difficult circumstances, trying to discern a way forward. (*Sharwin G.*)
- For **farmers** struggling to afford diesel fuel and other supplies going into harvest season.
- For those affected by terrible storms in the **Atlantic** and **Pacific Oceans**.
- For fallen **firefighters** and **EMS responders** honored in annual remembrances on Sept. 26.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER'S NOISY Can

Community Thanksgiving Meal



For almost 20 years, the Marshfield Community Thanksgiving Dinner has provided a home-cooked traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings on Thanksgiving Day. The meal is FREE to all who are looking for a hot meal. American Legion Hall Post 54, 2100 S. Maple Ave. has hosted the dinner in-person as well as a carry out option. It takes a lot of volunteers and donations to make this event happen. Around 700 people are usually served at this meal. As the meal fills so many stomachs each year, let's fill the Noisy Can!

**WORSHIP SERVICE TIME
for SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 is
10 AM!**

**Live streaming of the
service will also start at
10 AM.**

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

10.04.2026

WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10 AM

* **HOLY COMMUNION** OBSERVED WITH OUR
FRIENDS FROM PORT EDWARDS UMC.

* **SPECIAL UMC SUNDAY OFFERING**
FOR SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND
LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

(SPECIAL OFFERING ENVELOPES AVAILABLE IN
THE FELLOWSHIP HALL)

* **POTLUCK** FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP
SERVICE—*PLEASE BRING A DISH TO PASS*
IF ABLE, BUT DON'T WORRY IF YOU
CAN'T. WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN
US.



Thanks for opening your purses and emptying your pockets for our September Noisy Can collection. We raised \$91.04 for the SOS Food Pantry! We also are donating canned fruit and individually packaged fruit cups to SOS. Some of the shelves at the Food Pantry are looking rather bare, so our donations will make a difference. Well done Wesley Family!



Wesley’s next week to serve at the Food Pantry is October 26th-30th (Mon-Wed-Fri). Please see Jackie if you are available to volunteer.
New volunteers are always welcomed!

2027 PLEDGE CARDS

Haven’t turned in your 2027 pledge card yet? There’s still time! Pledge cards help us plan and budget for the upcoming year. Please return your pledge card as soon as possible. Thank you for supporting Wesley UMC!

THIS WEEK, WE SAW GOD “BREAKING THROUGH”...

- ...in the bald eagle that flew over our car and landed in a nearby tree. (Nolan H.)
- ...in Fay J. being home to celebrate her 100th birthday.
- ...in the dedication and commitment of those serving our congregation. (Penny M.)
- ...in visiting the **Church of the Transfiguration** in the Grand Tetons. (Karalee L.)
- ...in seeing wild turkeys. (Mary E.)

Notes
