Wesley United Methodist Church

Worship Sundays 9 AM

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+PRAYER OF DEDICATION *Joel T.*

God of Grace, you have given us the blessed gift of your forgiveness, encompassing our whole lives and beings, freeing us to be the people (and communities) you are continually making us to be. Accept these, our humble offerings, as signs of our deepest gratitude. May they be the tools to help further your kin-dom-bringing healing, repairing brokenness, and transforming lives. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN *Lord, We Come to Ask Your Blessing (*V. 1 & 4*)* TFWS # 2230

JOYS & CONCERNS

Leader: God of Grace… **People: …hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

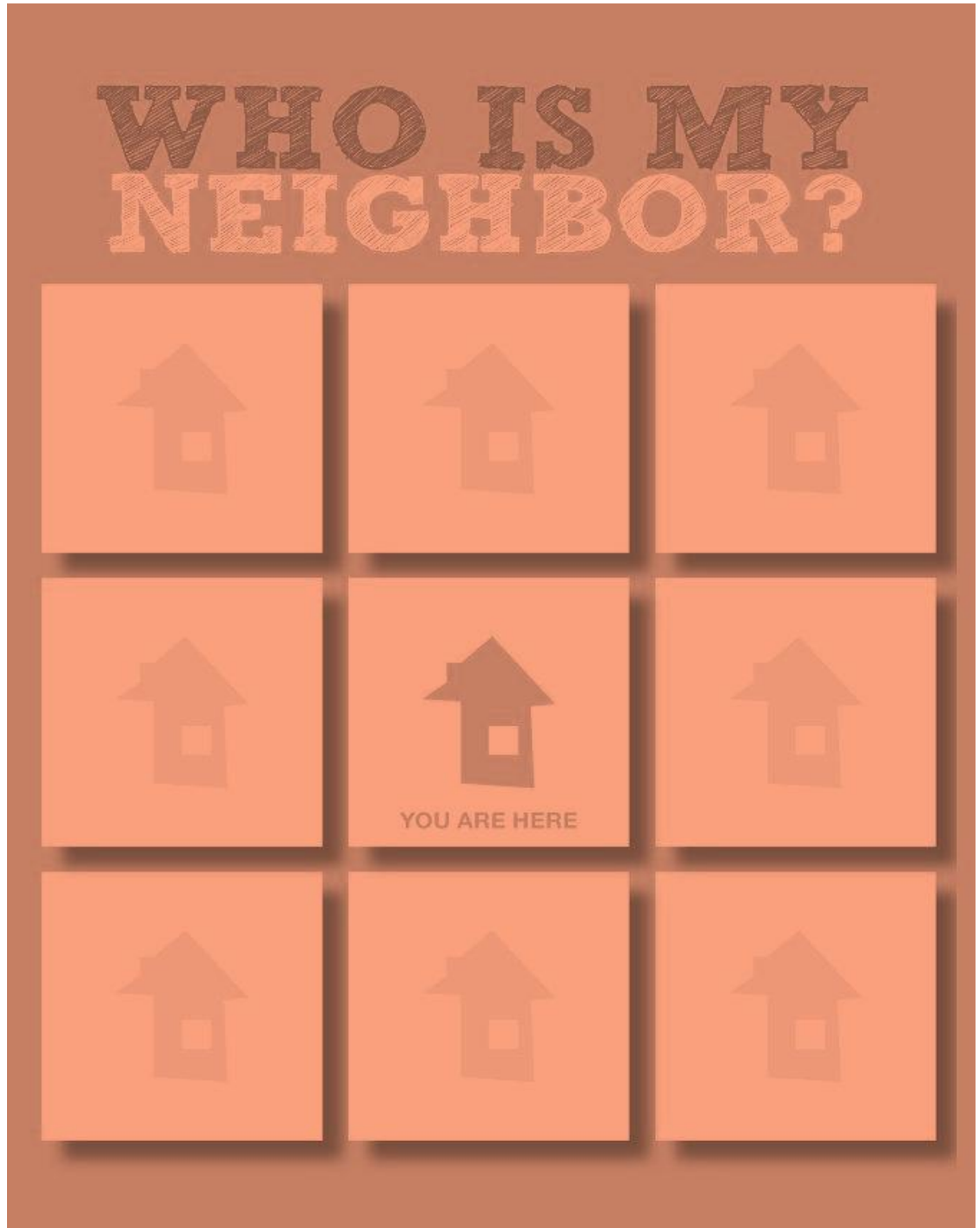
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Pastor Doug*

+CLOSING HYMN *And Are We Yet Alive*-(Verses 1,3,4, & 6) UMH # 553

+BENEDICTION *Pastor Doug*

POSTLUDE *Kristine L.*



25th 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 *Kristine L.*

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

+CALL TO WORSHIP *Joel T.*

Joel: From the places we have come; from the variety of our lived experiences,
All: the Lord gathers us with love and grace, making us a part of their family.
Joel: With humbleness in our hearts; through every act of worship and service,
All: we are deepening in faith, living out the hope to be found in Jesus Christ.
Joel: With God's help, we continue to grow together as believers and neighbors,
All: practicing repentance and forgiveness; being reconciled, one to another.

+OPENING HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* UMH # 140

+OPENING PRAYER (UNISON): *Joel T.*

Wonderous God, in every moment, you are making yourself known. You have remained faithful to your covenant and Creation, and you continue to work (throughout the whole world) for good. Even now, you journey alongside us. You surround us with endless love and compassion, you reach for us in times of need, and you give us opportunity to share in the bringing forth of your reality. However, there are times when we fall short. We listen to worldly voices; we allow our differences to divide us; we worry much more about our own interests, instead of caring for our neighbors. Forgive us, O God! Help us to see that we are not in this by ourselves (that we are part of something greater). Open our hearts to the ways you are making it possible for us to live, grow, and thrive. Teach us how to move toward each other, so that we might nurture the relationship you have given and lean more fully into the greatness of your coming kin-dom, together. 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 Doug*

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 12:9-21 *Joel T.*

9 Love should be shown without pretending. Hate evil, and hold on to what is good. 10 Love each other like
the members of your family. Be the best at showing honor to each other. 11 Don't hesitate to be
enthusiastic—be on fire in the Spirit as you serve the Lord! 12 Be happy in your hope, stand your ground
when you're in trouble, and devote yourselves to prayer. 13 Contribute to the needs of God's people, and
welcome strangers into your home. 14 Bless people who harass you—bless and don't curse them. 15 Be
happy with those who are happy, and cry with those who are crying. 16 Consider everyone as equal, and
don't think that you're better than anyone else. Instead, associate with people who have no status. Don't
think that you're so smart. 17 Don't pay back anyone for their evil actions with evil actions, but show
respect for what everyone else believes is good.

18 If possible, to the best of your ability, live at peace with all people. 19 Don't try to get revenge for
yourselves, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath. It is written, *Revenge belongs to me; I will
pay it back, says the Lord*. 20 Instead, *If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him a drink. By
doing this, you will pile burning coals of fire upon his head*. 21 Don't be defeated by evil, but defeat evil
with good.

SERMON **"Better Together"** *Pastor Doug*
Practicing forgiveness and reconciliation

HYMN *God, How Can We Forgive* TFWS # 2169

COMMUNITY PRAYER *Joel T.*

OFFERTORY
+DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH # 95

This week's **YouTube** link for Sunday—

https://www.youtube.com/live/vpjBX5LVuk4

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 **Karalee's daughter**, who work creating decompression space for colleagues was recognized.
- For **Deb and Joel T.**, who are celebrating their 48th anniversary with friends (who are at 60 years).
- For **Anne Marie** (*sister-grandmother of Rebecca N.*), who is now 1st in line for transplant surgery.

CONCERNS:

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

OTHERS:

- For the friends and loved ones of **Fay J.**, whose funeral was Saturday (Nov.7).
- For **veterans** and for all those who've given of themselves in service to neighbor and community.

THIS WEEK, WE SAW GOD "BREAKING THROUGH"…

- …in the beautiful weather we've been having this November. (*Penny M.*)
- …in welcoming confirmands from Faith ELCA for worship. (*Marilyn S.-K.*)

Our Mission Statement

Reaching Up To Worship God | Reaching Out To Serve Others | Reaching In To Grow Together

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November's Noisy Can

Nutrition on Weekends

The Nutrition on Weekends (NOW) is a United Way program to target childhood hunger in our local surrounding communities. The program provides healthy, ready-to-eat nutritious foods for children during the weekend, providing a safety net for children when they are not in the classroom and able to access school meals.

Since the program started in 2013, the NOW program serves 400-450 students weekly to eligible students in Marshfield, Auburndale, Granton, Spencer, Loyal, Greenwood, Pittsville and Stratford schools. Volunteers help prepare and sort the food for the weekend and then volunteers drop-off the week-end backpacks to the schools to send home with the enrolled students.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to

Cheryl R.!



November 17

2026 Church Conference

Join us for an evening of fellowship and connection at our upcoming Church Conference on **Monday, November 16**! We'll share a light supper at 6:00 PM, followed by the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Rev. Eric Taylor of Black River Falls UMC will be joining us to preside over the meeting. We hope you'll come, enjoy a meal together, and be part of this important time in the life of our church. Everyone's presence is valued!

Any questions about the conference? Please speak with Pastor Doug.

Growing in *The Art of Neighboring*

There's still 1 more week on our six-week journey with *The Art of Neighboring*. Come grow and learn together during one of our small group discussions.

Two opportunities are available each week: Mondays at 11 AM and Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

Together, we can embody God's love for the people who live right next door!

Marshfield High School Madrigal Dinner

Get into the holiday spirit with a wonderful local tradition! The 61st Annual Madrigal Dinner will be held at Marshfield High School on Saturday, December 5, at 6:00 PM, and Sunday, December 6, at 1:30 PM.

Tickets are available for purchase online through Sunday, November 22.
Don't miss your chance to enjoy this special holiday celebration!

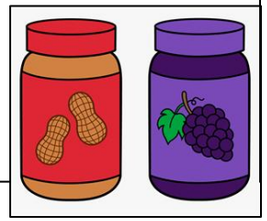


Purchase tickets at: https://our.show/mads2026

NUTRITION ON WEEKENDS (NOW)

November Collection

During the month of November, Wesley UMC will be collecting jars of peanut butter and jelly to support the Nutrition on Weekends (NOW) program. Your generosity helps provide food for those students with weekend food insecurities. Please place your donations in the blue bin in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support!





SOUP OR SOCKS



Wesley's next scheduled week to help at the Pantry is the week of Christmas. With the holiday falling on Friday, we will only need to schedule helpers for Monday and Wednesday, December 21 & 23. It would be a great opportunity for visiting family or students to share the spirit of giving by helping at the SOS Food Pantry. See Jackie Z. for more information.

Notes