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### What's up with worship?

**Today:** The laity of our church step up to the plate and lead worship as we celebrate the ministry of those who are NOT clergy. What really makes the United Methodist Church work? The Laity! **Next Week:** Join us in worship as we celebrate All Saint's Day and recognize in a unique way those who have died since this time last year. **Coming up in November:** On the 12<sup>th</sup>, we'll celebrate the grace of God as evidenced in our out-going Director of Music and organist, Allan Birney. We'll also be gifting Bibles to our younger children, so you'll want to be here! Then on the 19<sup>th</sup>, Bob brings the message, focusing on grief and it's meaning for us as we approach the holidays. We will also take the time to offer our financial promises to the church for 2018. Becky, our supervised ministry student, will preach on the 26<sup>th</sup> to close out our month and usher us into Advent!

### Today's Community Connections:

- If you are interested in providing fresh flowers for worship, please sign up at the connections corner table. (See bullet point below.)
- Feel like you missed something? The Connections Corner table can help. Head across the atrium and get the information you need just under the tv monitor.
- Don't receive our weekly e-news? You should! Please email Sue Kiefner at: [SueK@wesleychurch.com](mailto:SueK@wesleychurch.com) to get on the list!
- Starting today!: *A Disciple's Path*: This new members class meets **from 10:15-11:30 a.m.** This 5-week class will be held in Fellowship Hall and run by Pastors Andy and Bob. To sign-up, connect with Bob. Adult education is also offered during these weeks (from 10:15-10:55) by several long-time members in the chapel, titled Issues of Christian Faith:
  - October 29 – Clarke Chapman – What Are Christian Creeds and Why Were They Created?
  - November 5 – Ardis Chapman – Sowing Pardon vs Getting Even – Why Did Jesus Say "70 times 7?"
  - November 12- Beverly Marriner – Christian Meanings in the Labyrinth
  - November 18: Karen Marmaras – Welcoming the Stranger in Our Midst
  - November 26: Beverly Marriner – Conversations About Being Christian
- On November 12<sup>th</sup> following worship, the congregation is welcome to bring a pot-luck dish to celebrate Allan's ministry at Wesley. We will gather at 12 for lunch together, followed by a brief time of recognition and sending. Come with a dish to share!

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### Sunday morning schedule:

9:00 – Contemporary worship  
10:15 – Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 – Classic (traditional) worship  
Hospitality is offered in the atrium.

Church office hours are from 9 AM-3 PM  
weekdays during the school year.

† invites all to stand, if able.

# Contemporary Worship Order

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017; 9:00 a.m.

Recognition of the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation and a Celebration of the Laity

† Welcome and Greeting Christian Lockhart, Chair, Church Council

Special Music *Walk with Me* (John S. Rice, arr. David L. Bone) Kinderchor Children's Choir

† Praising God in Song (*Awesome is the Lord Most High* and *I Am Free*) The Ensemble

Children's Message Brian Graybeal, Director of Youth Ministries

† The Apostle's Creed, Ecumenical Version (Number 882, Hymnal) Kasey Renowden

An Explanation of the Reformation Carolyn Miller, Certified Lay Minister

Song: *Rooftops* The Ensemble

Laity Message *"Through the Layers"* Sue Kiefner, Christ Servant Minister

*The sermon is also live-streamed on Facebook. Send your friends to: "wesleychurchbethlehem" to watch now or later.*

Scripture During Message: Luke 8:4-8 and 11-15; and Matthew 28:16-20

Musical Response *Stained Glass Masquerade* (Casting Crowns) Ricky Bell and Christine Bainbridge

Is there anyone that fails? Is there anyone that falls? Am I the only one in church today, feeling so small?  
Cause when I take a look around Everybody seems so strong I know they'll soon discover That I don't belong  
So I tuck it all away Like everything's OK If I make 'em all believe it Maybe I'll believe it too  
So with a painted grin I'll play the part again So everyone will see me The way that I see them

(Chorus) Are we happy plastic people Under shiny plastic steeples With walls around our weakness And smiles that hide our pain  
But the invitations open To every heart that's been broken Maybe then we close the curtain On our stained glass masquerade

Is there anyone who's been there? Are there any hands raised? Am I the only one who's traded In the altar for a stage?  
The performance is convincing And we know every line in my heart Only when no one is watching can we really fall apart  
But would it set me free If I dared to let you see The truth behind the person You imagine me to be  
Or would your eyes be opened Or would you walk away Would the love of Jesus Be enough to make you stay? (to chorus 2x)

If the invitations open To every heart that has been broken Maybe then we close the curtain On our stained glass masquerade  
Is there anyone that fails? Is there anyone that falls? Am I the only one in church today, feeling so small?

## Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts

*Hebrews 6:10: God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.*

The blue *Sign-in Cards / Prayer Cards* are available in the pew racks. They, as well as your morning offering, can be placed in the offering plates as they are passed along your pew. Thank you!

Music during the Offering: *Use Me* The Ensemble and Congregation

† Doxology and Prayer: #95 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>) Hymnal

The Lord's Prayer Kasey Renowden

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.

Community Connections (Please see front of bulletin) Andy and Bob

† Closing Song (*Everyday*)

† Sending Out

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# Classic Worship Order

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017; 11:00 a.m.

Recognition of the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation and a Celebration of the Laity

**Prelude** *Tanti Anni Prima* (Piazzolla) Allan Birney, Director of Music, Organist

† **Welcome and Greeting** Christian Lockhart, Chair, Church Council

† **Opening Hymn: #110** *A Mighty Fortress* United Methodist Hymnal

† **The Apostle's Creed, Ecumenical Version** (Number 882, Hymnal) Kasey Renowden

**An Explanation of the Reformation** Carolyn Miller, Certified Lay Minister

**Anthem** *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* (J.S. Bach) Chancel Choir

**Laity Message** *"Through the Layers"* Sue Kiefner, Christ Servant Minister

*The 9:00 sermon is also live-streamed on Facebook. Send your friends to: "wesleychurchbethlehem" to watch later.*

**Scripture During Message:** Luke 8:4-8 and 11-15; and Matthew 28:16-20

**Special Music** *Stained Glass Masquerade* (Casting Crowns) Ricky Bell and Christine Bainbridge

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**Offertory** *Antiphon V* (M. Dupre)

† **Doxology and Prayer: #95** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* (OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>) Hymnal

**The Lord's Prayer** Kasey Renowden

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† **Hymn: #593** *Here I Am, Lord* Hymnal

**Community Connections** (Please see front of bulletin) Andy and Bob

## An Order of Farewell to Church Member

 (Dot Sekkes)

*(Praying together): We feel sorrow in your leaving, yet we rejoice with you in anticipation of this new phase of your life. We will miss your love and support, yet we know you will add much to the lives of those who will be your new church family, as you have added much to our lives. We will pray for you and for the whole family of God.*

† **Closing Hymn: #519** *Lift Every Voice and Sing* Hymnal

† **Benediction and Choral Response**

**Postlude:** *Allegro from Sonata IV* (F. Mendelssohn) Allan Birney

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## JOYS AND CONCERNS – October 29<sup>th</sup>

*“Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done.”*

Philippians 4:6 New Living Translation

### PRAYER REQUESTS FROM OCTOBER 24

**Tina Alisio** for Darlene Miller as she recovers from 2<sup>nd</sup> hip replacement. **Clark Chapman** for Joanne Rogers in Arizona, entering hospice and final stages of life. **Donna Giardina** asks for recovery for brother, Billy who had back surgery. **Nicole & Christian Lockhart** for Meg & Keith as Meg recovers from knee surgery. Prayer for successful surgery for Amy K. **Bob Keiderling** continue to keep Donna’s Mom, Geri in prayer that her journey to eternity is peaceful. Please keep Donna in prayer as caregiver. **Sandy Kerezman** for Andy as continues testing at Fox Chase for further treatment and healing. **Frank Madura** for guidance in finding a job and God’s grace & wisdom as his Mother’s caregiver. **Karen Marmaras** for Peter’s mother Kate; for a colleague whose wife committed suicide. **Gayne & Beverly Marriner** for family and friends in CA suffering from the fires and air quality. **Kasey Renowden** for Betty Holt waiting results of lung biopsy; and for my family’s recovery from sinus infections. **Ray & Lin Robey** give thanks for successful surgery for Dick & Lauri. Pray for friends and loved one who lost loved ones recently. Continued prayer for Jack & Maryann & grandson Derek. **Scott Stackhouse/ Laurie Billheimer** for Karen as Harry is with the Lord. For Scott as he heals from bypass surgery procedure; for Mother’s recovery. **Ken & Betty Weaver** for friends Nancy & Tony, dealing with family illnesses. **Morgan Whitebread** for residents and victims of Santa Rosa fires.

### PRAYER REQUESTS FROM OCTOBER 15

**Carol Covert** for friend Ellen scheduled for open heart surgery. **Jim & Heather Hunter** for friend Gary Williams, for successful surgery/recovery for bladder cancer. **Nathan Jones** prayers as I take steps to learn a trade in an effort to provide for my family. **Mikailyn Matacavage** for healing for Georgia facing possible torn ACL which will hinder her field hockey season.

### PRAYER REQUESTS FROM OCTOBER 8

**Ed & Wendy Beaujon** for sister, Laurie Butler for successful surgery and speedy recovery. **Jane & Joe Kempfer** for continued prayers for Jada recovering from surgery. **Deborah Renowden** for Nathan, Issac, & Maya for special needs kids who lost insurance through congressional inaction; for Tasha with Crohn’s; Aamina, Bianca, Theresa, Lynn, Esteli, Tammy, Kim, Rhiannon with health issues; Stacey hard time dealing with Father’s passing. **Becky Sausser** whose Grandmother’s chemo starts again. **Wanda & Louis Williams** for Louis who has difficult weeks coming up.

### CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

(NEW INFORMATION ON THESE CONCERNS INSURES THEM CONTINUING ON LIST.)

**Betty Holt** with respiratory problems. **George Danner and his wife Martha** as he recovers from his illness. **Peter Marmaras** prayers for Mother, Kate, who is elderly and in chronic pain. **Kyleigh Kerecz** awaiting surgery for scoliosis. **Barbara & George Guldner** as he deals with his pancreatic cancer. **Audrey Vigilanti** for Carol Vigilanti suffering with kidney disorder, lupus and lymphoma. **Suzanne & Mike Krom** for Theresa for healing of cancer. **Sue Kiefner** asks prayers for friend’s husband, Geoff battling colon cancer. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for Jeff with brain cancer. **Suzanne Hastie’s** parents, Aaron and Janice Hastie. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for friend Ivelisse, diagnosed with breast cancer & receiving treatment. **Dot Sekkes** for cousin Jim and re-occurrence of cancer.

### PRAYER JOYS AND PRAISE:

**Ray & Lin Robey** give thanks for successful surgery for Dick & Lauri. **Carol Mitchell** praise & gratitude for God’s grace. **Dot Sekkes** Thanks for answered prayers. God is good. **Dick Herzog** worshipped with us Sunday but still working through heart issues. **Lockharts** rejoice for a great time with family & friends.

### PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO:

**Karen Schaeffer** on homegoing for husband Harry. **Sallie Bambu** for comfort for friend Cathy & family on death of her mother. **Jim & Heather Hunter** for Uliana Family on loss of father/son. **Joan & Mark** for prayers for friend Brian who now resides with the Lord.

### THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP:

**At Home** George & Martha Danner, Betty Hein, Naomi Jones  
**Arlington** (Easton) Sylvia Thele,  
**King’s Daughters** Gertrude Kunsman  
**Old Orchard** Geri Mullen  
**Traditions HOA** Betty Holt  
**Sterling Heights** Peggy Jacobson

**Arden Court** Nancy Breon  
**Gracedale** Jane Sandt, Dorothy Coolin  
**Moravian Village** Agnes Smith, Loretta Jensen  
**Traditions of Hanover** Marian Jeffery  
**Westminster Village** Howard & Shirley Beiseigel,  
Irvin & Lorene Arnold

### WESLEY CHURCH MINISTRIES:

Our teachers and facilitators; Good Grief; Men’s & Women’s Small groups, TEACHRwanda; Visitation/Stephen Ministry; We’ve Got Your Backpack Day; Backpack Buddies; Cancer Support Group; Wesley Community Garden; Outreach Depot;

We ask that you please update your prayer request information at least every two weeks.  
This ensures that your request will remain on the Prayer List. Thank you.