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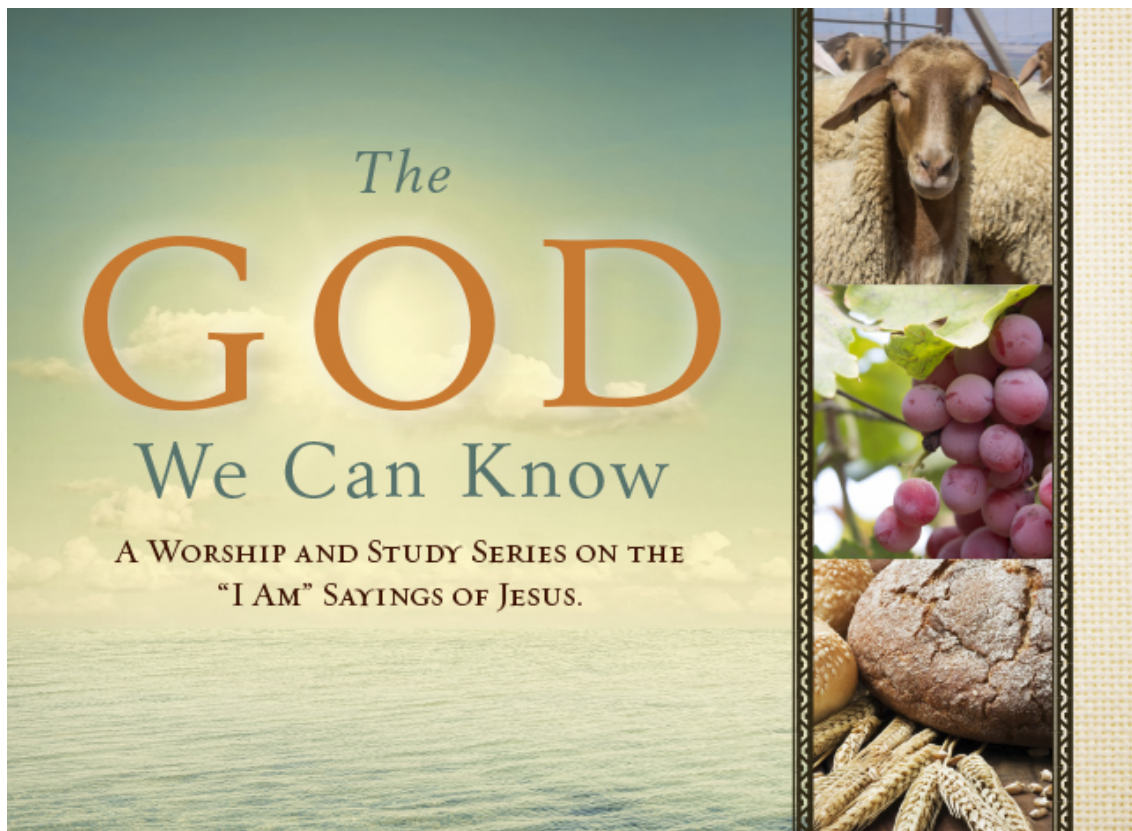


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What's up in worship?

Today: How can we experience Jesus as a source of satisfaction? How do we keep from being consumed by our appetites? When we worry that the satisfaction we have now may one day run out, we are challenged to rest in the truth and fullness of Jesus' promise when he said, "I am the Bread of Life. Come to me and never be hungry." Come and (re)discover the source of our contentment in this life and the next!

Next Week: We all need guidance; sometimes we realize this, and sometimes we don't. What does it mean to seek God's guidance willingly? What does it mean to be open to God's direction when we don't think we need to change direction? God's desire to give direction to us is central in Jesus' words, "I am the light of the world."

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? Please email Sue Kiefner at: SueK@wesleychurch.com to get on the list!
- We are still raising funds for a replacement projector for the sanctuary. Please consider taking a tag from the peg board outside the sanctuary and help us *Project (Y)our Faith!*
- The Northampton County Outstanding Seniors Awards will take place at Wesley Church on Thursday, April 26, 2018. If you would like to nominate somebody for this award, which recognizes individuals who contribute their time and talents for the benefit of others in our community, please connect with Susan Matacavage.

Due to the presence of illnesses making their way around the congregation (and the community), you are encouraged not to shake hands, but rather fist pump and elbow tap your friends and fellow believers during the greeting. While we take many precautions during communion, we would also like to remind you to try not to mistakenly dip your fingertips into the juice as you receive. Thanks!

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Today's 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

February 25th, 2018 – Second Sunday in Lent / Knowing the Great “I Am”

† Welcome and Greeting Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

Special Music Peter Rock Kinderchor Children’s Choir (Heather Hunter, Director)

† Praising God in Song Meet With Me and Enough The Ensemble

† Scripture John 6:27-59 Kelly Hines, Reader

Children’s Message Pastor Andy

† Lenten Litany Teach Us the Wisdom of God Ensemble and Congregation; Kelly Hines, Reader
Please see the projection to join in the singing, reading and prayer.

Congregational Prayer Bob and Pastor Andy
Whether offering your prayer aloud or keeping it confidential, please continue to fill out the blue cards and place them in the offering as you come forward for communion so that the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!

Message “Knowing God’s Satisfaction” Pastor Andy

Musical Response To Know You (Mark Hall, Jason Ingram and Bernie Herms) The Ensemble

To know You is to never worry for my life/To know You is to never give into compromise and
To know You is to want to tell the world about You/’Cause I can’t live without You

To know You is to hear Your voice when You are calling/To know You is to catch my brother when he is falling
To know You is to feel the pain of the brokenhearted/’Cause they can’t live without You

(chorus) More than my next breath/More than life or death/All I’m reaching for, I live my life to know You more
I leave it all behind, You’re all that satisfies To know You is to want to know You more To know You is to want to know You
more

To know You is to ache for more than ordinary/To know You is to look beyond the temporary
To know You is believing that You’ll be enough/’Cause there’s no life without You (to chorus)

None compare to You, compare to You
And I count it all as loss/Compared to knowing You, knowing You (repeat)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Please see the liturgy on the insert.
All are welcome to receive communion in the United Methodist tradition. The table is open to all. We receive by method of intinction. Ushers will guide you into forming lines in the aisles. The servers will hand you a piece of bread which you may dip into the cup, and then return to your pew. Please bring forward with you your Sign-in Cards / Prayer cards (available in the pew racks), as well as your morning offering. Both can be placed in the offering plates as you come forward to receive communion. 2 Cor 8:12: *If the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.* Music for Communion: Hungry, G=Falling on My Knees and Breathe

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

† Closing Song All I Really Want The Ensemble

† Sending Out and Response Please see projection.

† invites all to stand, if able.

Classic Worship Order

February 25th, 2018 – Second Sunday in Lent / Knowing the Great "I Am"

Prelude *Consolation No. 3 in D Flat* (F. Liszt) Frank Arbushites, Piano

† **Welcome, Introduction, and Greeting** Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

† **Opening Hymn** *My Hope Is Built* #368, United Methodist Hymnal

† **Lenten Litany** *Teach Us the Wisdom of God* Piano, Organ, Chancel Choir, Congregation; Beverly Mariner Reader
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Special Music *Meditations on the Theme of Peace* (D. Hakes) Celebration Ringers
This piece was written in July 2016 in response to global violence. It is a musical cryptogram on the words PEACE and DONA NOBIS PACEM ("Grant us peace"), spelling these words with musical notes A through G, and continuing with H=A, I=B, J=C, etc. The composer is donating all royalties to *Seeds of Peace* (seedsofpeace.org), an organization that teaches young people all over the world to spread the message of peace, and ways to end hate and violence.

Scripture John 6:27-59 Beverly Mariner, Reader

† **Hymn:** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* #384, Hymnal

Message "Knowing God's Satisfaction" Pastor Andy

Musical Response *Bread of Life* (J. Raney) Chancel Choir

At this table, Lord, we lay our burdens down/At your feet we humbly kneel to pray
At the foot of the cross, we contemplate the cost as we share this feast today

(chorus) Lord, break your bread of life for me/Feed my hunger, set my spirit free; pour out your grace on me
Lord, fill my cup from the fountain of your love/Open my eyes that I might see/Break you bread of life, Lord, for me

At this table, Lord, we renew our strength/From this cup we drink of boundless grace
Teach us, Lord, how to share the bounty of your care when we leave this holy place (to chorus)

We worship, you Lord of might and majesty/We pray for your guidance from above
We remember the sacrifice on Calvary/We thank you for your never-ending love (to chorus)

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

† **Closing Hymn** *All Who Hunger* Please see the insert.

Benediction and Choral Response *Father Bless Us* (R. Mann) Chancel Choir

Postlude *Toccata in C* (J. S. Bach)

"Hear my cry for help, my King and my God, for to you I pray. " Psalm 5:2

"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

Feb. 18th **Chris Foster** for Kate & baby Elliot; Roby in her battle with cancer; flu season to end with no more fatalities, food, water, safety for world's refugees. **Joe Kempfer** for friend as he deals with pancreatic cancer diagnosis. **Walt & Carolyn Migliori** for Walt's Dad, Martin, recovering from amputation surgery. **Kay Morgan** for friend, Gail, in hospital with kidney issues. **Karen Schaefer** for all experiencing school shooting in Florida. **Rich & Jan Schultz** for friend Gene waiting for biopsy report. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for friend just diagnosed with prostate cancer. **Patti Tirone** for Father, Ben's back surgery this week. **Fritz & Marion Werner** for Fritz's friend, Craig, recently diagnosed with cancer. **Prayer Team** for **ReggieYoung** as she undergoes surgery 2/21 for lung cancer. For **Shirley Brandon** who has serious back issues; prayers to overcome claustrophobia so an MRI can be done. **Audrey Viglianti** for unknown blood pressure issue.

Feb. 11th **John & Carol Covert** for friends in Florida, Jan & Tom. **Matt & Lori Dietz** for Brilynd as he heals from a broken collarbone. **Lisa Jacobson** for my Mom, Audrey struggling with some "unknown" medical problems. **Sue Kiefner** for our neighbors at First Presbyterian going through their separation, that both congregations follow God's will for them. **Frank Madura** for God's healing for Dennis, Chuck, & Mary; Wisdom with Caregivers & Thursday Men's group; thanksgiving for the love and fellowship of church; God's blessing for my Mother. **Peter Marmaras** for Mother, Kate, who has returned home; For Karen; for travel for Grace; Angie for healing and for managing; Anne M. for her internship opportunity. **Debra Silliman** for safe travels; strength and patience for Jackie and all mommies. Jackie has returned to work; prayers for her adjusting, endurance, and peace. Health & strength for all who have little ones to care for. **Lin & Ray Robey** continued recovery for MaryAnn with kidney surgery recently; for Donna, with serious health concerns; for those suffering losses and for our grandson Derek. **Spoken Prayers:** continued prayers for **Tom Miller** with surgery; **Ray Buckno** struggling with health. **Cindy Ivins** for **Rebecca Flores** as it does so much to lift her spirits. **Betty Krupka** asks prayer for friend, **Sandy** with brain surgery for Parkinson's.

JOYS AND PRAISES: **Chris Foster** is thankful for a beautiful farewell to winter & citizens' demands for safe schools. **Tom Keel** mild stroke and is doing very well. **Dan Capwell** doing better with the tinnitus. **Debra Silliman** gives thanks for **the music offered by children and for the adults who teach them**. **Sue Matacavage's family** in SC recovering from their illness. The **Robey family** gives prayers of thanks! **MaryAnn** had a kidney transplant on Thursday; her kidney started working Friday. **Ricky Sterner** gives thanks all for your thoughts and prayers as he recovers from lung surgery and pneumonia.

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO: For the **McDonough family** on death of John. **Karen Rose** for friends & family of Kathy Hartman. Nicole & Christian Lockhart ask prayers for the **family of John Hoffner**. The **family of Howard Baier** who passed recently.

CONTINUED HEALING/PRAYER CONCERNS: **Kelly Hines** for her father with Parkinson's Disease. **Andy Kereczman** with cancer. **Reggie Young** with lung cancer & surgery on 21st. **Ricky Sterner** who got pneumonia and had to return to hospital. **Rebecca Flores** during chemo & radiation. **Melissa Day** for her cancer and treatments. **Betty Holt** for lung concerns. **Peter Marmaras' Mother, Kate**. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for **Jeff** with brain cancer; for **Ivelisse** with breast cancer. For Suzanne Hastie's parents **Aaron & Janice**.

THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP: **At Home:** George & Martha Danner, Betty Hein, Naomi Jones
Gracedale Nancy Breon, Jane Sandt, Dorothy Collin **Arlington (Easton)** Sylvia Thele
Moravian Village Agnes Smith, Loretta Jensen, **Manor Care** Frances Brandon
Yolanda McKinnon **Sterling Heights** Peggy Jacobson
King's Daughters Gertrude Kunsman **Kirkland Village** Barbara Guldner
Traditions of Hanover Marian Jeffery **Traditions HOA** Betty Holt
Westminster Village Howard & Shirley Beiseigel, 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 ; the 2018 Young Inquirers confirmation class.

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.