

Welcome to:



WESLEY  
CHURCH  
OF BETHLEHEM

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION



*We're glad you're here!*

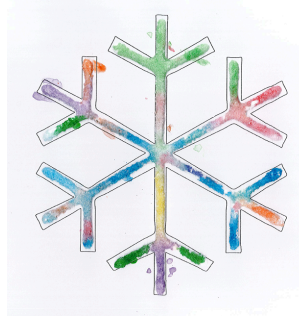
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## ***This Week at Wesley Church:***

***The altar flowers this morning are presented by Jan Schultz in loving memory of my mother, Muriel Benway's 93rd birthday.***

### **Sunday, January 19**

General Staff Meeting  
NA - Westside Sunday Night

11:30am (Library)  
6:00-8:15pm (Library)

### **Monday, January 20**

***The Church office and WCOF Preschool are closed for MLK Day.***

AA - Beginners Meeting

6:30pm (Library)

### **Tuesday, January 21**

NA - The Acceptance Group  
Men's Faith Building

6:30-8:30pm (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30-8:00pm (Parlor)

### **Wednesday, January 22**

Celebration Ringers  
Finance Team Meeting  
Alpha Bells rehearsal  
Jubilation Singers rehearsal

6:00-7:15pm (Music Room)  
6:30-8:30pm (Zoom)  
7:15pm (Music Room)  
7:15-8:30pm (Sanctuary)

### **Thursday, January 23**

Audience of One rehearsal

7:45-11:00pm (Sanctuary)

### **Friday, January 24**

AA Pre-Meeting  
AA - Speakers Meeting  
Al-Anon

5:45pm (Parlor)  
8:00pm (Sanctuary)  
8:00pm (Library)

### **Saturday, January 25**

# Blended Worship

## January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### Prelude

Mignon from Album for the Young, Op. 68, no. 35 (*Robert Schumann*)

### Welcome

### † Call to Worship

(*inspired by 1 Cor. 13:13 and the writings of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*)

One: Love is the greatest force in the universe.

**Many: Faith, hope, and love abide... but the greatest of these is love!**

One: Love is the heartbeat of the cosmos.

**Many: Faith, hope, and love abide... but the greatest of these is love!**

One: The one who loves is a participant in the being of God.

**Many: Faith, hope, and love abide... but the greatest of these is love!**

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### † Opening Hymn and Song

O God of Every Nation\*  
We Unite\*

### Scripture

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

*Dave Marlin*

### Children's Message

### Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts

This month, our *Power of One* offering will benefit:  
*The Youth Ministry*

### Offering Music

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian\*

## Congregational Prayer

### 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.

Justice, Love and Peace\*\*\*\*

### Message in Music

Precious Lord, Take My Hand\*\*\* (arr. *D. E. Wagner*)

**Message** "Paul's Letter to American Christians"

### Musical Response

Known By Love\* (*Chris McClarney*)

## Community Connections

### Closing Hymn

#428 UMH For the Healing of the Nations\*

## Benediction

### Dismissal Song

Known By Love\* (Reprise)

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