

the *Circuit Rider*



WESLEY
METHODIST CHURCH

*Seeking the Lost and
Sending the Saved*

A Letter From the Pastor - Gifted

BY PASTOR RICK



Romans 12:4-8 *"For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. ⁶ We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ⁷ ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in*

teaching; ⁸ the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness."

I used to think church was supposed to run like a well-oiled machine — everybody interchangeable, everybody capable of everybody else's job if you just handed them the manual. I have since learned this is not true, and also that I personally

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cannot decorate, bake, play the organ, and God bless the people who can.

Paul writes to the Romans that we are one body with many members, and "not all the members have the same function." He lists the gifts almost like he's taking attendance — prophecy, ministry, teaching, encouragement, giving, leading, compassion — but what gets me every time is the little qualifier attached to each one. Not just "the giver, giving," but giving in sincerity, without the side-eye. Not just "the compassionate," but compassion done cheerfully, like it's a party they actually want to be at.

That's the whole point, honestly. It's not enough to have a gift. You're invited to bring your whole self to it — and only the gift that's yours, not your neighbor's, not the one that gets more applause.

I watch this happen every week at Wesley, usually by people who'd never call themselves gifted. The one who shows up early to start the coffee. The one who remembers your kid's name and your mother's diagnosis in the same breath. None of them think what they're doing is the important part. All of them are wrong.

So this week, wherever you find yourself, you are not a spare part waiting to become useful once you figure out somebody else's gift. You already are what the body needs.

A couple of things to know: We'll be spending the next couple of weeks in worship digging into more passages from Romans together. And if this stirred up questions about what your own spiritual gifts even are, I'm starting a class to help you find out — **Sunday, September 20th at 5:00pm**. More details to come, but go ahead and mark your calendar.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Rick Ivey



Welcome to our Newest Members

Dennis Pearce

Jan Pearce

Karen Sandoz

Ted Booker

Tammy Booker



FALL CLASSES KICKOFF

Good Friends • Good Food • Great Fun

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

FOOD: 5:15 PM

CLASSES: 6:00 PM

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

\$6 WESLEY BISTRO MEAL

NURSERY CARE (6 WEEKS - 3 YRS)

WESLEY KIDS (3 YRS - 5TH GRADE)

ONE BIG NIGHT (6TH - 12TH GRADE)

EPIC OF EDEN - RUTH (ADULTS)





FALL CLASS ★ ★ MENU ★ ★

Wesley Bistro

- Wednesdays Sept 9 - Nov 11
- 5:15-6:00pm
- \$6 main \$3 small plates
- To-Go meals available

The Epic of Eden

- Wednesdays Sept 9 - Oct 14
- 6:00-7:30pm
- Church Parlor
- Book of Ruth

Men's Bible Study

- Thursdays beginning Sept. 10
- 9:00am
- Coffee included
- Teacher: Larry Dickerson

Short Term Series

- Sundays beginning Sept. 13
- 9:15am in room 105 for 7 weeks
- For couples and parents
- Follows the *Wake Up Call* podcast

Mere Christianity

- Book Discussion Group on *Mere Christianity* by CS Lewis
- Tuesdays beginning Sept 15
- 1pm in the Parlor Classroom





Wesley News



Beth Smith, Wesley's choir director, led a "how to read music" class for beginners, with some experienced members joining for support. Beth covered the basics of music notation, including measures, note values, time signatures, and dynamics.

Students had a good time and by the end of the hour were able to mark up some music sheets and clap hands "to the beat". Singing 'Happy Birthday' while looking at the music suddenly made sense!

Thanks to Beth and to Methodist Men for getting the cool white boards installed.

Need a Small Group?

Looking for a way to get plugged in at Wesley?

Haven't found a group or opportunity that feels like the right fit?

We'd love to help you find your place!

We have two great opportunities to start new small groups, and we're looking for people who may be interested in getting involved.

If either of these sounds like a good fit for you, contact Pastor Rick or Pastor Tommy to learn more.

Pastor Rick: rivey@wesleybmt.com

Pastor Tommy: twilliams@wesleybmt.com

- Alpha USA: Alpha is a series of sessions that explore the foundations of the Christian faith in an honest and non-judgmental environment. Sessions typically begin with food and connection, followed by a talk and open discussion. Anyone can host an Alpha, you don't need to have all the answers, just a heart to invite people into conversation.
<https://alphausa.org/>
- Discipleship Band: A discipleship band is a group of three to five people who meet weekly to engage in transformational questions and pray for one another.
<https://discipleshipbands.com/>



Wesley Kids

A poster for the Children's Christmas Chorus. It features a background image of a young child wearing a white knit hat and a brown scarf, looking up with a joyful expression. The background is dark with many small, glowing yellow musical notes scattered around. In the top left corner, there is a small logo that says "WESLEY METHODIST KIDS". The main text is in a large, bold, yellow serif font. Below the main text, there is a yellow-bordered box containing more information in a smaller, black, sans-serif font.

**CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS CHORUS**
GRADES K-6

Parent Meeting:
Sunday, Sept 13, 2026
4:00pm
Sanctuary
church members and
non-members invited!

A poster for Wiggle Worship. It features a bright yellow background with a large, circular, multi-colored rainbow in the center. Various musical instruments are arranged around the rainbow, including a red electric guitar, a blue acoustic guitar, a blue keyboard, a yellow violin, and a blue microphone. The word "Wiggle" is written in a large, colorful, playful font across the center of the rainbow, and the word "WORSHIP" is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font below it. In the top right corner, there is a small logo that says "WESLEY METHODIST KIDS". In the bottom right corner, there is a red circular button with white text. Below the rainbow, there is a red rectangular box with white text.

Wiggle
WORSHIP

CONTACT
MS. BETH
(409)
781-8475

Pre-K (3yrs-5yrs)
must be potty trained

Parent Meeting: Sept 13 @ 4:00pm
in the Wesley Sanctuary
Members and non-members welcome

WE ARE HIRING



Children's Director

- DO YOU LOVE JESUS?
- DO YOU LOVE KIDS?
- WANT TO HELP FAMILIES
GROW IN THEIR FAITH?

Send Your Resume to:

rivey@wesleybmt.com



ONE Student Ministry



**Your school
campus
has been
prayed over!**



**Thank you ONE
Students!**



WYA

Wesley Young Adults



Thursdays WYA at

PRE-PARTY 6:30PM

SERVICE 7:00PM

2ND AND 4TH THURSDAYS



14 DAY TOUR DISCOVERING THE **HOLY LAND** & EGYPT

Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus!

APRIL 5-18, 2027

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\$5,499
per person

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Happy Birthday

September

September 1

John Grigsby
Jim Tucker
Missie Landry
Hudson George

September 2

Laura Courville

September 3

Mike Toups
Tim Flocke
Cheyenne Milligan

September 4

Beyoncé

September 5

William Devane

September 6

Ashlynn LaNear
Avery Powell
Disa Kuhn Albanese

September 7

Abigail Dronet
Debbie Engelhardt
Presley Seaman

September 8

Judy Clayton
Don Trahan
Virginia Brown

September 9

Maggie Langham
Christyan Hellberg

September 10

Karl Lagerfeld

September 11

Cindy Dishman
Melody Lunday

September 12

Mary Jane Sample
Jayna Ivey

September 13

Caitlin Richards

September 14

Deshaun Watson

September 15

Mabel Matthews
Jan Meyer
Cathy Shoemaker

September 16

Tommy Williams

September 17

Alexis Mills
Anna Gammage

September 18

Mary Hendrick
Justin Ford
Jan Butler
Justin A. Ford

September 19

Dana Timaeus

September 20

Gerry Edwards
Jo Bienvenu

September 21

Avereigh Holts

September 22

Rachael Whitehead

September 23

Donna Rabalais
Sue Quinn
Chris Betar

September 24

Bob Smith
Philip Trew
Mike Greene
Allen LaNear

September 25

Ann Lott
Johnny Passmore

September 26

Abbie Ayers
Rhett Cody
Nathan Brandimarte

September 27

Kent Fuller

September 28

Caleb Hood
Taedra Ivey
Kristi Corbitt

September 29

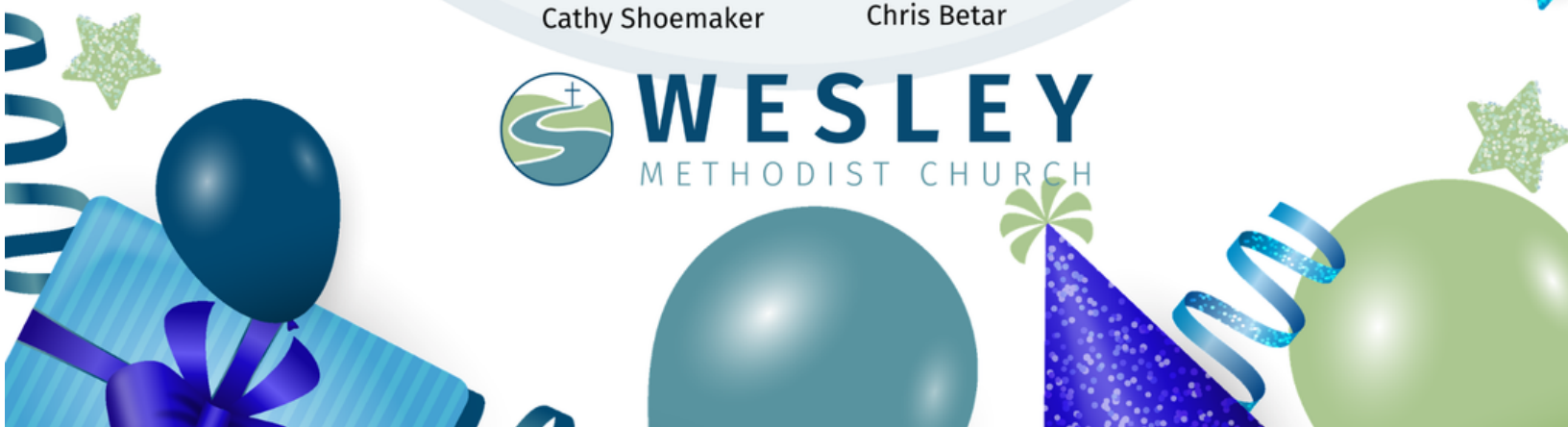
Tammy Toups
Emma Shaw

September 30

Mary Lou Lucenti



WESLEY
METHODIST CHURCH





LAST WEEK AT WESLEY

Attendance: August 30, 2026

Sunday School

9:00am Children	15
9:00am Adults	82
10:30am Children	13
10:30 Adults	11

Sunday Worship

8:00am Worship	45
9:00am Worship	96
10:30am Worship	195

Live Stream

9:00am Worship	12
10:30am Worship	19

September 2

ONE Students	30
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Financial News: August 30, 2026

2026 Budgeted Income	\$1,652,045.00
2026 Budgeted Expense	\$1,652,045.00
Needed for One Week	\$31,770.10
Received thru 08/30/26 for Church Budget	\$24,048.85
Needed Income YTD	\$1,111,953.37
Received Income YTD	\$1,129,929.08
Difference	\$17,975.71
Projected Expense YTD	\$1,111,953.37
Actual Expense YTD	\$1,021,630.99
Difference	\$90,322.38
NET	\$108,298.09

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund	\$75.00
Missions	\$240.00
One Student Ministry	\$200.00
Wesley Tshirts	\$549.00
Women's Retreat	\$120.00



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