



WESLEY METHODIST CHURCH

the *Weekly Update*

9 July 2026



Upcoming Events

Summer:

All services in the
Sanctuary thru Aug. 9

July:

12-18: UM Army Here

August:

16: Back to Church
Sunday

18: Tasting for SOP

September:

9: Wed Night Classes

ONE Big Night

Wesley Bistro Returns

1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 12 — *"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit... To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good... For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ."*

We've spent two weeks tracing a single thread. Spiritual disciplines — prayer, fasting, Scripture, solitude — are the practice that puts us in the place where the Spirit can work in us. Out of that practiced, rooted life grows fruit: love, joy, peace, patience, the character Paul describes in Galatians. Discipline shapes us. Fruit is who we become. And now we arrive at the third piece: gifts are what that transformed life does for others. Disciplines form you. Fruit changes you. Gifts send you.

Nobody buys a jersey with a middle reliever's name on it. Nobody chants for him in the eighth inning. He doesn't close games or rack up saves. But ask any manager what happens to a pitching staff without one, and you'll hear the same answer: the whole thing falls apart. The middle reliever's job is narrow and unglamorous — hold the game steady for an inning or two, bridge the gap between the starter and the closer, keep the other team from pulling away while everyone else gets ready for their moment. Take him out of that role and put him somewhere else in the rotation, and he often struggles. His gift isn't a lesser gift. It's a specific one, built for a specific place in the game.

Paul makes the same case about the church. He doesn't rank gifts from impressive to forgettable. He says every gift — the ones that draw a crowd and the ones nobody notices — exists for the same purpose: the common good of the body. The hands aren't more essential than the inner organs nobody sees. The closer isn't more essential than the man who quietly holds the line in the sixth inning. Every gift has its place, and the body doesn't function right until each part is doing the job it was actually built for.

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Letter from the Pastor cont.

This is why the order matters. A gift exercised apart from spiritual discipline and apart from the fruit of the Spirit becomes hollow — talent without character, performance without love. But a gift that grows out of a disciplined, Spirit-shaped life carries weight. It's the difference between a pitcher with a good arm and a pitcher with a good arm, a clear head, and the character to take the ball in a tie game and not panic. The discipline and the fruit are what make the gift trustworthy.

So how do you find your place? Not by sitting around waiting for clarity to strike. You find it the way most people discover anything true about themselves: through prayer, asking God to show you how he's wired you. Through serving, trying things, and noticing what comes alive in you and what drains you. And through community, because the people who know you best can often see your gifts before you can. Your gift might not be a platform gift. It might be the steady, unnoticed kind — the kind that holds something together so someone else can finish strong. That gift still matters. The team doesn't win without it.

Please join me in praying that every person in our church would discover the specific gift God has given them, and that we'd have the courage to use it — not chasing someone else's role, but trusting the one we were actually built for. Pray that the disciplines we practice and the fruit that grows from them would overflow into gifts well used, for the sake of the body and the mission God has given us.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Rick Ivey



All services and childcare/children's church will be in the sanctuary for the summer so we can make some improvements to our 9am worship space



Tasting for Some Other Place



Tasting For Some Other Place

You won't want to miss it!

Ms. Gerry Kirkland and Ms. Hester Bell will be selling tickets after every service each Sunday until the tasting.

Tasting:

August 18, 2026

Time:

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location:

Beaumont Civic Center

701 Main Street

Tickets: \$15 each



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WESLEY
DAY SCHOOL





LAST SUNDAY AT WESLEY

Attendance: July 5, 2026

Sunday School

9:00am Children	10
9:00am Adults	65
10:30am Children	7
10:30 Adults	7

Sunday Worship

8:00am Worship	40
9:00am Worship	47
10:30am Worship	134

Live Stream

9:00am Worship	14
10:30am Worship	22

July 8

ONE Students	54
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Financial News: July 5, 2026

2026 Budgeted Income	\$1,652,045.00
2026 Budgeted Expense	\$1,652,045.00
Needed for One Week	\$31,770.10
Received thru 07/05/26 for Church Budget	\$39,210.20
Needed Income YTD	\$857,792.60
Received Income YTD	\$937,539.73
Difference	\$79,747.13
Projected Expense YTD	\$857,792.60
Actual Expense YTD	\$787,323.82
Difference	\$70,468.78
NET	\$150,215.91

Non-Budgeted Gifts Received

Building Fund	\$20.00
Society of St. Stephen	\$435.00
Children's Ministry	\$150.00



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