

Sunday Announcements for June 5, 2022

Special Prayers for these Wesley Family, Friends, and Others...

- Baby Casey Webber and family
- Barbara Vietze, mom of Beth Vietze
- Pamela, Linda Keister's sister
- Barbara Fletcher
- Donald Tremblay
- Anne Burrows
- The Hayfron family as they grieve the loss of their sister.
- Those who struggle with depression, anxiety, and alcoholism.
- Congratulations to Elaine Fletcher & Marshall Greenwood on their marriage on June 4th.
- Charles and Samira Kiefer
- Bill Kilmer
- Bill Wong
- Dorothy Norcross
- David Samanen
- Marilyn, Gary Robinson's mother

Tower & Rose Window Lightings & Altar Flowers

The Tower lighting this month is given in loving memory of Hazel and Sherman Langille by The Bellil Family.

The Rose Window lighting this month is given in loving memory of George Hammond by The Hammond Family.

The 2022 altar flower book in the Welcome Office is now available. If you'd like to place flowers on the altar on a particular Sunday, please fill your name in on the day, then take an order form and submit it to Debi in the office with a check.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduates... PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR GRADUATES TODAY!

It's that time of year again... Do you have a child(ren) graduating from high school or college? If so, please email your child's name(s), school he/she is graduating from, and where he/she plans on attending next. We will be lifting up their names in June. Please email Debi **by June 5** at office@wesleyworc.org or leave a note in the office when you are in church. (Please be sure to print neatly so I can read what is written.) Thank you.

Volunteers Needed! We are looking for volunteers to help in the office by answering phones and doing light office work when needed. More importantly, we need volunteers while I am on vacation...

July 5 – 8

Date Correction from Herald: August 15 – 19 and August 22 - 26

September 12 – 16

We are looking for phone support 9 am to 1 pm each day. If you have time and can help, please reach out to me via email (office@wesleyworc.org) or by calling the office Monday – Friday, 9 am to 3:30 pm.

Thank you, Debi Reynolds

Herald Notice... We will have one Herald during the Summer (July & August). The Herald will be sent out on July 20th. The next Herald will be on September 1st. Please plan your articles accordingly and have them to me by the due date. *Thank you, Debi*

Why every gift card sale matters

An older couple living on a fixed income had been evicted, their home condemned. Living in a hotel, they had put all their furniture and household goods in storage. But they fell behind in payments for their storage unit. The storage company was going to auction off their possessions on December 1. Their Social Security check wouldn't arrive until December 3. They planned to move to a new home December 5.

On November 30, the couple sought help from the Hope for Housing grant fund at Central Mass. Housing Alliance. A grant of \$250 paid off the storage bill and meant they could start off in their new home with their familiar furnishings.

Every gift card sale contributes 2 to 10 percent of the face value to this grant fund created to prevent homelessness. Cards are available from grocery stores, CVS, Panera, Target, Amazon, TJ Maxx/Marshalls, Dunkin and Starbucks. You can order them from Allison Hansen at AChis4788@aol.com. Or volunteer to sell cards for a few minutes after church in Brewer Hall.

Next orders are due to Allison by end of day May 31 for June 5 pickup (or make other arrangements with Allison). Future summer order dates are:

June 14 for June 19 pick up
July 12 for July 17 pick up
August 9 for August 14 pick up

Your purchases really make a difference in people's lives! Thank you!

Allison Hansen

July 30th Community Supper Needs a Leader

Please let Betsy Pennino know if your family (or 2 families), committee, or group can be in charge of the one meal that's not yet spoken for, July 30th.

Community Suppers were back as of March 26. Our previous Community Supper had been in February 2020 so the pandemic closed us down for exactly two years. On Sept. 24th, we'll have contributed 6 years of meals to the Worcester community. Thanks to all of you who have led or worked on those suppers!

Music Notes:

Today marks a fond farewell to the Wesley Choir until September. The choir has worked under stressful conditions this year understanding the effects of singing in worship and what dangers it could incur for the congregation and the choir itself. We have heard too many incidents where singers were infected with covid even as late as last month. We have tried to use safe practices such as wearing masks when together singing and not remaining together for too long a period. The choir room thankfully has windows that open and a heap-filter so we are trying our best to remain safe. So, on this last Sunday of an eventful year we pray you will be blessed by our offerings from the prelude to the closing response. May every worship service bring you joy, peace and enlightenment on life's journey.

Musical highlights this summer will include 4-hand 2 piano pieces on June 26, Brass quintet on July 10, Bell quartet on July 24, French horn and trombone duet and solos on August 14. These are some of the Sundays named that have more than a soloist. There will be something musically interesting every Sunday until both choirs return. Ghanaian choir is taking some needed rest because Desmond will be away in August. Many thanks go out to all our musicians who faithfully serve Wesley all year. During summertime we can vary our musical activities to have something that isn't just the normal.

Worship Notes:

Prayer of Confession – *Book of Common Worship*, Westminster/John Knox Press, 1993, p. 343.
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Vacation Bible School Help Needed

You have awesome talent, and we need you!!!

Do you love Science?
Are you awesome at Arts and Crafts?
What about telling Bible stories?
Sports?
Or working with children?
Wesley VBS 2022 is the place for you!

Please call Cordelia Ferdinand at 774 437 9453, speak with Chris Flagg, Judy Hoffman or Pastor Moo if you would like to help. With Christ all things are possible. Blessings, Cordelia

Have You Experienced a “God Moment”?

If you could share a story of seeing God's work in your life, please tell me or send it to me. The story can be anonymous or signed, and all are invited to participate. Betsy


A “God Moment” from Susan Williams

Several years ago, I woke up with chest pain. After a while, I took myself to the hospital. The pain stopped, but doctors decided I should stay overnight because of my health history. I sent a friend who was with me to get two books at my house. While I was resting in my room, a hospital worker appeared next to the curtain divider. She noticed the two books on my bed and asked if the author was a good one. I said, "Yes, I love him."

She left and, as I lay there, I heard in my head, "Give her a book." I heard the words again and said, "Yes Lord, but please make a way for me to give it." About 45 minutes later, the worker peaked around the curtain again. I offered the book and said it was hers. She was surprised and hesitated. Then she said, "Throughout my whole life, I have never needed this more than I need it right now!"

Betsy comments that Susan's calling to describe this was itself a God Moment. Betsy hadn't received a God Moment for June. Hoping that she would find time to write one, Betsy had asked Debi Reynolds what was the latest time she could send it. Debi said, "Friday morning," and Susan called first thing Friday morning! *God must want Wesley people to learn about God Moments!* Please send in such experiences you have had.