# Sunday Announcements for June 26, 2022

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

- Baby Casey Webber and family
- Barbara Vietze
- Pamela, Linda Keister's sister
- Barbara Fletcher
- Alice & Joseph Boateng
- Donald Tremblay

- Anne Burrows
- Charles and Samira Kiefer
- Bill Kilmer
- Bill Wong
- Dorothy Norcross
- David Samanen
- Family and friends of Kenny, Linda Keister's cousin-in-law, who died awaiting double-lung transplant. Pray for his wife Jill.
- The Assie family on the loss of Vivian's father in Ghana.
- Scott LaPrade, Phil Johnson's nephew, is stable but in serious condition following a motorcycle accident.
- Those who struggle with depression, anxiety, and alcoholism.

## **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.

*Lightings...* Are you interested in lighting the Tower or the Rose Window in memory or honor of a loved one? If so, the following are available for 2022: August Rose Window, October Tower, December Rose Window. We also have the Tower and Rose Window available in February. If you'd like to dedicate one of these, please call or email me (<u>office@wesleyworc.org</u>).

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**

Vacation Schedule... Debi Reynolds will be on vacation from July 5 – 8, returning to the office on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Herald Notice...** We will have one Herald during the Summer (July & August). The Herald will be sent out on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The next Herald will be on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please plan your articles accordingly and have them to me by July 13<sup>th</sup>. *Thank you, Debi* 

**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 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 (<u>office@wesleyworc.org</u>) or by calling the office Monday – Friday, 9 am to 3:30 pm. *Thank you, Debi Reynolds* 

#### Why every gift card sale matters

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 <u>AChis4788@aol.com</u>. Or volunteer to sell cards for a few minutes after church in Brewer Hall.

Next orders are due to Allison by end of day July 19<sup>th</sup> for July 24 <sup>th</sup> pickup (or make other arrangements with Allison). Future summer order dates are:

August 9<sup>th</sup> for August 14<sup>th</sup> pick up

Sales have resumed after church weekly. We are looking for volunteers to help sell cards on Sunday's after church. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to me.

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

Allison Hansen

#### 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



Margaret Watson describes this experience:

Years ago, as a child growing up in the Midwest, I was invited by a neighbor to see "a haunted house" in the area. The house was old and in a state of collapse with the floor falling into the cellar. The house, I learned later, was the last stop on the Underground Railway where escaped slaves stayed overnight and then were taken about thirty miles away to the Detroit River which the men crossed and were free in Canada. A widow named Mary Muir lived alone in the old house and kept her secret for helping those who sought freedom. The men slept in the cellar overnight. The entrance to the cellar was a trap door in the living room over which Mrs. Muir placed a rug. One night someone tipped off the investigators that escaped slaves were in Mrs. Muir's house. The house was searched, but during that time, the she placed a rocking chair on the rug covering the trap door and sat there knitting while the search was made. The investigators did not find anyone that night. The house is gone now, but years later I was driving down the streets of Windsor, Ontario, and saw children playing on the sidewalk, children who might well have been descended from those who had escaped over the Detroit River into Canada. That moment I shall never forget. I paused and gave thanks to God for all those who risk everything they have to help someone abused or persecuted by a government or by social customs. May God bless them and those whom they rescued.

# 2022 Graduates

## High School

Chloe Dexter, Phil & Cheryl Johnson's granddaughter, graduated from Bay Path with a concentration in Cosmetology.

The Grogan triplets, grandchildren of Carolyn & Pierre Bellil graduated from Sutton High School. Katelyn is going to Quinsigamond Community College. Megan is going to Anna Maria for nursing. Stephen will attend Keene State College.

Lawrence Hammond graduated Worcester Technical High School. He is heading to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy NY to study Electrical Engineering.

Kaylana Johnson, Phil & Cheryl Johnson's granddaughter, graduated from Worcester Technical High School, studying BioTechnology.

Joshua Manard, Phil & Cheryl Johnson's grandson, graduated from the Vocational Skills Training Program at Worcester Technical High School.

Morgan Rose Spencer Ramsay, granddaughter of Ron Ramsay, graduated from Hampden Academy in Hampden, ME. She will be attending the University of Maine.

Malaikah Karyn Wakadilo graduated from Doherty High School. She will be studying Neuroscience at Spelman College in Atlanta, George.

### **College**

Abbegail Adams received her Master's in Education from Anna Marie College.

Danielle Ferdinand graduated from MCPHS with her Master's in Clinical Research. She has accepted a job at UMass Chan Medical as a Clinical Research Assistant.

Elaine Fletcher graduated from medical school. Dr. Fletcher will do her residency at Boston General.

Tyler Gibbs received his Master of Business Administration from WPI. He is a Senior Assistant Director of Admissions at WPI.

Victoria Gibbs received her Master's in Education from Lesley University. She is a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Norback School in Worcester.

Amelia Hirtle received her Master of Science degree in Sports Management from Southern New Hampshire University. She has accepted a one-year fellowship from the Robert K. Kraft foundation in which she has been employed since January where she is exploring numerous career opportunities in the Sports Industry.

Brian Mangus graduated from UMass Amherst. He has accepted a position as IP Case Assistant at MintzLevin in Boston.

Ruby Jean Ramsay received a Computer Science degree from UMass Amherst and is now working at IBM.

Emma-Sofia Munroe Wipper, daughter of Scott and Carol (Spencer) Wipper and granddaughter of Violet and Harry Spencer, Jr. graduated from Connecticut College (Cum Laude). Emma-Sofia majored in Architectural Studies and minored in Sociology. She also received a certificate from the prestigious Ammerman Center for Arts and Technology at the college. In addition, Emma-Sofia was one of two students who were awarded the Jim Greenleaf '91 Memorial Award to honor her contributions to the Club Sports program (Women's Figure Skating) at Connecticut College. She was chosen for this award based on her commitment, leadership, sportsmanship, and overall excellence both on and off the field of play.