Sunday Announcements for October 23, 2022

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

Rocco Salvatore Yacino (infant), Dorothy Adams, Alice & Joseph Boateng, Anne Burrows,
Diane Campbell (aunt of Debi Reynolds), Barbara Fletcher, Kay Hoover, Charles & Samira Kiefer,
Bill Kilmer, Kris (daughter of Lorraine Kronberg), Dorothy Norcross, David Samanen,
Donald Tremblay, Barbara Vietze, Bill Wong, Margie (Linda Keister's sister),
Malika Gujarati (family of Jim & Judy Hoffman), Emily (Donroy Ferdinand's cousin),
Ralph (friend of Dorothy Adams). Those who struggle with depression, anxiety, and alcoholism.

A memorial service for James & Shirley Patch will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2022 at 3:00 PM.

Tower & Rose Window Lightings & Altar Flowers

The Tower lighting for October is given in loving memory of Joseph Ventura by his family.

The Rose Window lighting for October is given in loving memory of John Hansen by his family.

The altar flowers today are given in loving memory of Diane L. Kane for her birthday, by The Kane, Bak, and Harmon families.

Altar flowers 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

Vacations Scheduled:

Moo will be on vacation from Thursday, October 13 – Wednesday, October 26, returning to the office on Thursday, October 27th. If you have a pastoral need or emergency, please contact Rev. James Hoffman at *jhoffman24661@yahoo.com* or at 860-965-2575.

Debi will be on vacation from Monday, October 31 – Monday, November 7, returning to the office on Tuesday, November 8. Please email Debi (office@wesleyworc.org) with any requests and she will respond to you when she returns. If you have an urgent building use need that cannot wait, please contact Matt Crane (matt@wesleyworc.org) and he will be able to help you.

Herald: Our next Herald will be sent out on Wednesday, October 26th. If you have not submitted your article, please do so by Monday, October 24th by 10 am.

The next Herald will be sent out on December 1st, with a deadline date of November 21st. Please pay mind to this deadline date as it is before the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Thank you.

Poinsettia Orders are now being taken. You will find an order form in your Sunday bulletin, in the Narthex, and on the website. *The deadline date for all orders is Monday, November 21st*. If you plan to order plants this year, please be sure to send in your request with your payment. I will not have the time to make calls like I have in the past. Thank you!

Debi Reynolds

Reminders:

If you need to schedule a meeting or event here at Wesley, please email or call Debi Reynolds at office@wesleyworc.org or 508-799-4191, ext 102.

If you would like information on your pledge, please contact Matt Crane at matt@wesleyworc.org or 508-799-4191, ext 111.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!! Wesley's IHN Week is Sunday, Oct. 30 to Sat., Feb. 5

Please let Betsy Pennino know if you are able to provide coverage for the evening shift (5:30 to 8:30 pm) or the overnight (8:30 pm to 6:30 a.m.) There will be a chart on the Mission Committee's bulletin board showing which shifts have been filled. IHN had to choose a new name and managed to keep the IHN abbreviation with "In the Hour of Need Family Shelter."

The Mission Committee will give (Big Y) Hope for Housing cards to pay for food and housing staples during Wesley's Oct. 30 to Nov. 5 week. Your donating Big Y cards would save money to give to another mission. If you would like an explanation of how to do either shift, please tell Betsy (betspenn35@hotmail.com).

God Moments

If you could share a story of seeing God's work in your life, please tell me or email it to me. The story can be anonymous or signed, and all are invited to participate. Betsy (betspenn35@hotmail.com)

Several people are writing God Moments to send in, but here are 2 more from me until we receive some from others:

God is with Wesley folks as we volunteer our time at IHN (In the Hour of Need Family Shelter)

This story was in the 2016 Mission Committee Annual Report. One Wesley volunteer forgot her IHN shift in the rush to get her suddenly very ill father to the hospital. She didn't think of calling for a replacement and the IHN Director knew nothing about the emergency. Yet another church's volunteer appeared at the start of the Wesley shift, planning to stay for it!

God is at Wesley's Community Suppers

At the June, 2015 community supper, I told another Wesley worker that we probably didn't have enough take-out containers for guests who might want to take some food home or to their homeless locations. At that very moment, in walked Bill Wong with hundreds of take-out containers! They were from his mother's restaurant which was closing.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Thanksgiving will be here in no time, and we need to fill 100 Baskets for our Carty Cupboard families.

We are looking for 100 of each item. Here is what we have to date:

Stuffing mix (7) Cranberry sauce (10) Brownies (10) Cake Mix /Frosting (22/21)

Pickles/Olives (8/12) Bread mixes (16) Gravy packets (28) Pie Filling/Crust (7/7)

Canned Yams (12) Coffee (15) Misc (8) Corn (150)

Peace to all! Chris Flagg - 508-414-1696

The United Women of Faith (fka UMW) Mission Bake, Craft, & Plant Sale is on November 20th. If you have crafts, plants or desserts for Thanksgiving that you'd like to donate, please reach out to Linda D'Acri at 508-450-0331.

SING?

The Music Ministry is now creating a Service of Lessons and Carols, specifically for the Advent season, to be presented in worship on Sunday, December 11. We'd love to have some additional singers to join in this special service. Our musical tradition here at Wesley is strong, vibrant and uplifting, and we'd love to have others join in. Rehearsals are held after church, in the choir room upstairs, until approximately 12:30 (you'll be home in time for kick-off if that's a consideration!) and will begin, in earnest, on October 23. Come try us out! You may love it SO much that you'll decide to be a regular member of the Wesley Chancel Choir. Any questions? Please speak to David Potts or William Ness. Thanks!

October 29th Community Supper

Some of you asked about last Sunday's announcement that the September community supper marked the end of 6 years. The intended meaning was that October 29th is the beginning of the 7th year, not including the exactly 2 years of cancellation by Covid. The United Women of Faith (formerly UMW) will be in hosting the October dinner. The first community supper was in October 2013, hosted by Sarah Circle and the Mission Committee. How we do the suppers has evolved over the years. If some group is considering putting on a supper, I could give you my favorite reading-- "Everything You Might Want to Know about Running Wesley Community Suppers." (Betsy Pennino)

Gift Cards Prevent Homelessness -- Yes, Really!

Your purchase of gift cards for local grocery stores, coffee shops and department stores can make a difference in the lives of families on the verge of homelessness. A percentage of the value of each card goes into a fund for grants to families facing eviction. Back rent, electric bills, even storage facility bill payments can keep a family in their homes instead of entering the shelter system.

Cards are available from grocery stores, CVS, Panera, Target, Amazon, TJ Maxx/Marshalls, Dunkin and Starbucks. Cards are available after church most Sundays (volunteers always welcome!) and through pre-orders to Allison Hansen at AChis4788@aol.com.

Next orders are due by end of day November 1 for delivery Sunday, November 6

Stock up now for holiday gift giving!

Thank you for your support!

Allison

Mark Your Calendars...

The Salisbury Singers presents...

Light Shines in the Darkness

Alzheimer's Reflection

Wesley United Methodist Church

Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 4 PM

We begin our 49th season with a concert reflecting on the impact of Alzheimer's in our lives, both personally and across our communities.

This concert will focus on Michael John Trotta's work for chorus and strings, *Light Shines in the Darkness*, which uses beautiful texts from sacred and secular sources as well as four songs of Johannes Brahms for choir and piano. We will balance this work with other pieces reflecting on the joy and challenge of being with family and friends who are experiencing Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia.

Tickets can be purchased online at SalisburySingers.eventbrite.com or at the door.

Adults \$25 • Seniors • \$20 Students \$12