

THE BRANCH NEWSLETTER

MAY 2023

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

WATCH OUR SERVICE ONLINE

You can watch our Sunday Morning Worship service on Facebook live each week at 11am at www.facebook.com/BvilleCWChurch. You can also find the links to past services on our church website at www.communitywesleyanchurch.com. Our church service is also aired on Spectrum Digital channel 98 and Verizon channel 30 at 5pm on Saturdays & Sundays.



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CWC App



WHERE PEOPLE BECOME FRIENDS AND FRIENDS BECOME FAMILY

CWC BOARD

2022-2023 Board of Administration

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2022-2023 Ministry Leaders

Adult Sunday School Coordinator: Holly O'Hara
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Children's Church (5 & Under) Coordinator: Chris Sykes
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After School Good News Club & WKFM Director: Barb Good
Church Family Ministries Coordinator: Tracey Perez
FOC Director: Beth DeWeese
Chick Chat: Dorothy Polmanteer



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:

The Baldwinsville Memorial Day Parade is **Tuesday, May 30th at 6pm** in the Village. CWC will be having a float in the parade and we want you to march with us. Want to help us plan this year's float? There will be a meeting after church on **Sunday, May 7th**. For more information see Jennifer Lewis or email jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com.

chick chat

Ladies Lunch & Fellowship

CHICK CHAT SPRING TEA:

All ladies are invited to join us for Chick Chat on **Sunday, May 21st**, from **1-3pm** in the Fellowship Hall. In honor of Mother's Day this month we will have a special tea time for our get together. Please bring some finger foods to share and join us for a great afternoon of food and fellowship. See Dorothy Polmanteer for more information.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST? If you have prayer needs you can submit your request on the church app or email it to communitywesleyanchurch@gmail.com anytime or you can call the church office at 315-635-3501 during office hours.

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MISSIONARY Spotlight

Chris & Melissa George, Missionaries in Australia with Global Partners

Chris & Melissa George have served in Australia since 2004. Their mission is to see healthy churches planted in Western Australia, bring people to the Lord, and create discipleship pathways for them to grow in their faith. They work to connect with their community in relevant ways and to give opportunities for others to connect with God. Chris and Melissa give leadership to the local church and the Western Australia Zone.



Chris & Melissa have asked our congregation to be praying for these specific prayer requests for their family and their ministry:

1. At the end of April we finished our annual District Youth Camp. We had 23 go away to camp and it was a fantastic week of encouraging the youth to step out and be leaders in the schools and with their friends and family. Many of our youth are the first Christians in their families. Pray for them to be strong and courageous as they go back home.
2. Pray for Luke, our intern from Kingswood University, as he returns to Canada. Please pray for him as he says goodbye to the many strong relationships he built while in Australia.
3. Our car was in an accident, someone hit it while it was parked on the street. Please pray that we can get the insurance worked out and get our car repaired.
4. Pray for a Global Partners visitor that is staying with us this month for 5 weeks. Pray for them to have safe travels and for God to use them in incredible ways while they are here. Also pray that they will sense God's calling and direction on their life.
5. Pray for our daughter, Makayla, as she has University exams.
6. Pray for the 4 NEXT interns that are coming here to Perth on June 1st. Pray for them as they are finishing up school in the US and raising their funds to come to Australia. Pray that God will connect them with people to share their passion, calling & ministry.

We are praising God that on Easter Sunday one of our friends came to church for the very first time.

"We PRAISE GOD FOR YOU! We know you pray and we know you give! Thank you for changing people's lives here in Australia. We are also thanking God for a couple from the Penn York District that came here and volunteered for two weeks. Our first visitor in 3 years! If you are reading this and feel God is calling you to come use your gifts and talents for the Lord in Western Australia, please contact us."

MAY CHURCH SERVICE WORKER'S SCHEDULE

*Thank you to our churchtime
volunteers for May 2023*

2's and 3's Room

May 7th: Chris Sykes
May 14th: Stacey Hauswirth
May 21st: Lynn Hannon
May 28th: TBA

Junior Church

May 7th: WKFM Barb Good
May 14th: Ticia Wicks
May 21st: DeWeese
May 28th: Jenn Lewis

Greeters

May 7th:

- Susan Dyer (sanctuary)
- Stephannie Roziack (front door)
- Mike Hodel & Sam Wilmot (back door)

May 14th:

- Sandy Hilliard (sanctuary)
- Paul Hilliard (front door)
- Scott Spier (back door)

May 21st:

- Michael Cavallo (sanctuary)
- JoAnn Brown (front door)
- Chuck Abbott (back door)

May 28th:

- Beth DeWeese (sanctuary)
- Toots Cooper (front door)
- Dick Rice (back door)





L.I.F.T. Ladies Spring Retreat

Living In Faith Together

Saturday, May 20th

Lewis Family Pond
2546 Lamson Rd., Phoenix

Join us from 11am-2pm*
for a Lunch, Fellowship & Worship Time Together

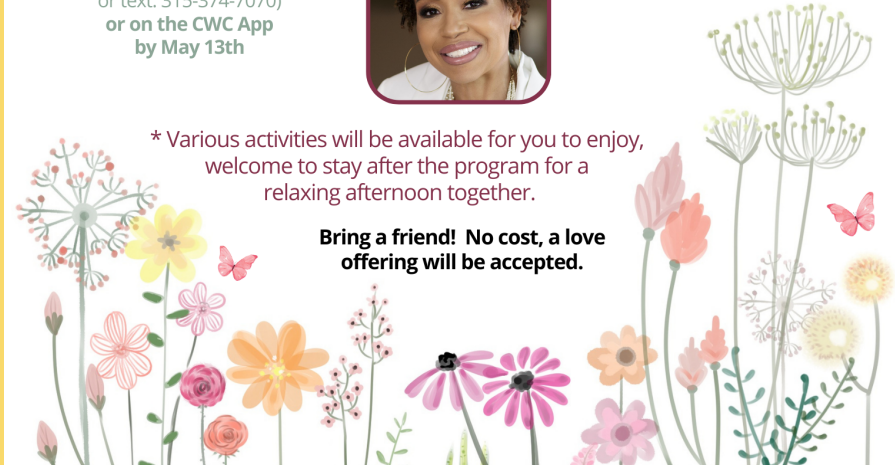
RSVP to Lynn Hannon
(e-mail: lkannon10@gmail.com
or text: 315-374-7070)
or on the CWC App
by May 13th



Special Guest Speaker:
Sonya Hines
of Mars Hill Network

* Various activities will be available for you to enjoy,
welcome to stay after the program for a
relaxing afternoon together.

Bring a friend! No cost, a love
offering will be accepted.



LADIES SPRING RETREAT:

All ladies 16 and older are invited to this year's Spring Ladies Retreat on **Saturday, May 20th**, at the Lewis Family Pond. We will begin the day's activities at 11am. Our guest speaker is Sonya Hines of the Mars Hill Network. Appetizers, lunch and desserts provided at no cost, a love offering will be accepted. Enjoy a time of worship and fellowship together. We will also be making a couple craft items to bring home.

Please register by **May 13th** on the sign up form in the church foyer, on the CWC App or website. For more information or questions contact Lynn Hannon at lkannon10@gmail.com.

Sign up for extra activities in the afternoon. An hour long guided painting class at 2pm will be available for \$18. Limited spots are available. Contact Jenn Lewis at jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com to reserve your spot.



MOMS CONNECTING:

Moms join us for our last monthly get together of the school year on **Wednesday, May 3rd**, from **6:30-7:45pm**. Moms of all ages and stages of parenting are welcome. This month our theme revolves around cooking and we will be meeting downstairs near the kitchen. We will be making recipe books of submitted favorite recipes. Please share a recipe for our Moms by emailing it to jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com or bringing it to be copied on May 3rd. Beth DeWeese will be leading us in making a snack and sharing some tips for us in the kitchen.

At the
end of
our get
together
we will
be



having a diaper shower for our expectant Mom, Destiny. If you would like to join in please bring a pack of diapers (any size but newborn). We will also be having cupcakes to celebrate the soon to be arrival of Destiny's baby boy.



NEW SERMON SERIES:

In May we will begin a 3 week sermon series on Jude. This is one of the shorter letters in the New Testament. Join us as we uncover truths to help us "contend for the faith". Who wrote this letter? Why did he write it? What does it have to say to us today? These are just some of the questions we will try to answer in this series.

May 7 - Know Who You Are in The Faith (vs. 1-2)

May 14 - Contend For The Faith (vs. 3-16)

May 21 - Call To Persevere in the Faith (vs. 17-25)

May 28 - Pentecost Sunday

NEW ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY:

During May we will be launching our new online church directory. Watch for dates in the bulletin to have photos taken here at church to link to your directory. This directory will be available either through the CWC App or by going to <https://communitywesleyanchurchbaldwinsville.breezechms.com>. Each member of the church will receive a username and password in the email account they have on file with us. This username will also give you access to your own information here at church so you can update your information any time it changes. You can also check on how much you have given during the year and eventually be able to manage your volunteer schedules for church ministries. If you have any questions please see Stacie in the church office.



ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING:

Join us on **Thursday, May 18th**, at 7pm for the annual church meeting. During this time we will reflect and give thanks for what God has done this past year in the life of CWC. We will also prayerfully look forward and commit ourselves to what God wants to do in us as a church and through us as a church.



BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:

Once again this year, CWC is partnering with New Hope Family Services as they provide free services, resources, and support to families facing unexpected pregnancies. Starting on Mother's Day you can pick up a baby bottle to fill with your donation. Please return the bottle to church by Father's Day. You can also scan the QR code above to give. All donations will go towards helping local families receive their services completely free of charge.



SPRING QUARTER

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES SPRING QUARTER

Classes Meet Weekly from 9:45-10:45am

#1. 1st & 2nd Peter and Jude

This Wesley Press curriculum is covering books 1 & 2 Peter and Jude. 1 Peter offers encouragement to people going through trials. "Trials will come to refine your faith, so when they come, remain faithful." 2 Peter and Jude have similar messages of rejecting all false preachers, teachers and leaders. Stand firm in your faith & defend God's truth. Join this study and gain insight into these letters of encouragements and warnings.

Teacher: Ticia Wicks

Location: Board Room

#2. Romans (Max Lucado)

Have you ever headed in the wrong direction? Made a wrong choice? What about choices that affect everyday decisions in life - choices that take you further from your goals, dreams, and Jesus? Of course, we have all made poor decisions. The church in Rome did too. They were sidetracked by pride and distracted by pleasures. In the book of Romans, Paul reviews the wrong turns the church was making. But he doesn't stop there. He gives them the big picture and shows them the one correct solution to stop making wrong choices - Jesus Christ. Because even though all have sinned, Jesus is waiting to restore us to grace.

Teacher: Pastor Carl

Location: Fellowship Hall

#3 The Power of the Holy Spirit's Names (Tony Evans)

The Holy Spirit has a central role in the life of the believer and the empowerment of the church, with the distinct task of making the reality and truth of God experienced in both. In this study, we will look at the names and attributes of the Holy Spirit as given in scripture to help us understand this Person of the Trinity, with the goal of relating to the Spirit in a more personal way and getting a better grasp on what the Holy Spirit offers us in our spiritual, physical and emotional lives. Class format will include scripture study, highlights from Dr. Evans' book, and some weeks with DVD / study guide discussion.

Teachers: Cindy Chapman & Dennis DeWeese

Location: Upstairs Corner Classroom

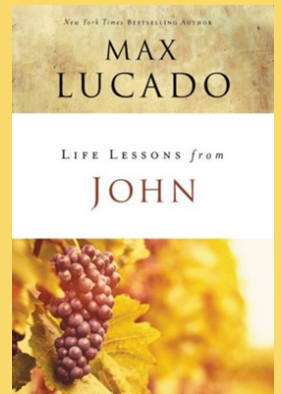
CHILDREN'S Sunday School

SUMMER SS TEACHERS WANTED:

During the months of July and August we will be combining our K-5th Grade Sunday School classes. We are looking for individuals to lead the class once or twice during those months. If you are interested please contact Jenn Lewis at jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com.

NEW LADIES BIBLE STUDY:

The Wednesday morning ladies bible study will be starting a new study: "Life Lessons from John" by Max Lucado on **May 10th**. The group meets at 10am on Wednesdays at church. Contact Toots Cooper at bobbiebells1948@gmail.com for more information.



CHURCHTIME VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are looking for more adults and teens to assist with our 5 and under kids during churchtime. If you are available a few times a quarter to work with our littlest attendees please contact Jenn Lewis at jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com.



YOUTH NEWS:

Last month on Earth Day members of the youth group spent the morning cleaning up some trails in Baldwinsville and Mercer Park. Great job teens!



WKFM

WKFM (WESLEYAN KIDS FOR MISSIONS):

Last month I felt the Lord leading me to change directions and do an Easter program. When 2 of the children saw the tomb I had set up, they took turns wrapping themselves in the linen cloth! The teaching began! We did a coloring page of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. (They love to color!) We did a mini play using a song, a cardboard donkey and costumes to show how excited the children were on Palm Sunday! Next they watched part of a movie called The Easter Story, by Hanna-Barbera. Excellent movie. We talked a bit about our missionaries the Vaughans. We will devote June's class to them. We ended with the Resurrection Eggs. What a great time we had!

On **Sunday, May 7th**, we have a special guest coming to WKFM... Mrs. Kathleen Berg Spencer ... who will share some of her experiences as a MK (missionary kid) in the jungles of Guyana, South America. PLEASE SEND THE CHILDREN DOWN for the ENTIRE HOUR. Mrs. Berg will have a lot to share with them! Please pray that our children will have a heart for missions! ~ Barb Good



AFTER SCHOOL GOOD NEWS CLUB:

Using CEF (Child Evangelism Fellowship) lessons from The Life of Christ Vol. 4, our April Clubs focused on the events from Palm Sunday until the ascension of our Lord. We used the movie "The Easter Story" by Hanna-Barbera, flashcards, 2 Mini Plays, the Resurrection Eggs and one bigger play called "Breakfast by the Seashore."

On **May 2nd** we will finish lessons and prepare for our last club's Award Day. On **May 9th** we will be honoring our students' achievements. They will recite Bible verses, sing favorite songs, do a mini play, receive an Achievement Poster and enjoy a pizza dinner with their family and friends. Each will receive his/her award bag. Parents will receive a parent page thanking them for their big role in their children's religious education and informing them of summer opportunities, like 5-Day



Club and VBS. Please pray that God will use His Word for teaching, rebuking, connecting and training in righteousness, so that (each student) may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16,17.

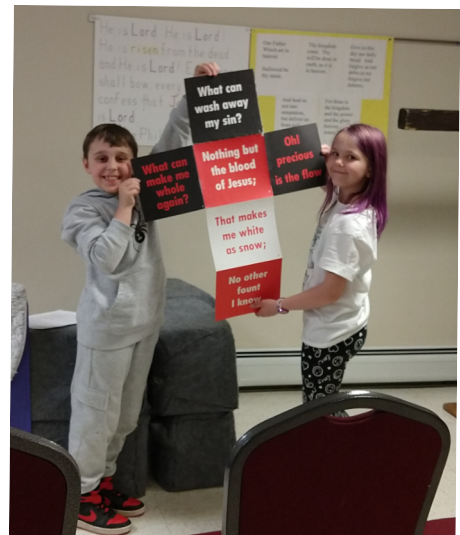
For the children and their families and the glory of God.
~ Barb Good & our excellent staff



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD COLLECTION:

Thank you to everyone who has been donating items for our monthly collections. This month we are focusing on collecting the following items:

- Adhesive Bandages
- Combs
- Flashlights (solar-powered or hand crank or incl. extra batteries)
- Dental Floss
- Hairbrushes
- Nail Clippers and Nail Files
- Reusable Plastic Containers (cups, water bottles, plates, bowls)
- Soap
- Stick Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Washcloths





Community Wesleyan Church
112 Downer Street, Baldwinsville
is Hosting an
Institute for Caregivers Class
For Current & Future Family Caregivers -
Open to the Public

Services You May Need BUT Don't Know About - Aging & Caregiving

Learn about the Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services

- ◆ Caregiver Services
- ◆ Long Term Care Resources
- ◆ Nutrition Services
- ◆ Home Care (EISEP)
- ◆ Senior Services (HEAP/Transportation) AND So Much MORE!



Onondaga County Department of
Adult & Long Term Care Services

Thursday, May 4, 2023 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Presenters:

DALTCS Project Directors, Supervisors & Staff

Contact Kimberly Connell (315) 435-2362 Ext. 4693

KimberlyConnell@ongov.net



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Commissioner
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Department of Adult & Long
Term Care Services



CHURCH FAMILY NEWS:

Each month in the Branch we would like to feature news from our extended church family. If you have news you would like to share (i.e. births, deaths, marriages, engagements, accomplishments, promotions, etc.) please submit them in writing to Jenn Lewis at jennlewis@communitywesleyanchurch.com by the 20th of the month for the next months' newsletter.

MacKenzie Randolph

graduates this month from the University of Rochester with a degree in International Studies and a minor in Spanish and Japanese languages



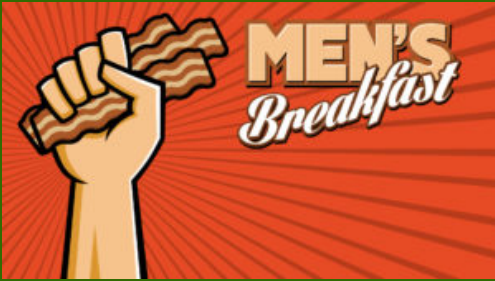
AGING & CAREGIVING SEMINAR:

On **Thursday, May 4th**, from **5:30-7:30pm** the Onondaga County Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services will be offering a seminar at CWC on "Services You May Need BUT Don't Know About". Learn about the services available for the elderly and current and future caregivers. You can register on the CWC app or through the event page on the church website. Free to attend. Contact Holly O'Hara (hohara44@gmail.com) for more information or with any questions. The seminar will take place downstairs in the Fellowship Hall at church.

Siera Mae Wilder

Patsy Sweeney is proud to announce that Siera Mae graduates this month from SUNY Potsdam with a degree in Writing.





MEN'S BREAKFAST

On **Saturday, May 13th**, join us for our monthly men's breakfast from **8-9am**. Bring your sons, grandsons, a neighbor, friend or co-worker. You can RSVP through the CWC church app to help us plan how much food to prepare. Come and enjoy a breakfast that is made by men for men!



PARTY ON THE BLOCK:

Put the date on your calendar! The summer Block Party has returned to CWC, bigger than ever. **Saturday, August 5th**, from **11am - 3pm**. Party on the Block will feature food trucks, inflatables, games, live entertainment and more! See Debbie Lewis for more information on how you can help with this great community outreach event.

Is your family involved in a local dance studio, martial arts program, music group, sports program or other family friendly program? We will be having a performance stage at the block party for local groups to perform. Contact Jenn Lewis for more details.



MEN'S RETREAT:

Guys, it is time to sign up for this year's Men's Retreat on **Saturday, June 10th**, from **10am-3:30pm** at the Lewis Family Pond (2546 Lamson Rd., Phoenix). Our guest speaker will be Brian Evelich from the History Channel show "Forged in Fire". There will be an introduction to blacksmithing and the opportunity to register for knife making. Other activities include skeet shooting, rifle, fishing derby, horseshoes, corn hole, frisbee golf, tomahwak, and basketball free throw. Compete for prizes with your team. Lunch will be provided. You can register on the CWC app or on the church website.



For more information see Paul Hernandez or Pastor Carl or contact the church office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2023:

Save the dates! This year's VBS will be **Monday, August 7th**, through **Thursday, August 10th** from **9:30-11:30am**. For kids age 4 through entering 6th Grade. We need lots of volunteers to make



this outreach program a success. See Debbie Lewis to see how you can be involved.