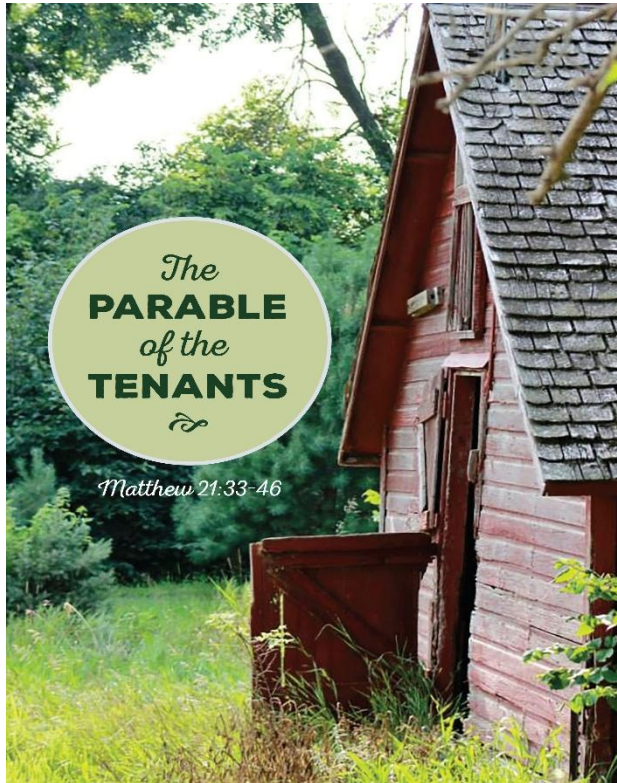


Wesley UMC Vision and Mission Statement

Vision: Embracing Community In Harmony with God

Mission: Respectful Minds, Outreaching Arms,

Loving Each Other, Together with God



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9:30 AM Traditional Worship

October 4, 2026

Welcome

Pastor Christine

Prelude***Panis Angelicus (O Lord Most Holy)***

Cesar Franck

Sherry Roscoe

Lighting the Altar Candles**† Hymn*****Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*, Vs. 1-4**

UMH 139

† Opening Prayer (Unison)

Fred Dismore

Good and gracious God, give us the eyes to perceive simple blessings that we often overlook. Encourage us with everyday joys. Turn our hearts toward you, the giver of all good things. Amen.

† Passing the Peace

Pastor Christine

(Let us exchange signs of God's reconciliation and love.)

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also, with you.**Announcements**

Pastor Christine

Musical Offering***In Me***

Mark Hall

Josh Bogus

CCLI: 4578877

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, you are patient with us as we struggle on our paths. Give us clarity and understanding today as we wrestle with your Word. With humility we pray, Amen.

† Gospel Lesson***Matthew 21:33-46* (NLT)**

Fred Dismore

This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God.**Old Testament Lesson*****Exodus 16:2-15* (NLT)**

Pastor Christine

Sermon

Pastor Christine

Anthem

Let Us Break Bread Together
African American Spiritual/Arr. John Helgen

Chancel Choir

Communion/Offering

Prayer of Confession and Pardon UMH 8

Pastor Christine

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 15

The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Receiving the Bread and Cup *

Please place your offering in the collection plate as the ushers direct your pew forward. Today we will receive Communion by intinction, gluten-free elements are available upon request. You are welcome to kneel at the altar rail for prayer. If you would like to support our neighbors in crisis, the baskets on the windowsills collect donations for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. During the serving of communion, we will sing the following hymn.

O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread

UMH 613

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

UMH 614

Prayer after Communion UMH 11

Fred Dismore

† Hymn

God Will Take Care of You

UMH 130

† Benediction

Pastor Christine

Postlude

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart
Arthur H. Messiter

Sherry Roscoe

Extinguishing the Altar Candles

* You may give also by using the smart phone app, ***Text-to-Give:*** text Wesley209 to 73256, then click link in message to complete. Or go to the website wesleyumc-dover.com and click online giving.

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Ushers and Audio/Visual Servants today:

Ushers: Tina & Dan Cahall, Debbie Devine

Audio/Visual: Josh Bogus, Beckett Divita, Mardi Spangler

Please keep the following people uplifted in prayer... Several unspoken, Bill & Barbara, Bill & Candace, Bill & Ruby, Dennis & Carolyn, Don & Penny, Ed & Iva, Harry & Nicky, Paul & Linda, Ralph & Fran, Ron & Janet, Ted & Yoshie, Terry & Carol, Aimee S., Alex V., Allison B., Anson D., Caroline J., Donald C., Greg G., James F., Jerry C., Jim R., Judy B., Linda S., Lou B., Marc S., Nadine B., Pat L., Pat R., Paul H., Rick G., Ricky S., Sally B., Steve G., Suzanne P., Todd R., Tom C., Tom R., Tom S., Tom W.

Help us keep our prayer list current. Keeping a prayer list updated ensures that the community is focusing on its support and intercession exactly where it is needed most. For members who need to reach out, you can contact the church office directly at 302-678-9626 to provide regular updates, share praise reports, or transition individuals off the active list. Thank You!

Search Class: Won't you join us in Search Class on September 13 at 8:35 AM for a cup of coffee and light refreshments? We will begin a six-week study of *Genesis, A Beginner's Guide to the Beginning*, by Amy-Jill Levine. Rabbi Levine presents *Genesis* as a "living text" as she addresses all facets of the stories and characters including: The Garden of Eden, Cain and Abel, Noah's Ark, Issac, Jacob, and Joseph. As the Old Testament scripture, *Isaiah 43:19* implores us to **"...do a new thing..."**

The Men's Bible Study will start back meeting in the Education Building on September the 22 at 7:00 AM. We will be studying *The Message of Jesus: Words That Changed the World.* by Adam Hamilton.

We meet on the 1st, 2nd, 4th, Tuesdays in the Search Classroom in the Education Building. On the 3rd Tuesdays we meet at Hollywood Diner at 7 am for breakfast. All men are welcome! Come join us! If you have questions, please contact Jim Skeans at (302) 678-0974.

Calendar and Announcements

Sunday, October 4, 2026

8:00 am - Worship — St. Paul's Chapel
8:35 am - Search Class — Choir Room
9:30 am - Worship — Sanctuary
9:30 am – Sunday School — Grace Fellowship Hall
10:30 am – Fellowship — Grace Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 5, 2026

9 am - 11 am – Clothing Closet
10:00 am - Staff Meeting — Library
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM
6:00 pm - Pickleball — Grace Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, October 6, 2026

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study — Ed Building
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM
7:00 pm – Church Council Meeting — Parlor
7:00 pm – DCS — Grace Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 7, 2026

6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM
6:00 pm - NA Meeting — Grace Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm – Security Team Meeting — Library

Thursday, October 8, 2026

6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM
6:00 pm – Handbell Choir — Bell Room
7:00 pm – Chancel Choir — Choir Room

Friday, October 9, 2026

9 - 11 am - Clothing Closet Referrals — Ed Building
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM
6:30 pm - ACA Meeting — Ed Building

Saturday, October 10, 2026

9:00 am - Clothing Closet — Ed Building
11 am - Noon - Community Meal — Grace Fellowship Hall

Watch for the Long Underwear Drive to appear in October:

Look for the snowman cut out with the tags showing sizes of long underwear Wesley will donate in December at a community meal as a Christmas gift to all who attend the meal. This is a partnership with Wyoming Methodist, Calvary, and Crossroads who all collect an item to put together a gift bag for all guests. Keep your eyes peeled for our snowman, which will have tags for you to take and purchase what is listed. For example: If the tag says, "Women's large top ", you will purchase a size large of women's long underwear style shirt."

An Encore Preaching Event from DUNKLE-MACKEY PREACHING SEMINAR

Clergy & laity are warmly invited to a dynamic time of learning, inspiration and worship

What If We're Reading It Wrong?

Presenting Rev. Joseph Yoo

Tuesday, October 27, 2026

Avenue UMC, 20 Church St, Milford, DE 19963

Register online at <https://avenueumc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/3744084>

SCHEDULE

- 1 PM Welcome & registration [payable by check, cash or pay online]
- 1:30 PM Plenary Session
- Breakouts
- 5:30 PM Dinner
- 6:30 PM Worship Service — with **Rev. Yoo** preaching
- **COST:** \$25 (includes dinner)
Continuing Education Units (CEUs) available
Scholarships offered

Contact Rev. Karin Tunnell with your questions.