

# *Wesley UMC Vision and Mission Statement*

Vision: Embracing Community In Harmony with God

Mission: Respectful Minds, Outreaching Arms,  
Loving Each Other, Together with God

## **Grounded in Love**



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*9:30 AM Traditional Worship*

*October 18, 2026*

Welcome

Gigi Windley

Prelude

*Great is Thy Faithfulness* Joyful Noise Handbell Choir  
William Marion Runyan/Arr. Mitchell Eithun

† Hymn

*Immortal, Invisible, God-Only Wise*

UMH 103

Lighting the Altar Candles

Leanne Evans

† Call to Worship

Larry Josefowski

Leader: We are all called to recognize and join God's mission of love.

**People: We gather to become more like Jesus, rooted and grounded in his steadfast love.**

Leader: We learn how grace has met other lives, in sanctuaries and in our daily work, neighborhoods, and homes.

**People: We wait for God's empowering presence to open our eyes and move our hands.**

† Opening Prayer (Unison)

Larry Josefowski

Glorious God, You have adopted each of us into the family that bears your name. Each day, you strengthen us through Your Spirit. We are rooted and established in Your love, and Your power is at work within us. Fill us again today, we ask, in the name of Jesus our Savior.  
Amen.

Children's Ensemble

*Rise and Shine (Arky, Arky)*  
Cedarmont Kids

Lizzie Mills, Director

Children's Message

† Passing the Peace

Gigi Windley

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

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also, with you.**

United Women in Faith Special Mission Recognition Pin Presentation

Mary Ann Evans

Announcements

Gigi Windley

Anthem

*Just a Little Talk With Jesus*  
Words and Music by Cleavant Derricks/Arr. Stan Pethel

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer &amp; Lord's Prayer

Gigi Windley

**Prayer for Illumination** Larry Josefowski  
Loving and gracious God, as we hear Your Word now, may we grasp the width, length, height, and depth of your love for us. Show us new ways to share that love in service to your kingdom. Amen.

**New Testament Lesson** *Jeremiah 31:31-34* (NRSV) Fred Dismore

**† Gospel Lesson** *John 17:20-23* (NRSV) Larry Josefowski  
This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**† Hymn** *O How I Love Jesus* UMH 170

**Shared Reflections** Ann Baker Horsey, Fred Dismore, Larry Josefowski

**Musical Offering** Josh Bogus

**Offertory Prayer** Gigi Windley

**Offertory \*** Sherry Roscoe  
*Air from “The Messiah” How Beautiful Are the Feet of Them*  
G.F. Handel/Charles Sergisson

**† Doxology** UMH 94

**† Hymn** *Sent Forth By God’s Blessing* UMH 664

**† Benediction** Gigi Windley

**Postlude** *March from “Scipio”* Sherry Roscoe  
G.F. Handel/Edward Broughton

**Extinguishing the Altar Candles** Leanne Evans

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**Please join us in Grace Fellowship Hall for a special treat following the Postlude.**

**The Altar Flowers** are given by Linda Wasko to the glory of God and in honor of Aubrey Wasko's tenth birthday.

**Ushers and Audio/Visual Servants today:**

**Ushers:** Debbie Devine, Jim & Pat Skeans

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

**Please keep the following people uplifted in prayer...** Several unspoken, Bill & Barbara, Bill & Ruby, Dennis & Carolyn, Don & Penny, Ed & Iva, Harry & Nicky, Paul & Linda, Ralph & Fran, Ron & Janet, Ted & Yoshie, Terry & Carol, Aimee S., Anson D., Bill G., Candy G., 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., Richard L., Rick G., Ricky S., Sally B., Steve G., Suzanne P., Tobi H., Todd R., Tom C., Tom.

**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 Bible Study:** Looking for something fresh? As Isaiah 43:19 reminds us, it's time to "...do a new thing..." Come join the Search Class on Sunday at 8:35 AM in the parlor for coffee, refreshments, and a dynamic study of Amy-Jill Levine's book, *Genesis: A Beginner's Guide to the Beginning*. Together, we will explore Genesis as a "living text," digging deep into the stories of: The Garden of Eden, Cain & Abel and Noah's Ark, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. All are welcome!

**Long Underwear Drive:** Check the main hallway leading to Fellowship Hall for the display with the Snowman and tags with size of long underwear needed. You may purchase the long underwear, or you may make a monetary donation towards the mission team making the purchase.

The drive will continue until November 1. Once you've made your purchase you may place your donation(s) in the collection box located under the display table.

Long underwear will be distributed at the December 19 community meal. The contact for this project is Carol Gambone [psu\\_turtle@hotmail.com](mailto:psu_turtle@hotmail.com).

## Calendar and Announcements

### Sunday, October 18, 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  
11:00 am – Worship Committee Meeting — Parlor

### Monday, October 19, 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 20, 2026

6:00 pm – Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
7:00 pm – DCS — Grace Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, October 21, 2026

6:00 pm – Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
6:00 pm – NA Meeting — Grace Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, October 22, 2026

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

### Friday, October 23, 2026

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

### Saturday, October 24, 2026

9:00 am – Noon – Clothing Closet — Ed Building  
12 - 1 pm – Community Meal — Grace Fellowship Hall  
6:00 pm – Trunk or Treat — Parking Lot

**Family Life invites you to our  
Annual Trunk-or-Treat  
Saturday Oct 24<sup>th</sup>  
from 6:00 – 7:30 pm  
Church Parking Lot**



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will have a decorated Car \_\_\_\_\_

I will donate Candy \_\_\_\_\_

Candy must be dropped off prior to the event at the Kitchen Serving Window Collection Box in church kitchen.