

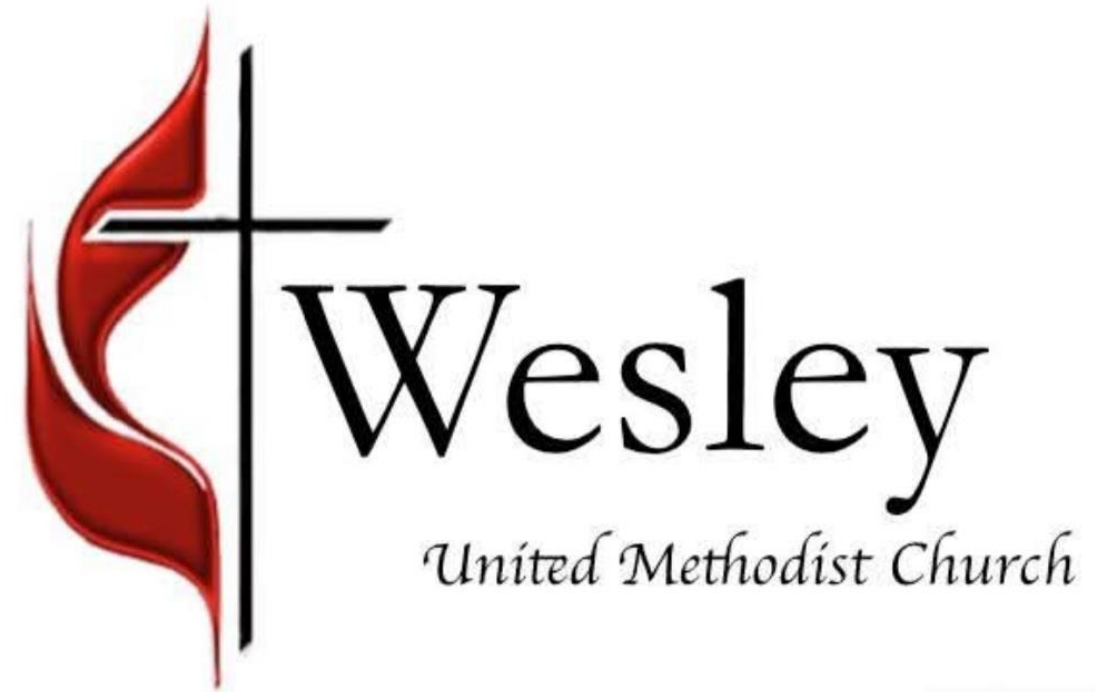
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***"Joining our neighbors and following Jesus
on a lifelong adventure to share God's love
in new places and empowering ways."***

LOVE Boldly
SERVE Joyfully
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**July 12, 2026
10:30 AM**

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 12, 2026 10:30 AM.

Welcome to Wesley Church!

*We gather in this place as friends and siblings united in Christ.
You are loved and welcomed here at Wesley.*

PRELUDE

*WELCOME & SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*OPENING HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” #400 United Methodist Hymnal

*OPENING PRAYER

Thank you, God, for music. Music adds beauty and longing to our lives. You are in the music, Lord, bringing comfort, joy, and stillness to our souls. Your presence also challenges our complacency and pushes us toward greater faithfulness. In this summer season, meet us in music. May the words and melodies speak from you to us, and may we carry your words and melodies into the world. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM OF CHARLEY HARPER GRACEY Pg. 39 UMH

SPECIAL MUSIC—Ben Willis “The Trumpet Shall Sound” Handel

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN OF CENTERING *Congregation’s Choice*

SCRIPTURE LESSON(S)

HEBREW BIBLE SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1 Chronicles 17:16-17

EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 2:8-9

*GOSPEL LESSON: John 9:24-25

Liturgist: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE/SERMON

GIVING & RECEIVING OF OFFERINGS, GIFTS, & TITHES

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” #95 UMH

*PRAYER OF BLESSING OF GIFTS & OFFERINGS

*CLOSING HYMN “Amazing Grace” #378 UMH

*ANNOUNCEMENTS

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*The congregation is asked to stand as you are able.

***Altar flowers are given today to the glory of God
and in memory of Mom & Dad, Vivian & Harry Shuman,
by Nancy & Larry Gustke, Carole Shuman, Jeff & Sue Shuman,
Amy, Eileen, & Silvia O’Reilly-Quan.***

**To celebrate the baptism of Charley Harper Gracey today, you’re invited to a reception
in the Coffee Café immediately following worship to greet Charley and her family!**

Prayer List

Joseph & Eileen Donato
Tammy Ambrose
Robin Payne Buchert
Maggie Leister
Carla Fedder
Sadie Schultz
Clare Jackson
Terry Werkheiser
Candis Henry
William Beyers
Cheryl Beck
Dove Strayer
Marlene Hewlett
Julie Williams
Sonny Frederick
Cathy Arnaout
Kathy Heddens & Family
Mary Kreisher
Linda Urban

Active & Former Military

Pat Backer
Michael Beijer
John F. Bodenman
Steven Cornelison
Marty Davis
Jared Slodysko
Ashley Long
Ryan Roger
Caleb Ross

Susan Vannan
Sally Snyder
Linda Dennen
Nancy Swisher & Family
Lisa Mitchell
Cameron Murphy
Barb Riley
James Doran
Donna Wallace
Family of Kamrin Adams
Family of Mary Janet Parker
David & Beth Miller
Carol DeGreen
Kyle Foust
Drew Hikes
Michael Zimmerman
Rick Rogers
Rev. Dr. Russell Hart
Maureen Fisher

Jason Beijer
Matt Brewer
Todd Campbell
Jason Drumm
Drue Gerasimoff
Andrew Hikes
Gabe Slodysko
Kayla Baldwin
Joshua Schaffer

This Week at Wesley

Sun.	7/12	10:30 AM—Worship Service w/ Holy Baptism <i>(Sanctuary & Facebook)</i>
Mon.	7/13	1:00 PM—Prayer Shawl Ministry <i>(Coffee Café)</i>
Tues.	7/14	5:30 PM—Catacombs Clean-Out <i>(Catacombs, Basement)</i>
Wed.	7/15	
Thurs.	7/16	5:30 PM—Catacombs Clean-Out <i>(Catacombs, Basement)</i>
Fri.	7/17	<i>Church Office Closed</i>
Sat.	7/18	10:30 AM-12:30 PM—Community Friendship Meal <i>(Social Hall)</i> 11:00 AM-5:00 PM—Wesley UMC @ Pride-A-Palooza Event <i>(Bloomsburg Fairgrounds)</i>
Sun.	7/19	9:00 AM—Women of Wesley Meeting & Fellowship <i>(Coffee Café)</i> 10:30 AM—Worship Service w/ Receiving of New Members <i>(Sanctuary & Facebook)</i>

This Week’s Staff Office Hours

Staff members are often in the church more than listed below but may sometimes need to miss scheduled hours due to unforeseen circumstances. It’s always a good idea to directly contact a staff member to set-up an appointment. Staff contact information can be found on the back of the bulletin.

Sunday Ministry Team:

Greeters & Ushers: Louise Grove, Gloria Young, & Freida Hackett *(7/12)*
Women of Wesley *(7/19)*

Liturgist: Letha Stone *(7/12)*
Jaime Flook *(7/19)*

Nursery Attendants: Kathy Heddens, Jane Bercher *(7/12)*
Bev & Taylor Wintersteen, Glenda Kowalski *(7/19)*

Rev. Mark Reisinger, Pastor: Monday-Wednesday, 9am-Noon

Cheri Reinaker, Administrative Assistant: Monday-Thursday, 9am-2pm

John Stone, Treasurer: Monday & Wednesday, 9am-2pm

Tim Latsha, Director of Music: By Appointment

Wesley Ministries & Opportunities to Serve

Children’s Nursery & Grace Garden: A staffed children’s nursery, located in the hallway between the Murray Ave. & Third Street entry areas, is available during worship for children ages 18 months-6 years old. An infant nursery is available down the hall from the primary nursery. Wesley’s “Grace Garden,” located in the front of the sanctuary, is also available for younger children during worship with coloring books and other opportunities for God’s children to engage in quiet play while still being a part of the worship service. Parents are asked to be present with their children while using the Grace Garden or Wesley’s infant nursery.

Email and Bulletin Announcements: If you have announcements you would like included in our weekly church email blast or an upcoming bulletin, please submit to the church office no later than Noon the Tuesday prior. All submissions sent after Tuesday at Noon will be included in the following week’s email and bulletin. To contact the church office, email office@wesleybloom.com, or call 570-784-1407.

Wesley Steering Team: The primary governing body of Wesley UMC, the Steering Team, meets on a monthly basis. All are invited to attend to hear more about the programs and ministries of Wesley Church. A Zoom option is available. Meeting minutes are provided in the Third Street entry area and via our weekly e-mail blast. The Steering Team did not meet in June, and the next meeting will be on Monday, July 20, 6pm, in the Coffee Café. Contact Pastor Mark (mreisinger@susumc.org) with any questions.

PAW Ministry: The latest edition of Wesley’s Prayer AnyWhere online prayer ministry, coordinated by Cynthia Willis, is available on Wesley’s Facebook page...check it out! www.facebook.com/wesleybloomsburg

Prayer Shawl Ministry: All knitters, crocheters, or those who would like to learn, are invited to Wesley’s Prayer Shawl Ministry, meeting the 2nd Monday of every month at 1pm in Wesley’s Coffee Café. The next gathering will be on Monday, July 13. If you know of someone who would appreciate a prayer shawl, or for more information, contact Mollie Harris: 570-387-0368.

Collections For Veterans: Wesley UMC is collecting items to be distributed to military veterans through the Columbia County VA Clinic. Current needs are recreation activity items, including adult coloring books, playing cards, journals/notebooks, crossword, word search, or sudoku books, colored pencils, crayons, and markers. Bring donations to the table located in the Third Street entry. Thank you for your generosity to help our local veterans!

“Keep It Flowing” Quarter Collection: The Women of Wesley are collecting quarters! Each month all money collected will be donated to a ministry of Wesley UMC. Money collected in July will go toward Wesley’s prayer shawl ministry. There are tables in the back of the sanctuary where you can drop your change.

Bloomsburg Food Cupboard: Wesley UMC, year-round, collects food to be donated to our neighbors in need through the Bloomsburg Food Cupboard. Donations can be left at the “Donation Station” area in the Murray Ave. entry. Specific items being collected in July are cereal and canned fruit.

Women of Wesley: The WoW meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:00am in the Coffee Café. All women are invited to this time of planning and fellowship. The next meeting will take place on Sunday, July 19.

Men of Wesley: The MoW meet for breakfast at 8am on the 4th Saturday of each month at Morris Family Restaurant (*6305 Columbia Blvd*) for a time of fellowship and event planning. The next gathering will be on Saturday, July 25. All are invited!

Wesley Ministries & Opportunities to Serve

New Members & Baptisms: If you, or anyone you know, is interested in learning more about becoming a member of Wesley and/or being baptized at Wesley UMC, contact Pastor Mark: mreisinger@susumc.org.

What’s Happening @ Wesley Weekly E-mail: Every week Wesley UMC sends out a weekly e-mail that includes the upcoming bulletin and other important announcements and news about what’s happening at Wesley Church. If you’d would like to receive this weekly e-mail, contact Pastor Mark: mreisinger@susumc.org.

Online Giving to Wesley UMC: Wesley offers an online giving option to financially support the ministries of Wesley UMC. Reach out to Wesley’s Treasurer, John Stone (treasurer@wesleybloom.com) with questions and to sign-up for regular online giving. You can also scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin to be taken directly to the site for online giving. As always, your financial generosity to Christ’s work at Wesley is greatly appreciated!

Community Friendship Meal: We are scheduling groups to prepare and serve the weekly Community Friendship Meal for remaining Saturdays in 2026. If you know of a group that might be willing to serve, have them check out the information found on the Wesley UMC website – wesleybloom.com, clicking on the Friendship Meal link. Questions can be emailed to Brian & Jane Bercher at bloomfriendshipmeal@gmail.com.

Bulletin Prayer List: We will be ‘refreshing’ the prayer list in the bulletin this summer to keep it current with prayer needs and requests. If you have a person you’d like to be added to the new list, please contact the church office or Cynthia Willis (sheelike55@gmail.com). Thank you!

Fellowship & Hospitality Ministry: Wesley is putting together a new ministry team, led by Mike & Delle Moyer, focused on creating more fellowship opportunities and greater hospitality throughout the congregation. If interested in helping with this ministry, contact Cheri in the office (570-784-1407 or office@wesleybloom.com).

Catacombs Clean-Out: The work is continuing to clear and organize Wesley’s ‘catacombs’ storage areas, this Tuesday and Thursday, at 5:30pm. Bring your work gloves...all are invited to help with this big job!

Pride-A-Palooza Event: Wesley will be present once again at the Pride-A-Palooza event at the Bloomsburg Fairgrounds on Saturday, July 18, 11am-5pm. Anyone able to assist with set-up or tear down, or willing to be at Wesley’s table throughout the day, representing Wesley & sharing God’s love with all, contact Pastor Mark.

Gatehouse Picnic: The Men of Wesley are hosting their annual summer picnic at The Gatehouse Transitional Living Facility (*21 Gate House Drive, Danville*) at 3pm on Sunday, July 26. All are invited to this time of fellowship with our neighbors at The Gate House. Bring a lawn chair and a dish to share!

Steve Wright Presentation: Wesley’s own Steve Wright will be sharing a presentation about his hike along the entire length the Appalachian Trail on Monday, July 27, 6:30pm, here at Wesley. There will be a question and answer time, and Steve will have copies of his new book, “The Weight I Carried: Hiking Through Grief and Healing on the Appalachian Trail,” available for purchase.

Vacation Bible School: Wesley UMC is hosting our 2026 Vacation Bible School ministry from Tuesday, Aug. 4-Thursday, Aug. 6, 6pm-8pm. Check out today’s bulletin insert for more information, and register online at Wesley’s website: wesleybloom.com

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Scripture Reading: Psalm 119:105-112

*There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle
or the mirror that reflects it. —Edith Wharton*

It doesn't matter where you live in the United States. At some point, you're going to have severe weather that knocks out your power and leaves you in the dark at night.

We live on the Oregon coast. When the North wind starts a-blowin' and the rain starts a-fallin', we're not surprised if there's a power outage. But we used to live at the base of the Front Range in Colorado, and it wasn't uncommon for the power to go out when a severe electrical storm passed through on its way to the eastern plains. If you live in the Midwest or Southeast, you're all too aware of the threat of severe thunderstorms and tornados. And along the Eastern seaboard, you've learned to keep your ears attuned to hurricane activity during the season.

Sometimes in life, you need to have an additional light source. So, when the power goes out, you light a candle or look for a flashlight. If you've ever walked through a dark room at night, you know the value of a small light. You don't need to see the whole house — you just need to see enough not to stumble. This is the image Psalm 119 gives us: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Notice what the psalmist does *not* say. God's word is not a *floodlight* revealing every twist and turn of the future. It is a *lamp* — a small, steady light that shows just the next step.

For many of us, especially in later seasons of life, the future can feel uncertain. Health changes. Loved ones come and go. The routines we once depended on shift beneath our feet. But God promises that we never walk in darkness alone.

The psalmist also speaks of commitment — holding fast to God's word "to the end," even when life becomes difficult. He speaks of suffering, but not with despair. He knows that the same God who gives the light also gives the strength to follow it.

So let's not forget that while *God may not show us the whole journey, he will always give enough light for today*. And sometimes that is all we can handle — and all we need.

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Lord, be the light for our steps today. When the path feels uncertain or the road ahead seems dim, shine your gentle truth into our hearts. Give us courage to trust you with what we cannot see. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: Acts 6-9

Monday: Isaiah 55-57

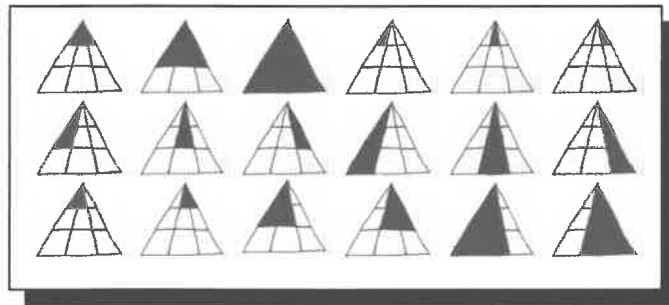
Tuesday: Isaiah 58-60

Wednesday: Isaiah 61-63

Thursday: Isaiah 64-66

Friday: Micah 1-4

Saturday: Psalms 76-78



Solution to last week's triangle puzzle: 18

WHAT BOOKS IN THE BIBLE DO NOT HAVE THE LETTERS B-I-B-L-E IN THEM? (Hint: There are 12. Answer below)

PAIRS IN THE BIBLE

Using a pen or pencil, draw lines to connect well-known pairs in the Bible. (Answers below)

SAMSON

WATER

LOAVES

ADAM

PAUL

DAVID

MARY

CAIN

LEAH

MOSES

JACOB

FISHES

GOLIATH

ESAU

WINE

RACHEL

SILAS

MARTHA

AARON

DELILAH

ABEL

EVE

BOOKS IN THE BIBLE: Joshua, Ruth, Amos, Jonah, Nahum, Mark, John, Acts, Romans, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John. **PAIRS:** Samson/Delilah, water/wine, loaves/fishes, Adam/Eve, Paul/Silas, David/Goliath, Mary/Martha, Cain/Abel, Leah/Rachel, Moses/Aaron, Jacob/Esau.

THE WEIGHT I CARRIED

Hiking Through Grief and
Healing on the Appalachian Trail

STEVEN C. WRIGHT

With Tara Shoemaker Holdren

**MONDAY
JULY 27
6:30PM**



WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Wright will talk about his experience with Q&A to follow
Copies of his book will be on sale



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Dates:

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 6-8 p.m.

Thursday, August 6, 2026 6-8 p.m.

**Sunday, August 9, 2026 Celebration during 10:30
church service.**

We hope you will join us for this unforgettable VBS adventure!

 *Launch into fun and faith with us!* 