

**Please keep the following people uplifted in prayer:**

Several unspoken, Anson, Donna, Doug, Marty, Patricia, Terry, Jon & Louise Andrews, Lou Baxter, Barbara & Bill Berry, Judy Bickling, Betty Burris, Carol & Terry Feinour, Ben Griffith, Bonnie Henry, Rich Katcher, George Kendall, Sue Killen, Stephen Metler, Michelle Oraca-Bowman, Barbara & Warren Smith, Jim & Sandi Thistlewood, Debbie W., Cheryl Williams and Ryan Williams.

**Chancel Choir** rehearses every Thursday, September through May from 7 - 8:30 pm in the Choir Room. We would love to welcome you into our choir as we sing an anthem during church services each week. No training needed. Come and join the fun!

**Joyful Noise Bell Choir** - We are looking for ringers to join us! We rehearse Thursday evenings from 6 - 7 pm and ring at the 9:30 am service one time per month. We can help anyone who is new to ringing, and we would LOVE to have you join us! Please contact Sherry Roscoe at 302-465-5441 or [theroscoe5@yahoo.com](mailto:theroscoe5@yahoo.com) to express your interest and we look forward to growing our team and this special ministry!

**September 15<sup>th</sup>, Ministry Fair - in Grace Fellowship Hall**

Do you want to feel more fulfilled in your faith and in your life? Becoming a part of one of the many ministries at Wesley United Methodist Church could help you achieve that fulfillment.

On September 15<sup>th</sup> during our Ministry Fair, you will have the opportunity to learn about the plethora of ministries offered at Wesley and find the one that is the perfect fit for you.

Come and enjoy an expanded coffee hour during the Ministry Fair, while you peruse the booths and find a ministry that will utilize your gifts and help to fulfill you spiritually.

**Upcoming Events/Meetings:**

**Monday, September 9, 2024**

9 am - 11 am - Clothing Closet  
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
6:00 pm - Pickleball — Grace Fellowship Hall

**Tuesday, September 10, 2024**

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study — Ed Building  
9:30 am - Staff Meeting — Library  
1:00 pm - Prayer Shawl Ministry — Parlor  
3:00 pm - Barbara Circle — Parlor  
5:00 pm - DCS Board Meeting — Choir Room  
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
7:00 pm - DCS Rehearsal — Grace Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, September 11, 2024**

6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
6:00 pm - Narcotics Anonymous — Grace Fellowship Hall

**Thursday, September 12, 2024**

12:30 pm - Mary Martha Circle — Parlor  
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
6:00 pm - Joyful Noise Handbell Rehearsal — Bell Room  
7:00 pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Choir Room

**Friday, September 13, 2024**

9 am - 11 am - Clothing Closet  
6:00 pm - Evening Prayer — ZOOM  
6:00 pm - Lay Servant Academy — Grace Fellowship Hall  
6:30 pm - ACA Meeting — Ed Building

**Saturday, September 14, 2024**

9 am - 12 pm - Clothing Closet  
9 am - 3 pm - Lay Servant Academy — Grace Fellowship Hall  
12:00 pm - Community Meal — Preschool Portico  
2:00 pm - Sylvia Circle — Helene Zeman's Home

**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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**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost    September 8, 2024**

THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

(† Indicates congregation rise in body or spirit.)

(Ω 8:00 service includes only the parts with this symbol.)

**Prelude**    *There is a Fountain - Early American Melody*  
Arr. Dan Forrest/Douglas Wagner

Ω Greeting – Announcements                      Pastor Asher Tunik

Ministries That Matter

Ω Greeting Our Neighbors                      Pastor Asher Tunik

**A Time of Silence and Centering** – We use this time to make the transition from "getting here" to "being here."

**Lighting Altar Candles**                      Xander Williamson

† Hymn 57 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*, vs. 1 - 4

† Call to Worship<sup>2</sup> (Responsive)                      Aimee Snell

Leader: Welcome, Beloved! Why have you gathered today?

**All: We have come to worship God, who is the maker of us all!**

Leader: What do you seek from God, our Creator?

**All: We seek God's wisdom to guide us and show us how to live.**

Leader: Are you ready to follow when God's wisdom leads down unexpected paths?

**All: We will trust, and we will follow wherever God's wisdom leads us.**

Leader: Well then, Beloved of God, what are you waiting for?

**All: Come! Let us worship and seek God's uncommon wisdom together! Amen.**

**Special Music**                      *Healer*                      Josh Bogus  
Mark Hall                      CCLI:7176641

Prayer<sup>2</sup> (Unison)                      Aimee Snell

**Good and generous God, you have blessed us with favor and counted us as your people through our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. Freed by your grace, let us extend your generosity to others, sharing our bread with the poor, pleading the cause of the afflicted, and receiving all who assemble in your name with the warmth of your love and the richness of your hospitality; in the good name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Anthem**                      *Be Thou My Vision*                      Chancel Choir  
Lloyd Larsen

**Sharing of Our Tithes and Gifts:** 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](http://wesleyumc-dover.com) and click online giving.*

**The Offertory**                      *Air from "Orpheus"*                      Sherry Roscoe  
Christoph von Gluck

† Doxology                      UMH 94

Offertory Prayer<sup>2</sup>                      On Screen

Ω Concerns & Prayers                      Pastor Asher Tunik

Ω The Lord's Prayer                      Pastor Asher Tunik

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**<sup>3</sup>                      Aimee Snell

**Gospel Lesson**                      *Mark 7:24-37*  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**                      Pastor Asher Tunik

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**Invitation for Prayer and Altar Call**                      Pastor Asher Tunik

**SENDING FORTH TO SERVE**

Ω Benediction                      Pastor Asher Tunik

**Extinguishing of the Altar Candles**

† Hymn 581 *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*,  
vs. 1, 2,

**Postlude**    *Hornpipe from "Water Music"*                      Sherry Roscoe  
G.F. Handel/Arr. Rick Parks

**Participants in Today's Services:**

**Pastor:** Asher F. Tunik

**Organist:** Sherry Roscoe

**Lay Reader:** Aimee Snell

**Acolyte:** Xander Williamson

**Ushers:** Tom Anderson, Jim Ferguson, Sr.,  
Jim Ferguson, Jr., Tude Kyne, Gigi Windley

**Audio Visual:** Josh Bogus, Mardi Spangler

**Announcements**

**The Chancel Flowers** are given to the glory of God by Aric Dryda.

**Pastoral Care:** If you would like Anthony Falkowski to contact you to talk and pray with you, please send your requests to [anthony@wesleyumc-dover.com](mailto:anthony@wesleyumc-dover.com).

**Prayer requests:** Prayer requests will be shared with the pastor, staff and the prayer team and lifted up in prayer for one week. Prayers for health and healing appear in the bulletin for two weeks. All other request appear for one week. Cancer treatment and military lists are ongoing until notified to take them off the list.

<sup>1</sup>Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Year B

<sup>2</sup>Discipleship Ministries, by Dr. Lisa Hancock

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