

# WELCOME

We're so glad you're here for worship today! Below are some details you may find helpful in your first visit:

**THE COMMUNICATION CARD** is key to allowing us to welcome you fully. Please fill it out and, after worship, drop it by the Welcome Center where you'll find lots of information and a nice gift for every first-time visitor.

**THE WORSHIP GUIDE** in this folder will lead you through our service. We try to use elements, liturgy, and sacraments from a variety of Christian traditions to help lead people of all ages, stages, and tastes into the presence of God. Worship is participatory, so please join in prayer, word, giving, and song.

**NURSERY** for children up to 2 years is available for the entire morning in the Pre-school Complex, Building B.

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**HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** are available in the foyer.

**WHEELCHAIR SEATING** is readily available in the center aisle or an usher will be glad to remove a sanctuary chair for your convenience.

**PRAYER FOCUS:** Keep our students in your prayers as they attempt to finish their school terms with excellence, which gives glory to God.

**WORLD MISSION FOCUS—PORTUGAL:** Pray for Eduardo & Cindi Angelos as they minister in Lisbon, focusing on planting pioneer churches, reaching the lost, training new Christians and enabling them to become leaders.

**HOME MISSION FOCUS:** Pray for the Galilean Home Ministries and the babies and children who are in their care. Pray that the Lord will give the staff and volunteers the wisdom and strength to care for them.

**YOUTH MINISTRY FOCUS:** Pull out those Christmas sweaters, dust off your talent, whip up a tasty treat and bring a gift for our friends at Thomson Hood & Diversicare. The annual *WFMY Christmas Party* is this Wednesday, December 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m. All girls movie night is Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> @ Pastor Andrea's. More details on the youth table.

## NURSERY:

	<u>TODAY/THIS WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
8:30 Worship	E Brown/L Prochina/V Salto K Winter	L Branan/J Goforth/J Madill/O Proctor
Sunday School	S Blankenship/M Henderson	No Sunday School
10:50 Worship	A Crabtree/J Crabtree/J Lamiy C Padgett	MK Kidwell/BK McMillen C Thompson/H Wheelock
6:00 Worship	No Nursery—Caroling	No Evening Services
Wed. Evening	R Cook/A Diddle	No Evening Services

• **2019 CHURCH DIRECTORIES** are now available. Pick up your copy today at the table next to the Welcome Desk in the foyer.

• **CHRISTMAS OUTREACH MATERIALS** are still available in the foyer and will be through Christmas Eve. Please take all that you can give away to friends and neighbors who need Christ.

• **THE POINSETTIAS IN THE SANCTUARY** are placed in honor or memory of loved ones. The listing of all those individuals was in the worship folder last week and additional copies are available at the Welcome Center.

• **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** There will NO Children's Worship December 23 and December 30 to give our Children's Worship ministry teams a little break. Thank you to all who serve on the Children's Worship Teams!

• **MOMS WHO PRAY** meets this Thursday, December 6 at 9:30 a.m. If you have a burden to pray for our public schools, administrators, teachers and students, please join us at Annette Diddle's home, 201 Asbury Drive.

• **GRANDPARENTS WHO PRAY** meets this Thursday night, December 20, at 6 p.m. for a Christmas potluck meal followed by a devotional at 7 p.m. Come to Margaret Dargan's home, 191 Academy Dr. Hope to see you there!

• *We would like to thank all of our WFMC family for your faithful prayers, words of love and encouragement, emails and cards, and help at our home throughout my ordeal in India and to this day. We have been overwhelmed by your genuine love and care. God has used you to assure us even in very difficult times, He sees us, He loves us, and He has good plans for our good and His glory. Thank you!* - Steve and Lorrie Liversedge

• **A COUPLE NOTES ABOUT END OF YEAR GIVING:**

1) In order for offerings to be tax-deductible for the year 2018, they must either be received or postmarked by December 31.

2) While we are doing great in debt retirement, missions and nearly every other financial area, our regular operating budget is running about 10% behind, requiring the use of reserve funds to meet November expenses. Now would be a great time to catch up on deferred budget giving for 2018.

• **THOSE WHO LOVE TO BAKE:** WFMC is delivering trays of home-made baked goods to our local Fire, Police, Utility and Ambulance departments in Wilmore next **Thursday, December 20** as a way of saying, *Thank you for your service to our church and community.* If you'd bake a few dozen (or more) of your specialties and get them to the church on Wednesday night or by noon on the 20th, your contribution would be much appreciated!

• **SAVE THE DATE—FEBRUARY 9, 2019** is the church Valentine Banquet sponsored by WFMC Marriage Ministries. More information to come later.

## Sanctuary Sweeper Volunteers Needed!

Would you be willing to serve by vacuuming the sanctuary once every two months? Indicate your interest by writing "sweep" on your Communication Card and you'll be contacted. This is a great family ministry opportunity.



## ALL-CHURCH CAROLING TONIGHT!

Join in our caroling to the elderly of our church, bringing them songs of Christmas. Meet in Building C at 6:00 p.m., join a group, and then car-pool to 4-6 homes. We then return to Building C and fellowship over hot dogs, chips and hot chocolate. *Please bring a plate of cookies to share!*



## Christmas Eve Services at WFMC



**5:00 and 6:30 p.m.** - Christmas worship with candlelight, Scripture and carols. There will be a Children's Time in the service. Nursery / child care is provided through age 48 months. (Children's nativity at 6:30 service.)

**11:00 p.m.** - Christmas worship with Holy Communion, candlelight and carols. No nursery care provided.

## Sunday School Potluck Breakfast January 6, 9:40 a.m. Building C Great Hall



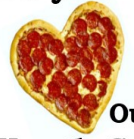
*Each family please bring a generous dish to share - casseroles, breakfast sandwiches, sweet rolls, fruit, etc. Coffee, milk and juice provided.*

**The John Wesley Covenant Worship Service: January 6, 6:00 p.m.** Join us for a centuries-old, yet timeless service liturgy, practiced by John Wesley first in 1755 and adapted from the 1663 writings of Puritan Richard Allienne. It is a service of serious, personal re-commitment to Christ's lordship in our lives. If you wish to read through and prepare your heart ahead of time, you can find copies of the liturgy on the News Feed of the church website, [www.wilmorefmc.org](http://www.wilmorefmc.org).

## COOKING FOR A CROWD!

The youth ministry needs cooks (or groups of cooks) for next semester for Tuesday Prayer Breakfasts and Wednesday Youth Dinners. Interested or want more information? Write "COOK!" on your Communication Card.

## Do you



**Our Youth Group?**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS—WEEK OF DECEMBER 16, 2018

TODAY

8:00 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer—B106  
8:30 a.m. Morning Worship I  
9:40 a.m. Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible Fellowship  
10:50 a.m. Morning Worship II  
3:30 p.m. Tinnabulation Handbell Choir—Asbury University  
Allegro Handbell Choir—Asbury University  
4:45 p.m. Youth Choir—B101  
5:30 p.m. Pre-Service Prayer—B106  
6:00 p.m. All-Church Caroling—Meet in Building C  
No afterglow, Caroling Social

MONDAY

TUESDAY

6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting—A200  
7:15 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast—Building C  
8:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting—A200  
9:30 a.m. Ladies' Bible Study @ Moore home, 117 Hawthorne Dr, Nich.  
3:00-4:30 p.m. "Huddle Time" Outreach—Building C  
7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball—Building C

WEDNESDAY

4:55 p.m. Bible Quizzing—B100s  
6:30 p.m. FMY (Free Methodist Youth) Christmas Party—Building C  
6:30 p.m. CHARIS Young Adult Group—B203  
7:00 p.m. Adult Prayer Meeting—B200/201  
CLC (Christian Life Club) 2 yrs. old - 5th grade  
2 yrs. - K: Building B Preschool Wing  
1st - 5th grade: A100 Wing  
Nursery/Childcare—Building B Preschool Wing

THURSDAY

FRIDAY CHURCH OFFICES CLOSE UNTIL JANUARY 2, 2019

7:00-10:00 p.m. Girls Movie-Night @ Pastor Andrea's

SATURDAY

10:15 a.m. Diversicare Worship Service  
1:30 p.m. Sarah Toth Concert—Wesley Village  
No Youth Open Gym—begins again in January

YOU ARE INVITED! Soprano Sarah Toth (daughter of Jerry & Jan Coleman) will be singing a program of Christmas classics at Wesley Village Saturday, December, 22, 1:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.



Reminder: the church offices will be closed

December 21 - January 1.

The mail will be collected, and pastors will still be available.

Thanks for helping us plan ahead.

All Things New: A New Future

Pastor Daryl

Acts 3:1-26



CD'S OF MORNING AND EVENING MESSAGES ARE AVAILABLE.

Note "Message" and date on a Communication Card at the Welcome Center, and pick up your CD the following Sunday. A donation of \$2.00 is requested to cover

costs. Messages may also be freely downloaded at [www.wilmorefmc.org](http://www.wilmorefmc.org).



**PRAYER SEEKING SALVATION:** *Lord Jesus, I know I have sinned against You. I believe that You died for me, and I place my trust in You. Forgive my sins and save me from the judgment to come. Help me to turn from my sin and live a life wholly devoted to You.*

**PRAYER SEEKING SANCTIFICATION:** *Lord Jesus, I recognize my need for holiness. Purify me of all that is unlike You, fill me with Your Holy Spirit until I am totally Yours, and set me apart for Your purposes from this day forward.*

If you seek or have found salvation or sanctification today, please let a member of the pastoral staff know. We're here to help you on your journey.

WILMORE  
FREE METHODIST CHURCH

DECEMBER 16, 2018  
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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## CHILDREN'S TIME

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Along with our tithes and offerings, let's offer ourselves anew to Jesus today, that He might have the freedom to do whatever He'd like in us and through us. Believe it or not, the Christmas gift He really wants from us is our whole selves.

## OFFERTORY

arr. Kyler Brengle

*Angels We Have Heard on High* (Hymnal 132)  
Blessings Handbell Choir

## DOXOLOGY\*

Hymnal 625 (OLD HUNDREDTH)

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Children may now leave for Children's Worship

## SONGS OF THE HOPE OF CHRISTMAS

Hymnal 138  
Hymnal 152

*Go, Tell It on the Mountain*  
*I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*

## MESSAGE

*All Things New: A New Future*

Pastor Daryl

## BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing* (Hymnal 133)

arr. Kenneth Varner

## WORSHIP GUIDE

*God is so glad you've set aside this time to worship Him. He inhabits the praise of His people. As we gather, please take a moment to ask God to prepare us for worship—to open our ears and minds to His voice and to freely apply His word to our hearts and lives. Please also take a moment now to silence all electronic devices so that the Lord might have opportunity to freely speak to all.*

## GATHERING

*O Holy Night* (Hymnal 148)

arr. Donald Allured

*A Handel Christmas Medley* (Hymnal 125, 135, 146, 37)

arr. Linda Lamb

Blessings Handbell Choir

## *Welcome to Worship!*

*If you are visiting with us for the first time and are searching for a church home, please fill out the Communication Card and turn it in at the Welcome Center in the foyer, where you'll receive a nice gift—our way of saying, "We're honored by your visit." Returning guests and regular attendees, please note your attendance and requests on the Communication Card, then place it in the offering plate.*

## SONGS OF THE INCARNATION

Hymnal 155

*Once in Royal David's City*

Hymnal 136

*The First Noel* (stanzas 1, 2, 6)

## CALL TO PRAYER

Hymnal 126

*A Nativity Prayer*

*O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us, we pray;*

*Cast out our sin, and enter in; Be born in us today.*

(CCLI Member)

## PRAYER

Pastor Daryl

## GOD'S WORD TO US

Acts 3:1-26

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Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

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