

GOD'S WORD TO US

Luke 5:17-26

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

All: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME:

Caitlin Gothay

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP JR. (CWJR) for children ages 2 and 3, is available in the Building B Preschool Wing for the entire worship service time.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

For a complete list, check the Worship Folder or www.wilmorefmc.org

WORSHIP IN GIVING

Lord, as we worship You here today, we invite You to speak to us about our finances. Help us order them in a way that pleases You. Let us live frugally, so we can have the margin to help neighbors in crisis. Let us choose wisely in our spending and saving. Let us give as You ask us to give, and let us live by faith in You and Your provision.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Stan Pethel, *arr.* Karen Reeves

Homeward Bound

Chloee Adams, Erin Grauff, Jessie Thompson

MESSAGE

Pastor Dwight

A Glorious Opportunity

HOLY COMMUNION

POSTLUDE

arr. Lani Smith

All Hail the Power (text—Hymnal 97; tune—MILES' LANE)

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

It Is Well with My Soul (Hymnal 493)

arr. Michael T. Smith

Joyful, Joyful w/ Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring (Hymnal 1)

arr. Marilyn Ham

I Sing the Mighty Power of God (Hymnal 59)

arr. Bob Kauflin

CALL TO WORSHIP

An Affirmation of Faith in the Words of Saint John

We believe that God is Spirit, and all who worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in truth.

We believe that God is Light, and if we walk in the light, as He is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another.

We believe that God is Love, and that all who truly love are born of God and know God.

We believe that Jesus is the Son of God, and that through Him, God has given us eternal life.

We believe that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life, and all who will believe in Him, though they die, yet shall they live.

We believe that we are children of God, and that He has given us His Spirit.

We believe that if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

We believe that the world is passing away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

SONGS OF PRAISE AND RENEWAL

Hymnal 87 (stanzas 1,3,4,6)

May Jesus Christ Be Praised

Hymnal 508

I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

Insert

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

CALL TO PRAYER

Hymnal 303

People Need the Lord

People need the Lord, people need the Lord;

At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door.

People need the Lord, people need the Lord;

When will we realize people need the Lord.

(CCLI Member)

PRAYER

Caitlin Gothay

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS—WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 2023

TODAY

- 8:00a Pre-Service Prayer—B106
8:30a Morning Worship—Sanctuary
Nursery—Building B Preschool Wing, children under 4 years
9:45a Sunday School, Adult and Youth Bible Fellowships
11:00a Morning Worship—Sanctuary
Nursery—Building B Preschool Wing children under 4 years
3:30p Chimes of Joy—B102; Tintinnabulation Handbells—Sanctuary
4:45p Heaven's Harmony B100; Youth Choir B101
Sanctuary Choir—Sanctuary
5:30p Pre-Service Prayer—B106
6:00p All-Church Hayride Social—Building C/Lawn

MONDAY

- Public School Fall Break Week
10:00a Ladies' Bible Study at Metcalfs, 20 Veterans Dr.

TUESDAY

- 6:30a Men's Prayer Meeting—A200
9:00a Ladies' Prayer Meeting—A200
9:30a Ladies' Bible Study—C202
10:00a Youth Open Gym
4:00p Family Fun @ Sportsman's League
6:15p WeBelieve Handbell Choir—Sanctuary
7:00p Men's Basketball—Building C
7:30p Blessings Handbell Choir—Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY

- 4:50p Bible Quizzing
6:00p FMY (Free Methodist Youth) Harvest Party @ Shafer Farm
No Young Musicians / No Friendship Company
7:00p Adult Prayer Meeting—B200/201
Grief Recovery Group—B202
No CLC
Nursery/Childcare—Building B Preschool Wing

THURSDAY

- 10:00a Common Threads—B107
10:15a FM Youth to Devine Corn Maze
6:30p Leadership Class—B203

FRIDAY

- 10:00a Mom's Pray & Play—Playground
5:00p Bible Quizzers depart for Bedford IN

SATURDAY

A Glorious Opportunity
Luke 5:17-26

Pastor Dwight

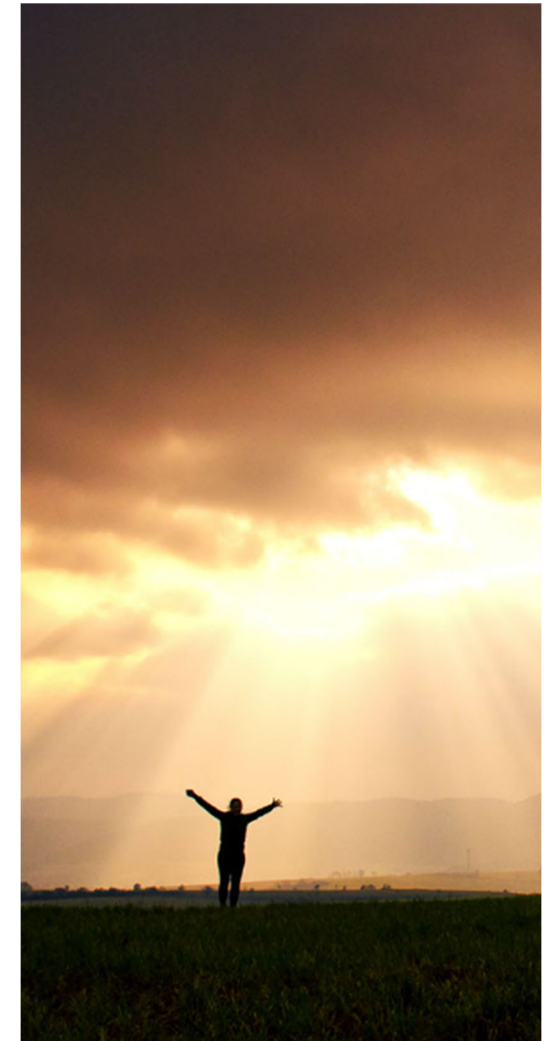
VIDEO AND PRINT RECORDINGS OF ALL MESSAGES
ARE AVAILABLE AT WILMOREFMC.ORG



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.



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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT WFMC!
 If you are "new," this is for you!
COMPLETING THE WELCOME CARD allows us to welcome you personally. Please fill it out and drop it off at the foyer Welcome Center. The attendant there will give you a nice gift.

THE WORSHIP GUIDE in this folder leads through the service. We try to use elements, liturgy and music from a variety of Christian traditions to help lead people of all ages, stages, and tastes into God's presence. Worship is, by nature, participatory, so please join in prayer, word, giving, and song, and respond to the voice of the Holy Spirit however He leads.

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

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HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES are available at the back of the Sanctuary.

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: Pray for our children on public school break - that they would make good decisions that honor Christ while also having fun enjoying vacation from school.

WORLD MISSION FOCUS - EUROPE: Josh & Rachelle Neal are based in Frankfurt, Germany where Rachelle is GEM's VP of Europe, providing leadership. Josh leads the Business Impact Zone providing coaching and resources. Pray for children: Kayla, Briana, and Titus.

HOME MISSION FOCUS: Pray for All God's Children, the staff and volunteers, and all the young moms and babies under their care.

YOUTH MINISTRY FOCUS: Praying for all to have a great fall break! Make sure you have permission slips turned in today (box in youth foyer) for the events you are planning to attend!

NURSERY:

	<u>TODAY/THIS WEEK</u>	<u>NEXT WEEK</u>
8:30 Worship	B Arnold/L Branan/S Branan J Bowers	M Dietrich/C Rumble/C Shafer/ J Evans
Sunday School	H Arputharaj/A Dotterweich	T Kidwell/J Lovell
11:00 Worship	J Elayaraj/BK McMillen/E Padgett F Shingledecker	D Raymond/E Walsh/J Walsh/ C Maynard/J Bowers/B Bowers
6:00 Worship	Hayride Social—no nursery	
Wed. Evening	M Dargan/C Blankenship	A Diddle/R Zent

- **THE PRIME TIMERS** meet for lunch Thursday, October 5, at 12:00 noon and all those 60+ are invited! If you have unchurched friends who are in their prime please feel free to invite them. This is a non-threatening way to introduce them to our wonderful church family. For those with your last name starting with A-G bring a dessert of your choice, H-Z bring a salad of your choosing. Join us in Building C for this awesome event.

- **CANDY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED** for our children's Harvest Festival on Wednesday, October 25. Bags of individually wrapped candy can be left at the Welcome Desk before October 22.

- **CHECK OUT THE FOYER DISPLAY CASE** which is filled with beautiful images and symbols and art of countries around the world.

- **THE FAMILY FOUNDATION** is hosting its first Kentucky Family Forum on Saturday, October 7, and all are invited. Hear state and national leaders discuss important public policy issues from a Biblical worldview and help inspire and equip Christians to effectively engage the culture. The event will include morning and afternoon panel sessions and a catered lunch. <https://web.charityengine.net/2023KYFamilyForum/>

- **FUN YOUTH (AND FAMILY) EVENTS THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday: Open Gym — 10:00a — 12:00n
 Family Fun @ BGSL — 4:00p — 8:00p
 Wednesday: Harvest Party @ Shafer Farm — 6:00p — 8:00p
 Thursday: Devine's Corn Maze — 10:15a — 2:45p

YOU WILL FIND AT THE FOYER WELCOME CENTER:

- Prayer Shawls to give away to those you know who are suffering
- Brochures / Information about all the ministries of the church
- Drop-Off Points for Food for Kids and Harvest Party candy
- Women's Fall Retreat information and sign-ups
- Free Copies of the current pictorial directory
- Read-Through-The-Bible annual guides
- Large Print song sheets each week
- World Mission Week brochures
- Outreach materials
- Devotional guides
- ...and lots, lots more!

A Time To Remember... On All-Saints Sunday evening, October 29, we will remember and celebrate the lives of our family members who have passed away during the past year (*since October, 2022*). Through songs, prayers and scripture readings, we will honor those who were part of the WFMC family, as well as the deceased parents, siblings and children of those who attend WFMC.

If you would like your loved one included, please complete a purple information sheet at the Welcome Center and turn it in there or the church office. Pictures for the video presentation are due by October 15.



All-Church HAYRIDE
TONIGHT! 6:00 p.m.

Bring your kids, family and friends, and enjoy the food, fun and hayride!

The church will provide the meat, chips and drinks. Please bring a "hand held" dessert to share: cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc.



OCTOBER FOOD ITEM:
BOXES OF MAC & CHEESE

Our *Food for Kids* program is in full swing! Each Wednesday night our teens assemble bags of food that is distributed by our schools to families in need of help over the weekends. Drop off food donations in the foyer basket.

This is a great opportunity to say *thank you!* to our diligent and committed team of pastors. Please consider how you might meaningfully express appreciation in these next few weeks...maybe a card, a note, a gift card, or an offer to volunteer your service in one of our needed ministry areas. Please find a way to shower our pastoral families with your love and prayer support!



- *Your WFMC Conference Delegates:*
 Hepziba Arputharaj, Bryan Blankenship, Myrna Hale,
 Keith Madill, Erin McLaughlin, Rebekah Saunders



MUSTERING OF THE MEN, 2023

New South Conference Men's Retreat
 Friday / Saturday, October 6-7
 Eagle Ridge Retreat Center,
 Bowling Green, KY

Registration is at 5:00p followed by a pig roast at 6:00p. Retreat ends Saturday, at 6:00p.

Cost: \$50 (adults) \$15 (ages 13-19) which includes meals and lodging.
 Contact the church office to register,
 or text coordinator, Roger Ryan, at 270-925-7196.



LADIES -- we've started the new season of Ladies Night Out! We'd love to have you join us for food, fun, and fellowship on Monday, Oct. 2, at 6:00 p.m. at BJ's Restaurant, 3297 Nicholasville Rd., Lexington.
 Questions? Text Ginny Proctor at 859-553-9784.