

A WORD FROM WUMF

We offer an open, welcoming fellowship, united in Christ's love, in service to all.

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Small Group Opportunities!

Small groups are a great way to join in fun and fellowship.

See inside for meeting times, dates and locations.



Men's Study Group

Ladies Book Club



Chancel Choir



Women's Study Group

Sunday Morning Bible Study



What's New With Youth?

By Libby Gleason

Third-Annual Lock-In is a BIG Hit Again!

Our big event for the month of January is always our lock-in. This is an age-old tradition among United Methodist youth groups. Our youth are invited to bring a friend and come to church for an evening of devotion, games, eating, movies, and hopefully sleeping!

This year there were 13 of us and we had a GREAT time! If you were unable to join us this year, hopefully you can join us next year! We started out our evening with devotions. We reflected on the New Year's resolutions that we made last year at our lock-in (that's right I kept them all year!) Then we made new resolutions for 2012. We ate LOTS of junk food, played games, got creative with duct tape, and watched a great movie. If you haven't seen "Soul Surfer" you should. It is a true story about a girl who lost her arm in a shark attack. It has a wonderful Christian message.

Service Opportunities for Our Youth

Beginning this month our youth group will be taking turns volunteering in the children's Sunday school classroom on Sunday mornings. This will allow our lead-teachers to be able to take turns attending the worship service while our youth reap the rewards of providing service within our church.

I would like to incorporate more meaningful local service opportunities into our youth group programming. If you know of any needs or have any ideas for us, please contact Libby!

Three Youth to Attend Youth Leadership Conference

The Youth Leadership Conference is an event for mid-high and senior-high youth held once a year to focus on missional leadership. At this event we explore what it means to be a leader, hear from young people who have become leaders in their community and the world, and elect leaders from our local churches and districts to serve at the conference level for the Rocky Mountain Conference of the United Methodist Church. This year the conference aims to reach more youth from each of the three states our conference spans via skyping technology!

This year's event will take place in Metro Denver on February 3rd-4th. We look forward to sharing our experience with you upon our return!

February UMYF Events:

February 3 rd -4 th	Youth Leadership Conference, Denver	
February 5 th	NO UMYF	
February 12 th	6:00-8:00 pm	Bible Study
February 19 th	5:30-8:00 pm	Service Project
February 26 th	6:00-8:00 pm	Bible Study

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What's New With Youth? (Continued)

We are in need of adult volunteers again this semester. We meet on Sunday evenings from 6:00-8:00 p.m. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet hanging next to the youth bulletin board by the front doors. Please consider signing up to hang out with us!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

February 15—Kim Hawkins
 February 16—Megan Billington
 February 22—Kareen Larsen
 February 25—Malachi Schermer
 February 28—Tristan L'Ecuyer

Anniversary's

February 17—Stan and Trudy Patterson



Please make sure your birthdays and anniversaries are on the calendar located on the table in Classroom A.

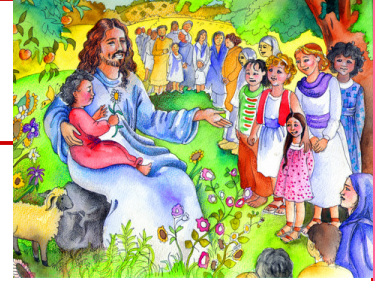


Men's Study Group

The Men's Study Group is up and running. All men are invited to come and share in study and fellowship.

When: Saturday February 11—10:00 a.m.
Where: The Church

A Look at Our Little Ones



Volunteers needed for Sunday Morning Children's Programming

As you have probably already heard, we are currently looking at making a few small changes to our Sunday morning children's programming.

- 1) In order to fulfill the "Safe Sanctuaries" policies, we would like to start having an adult volunteer help out in the nursery each Sunday.
- 2) We would like to also begin offering an alternative place for kids who have a hard time sitting through the worship service, but who are older than 4th grade.

In order to make this happen, we would need people who are willing to volunteer to supervise these activities. **If we have enough volunteers, this would only be something that you would need to commit to every six weeks to two months.** If you sign-up to help out you will be assigned to the nursery or the alternative Sunday school classroom in a rotating fashion. There would be **no planning or preparation** necessary. **PLEASE HURRY AND SIGN-UP SO THAT WE CAN MAKE THESE CHANGES ASAP!**

How to sign up:

Sign-up on the clipboard in the large Sunday school classroom
Contact Libby Gleason @ 227-7893 or libbygleason@hotmail.com

W.O.W. News

Please note the time change! W.O.W. will now be meeting from 5:30-7:15 on Wednesday evenings. Parents are always invited to stay and join us in fellowship . . . We will even provide food for you to munch on!

January Study Topics:

- The Life of Abraham (Genesis)
- Jesus' Early Ministry

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE A MEAL FOR W.O.W.
OR
VOLUNTEER FOR ANY OF OUR YOUTH AND/OR CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS, PLEASE
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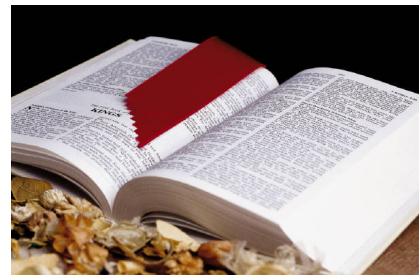
WOW . . .Worship on Wednesday!



What is WOW! It is Wellington on Wednesday for first through fifth graders at Wellington United Methodist Church! Every Wednesday starts with a simple meal at 5:30 p.m. and then we learn about the stories of the Bible until 7:15! Volunteers and visitors are always welcome! Please invite your neighbors, friends, and relatives to join us on this fun church night for kids!!!

For more information or questions, please contact Maureen Houser at maureenhouser@gmail.com or call her at 970-631-4272!

Sunday Morning Bible Study

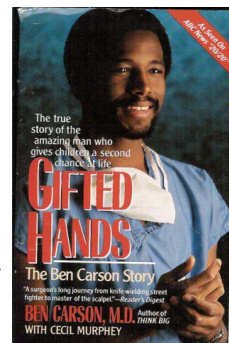


Don't forget Sunday Morning Bible Study meets at 8:30 a.m. in Sunday School Room A. The group is following the Disciple Bible Series and all are welcome.

Ladies Book Club

I wanted to inform you all of our next book. It is different than most books we have read. We will read "Gifted Hands" The Ben Carson Story by Ben Carson and Cecil Murphey. Here is a short synopsis:

In 1987, Dr. Benjamin Carson gained worldwide recognition for his part in the first successful separation of Siamese twins joined at the back of the head. Carson pioneered again in a rare procedure known as a hemispherectomy, giving children without hope a second chance at life through a daring operation in which he literally removes one half of their brain. Such breakthroughs aren't unusual for Ben Carson. He's been beating the odds since he was a child. Raised in inner-city Detroit by a mother with a third grade education, Ben lacked motivation. He had terrible grades. And a pathological temper threatened to put him in jail. But Sonya Carson convinced her son he could make something of his life, even though everything around him said otherwise. Trust in God, a relentless belief in his own capabilities, and sheer determination catapulted Ben from failing grades to the directorship of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. *Gifted Hands* takes you into the operating room to witness surgeries that made headlines around the world---and into the private mind of a compassionate, God-fearing physician who lives to help others.

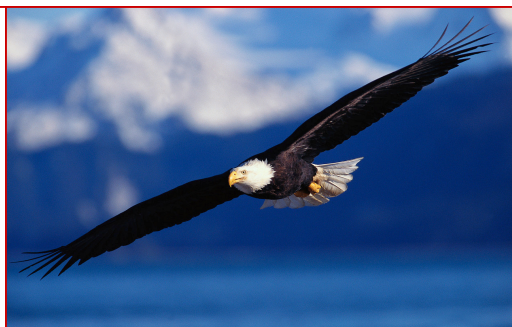


WHEN: TBD

WHERE: The Church

If you have any questions contact Katie Warren at kmwarren1987@gmail.com.

Helping
Eagles
Soar



HELPING EAGLES SOAR—is our community project.

Wellington Middle School's Eagle's After Hours program offers a safe environment where children can have, fun, play games, participate in activities and have a snack. This program serves over 100 children two times a week.

The program is looking for non-perishable food donations for snacks as well as small size toiletries. Please bring your donations to the church and we will make sure they are delivered.

Sermon Series—Journey to Hope

Lent begins February 26. This Lenten season you are invited to go on A Journey to Hope as we travel with Jesus to the cross, discovering along the way that Hope can be found even as we encounter some of life's most difficult circumstances.

February 22—Ash Wednesday—The Journey Begins—Mark 8:31-37

February 26—Who is on this journey with you? - Mark 10:13-16

March 4—Identity and self-esteem—Mark 11:1-11

March 11—Financial needs and joyful destinations—Mark 10:35-44

March 18—Prayer—Mark 14:32-40

March 25—Do you have money, or does money have you? Mark 10:17-22

April 1—Palm Sunday—Rev. Jim Cowell preaching



Chancel Choir Notes



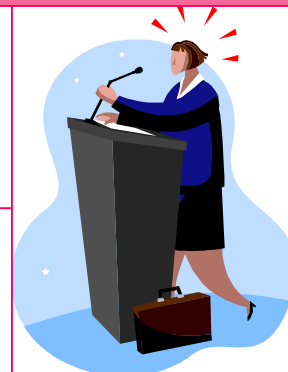
We are only about 1 month from the beginning of our Lenten season and lots of special Lenten music. We need additional voices: basses, tenors, altos, and sopranos to help us out. We also need lots of special music.

Please consider joining our choir on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Holy Hugs,
Nellene (2223-6844)

COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

By The Alzheimer's Association



Know the 10 Signs: Early Detection Matters

Come learn about normal age related memory loss; learn the warning signs that may be symptoms of Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia. Understand the importance of visiting your doctor early for an assessment which can rule out treatable conditions that may be the cause of these symptoms. Early diagnosis helps with planning, treatment and the opportunity to participate in clinical trials.

DATE: Thursday, February 16

TIME: 1:00—2:30 p.m.

WHERE: At the church

"Every year of my life I grow more convinced that it is wisest and best to fix our attention on the beautiful and the good, and dwell as little as possible on the evil and the false."

- Richard Cecil

Women's Study Group



In February we will begin a study of the book of Ruth.

"This narrative is about a poor, widowed foreigner becoming the wife of a respected man from Bethlehem and the great-grandmother of King David. Set during the time of the Judges, the book of Ruth does not concentrate on international relations or community apostasy, war or death. Rather, it speaks of food, plentitude, and "loving-kindness and loyalty" shown not by the deity but by a Moabite woman."

-Women's Bible Commentary

WHEN: Beginning February 6, 2012—Monday evening at 6:30 p.m.

WHERE: The church.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 5:30—WOW 7:30—Choir	2	3	4
5 8:30 Bible Study 10:00 Worship/ Sunday School 6:00—UMYF	6 1:00—5:00 Office Hours 6:30—Womens Study Group	7	8 5:30—WOW 7:30—Choir	9	10	11 10:00—Men's Bible Study
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