



# OPEN DOORS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## WELLS CAMPUS

595 1st Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097  
507-553-5453  
Worship: 9:00 am

## KIESTER CAMPUS

116 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Kiester, MN 56051  
507-294-3300  
Worship: 10:30 am

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May 30, 2021 – Trinity Sunday

**Please turn off or silence your cell phone.**

(\* indicates when to stand. You may remain seated if standing creates a problem for you.)

### – Gathering in Faith –

*Welcome to worship on this Holy Trinity Sunday, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.*

#### Gathering Music

#### Welcome

#### \* Call to Worship and Praise

“Glorify Thy Name” (W&K) #2016

Leader: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son  
That whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

**People: Let those who know they are redeemed celebrate it!  
Those who have been reclaimed from deep trouble!**

“Lord God, Almighty” (W&K) #2006

Leader: Though we were as good as dead,  
God made us alive with the grace of Christ  
Through whom we are rescued and healed.

**People: O give thanks to God for such unswerving love,  
For such wonderful deeds for the children of earth.**

“How Great Is Our God” (W) (#3003)

“How Great Thou Art” (K) #77, vs 1 & 3

Leader: Let us pray. Holy Spirit of God, invisible like the wind,  
We do not see you moving among us, but the effect we see –  
Come to our hearts;

**People: That we may be renewed and reborn.**

Leader: Open our minds:

**People: That we may perceive your kingdom.**

Leader: Lift up our eyes to where the cross of Christ stands for our healing:

**People: So may we believe, and in believing not die, but have eternal life;  
through him who, in your love for us, you sent into the world,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

### – Hearing Our Faith Story –

Scripture Reading Isaiah 6:1-8 (NRSV)

Hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy” (W&K) #64, vs 1 & 4

\* Gospel Lesson \* John 3:1-17 (NRSV)

*One: The Word of God for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.*

Sermon “The Holiness of God” Pastor Chris Leistra

Message Response

"You Are My King" (W)

(#3102)

"Oh, How He Loves You and Me" (K)

#2108

**- Stewards of Faith -**

*Offering our Gifts of Faith*

Offering may be placed in the green chest (W)/offering plate (K) at the back of the sanctuary at this time, or on your way in or as you leave. *Thank you!*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

**- Sending Forth -**

\* *Benediction*

\* *Hymn of Going Forth*

"Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us" (W&K)

#331

\* *Postlude - The Church Scatters for Ministry . . .*

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**Keep in your prayers this week:** Betty Somage now on hospice; the family of Marlene Wedin as they celebrate her life on Friday; Grace Niebuhr, Pat Druckenmiller, Sue McKeenan, & Glenn Johanson recuperating from surgeries; many people we know fighting cancer and other serious illnesses: Sue Schuster, Karen Gimberline, Charlie Johnson, Joel Thisius, Alan Yokiell, Bebo Getchell; all our graduates from high school and college; our missionaries Gordon & Ardell Graner; those in the military and their families; and all others dealing with loss, poor health, pain, or family crisis.

**The nursery (W)** If parents would like to use the nursery during the service, please feel free; however, we are not staffing it during the present phase of re-gathering.

**Announcements**

**Jesus Food packing event** – There are so many people who are interested in helping at Jesus Food, we have decided we will be doing the pack at the USC school on Monday, June 28. Since we are moving the location (originally was to be held in Mankato), we are not sure of the start time. If you are interested, please sign up with Sandy, or call the office and let Sarah know, and we will keep you informed!! Thank you so much!!

Donations for the cost of the Jesus Food ingredients (\$84 will feed a child for a whole year), will be accepted until June 28. Checks can be made out to Open Doors UMC.

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**We are running low on food** for the Tiny Red Food Pantry! It's getting used! If you are able to donate some food to help keep it stocked, you can put it inside the red pantry, drop it off in the collection tub marked Food Shelf, or give to Sandy Youngblom. Thanks!

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**Marlene Wedin's** memorial service will be held this Friday, June 4 at 11:00 a.m. at Rosehill Cemetery. Please bring your own chair. Marlene passed away December 7, 2020.

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**Next Sunday will be Graduate Recognition Sunday.** We'll honor them with a gift from the church and a special punch and coffee reception outside after worship. **Please, feel free to bring cookies or bars to share with everyone.**

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**The bishop has turned our dial to the Blue Phase now,** as of May 25. A full explanation is in the June newsletter, which will arrive in your mailboxes this week. A digital copy can be found on our website. What it basically means is that masks are purely optional for those fully vaccinated and required for those who are not. While we still need to watch our distancing, there are no capacity limits to our gatherings. Sanitation practices should continue.

If you have not yet been vaccinated, please get vaccinated. The MN Dept. of Health is even offering nine different incentives to get vaccinated. Do it now for your sake and everyone's!

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**Vacation Bible School** – Rocky Railway VBS will be held Monday-Friday, June 7-11, 2021 from 9:00-11:30 am at Thompson Park. All children age 3 (potty trained) through grade 5 are invited. Please keep children and staff in your prayers and as we get closer. If you have any questions, contact Sandy Youngblom, 507-525-2401, or Sarah Hankerson, 553-5453.

**The VBS mission offering** this year will go to providing alpacas to families in need in Ecuador, South America. We will be learning about the importance of the alpaca animal and how our children

can help families in Ecuador have a better life through our love offerings. If you would also like to donate, just put "VBS Offering" on your envelope or check memo line.

**VBS Field Trip** – We're excited to announce that we've arranged for a field trip to Ruby Ranch Barn, near Pemberton, on Wednesday, June 9, to see their alpacas and other animals, have lunch and explore the ranch. We'll leave Wells at 10:45 and arrive back around 1:30. Parents should watch their email for a permission form to sign. The cost for the field trip will be \$5 per person.



**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday, May 30**

**W** 9:00am Worship

**K** 10:30am Worship

**Monday, May 31**

Memorial Day, office closed

**Wednesday, June 2**

**W** 9:30 am Staff meeting

**Friday, June 4**

11:00 am Marlene Wedin Memorial Svc at  
Rosehill Cemetery

**Sunday, June 6**

**W** 9:00am Worship w/Communion,  
Recognition Sunday

10:00am Graduate's Reception

**K** 10:30am Worship w/Communion

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS – Wells**

Pastor.....Rev. Christopher Leistra

Organist..... Jan Johanson

Cross Bearer .....

Scripture Reader..... Sandy Youngblom

Projection.....Brett Hankerson

AV..... Sabrina & Sarah Hankerson

**Birthdays This Week:**

May 30.....Brayden Mithun

May 31.....Margaret Courier, Owen  
Lackey, Carol Tibodeau

June 1 .....Taylor Lacher

June 3 .....Cherryl Cain

June 5 .....Teresa Roberts, Steve Roesler,  
Chloe Bullerman, Regan Cords

June 6 .....Steve Johnson

**Cable Schedule of Wells' Sunday Service:**

Tuesday: 11:00 am & 8:00 pm (Bevcomm ch 990)

Friday: 6:00 pm (Bevcomm ch 990);