



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. 3rd St., Kiester, MN 56051
507-294-3300
Worship: 10:30 am

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July 4, 2021 – Pentecost 6, Independence Day

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 –

King of the nations, thank you for the freedoms we enjoy. Empower us to work for basic freedoms for all people worldwide. Amen.

Gathering Music

Greeting

* Call to Worship and Praise

“Great Is the Lord” (W) #2022

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” (K) #127, v1

Leader: Hear these words from Psalm 48.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God.
His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation is the joy of all the earth.

People: **We ponder your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of your temple.
Your name, O God, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.**

“I Sing Praises to Your Name” (W) #2037

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (K) #95

Leader: Take off your Shoes!

People: **We are standing on holy ground.**

Leader: Shake off the dust!

People: **We are ready to start afresh.**

ALL: **Let us worship God and receive Christ’s teachings, that we may be renewed and strengthened to share God’s love with the world.**

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken” (W&K) #731, v1&2

Opportunities to Serve

Pastoral Prayer

– Hearing Our Faith Story –

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 2:1-5 (NRSV)

2 Corinthians 12:2-10 (NRSV)

Hymn

“Amazing Grace” #378, v1-4

* Gospel Lesson

* Mark 6:1-13 (NRSV)

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

Sermon

“Trust Who Sent You”

Pastor Chris Leistra

Message Response

“Living for Jesus”

#2149, v. 1, 3, 4

– Stewards of Faith –

Giving with a Thankful Heart

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

Communion Song "One Bread, One Body" #620

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Receiving the Gifts of Bread and Cup

You are invited to come forward to receive this gift of God's love in Christ as instructed by the pastor. Everyone is welcome to the Lord's table in the United Methodist Church, as Christ's act of love is offered to all. After you have communed, please return to your seats by the side aisles. If coming forward is difficult for you, signal the communion servers who will be happy to bring communion to you. Thank you.

Prayer after Receiving

- Sending Forth -

* *Benediction*

* *Hymn of Going Forth* "Sent Forth by God's Blessing" #664

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

Supplemental - Honoring July 4th

* *Hymn* "America" # 697, v.1

* *Prayer for Independence Day*

* *Hymn* "America the Beautiful" # 696, v.1

Keep in your prayers this week: Those fighting cancer and other serious illnesses: Sue Schuster, Alan Yokiel, Bebo Getchell. Our missionaries Gordon & Ardell Graner. Those in the military and their families; and all others dealing with loss, poor health, pain, or family crisis.

Announcements

The church office will be open for limited hours July 1-14 while Sarah is on vacation. Pastor Chris will be in during the times posted above and Sandy will be in frequently. If you are planning on stopping in, it would be best to call first. When calling the church phone 553-5453, please leave a message and someone will return your call. Otherwise, call Pastor Chris or Sandy on their cell: Pastor: 920-765-3665; Sandy: 507-525-2401.

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Thank You for the years of thought and prayers for Joel and me. Your heartfelt prayer and support is a large part of how he/we fought for five years against mesothelioma. Your prayers and cards upon his death were warmly appreciated.

~ In Christian Love, Joyce Thisius and Family

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The Festag Parade is coming up Wednesday, July 14! We're looking for riders and walkers to represent Open Doors! Don Stenzel will drive his pick-up through the parade for us. Line-up is 6:30 with the parade beginning at 7:00. Please let Pastor Chris know if you want to be part of the fun of the Festag parade.

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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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Collection for UMCOR Supplies The Midwest Mission Distribution Center, a depot of UMCOR, is in short supply of much needed Tornado Kits, Cleaning Kits, Hygiene Kits, and other items. Any donations we have will be brought to Blue Earth on July 10 by Pat Coy, along with the diapers that our Diaper Mission group has been working on.

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New Pastor's Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10:00am-1:00pm Cell: 920-765-3665

Wednesdays and other times by appointment. Email: pastorumc@bevcomm.net

Coffee Servers Needed! Please sign up for the next two Sundays or more this summer. *Thanks!*

Upper Room Devotional booklets for July & August are available for you to pick up.

The Minnesota Lake Historical Society will be serving lunch at the Minnesota Lake Park during the Festag Livestock Show, Saturday, July 10 at 1:00. Stop by for a gourmet hot dog with all the fixings, chips, homemade chocolate chip cookies and beverage.

Pulled Pork Sundae Drive-Thru – St. Casimir’s School will be serving a Pulled Pork Sundae, Saturday on July 10, 4-7pm. Follow signs in the west parking lot for drive-thru service. In addition to the pork sundae, you will get a dessert choice of cookie or Dole Whip and a bottle of water. Free-will offering. Questions? Call 507-391-0093.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, July 4, Independence Day

W 9:00am Worship w/ Communion

WK 10:00am Coffee

K 10:30am Worship w/ Communion

Monday, July 5 – Office Closed for the 4th

Tuesday, July 6

8:15am Youth Breakfast at park

Wednesday, July 7

W 9:30am Staff meeting

Sunday, July 11

W 9:00am Worship

WK 10:00am Coffee

K 10:30am Worship

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

PastorRev. Chris Leistra

Organist.....Jan Johanson

Scripture Reader.....Bob Clark

Projection..... Martin Healey

AV Kaylynn & William Healey

Birthdays This Week:

July 6 Ruth Lamphier (97), Don Nickel

July 10Joyce Frederick

July 11Jay Christianson, Becky Gerambia

Cable Schedule of Wells’ Sunday Service:

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

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