



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
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Worship: 10:30 am

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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 –

*Through worship and fellowship, Lord God, equip each of us for the work of ministry,
and build us up as the body of Christ. Amen.*

Greeting

* Call to Worship and Praise

Leader: It is a joy to be able to come together and to worship and praise our Lord God. He has watched over us through the week, providing all that we need, and is always there to listen to and guide us. Let us focus our hearts as we sing;

Song: "Here I Am to Worship" (W) on screen (#3177)
"How Great Thou Art" (K) #77, vs 1 & 3

Leader: Our text comes from Psalm 106, New Living Translation.
Praise the Lord!

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful loves endures forever

People: **Who can list the glorious miracles of the Lord? Who can ever praise him half enough?**

Song: "I Sing Praises to Your Name" (W&K) #2037

Leader: Remember me, too, Lord, when you show favor to your people; come to me with your salvation. Let me share in the prosperity of your chosen ones.

People: **Let me rejoice in the joy of your people: let me praise you with those who are your heritage.**

Song: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (W&K) #89, vs 1

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Let all the people say "Amen!"

People: **Praise the Lord!**

Song: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" (W&K) #89, vs 3

Opportunities to Serve

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

– Hearing Our Faith Story –

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10 (NRSV)

Hymn

"You Are My All in All"

On screen / Insert (#3040)

* Gospel Lesson

* Matthew 13:44-50 (NRSV)

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

Sermon

"Precious"

Pastor Chris Leistra

Message Response

"I Know Whom I Have Believed"

#714, vs. 1-3

– 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 "Fill My Cup, Lord" #641

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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* "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord" #540

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

Keep in your prayers this week: Those fighting cancer and other serious illnesses: Michelle Viesselman (Kent & Diane's daughter-in-law), Sue Schuster, Alan Yokiell, 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

Sunday School and Pioneer Club teachers needed! Will you teach Sunday School or Pioneer Club this year? We're looking for teachers for all ages of Sunday School and either a 3rd & 4th or 5th & 6th grade Pioneer Club teacher and helpers and a 1st & 2nd grade teacher and helper for Pioneer Club. Please be praying for people to step up, and listen if God is nudging YOU! Contact Sarah in the church office if you'd like to volunteer or have questions.



Sunday, August 15

5:30-7:00 pm

Front lawn of Open Doors UMC, Wells Campus

Ice Cream Sundaes with all kinds of toppings.

Community is invited!

Invite your friends and neighbors!

*** Looking for a few people to help serve, set up and clean up. Contact Karen Stenzel at 507-383-8762.**

Garden Produce Table Bring your garden abundance for sharing & place on the table in the narthex. People may help themselves to whatever is brought in. Optional donations, and left-over produce, will go to the Wells Area Food Shelf.

Coffee Servers Needed! Please sign up for a couple Sundays or more this summer and fall. *Thanks!* Coffee treats are welcomed as well.

The Kernel Days Parade is coming up Saturday, August 21 We're looking for riders and walkers to represent Open Doors! Doug Bruckhoff will drive his pick-up through the parade for us. Line-up at 4:00 with the parade beginning at 5:00. Please let Pastor Chris or the office know if you want to be part of the fun of the Kernel Days parade.

2ND Quarter Financial Statements have gone out last Friday. Check your email and if you have not received yours, contact Sarah Hankerson in the church office.

Hands-on mission opportunity: Help us keep the **Tiny Red Food Pantry** full and stocked for those in our community who need it! 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. This is an on-going mission. Thanks!

POSITION OPENING: Youth, Children & Family Ministries Coordinator – Open Doors UMC is seeking an energetic, innovative, devoted Christian who is passionate about young people and guiding them into a loving relationship with God. The person in this position will develop and oversee all aspects of youth and children’s programs, as well as ministry to their parents/families. The hours are negotiable and flexible and training is available. Responsibilities would include weekly programs (i.e. youth group) and monthly to quarterly ministry events and mission projects. If you have a love for Jesus, kids, and a passion to grow young people in their faith, please send resume to: Open Doors UMC, 595 1st Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097.

Coming up – Much to everyone’s regret, August 31 will be Sandy Youngblom’s last day on staff at Open Doors UMC, as she will be leaving to enjoy retirement life. We will thank her and celebrate her ministry with a special service and coffee hour at the Wells Campus on **Sunday, August 29**. This will be a **joint service** for Wells and Kiester at 9:00 a.m. Then come back for grilled hotdogs, games and fun at **Thompson Park from 3:00-5:00 pm**. All events are open to the community.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 1

W 9:00am Worship w/Communion

WK 10:00am Coffee

K 10:30am Worship w/Communion

Monday, August 2

6:30pm Ministry Council

Wednesday, August 4

W 9:30am Staff meeting

Sunday, August 8

W 9:00am Worship

WK 10:00am Coffee

K 10:30am Worship

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

PastorRev. Chris Leistra

Organist.....Jan Johanson

Scripture Reader.....Sandy Youngblom

Communion.....Pat Coy, Shari Petersen

AV Martin Healey, Kaylynn Healey

Birthdays This Week:

August 4.....Bill Gormley

August 5.....Kori Elmer, LeAnn Kluender, Lois Benson

August 6.....Lois Roberts, Pat Druckenmiller,
Harper Bird

August 7.....Rita Bebler, Marsha Haakensen,
Garrett Krosschell

Reminder – Pray the Breakthrough Prayer for our church and community.

And pray about who God would like you to invite to church and go ahead and “plant the seed.” *Invite! Invite! Invite!*

