

Save the date! On Sunday, February 13 we will have guest speakers here to give a presentation about GoServ Global and the Sukup Safe T Home®, our mission of the quarter.

Diaper ministry is in need of flannel! If you have any flannel sheets, nightgowns or shirts with large areas of flannel, the diaper sewers could use some more. You may place it in the tub in the entryway marked "Diapers and T-Shirts." If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to cut or sew, contact Pat Coy.

Wanted: Custodian for the Kiester Campus. Priscilla Holst has made the decision to retire from her job of cleaning the Kiester church effective February 1. She has served for a lot of years and we thank her immensely! We are looking for a replacement for her. For more information or to apply, contact Pastor Chris.



Everyone Come!
You all are invited out for Supper!
Enjoy good food and good company!
5:00-6:00 pm each Wednesday in the Wells Campus basement

January 26 Menu: Tacos and Mexican Rice.
 Prepared and served by John & Melissa Kruse.

Volunteers are needed to cook the Wednesday meal on February 2, 16 & 23 and all of March and beyond. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board or call Sarah in the office to sign up or if you have any questions. The church will cover the cost of the groceries from free-will donations for the meal and budgeted funds.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 23

W 9:30am JOINT Worship in Wells
 10:30am ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, January 25

9-11am Coffee with Pastor at The Bean

Wednesday, January 26

W 9:30am Staff meeting
 4:30pm Confirmation
 5-6pm Wednesday Supper
 5:45pm Praise Team practice
 6:00pm Youth Group

Sunday, January 30

K 8:00am Worship
 9:00am Coffee
W 9:30am Worship
 10:30am Coffee / Sunday School
 10:30am Discipleship Pathways

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS - Wells

Pastor..... Rev. Christopher Leistra
 Organist..... Jan Johanson
 Scripture Reader..... Alice Oleson
 Cross Bearer

Acolytes Makinlee Gossen,
 A/V Kaylynn Healey, Sarah Hankerson
 Projection..... Martin Healey

Birthdays This Week:

Jan. 23..... Paul Parriott, Makayla Knutson
 Jan. 25..... Kent Christian, Chayce Luettker
 Jan. 27..... Arbutus Miller (98)
 Jan. 28..... Lucas Mortenson
 Jan. 29..... Ben Musser, Sr.
 Jan. 30..... Karen Stenzel

Cable Schedule of Wells' Sunday Service:

Tuesday: 11:00 am & 8:00 pm (Bevcomm ch 990)
 Friday: 6:00 pm (Bevcomm ch 990);



Sunday, January 23, 2022



OPEN DOORS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WELLS CAMPUS

595 1st Ave SW, Wells, MN 56097
 507-553-5453
 Worship: 9:30 am

KIESTER CAMPUS

116 N. 3rd St., Kiester, MN 56051
 507-294-3300
 Worship: 8:00 am

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Growing in love of God and neighbor,
Reaching new people,
and Healing a broken world.

January 23, 2022 – Epiphany 3

Please turn off or silence your cell phone.

On a cold winter morning, Holy Spirit, enfold me in the warmth of your love.

– Gathering in Faith –

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us worship our God together, praising and singing to Him in this holy hour of worship. Let our worship be blessed as we focus on Him in worship and praise, and prayerfully seek his will for our lives.

Hymn "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" #127, vs 1

Leader: From Psalm 25:
To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. I trust in you, my God! No one who trusts in you will ever be disgraced.

People: **Show me the path where I should walk, O Lord; point out the right road for me to follow.**

Leader: Lead me by your truth and teach me, for you are the God who saves me. All day long I put my hope in you.

Hymn "Lead Me, Guide Me" #2214, vs 1 & 2

Leader: Remember, O Lord, your unfailing love and compassion, which you have shown from long ages past.

People: **Forgive the rebellious sins of my youth; look instead through the eyes of your unfailing love, for you are merciful, O Lord.**

Hymn "Cry of My Heart" #2165

Leader: The Lord is good and does what is right; he shows the proper path to those who go astray.

People: **He leads the humble in what is right, teaching them his way.**

Leader: The Lord leads with unfailing love and faithfulness all those who keep his covenant and obey his decrees.

Hymn "My Life Is in You, Lord" #2032

Opportunities to Serve

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

– Hearing Our Faith Story –

Scripture Lesson 1 Kings 18:1-6, 17-19 (NRSV)
* Hymn "He Leadeth Me" #128, vs 1 & 3
* Gospel Lesson * Mark 12:28-34 (NRSV)
One: The Word of God for the people of God. All: **Thanks be to God.**
Sermon "God's Messengers, Elijah Trusts God" Pastor Chris Leistra
Message Response "More Like You" #2167

– Stewards of Faith –

Giving with a Thankful Heart

Offering may be placed in the green 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 "Trust and Obey" #467, vs 1 & 2
* Postlude – The Church Scatters for Ministry . . .

Keep in your prayers this week: All who are coping with or healing from physical ailments; Wanda Kothlow as she continues her recuperation at home; Alan Yokiell; Sue Schuster, Rita Bebler, Joan Christian, Michelle Viesselman, and Bebo Getchell in their fight against cancer; all those grieving, hurting, and lonely; all those struggling with challenging life situations; the victims of natural disasters all around the world; all those serving in the military and their families.

Announcements

There will be no Sunday School classes today.

Open Doors UMC Annual Meeting is TODAY Come celebrate all that we have to be thankful for in our church, it's ministries and people, at the Annual Meeting held after worship this morning. Get a cup of coffee and everyone meet back in the sanctuary. The meeting will also be live streamed to the "Open Doors Community" private Facebook page. If you're a church member or regular attender and on Facebook but are not a member of the private OD Community page, we'd like to have you a part of the FB family. Contact Sarah to receive an invitation to the private page set up just for our church family.

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Country Store – Now is the time to be working on your projects to donate to sell at the Country Store, April 30 & May 1. We've got a lot of talent in our church! Get your creative juices going to help make this a fantastic sale! Everything from baked and canned goods, plants, sewing & needlework, arts & crafts, artwork, paper craft, collectibles, woodworking, the possibilities are endless! If you have any questions or would like to help, please don't hesitate to call Linda Bakken, 507-383-5796.