



# OPEN DOORS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## WELLS CAMPUS

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Worship: 9:30 am | Coffee: 9:00 & 10:30 am

## KIESTER CAMPUS

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507-294-3300  
Worship: 8:00 am | Coffee: 9:00 am

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February 20, 2022 – Epiphany 7

Please turn off or silence your cell phone.

*Jesus, I come today with a whole host of emotions and distractions.  
You know them all. Wrap me in your love, that I may rest.*

### – Gathering in Faith –

*Gathering Music*

*Welcome & Announcements*

*Call to Worship*

Leader: We are here, together, to praise and worship and honor God, the Lord and Father of us all. May the praises of generations echo through our voices as we speak the words of Psalm 100 and sing our praises.

<b>Songs: (W)</b>	"Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord"	#2035
	"Praise the Name of Jesus"	#2066
	"Praise Ye the Lord"	#2010

Leader: Shout with joy to the Lord, O earth!

**People: Worship the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing with joy.**

Leader: Acknowledge that the Lord is God! He made us, and we are his. We are his people, the sheep of this pasture.

**People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into this courts with praise. Give thanks to him and bless his name.**

**ALL: For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation.**

**Song:** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #139, vs.1, 3, 5

*Opportunities to Serve*

*Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer*

### – Hearing Our Faith Story –

*Scripture Lesson* Haggai 1:2-9 (NRSV)

\* *Hymn* "We Are the Body of Christ" #2227

\* *Gospel Lesson* \* Matthew 7:7-11 (NRSV)

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

*Sermon* "The Return Home" Pastor Chris Leistra  
*The Story*, Chapter 19

*Message Response* "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" (K) #2223  
"Let It Be Said of Us" (W) on screen

### – Stewards of Faith –

*Giving with a Thankful Heart*

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*      "As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

#2237

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

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**Today, we welcome our guest speakers** Paul and Joanie van Gorkom from GoServ Global, in Eagle Grove, Iowa, to speak to us about the ministry of GoServ Global and the Safe T Home.

**Keep in your prayers this week:** Carol Tibodeau’s cousin, Brad, in his fight against Covid-19; Rita Bebler for healing following a fall; Wanda Kothlow as she continues to gain strength and endurance at home; Alan Stensrud, Rita Bebler, Joan Christian, Michelle Viesselman, and Bebo Getchell in their fight against cancer; Alan Yokiel; all others who are dealing with health issues; 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**



Open Doors will be recognizing Ash Wednesday on March 2 with a soup supper from 5:00-6:00, followed by a short prayer and ash service at 6:15 on the stage end of the basement.

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**Devotions for Lent:** The March/April Upper Room devotionals are available to pick up. \$1.25 for regular print and \$1.50 for large print. Other Lenten devotionals are available, too. Be intentional this Lenten season to pray, read and study the Bible.

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**IF: 2022** is a two-day event where women all over the world gather together, get equipped, and discover the next step in their calling *to go and make disciples*. Locally, the Wells Assembly of God is hosting a live simulcast event of **IF: 2022** on **March 3 & 4** at their church at 109 S Broadway. It is open to all women in the area.

At IF: 2022, we’re going to talk about how to live in this world right now and how to navigate a life that goes against culture. How do we build community in the middle of that? How do we tell people about Jesus? There’s a reason we’re still here. Our lives matter in this time. And we’re not going to waste it.

The times are Friday from 6-9:30pm and Saturday from 9am-4pm. It costs \$10, which you pay when you register online: <https://www.ifgathering.com/find-an-iflocal/>

If you would like lunch included, please contact Wells Assembly of God at 507-553-3511 in order to reserve your \$10 lunch ticket.

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*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**

**February 23 Menu:**

Sloppy Joes

Prepared and served by John & Melissa Kruse.

**March 2 Menu:**

(Ash Wednesday worship follows at 6:15)

Chicken Wild Rice Soup – Corn Chowder –

Vegetable Beef Soup

Prepared by Alice Oleson, Barbara Roberts, Sherry Asmus

**\*Volunteers are needed to cook the Wednesday meal on March 9** and future dates. 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.

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**Next week** we will start introducing you to the missionaries/missions that the Ministry Council thought the congregation would be most interested in supporting with our prayers and dollars. There will be one featured each week for four weeks and then we will have a vote on March 27 for the missionary or mission that we will make a Covenant Relationship with.



**THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**Sunday, February 20**

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

**Monday, February 21**

President's Day – Office Closed

**Tuesday, February 22**

9-11am Coffee with Pastor at The Bean

**Wednesday, February 23**

- W** 9:30am Staff meeting
- 4:30pm Confirmation
- 5-6pm Wednesday Supper
- 5:45pm Praise Team practice  
(No Youth Group)

**Sunday, February 27**

- K** 8:00am Worship
- 9:00am Coffee
- W** 9:30am Worship
- 10:30am Coffee / Sunday School
- 10:30am Discipleship Pathways
- 6:00-8pm UNITE::YTH at Prairie River Camp

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS - Wells**

- Pastor ..... Rev. Christopher Leistra
- Organist ..... Jan Johanson
- Scripture Reader ..... Doug Hankerson
- Cross Bearer .....
- Acolytes.....
- A/V ..... Kaylynn Healey, Sarah Hankerson
- Projection ..... Martin Healey

**Birthdays This Week:**

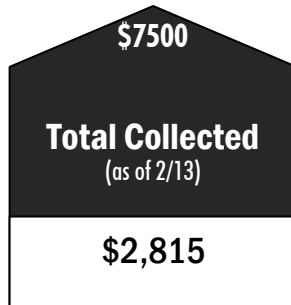
- Feb. 20 ..... Don Stenzel, Kaydra Haugh
- Feb. 21 ..... Amber Rasmussen, Amanda Frederick
- Feb. 24 ..... Wayne Soost
- Feb. 25 ..... Bob Ostrowski, Chris Druckenmiller
- Feb. 26 ..... Maci Hueper, Sharon Honstad, Don  
Gimberline, Pam Goebel
- Feb. 27 ..... Betty Culbertson, Amber Cords, Karlene  
Gormley

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

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

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If you missed the presentation last Sunday from Paul and Joanie van Gokom, you're not out of luck, because you can see the whole presentation by watching the February 13, 2022 worship recording on our website [www.opendoorsumc.org](http://www.opendoorsumc.org) or on our Facebook page.



## Grain Bin Homes – Aren't they a great idea?!?

### And they come from Iowa!

We have \$2,815 towards our goal of \$7,500.

For every \$750 donated,  
we will add one-half “ring” to the grain bin wall display in  
the sanctuary until we have the bin completed.

### MISSION-OF-THE-QUARTER

Safe T Home® is a hurricane-proof grain bin home designed and built by Sukup Manufacturing Co. in partnership with GoServ Global that is saving and transforming lives for people in developing countries around the world.



The Safe T Home can withstand the devastating hurricanes and earthquakes that have plagued Haiti over the last decade. In fact, in 2016 when Hurricane Matthew hit Haiti with 145 mph winds, all 200 of the grain bin homes that were built there remained strong with only minimal damage, while only 10% of the traditional homes remained.

A suitable dwelling for all phases of a recovery effort – emergency, transitional, or permanent – the Safe T Home is:

- Made of 20-gauge galvanized steel for 75 year life expectancy
- Withstands hurricane winds (145 mph) and is highly earthquake resistant
- 100% termite, fire, and water proof
- Assembles on site with simple hand tools
- Comes with a solar panel and has water collection potential
- Houses up to 10 people in bunk beds in a standard 18' unit that contains a loft
- Can shelter up to 60 people during a natural disaster

The complete cost of one Safe T Home is \$7500 – \$5700 for materials, \$1500 shipping, and \$300 for a cement foundation. This is our goal. Won't you help us complete an entire home for a needy family? If we can do that, Sukup will engrave the home with our church's name and let us know where it is providing a safe shelter for a family in need.

For more information, check out the January OneWay and the websites: [www.goservglobal.org](http://www.goservglobal.org) and [www.sukup.com/safe-t-home](http://www.sukup.com/safe-t-home)

To donate, make check out to Open Doors UMC and write Safe T Home in the memo line.