



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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Worship: 8:00 am | Coffee: 9:00 am

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August 7, 2022 – Pentecost 8

Please turn off or silence your cell phone.

On this warm summer day, Lord, may we lie back in your love, like on a sunny beach near singing waves, or in shady grass under a whispering tree.

– Gathering in Faith –

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

* Call to Worship

Leader: Good morning. As we come into the presence of God, let us begin with prayer.

ALL: God of the Past, Present, and Future, seldom do we know what you'll ask of us each day. Many times, we are in the moment when we feel the nudging of your spirit to act. As we spend time in your house today, may our souls be aligned with you, so that we may readily respond when you call! Amen.

Songs	"How Majestic Is Your Name"	#2023
	"Great Is the Lord"	#2022

Leader: The mighty God, the Lord, has spoken; he has summoned all humanity from east to west!

People: From Mount Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines in glorious radiance.

Leader: God calls us here today.

People: We bring our full selves to God; our strengths and our weaknesses.

Leader: God call YOU here today.

People: We offer all we are to God: our talents and our inadequacies.

Leader: God calls every part of us to bring divine love and light into the world!

People: We respond to that call, trusting that God is at work within us.

Song	"Lord God, Almighty"	#2006 vs. 1 & 3
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Pastoral Prayer

– Hearing Our Faith Story –

Scripture Lesson Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 (NRSV)

* Hymn "For All the Saints" #711 vs.1, 2, & 4

* Gospel Lesson Luke 12:32-40 (NRSV)

Sermon "Getting Ready" Rev. Frank McKeehan

Message Response "You Are My All in All" on screen (#3040)

– Stewards of Faith –

Giving with a Thankful Heart

Offering may be placed in the green chest 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 "Come to the Table of Grace" on screen (#3168)

The Great Thanksgiving pg. 9

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 come to the back of the sanctuary and overflow room – they will be happy to bring communion to you. Thank you.

Prayer after Receiving

– Sending Forth –

* Benediction

* Hymn of Going Forth "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" #2140 vs. 1-3

* Postlude – The Church Scatters for Ministry . . .

Keep in your prayers this week: Flood victims in SE Kentucky and Red Bird Mission in their efforts to help; Dave Loveless on the loss of his brother, Donald, from Owatonna; Sue McKeehan and Tammy Bullerman for recovery from surgeries they had on Monday, July 25; Alan Stensrud, Rita Bebler, and Michelle Viesselman in their fight against cancer; Alan Yokieli; all others who are dealing with health issues; all those grieving, hurting, and lonely; all those struggling with challenging life situations; all those serving in the military and their families.

Welcome! Today we have Rev. Frank McKeehan as our guest preacher. Pastor McKeehan and his wife Sue moved to Wells 2½ years ago. He has been a part-time retired, part-time United Methodist pastor in the Dakotas Conference, and is now fully retired. His last appointment was a 2-point charge in Clear Lake and Gary, SD. We've been blessed to have Sue in the choir while he was out of town on weekends and now she has started helping out with the projection layouts. Thank you for leading us in worship today, Pastor Frank!

Communion – Today, we will observe Holy Communion as we did before the pandemic. We will be walking up front to receive an individual cup and bread cube and if you like, you may kneel at the railing for personal prayer.

Announcements

Collecting school supplies thru August 21! We will be collecting school supplies for the August Mission-of-the-Month as we have in the past. Having to purchase school supplies all at once and with today's inflation, some families are put in a difficult financial situation. Let's help them out! A collection tub is in the front entryway and north hallway. *Thank you!*



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| Boxes of Kleenex | 12" rulers | Glue sticks and white glue |
| #2 yellow pencils | Pocket folders | Erasers, large & pencil-top |
| Colored pencils | Clipboards | 24-count crayons |
| Pencil boxes & zippered pouches | | Thin yellow highlighters |
| Pointed end scissors (Fiskars) | | Regular & fine-point Classic markers |
| Red, blue or black pens (Bic-like) | | Headphones |
| Spiral notebooks, wide-lined | | Index cards, lined |
| Jumbo stretchy book covers | | Trapper Keepers |

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Little Red Food Pantry – Today is the monthly offering of food for the Little Red Food Pantry. Food may be placed in the collection tub in the entryways. Monetary donations are also welcomed and can be placed in the jar atop the offering chest. Gifts are welcome all month long, as the little food pantry gets regular use. Please keep in mind to choose food that is heat tolerant during these hot summer days. *Thank you!*

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Older Adults Get-Together – This Tuesday, August 9 at 2:00 – A special afternoon of music is planned for 2:00pm, August 9 at Open Doors UMC! Come and listen to Steve Burns, John Miller, and Katie Hueper as they play old-time country and folk favorites and even a little rock 'n roll. Invite your friends! Join them in the sanctuary followed by coffee and treats in the Hospitality Room.

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Hymn Sing Sunday – August 14 Music, especially singing, has been a major part of all the churches that came together to become Open Doors. The sound of a congregation raising their voices in song is one of the most beautiful sounds on earth.

On Sunday, August 14, we will celebrate this sound in the annual Hymn Sing Sunday. Pick out your favorite hymns or songs that you would like us to sing and write them on the inserted request form, placing it in the basket on your way out today. Together, let's make this a wonderful day of singing.



Scavenger Hunt – August 14 The Scavenger Hunt will take you all over town looking for specific things or doing something fun. This promises to be a bit goofy with a whole lot of hilarity. Meet at the church at 4:00 to get your instructions and then go off, returning at 5:30. Families and teams should register by contacting church at 553-5453 or Sandy Youngblom 507-525-2401.

Hot Dogs and Sundaes – August 14 Whether you participate in the Scavenger Hunt or not, come for supper! From 5:30-6:30, grilled hot dogs, chips and ice cream sundaes will be served outside for everyone. Invite your friends. (Volunteers are needed to help with setting up a few tables and chairs and grilling hot dogs. Can you help, please?)

Canned Goods Offering – When you come for the scavenger hunt or for supper, we're asking each person to bring a food item for the Little Red Food Pantry or Wells Area Food Shelf.



*** Kitchen jobs we need help with: Need painters to paint Kilz on the walls.** Walls will need some scraping and washing first. Can be started right away. Contact Sarah about when you can work.



Pool Party August 17 – The Wells Area Ministerial is offering a Pool Day on Wednesday, August 17, at the Wells Municipal Pool. Admission is free for everyone, all day, 1:30-5:00pm and 6:30-8:30pm. The group is also providing a Family Pool Party from 6:30-8:30pm. Free snacks/treats, yard games, and live Christian music all start at 6:30 on the lawn directly west of the pool (on the kiddie pool side). Bring a lawn chair to sit back and relax, or work on your belly flop. Either way, dive in with us for an evening of family fun as we kick off Kernel Days!



Kernel Days Parade – Come, join the PARADE! We're looking for riders and walkers to represent Open Doors and toss out candy & pencils! Doug Bruckhoff will drive his pick-up through the parade for us. Please let Pastor Chris or the office know if you want to be part of the fun of the Kernel Days parade. Parade starts at 5:00 with line-up around 4:30. *Sign up on the clip board today!*



Dementia Friends – Come join us at Open Doors for a one-hour information session at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 29, that will help you understand Dementia and its effect on the person with Dementia, as well as the people around them. The information session is presented by Interfaith Caregivers. RSVP to 553-5453 or opendoorsumc@bevcomm.net. Sessions are ideally 10-12 people. We can schedule another one if there is enough interest.



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



Fund-Raising Campaign for Kitchen – Funding for the kitchen renovation will be handled with roughly half from designated funds on-hand and the other half through congregational pledging (\$25,000 goal) and other fundraisers if needed. Be watching your mailbox for more information and pledge forms.



The Clothes Closet receives far more merchandise than the store can handle. Drivers are needed to haul loads, AT THEIR CONVENIENCE, to the Mankato Goodwill store. Clothes Closet volunteers can help you load your vehicle, but you must unload it at Goodwill. Bags and boxes may weigh 30 pounds. If you can help or have questions, contact the store at 553-2040.

Hours:	Clothes Closet:	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	9:30am–5:30pm
	Goodwill:	Monday thru Friday	10:00am–8:00pm
		Saturday	10:00am–8:00pm
		Sunday	11:00am–6:00pm



Pastor Chris and family will be on vacation until Wednesday, August 10. If you have any pastoral needs while he is away, please call the church office, as we have other clergy on-call. *Revival study* WILL meet July 10 at 6:00.

Coffee with the Pastor at The Bean will take a break until August 16.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 7

W 9:30am Joint Worship and Communion
with Rev. Frank McKeegan
10:30am Coffee

Tuesday, August 9

W 2:00pm Special Music Program

Wednesday, August 10

W 6:00pm *Revival Study #3*

Thursday, August 11

1:00pm *Revival Zoom Study #3*

Sunday, August 14

W 9:30am Joint Worship / Hymn Sing
10:30am Coffee
4:00pm Scavenger Hunt
5:30pm Grill-out & Sundaes

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Guest PreacherRev. Frank McKeegan
Organist.....Jan Johanson
Scripture Reader Alice Oleson
Communion Servers Pat Coy, Sharon Miller
A/VSabrina Hankerson, Sarah Hankerson
Projection Brett Hankerson

Birthdays This Week:

August 7.....Rita Bebler, Marsha Haakensen, Garrett
Krosschell
August 8.....Jan Carlson
August 10.....David Loveless
August 11.....JoEtta Doolittle, Vern Draheim, William
Healey, Rachel Johnson
August 13.....Sally Yokiell
August 14.....Angela (Bixby) Voss

Cable Schedule of Wells' Sunday Service:

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

Friday: 6:00 pm (Bevcomm ch 990)

Live Stream: Sundays at 9:30am on Facebook,
YouTube and www.opendoorsumc.org

