

October 2020

GoodNews

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TRUNK OR TREAT SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31st

12:00-2:00

We invite Wesley members and friends to help make this a special neighborhood event! Bring your vehicle (or two!) to the Wesley parking lot along with some treats or goodies for the kiddos. We will begin set up at 11:30. Decorations and costumes are optional but always fun!

If you are unable to join us but still would like to participate, we will be collecting candy to be distributed. There will be a drop off bin at church.



GRACE NOTE

Taking Time to Mourn

COVID-19 cases are rising again. The most death toll is 204,000 nationwide. It is staggering to think of it.

I have had the honor of walking with members here at Wesley and the other two churches I have served as they transition to eternal life. Indeed, it is a passage that is sometimes short and that sometimes takes a few weeks or a few months. That passage includes the family holding vigil—staying with their loved ones in the hospital room and later in the hospice room. The loved one may be their mom or dad, or their spouse, or their child, just being present, watching TV with them in the room, or eating with them, telling stories, checking in on members of the family or friends, laughing, crying, praying, watching them as they sleep. I have gotten phone calls in the middle of the night or around 2 am to let me know their loved one had passed on.

From there, the family and I come together to plan their loved one's celebration of life. It is a wonderful time when the faith community can come together with the family and friends of the loved ones from all over and from all stages of the loved one's life. We are afforded that time to mourn, to celebrate, and to commend them back to God.

That is why it is staggering to think that 204,000 children of God and their families and friends have not had that gift of passage to say goodbye and to have a proper closure. This October, we are participating in a nationwide mourning to honor them and give them a semblance of recognition for their lives lived. We are saying and claiming that their lives and their deaths matter.

Our vigils will be held using a hybrid model of outdoors-and-virtual participation. For the small group of participants present in-person, they will be out of doors, apart from one another at safe distances and with all participants wearing masks as they move in procession around the house of worship's lit edifice. Beyond the small group involved in the moving procession, the bulk of the vigil supporters will join from their parked cars next to the house of worship, where they can see and hear the procession on their smartphones, via live feed on social media. Bicycle riders can join from their bikes. Still others can join from home.

Please consider joining us on October 12 and October 19, both Mondays, at 6:00 pm outside Wesley Church. I have invited other churches and clergy to join us in the vigils.

Pastor Grace



Prayer Requests

Virginia Roders
Jimmy Madden
Judah Thompson
Bob Callan
Bob Steele
Karen Steege

To keep our list updated, we will remove names after 30 days. Please notify the office to place/re-place a name on the list. Thank you for your help with this ministry.



DATES IN OCTOBER

Saturday 10/3 Rummage Sale 9am-3pm
Sunday 10/4 Drive Through
Communion 10:00-10:30
SCRIP Orders taken
Tuesday 10/13 SPRC Meeting 6:30
Zoom available upon request
Sunday 10/18 Finance Meeting 10:15



RUMMAGE SALE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3rd 9:00am-3:00pm

We have a lot of very nice items in all categories! Invite your family and friends to come and browse our very low priced items. You're sure to find some treasures.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR DAY OF SALE!

Please contact Janie Khoury 262-484-4515 or the office 262-654-8122. We will practice safe distancing and all will be required to wear a mask.

JOB OPENING! **RENEE IS RETIRING**

Our wonderful, irreplaceable Renee Brown is retiring. We are extremely happy for her and the additional time she will have with family, however she will be GREATLY missed by all! We are looking for a part-time administrative assistant. Please let Pastor Grace know if you know anyone who would be interested.



SHALOM FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Pastor Grace and Renee dropped off 109 pounds of food this month to the food pantry. **Thank you for your donations!** We continue to collect nonperishable items for the pantry. You may drop them off at the church from 8-noon, Monday through Friday or on Sunday morning .

Items needed at this time:

Cold cut meats, jelly, pasta sauce, pasta, individually packaged snacks.

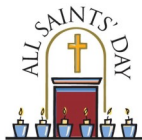
As always, thank you for your generosity!

MEMORIAL SUNDAY November 1, 2020

Remembering our loved ones who have passed away this past year. Please notify the office and send a picture as well as date of birth and death so we can memorialize them with a candle lighting.

Send jpeg picture and information to rbrown@kenoshawesley.org

Those who have had loved ones pass in previous years will then have the opportunity to come forward and mention them by name and light a candle also.



Happy Birthday!



- 2 Autumn Rust
- 3 Margo Fegley
- 8 Kinsley Christensen-Bara
- 15 Chris Ivy
- 18 Michael Gerdes
- 22 Jean Thompson
- 23 Jason Jimenez
- 26 Sandy Petersen
- 29 Jeremiah Gaines
- 29 Marge Pias



OCTOBER WORSHIP

IN-BUILDING WORSHIP

We are worshipping in-building again at 9:00am. We ask that you “SIGN-UP” to attend. Please call the office 654-8122 or email rbrown@kenoshawesley.org to let us know you will be attending and how many so that we can safely social distance everyone.

Live Stream is available each week with our email.



We will monitor the local COVID 19 situation closely and notify you of any changes.

USHER

Beth Brooks

AV Tech

Chris Herigstad

Bob Conn

Counters

Donna Jones



There will be no hospitality until further notice.

We will abide by the instructions given to us from the United Methodist Wisconsin Conference.

THE MOURNING into ACTION PROJECT CANDLELIGHT VIGILS

**Mondays, October 12 & October 19
6:00 pm on Wesley Lawn**

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Please let the office know if you can participate. 262-654-8122 or wesleyumc@kenoshawesley.org

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**The People of the
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Church**

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Sunday Worship: 9:00
Sunday School: 10:15-11:00
Sunday Adult Studies: 8:00 & 10:15
Hospitality: 8:00-10:30
Wednesday Evening Prayer 6:30 pm

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