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NARDIN PARK NEWS

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Summer Worship Series: Words of Wesley Kicks Off July 28th!

John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, had a lot of helpful things to say. For the rest of the summer we will focus our worship theme around five of his sayings. John Wesley lived in 18th century England. He used the language of his day to connect with the common people. His 18th century English is not the way we speak today, so we will update his quotes to the language of our day and time: Twitter. We live in the age of Twitter—thus we offer each of his quotes translated into a short, tweet worthy format.



I will be preaching each of the five weeks of this series and hope you will join us in worship, or via our Facebook page post, website podcast, or by picking up a paper copy of the messages. Whether in the original 18th century English or in a shorter tweet worthy format: Let us remember the wise words of Wesley!

July 28th- Watch your words!

Scripture: Matthew 5:13-18

John Wesley's quote: "Let your words be the genuine picture of your heart".

August 4th- Don't Judge!

Scripture: Matthew 7:1-5

John Wesley's quote: "We should be rigorous in judging ourselves and gracious in judging others".

August 11th- Read!

Scripture: Luke 2:52 (just 1 verse)

John Wesley's quote: "Reading Christians are growing Christians. When Christians cease to read, they cease to grow".

August 18th- #Humility #Patience #Love

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-5

John Wesley's quote " Humility and Patience are the surest proofs of the increase of love".

August 25th- "Choose Kind! "

Scripture: James 1:22-27

John Wesley's quote- " All worldly joys are less than that one joy of doing kindness".

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Coming up in worship



July 21st

Pastor Beth will be preaching.

"Love Well"

Rachel Kain, Jim Allbery and Kyle Webber will lead us with music.

July 28th

Words of Wesley Worship Series Begins!

Pastor Melanie preaching on "watch your words" based on Matthew 5:13-18 and John Wesley's quote, "Let your words be the genuine picture of your heart". Kyle Webber, Emily Scobel and Maria Moro will provide music.

August 4th

Words of Wesley Worship Series

Pastor Melanie preaching on "Don't Judge" based on Matthew 7:1-5 and John Wesley's quote, "We should rigorous in judging ourselves and gracious in judging others". Kyle Webber, Christine Scobel and Michael Riffe will provide music. We will celebrate Holy Communion.

Special Note:

Pastor Melanie will be on vacation July 8th through the 21st. During her vacation, Pastor George will be on call and available for pastoral care needs.

Pastor on call phone number: 313-681-4871

Extra!
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Cass Community Social Services 14th Annual Chariry Golf Scramble



Plum Hollow Country Club
September 9, 2019

Register: www.casscommunity.org/golf

Over the years, generous sponsors for this event have helped Cass raise funds used to provide food, housing, health services and jobs to Detroit's most vulnerable and at-risk citizens. Sponsorship opportunities and benefits are bigger and better than ever! Fill out your sponsorship form today at www.casscommunity.org/golfsponsors or call Robbie Hayes @ 248-426-0403.

Connecting
Groups

Coming Soon Save the Date

Sign-ups for new and returning Connecting Groups will begin in early September, with most groups starting the week of October 13. We have some exciting groups planned, and we hope you find one that fits your interests! Watch the Newsletter and the Sunday Bulletins for details.

2019 Operating Budget FUNDRAISER – UPDATE

In response to our June 13 letter, we are pleased to inform you that \$8,045 has been received through July 13. With the holiday week and vacations, we understand not everyone has been able to contribute yet, and we appreciate your generosity and support.

Remember, you can write your check payable to Nardin Park United Methodist Church and put "2019 Fundraiser" in the memo line. You can mail the check in the envelope that was included with the letter, drop it off at the church office, place it in the Sunday morning offering, or go digital with the My E-offering system.

Fall Rummage Sale: October 8th-10th

Set up: October 6th

Furniture donations accepted after Labor Day

Jewelry donations are accepted now in the church office!

For more information, call Tina Jensen

248-478-7017

Sole Work

In partnership with the Centro Familiar Cristiano UMC in Melvindale, we are collecting new socks and/ or monetary donations so we can provide 80 children with a new pair of socks and tennis shoes. Please make checks payable to Nardin Park and put "Sole Work" in the memo line, or use envelopes in the pews for cash marking "Sole Work donation" on the envelope by July 21st.

Our goal is \$2,000.

Shoe Shoppers will be needed the week of July 21st. We will be presenting the shoes and socks to the children on Saturday, July 27th in the early afternoon. If you would like to shop for shoes or join Pastor Melanie in Melvindale, please email her at MCarey@nardinpark.org or Pastor Beth at BTitus@nardinpark.org

4 Drivers Needed

FOCUS HOPE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

Contact Robert Davis @
248-320-7147 or sign up
after worship in Mercer Hall



A few words on Nardin Park's new logo from Rachel Kain, chair of the VCI Marketing and Communications Task Force

In creating a new logo, the team wanted something that was bright, bold, and stood out on letterhead, signs, t-shirts, posters, etc. Our logo needed to be a solid base in our efforts to build a brand for Nardin Park. We wanted a symbol of our mission of "Journeying with Jesus," so the cross is at the center of the logo with the spiral drawing the eye in toward the cross, giving the logo a sense of movement despite being a two-dimensional image. The spiral is multi-colored to reflect the diversity that already exists in our church and, based on our VCI mission field research, the community surrounding our church.

Our hope is that it will become recognizable as "Nardin Park" even without the name attached to it. Without words, our logo says that "All are welcome to join us in the journey with Jesus."



Here at Nardin Park: What are we doing in response to General Conference 2019?



Many people at Nardin Park want to make sure that our congregation is welcoming and inclusive to all people. The Reconciling Ministries Team is working to make sure all people know they are welcome here and also to help people of the congregation have conversations and be informed about where we might be headed as a congregation. We are following a process that may lead us to be a Reconciling Ministries Network Church (RMN). Doing so means that we have a commitment to being in loving Christian ministry with all people without prejudice, to truly have “open hearts, open minds, open doors,” to work toward a time when our congregation, our denomination, our society live the all-inclusive love that our faith asks of us.

To help people be informed, to understand each other, and to make sure each person has an opportunity to be heard, the Reconciling Ministries Team is planning 3 “Holy Conversations,” this summer. Each one will have some presentations and conversations around tables.

The 2 remaining conversations are scheduled for:

Sunday, July 28 11:30-1:00pm -- lunch and child care will be available.

Where is the United Methodist Church headed and what does that mean for local congregations?

Sunday, August 25 11:30-1:00pm -- lunch and child care will be available.

What does it mean for us if we become a Reconciling Ministries Congregation and what does it require of our congregation?

Please plan to join us for a time of Holy Conferencing around an important matter in the church.

The Mission of the Reconciling Ministries Network is:

Living into our shared baptismal covenant, Reconciling Ministries Network equips and mobilizes United Methodists to resist evil, injustice and oppression as we seek justice for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities.



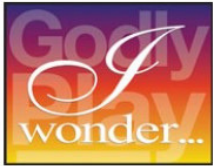
MUSIC AT THE PARK STARTS JULY 10!



The Kids Corner

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Children 3 1/2 year and older begin in worship. 10:10 a.m. they move to their "Godly Play" room on the second floor.



Children's Spiritual Guidance



Download Deep Blue Kids App to complement take home Bible sheets



July Theme:

Families of the Old Testament

This months memory verse...

"I will make your name respected, and you will be a blessing. Genesis 12:2

July 21 - "Sarah and Isaac"

Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7 *Nothing is impossible with God.*

July 28 - "Isaac and Rebekah"

Genesis 24:1-67 *God listens when we pray.*



Puppets in the making: Lot, Abraham, Sarah, Isaac (young and older), and Rebekah.



Missions - Saturday, July 20

RE: Generation families prepare and serve dinner to our S.O.S. guests.

Thanks to all who were a part of the Set-Up Crew, Tuesday Night Serving Team and/or helped throughout the week!



Through Mission we can share God's Love with others.



Kids in Mission Socks and Shoes for Children

Kids of Nardin Park are joining with all the Nardin Park Family to collect socks and money for shoes for the children of Centro Familiar Cristiano Methodist Church .



FRIDAY, JULY 26 7:00 P.M.

P,B, and J Sandwich making in the Nardin kitchen!!

Youth Connection

Youth 2019



Kansas City Convention Center



NP youth & Leaders with keynote speaker, Romal Tune

The youth have returned from their trip to Youth 2019 in Kansas City, where we were part of 3100 United Methodist Youth from across the country. Every 4 years the Board of Discipleship Ministries hosts this national gathering as a way for connecting youth and their leaders across the country. This year's theme was "Love Well."

There was worship each night, the band "Army of Light" led our worship services with incredible energy and music. The keynote speaker was Romal Tune, speaker and author of "Love is an Inside Job." His message to the youth was God loves you more than you know. God believes in you. Therefore, we should love and believe in ourselves, and love others. He caught the attention of the youth and delivered a message that all youth and adults need to hear. New this year were the youth speakers at each service. The most moving youth speaker was Falisha Hola, who shared with us her story of being the child of undocumented immigrants and the fear she faces.

Each morning after Bible Study, our youth met in "dig" groups. They explored the Bible lesson and incorporated the teachings of Romal Tune. One day they were asked to tell people they were beautiful. Another day they made banners with their thumb prints and the words "Love Well." They all met new people in these groups and enjoyed making new friends. Each afternoon, we all attended workshops. One day we attended the "WEIRD Bible" workshop. We heard stories that had weird details that weren't taught in Sunday School. We also attended a self-defense workshop, a telling our story workshop, a food sorting mission time, and a story from a young woman who attempted suicide and her journey to liking herself. There was a lot of learning for our youth. Just in case you're worried that we didn't have any fun along the way, we had Kansas Barbecue twice, in 2 very different, but popular places. We went to Union Station and went to an escape room. We walked through the Power and Light District, ordered Insomnia Cookies at 10:00pm and found a great food market to have dessert from one night.

I have 2 questions I ask after a youth trip to determine if it was worth it. Did we learn something about our faith? And are we closer as a group? Both those questions are a yes. The youth are amazing, thank you to Emma Latimer, Arianna Stokes, Avishay Mamidi, Emily Scobel, Lizzie Babcock and Zach Latimer for being such good travelers and learners. And thank you, thank you, thank you to Tim Latimer for being the male chaperone on our trip. Our trips would not be the same without him. Thank you to the whole congregation for your generosity during our fundraisers that make trips like this happen...

-Pastor Beth



The Greater Area Founders Festival Returns this year with new attractions and a new location--Shiawassee Park! The Festival will kick off @ 5PM on Thursday, July 18th and will be in full swing July 19-21!
 FoundersFestival.com



Kids Night at the Nature Center
 Parents can enjoy a night out, while the kids have fun exploring!
 Friday, July 20th 7-10PM
 \$15-\$20

<https://www.fhgov.com/Activities/Parks-Facilities/Nature-Center.aspx>

The Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market is an outdoor seasonal weekly market operated by the City of Farmington for the enjoyment of the citizens of Farmington and surrounding communities. The market is located in downtown Farmington at the Walter E. Sundquist Pavilion in Riley Park and operates **Saturdays, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm**, May through October. Please feel welcome to discover and enjoy the many treasures of the Farmington community.

