



Sunday, May 16, 2021

“My Light House”

Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, “I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life.” John 8:12

Invocation

Welcome

“Goodness of God”

One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to meditate in His temple. Psalm 27:4

Scripture, Acts 1:1-11

“Come Thou Fount” Hymn #11

Then Samuel took a stone and set it between Mizpah and Shen, and named it Ebenezer, saying, “Thus far the Lord has helped us.” I Samuel 7:12

Pastoral Prayer

Offering box and envelopes are in the foyer.

“Broken Vessels”

For God, who said, “Light shall shine out of darkness,” is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves. II Corinthians 4:6-7

Ministry of the Word

“The Treasure Inside”

Benediction

*We are beloved.
We belong to Christ.
We are becoming one.*

This Week

Today.10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday.7:00pm AA, The School House

Tuesday.9:00am Neighbor to Neighbor

Looking Forward

Ascension Sunday, today we remember the final presence of Christ with His disciples before He ascended into the sky. He called on those that follow to continue His transforming presence in this world.

Annual Reports due this week. Please help us with being mindful with your reports. This will be helpful in assembling the Local Church Journal.



If you would like to help with planting summer flowers please take a tag from the bulletin board in the foyer.

The report of the nominating committee and the proposed 2021 church budget are posted in the foyer.

Please take a cracked glass bead from the jar located in the foyer. On Good Friday, glass panels were broken representing our journey into the discomfort of suffering, loss and brokenness. While we wait in uncertainty from the unresolved work that God is doing, He invites us to be still. The resurrection is proof that His presence always brings life. The cracks remain with new beauty.

The white cloth will remain on the cross until May 16th, Ascension Sunday, as a symbol of Jesus’ empty grave cloths. A reminder to us that He is the God of the living. He has triumphed over death and hell itself.



Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, 11:00am Lay Pastor, Dylan Hawkins will be speaking.

Congratulations to Celeste Allen and Nate McCormick on their upcoming wedding, May 29.

Engage with Morning Reflections Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week at 9:00am on Facebook. Encourage your faith and grow your spirit.

Sunday, June 6th, 1:00pm, Church Conference Weather permitting we will worship and meet outdoors.

Saturday, June 19th, 9:00am District Conference at the Eastern Hills Wesleyan Church.

Thank you for your faithful giving to help complete the picture of our gathering space. We should be able to move forward with in the installation of the fireplace after the structural repairs are complete under the large window in the back of the building.

Know who you are as you read His letter of love



Monday: Genesis 40 I Timothy 1
Tuesday: Genesis 41 I Timothy 2
Wednesday: Genesis 42 I Timothy 3
Thursday: Genesis 43 I Timothy 4
Friday: Genesis 44 I Timothy 5
Saturday: Genesis 45 I Timothy 6
Sunday: Genesis 46 II Timothy 1

Ask the Spirit to guide your thoughts as you read.

Sunday School, 10:00am, Come and enjoy a Ball Hill morning with a good cup of coffee and great

July 17th and 18th, Church Retreat Weekend, connect, enjoy and celebrate being the body of Christ.

On Tuesday the LBA discussed and unanimously voted to extend Pastor Bruce and Patti’s call of ministry here at Forestville Wesleyan. We are blessed by their passion for and dedication to community as they serve with love. Darci Paul, *L.B.A. Vice-Chair*

Beloved

Being Belonging Becoming

⁸But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves; we are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. ¹¹For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹²so death works in us, but life in you.

¹³But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed, therefore I spoke," we also believed, therefore we also speak, ¹⁴knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and will present us with you. ¹⁵For all things are for your sakes, so that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God. II Corinthians 4:7-15

Reflection of Belovedness _____

Speaking What I Know _____

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Forestville Wesleyan Church

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Our Mission: To become lifelong followers of Jesus Christ, living holy lives of love and service, inviting others to discover God's goodness and grace.

Our History: The name Wesleyan is in honor of John Wesley, a priest in the Church of England who became the inspiration behind the "Methodist Movement." Through their disciplined routine of spiritual devotion and social work, Wesley and his followers earned the nickname "Methodists."

In 1843, a group of pastors separated from the Methodist Episcopal Church because of their strong convictions to abolish slavery and their desire for a more democratic form of church government. This movement became known as the Wesleyan Methodist Connection.

An itinerant Preacher, G.W. Sibley was used by God in the summer of 1857 to begin a work that would span generations to come. Through his preaching the gospel here on what became known as "Ball Hill," the family of Daniel S. Ball established a lasting faith in Jesus Christ. Committed to the work of God's kingdom they organized the Forestville Wesleyan Methodist Church in 1858. He then returned in 1881 leading the congregation through the construction of the building, where we worship today.

Our Heritage has been forged by men and women who stood on the truth of God's Word, trusted in the forgiveness of Jesus Christ and served with love and selflessness. **May we be found faithful with this sacred trust, to carry the light of Jesus, to all who come behind us.**



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