



**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

Welcome and Announcements

“Goodness of God”

*Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*  
Hebrews 4:16

Invocation

Scripture Reading, *I Peter 1:3-10*

Pastoral Prayer

“It is Well”

*Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, upon the son of man whom You made strong for Yourself. Then we shall not turn back from You; Revive us, and we will call upon Your name. O Lord God of hosts, restore us; Cause Your face to shine upon us, and we will be saved.*  
Psalm 80:19

Offering

“Yes I Will”

*But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.*  
II Peter 3:8-9

Ministry of the Word

Benediction

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

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**This Week**

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

**Monday . . . . . 7:00pm** AA, The Schoolhouse

**Tuesday . . . . . 9:00am** Neighbor to Neighbor

**Thursday . . . . . 7:00pm** 12 Step Workshop, rm 102

**Looking Forward**

**Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00am** Pastor Patti speaking.

**Much thanks for all of the hands given this week to the structural repairs to the fellowship hall and the installation of the fireplace.**



**Morning Reflections** Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week at 9:00am on Facebook. Scroll by for some encouragement to your faith.

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

**Know who you are as you read His letter of love**

Monday: II Samuel 2  
Tuesday: II Samuel 3  
Wednesday: II Samuel 4  
Thursday: II Samuel 5  
Friday: II Samuel 6  
Saturday: II Samuel 7  
Sunday: II Samuel 8



**Ask the Spirit to guide your thoughts as you read.**



**Thursdays, 7:00pm, Twelve Step Work Shop**, at the church in room 102. Find freedom in the journey toward wholeness. All are welcome to participate.

**Living as a Beloved Community** is an essential part of following Jesus. The commitment to build relationships that reflect centeredness in Christ will grow the fruit of His love and character within us. Conversation, Confession, Prayer and Reflection are the ingredients of this Beloved Community. Engaging with a small circle of holy friendships empowers us to live in the presence and purpose of Christ.



**Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Prayer Together**, “Build up, Build up, prepare the way, remove every obstacle out of the way of My people.”  
Isaiah 57:14

**Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am, Women’s Fellowship** at the church. Sign up in the foyer.

**Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am-6:00pm**, Local Board of Administration Retreat.

**For the past 6 months giving has been averaging \$2,000 below our expenses each month.**

**Five ways to direct your giving:** II Corinthians 9:6-12

- **General Fund**, These funds support the regular operations of the church, from pastoral support to utilities, all unspecified offerings are directed here.
- **Missions/Outreach**, are funds used to connect others in relationship with Jesus
- **Building**, are funds used for large maintenance and improvement projects to our facilities.
- **Scholarship**, are funds offered to students from our congregation attending a Christian College.
- **Neighbor to Neighbor**, are funds used to support local families in need to operate our food pantry.



*Use the offering envelopes from the foyer bulletin board*

**Neighbor to Neighbor** will be without “operational support” grants this year. This money has provided for utilities, supplies and the ability to purchase additional food. Giving will allow us to serve well.

# Beloved

Being Belonging Becoming

**Sobriety** is clarity from all that keeps the soul hidden from experiencing freedom in Christ. This requires the constant journey toward humility.

Sobriety is found in **suffering**  
*(clarity to see my idols)*

Sobriety is found in **confession**  
*(willful exposure of my need)*

Sobriety is found in **fellowship**  
*(confidence in my belovedness through connection)*

Sobriety is found in **service**  
*(living beyond consumption)*

<sup>17</sup>And now, brethren, I know that you acted in ignorance, just as your rulers did also. <sup>18</sup>But the things which God announced beforehand by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled. <sup>19</sup>Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord; <sup>20</sup>and that He may send Jesus, the Christ appointed for you. <sup>21</sup>whom heaven must receive until the period of restoration of all things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets from ancient time. <sup>22</sup>Moses said, 'The Lord God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brethren; to Him you shall give heed to everything He says to you. *Acts 3:17-22*

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## Forestville Wesleyan Church

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**Our Mission:** To become lifelong followers of Jesus Christ and co-laborers with Him.

**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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Reverend Bruce Ellis, *Pastor*  
Reverend Patricia Ellis, *Assistant*  
Mr. Dylan Hawkins, *Assistant*

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