

WESLEY CHAPEL NEWS



Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

April 2017

Just A Little Walk Luke 24:13-35

Do you like taking walks? When was the last time you took one? I use to take walks; on the beach, in the woods. I use to walk home from school sometimes. Mom didn't like it. (Moms are always protective.) She was afraid I would get hurt. But it was just 2 miles. (Not 10 miles uphill, both ways in the snow!)

It was a good time to think. Walks are good thinking times. It is also a good time to let off steam. Walks are also a good time to talk with God.

Two men were walking; maybe home. Maybe on to a town for the next day's business. We really don't know. They were having a discussion about the events of the past few days when they met a third traveler.

He asked them about their discussion. "Don't you know?" they said. Astonished they asked, "Where have you been?" "Have you been living under a rock?!" I could imagine them saying. They chastise him for not knowing what happened to Jesus. Isn't it ironic they didn't realize it was Jesus.

When our children were younger and we were out walking, or traveling, I would get asked the question; "Did you see that?" or "Daddy, what is that?" And sometimes I would have to answer, "I didn't see it." Or "I don't know." It's because I was focused on the road and driving and I missed things around me.

Sometimes we miss things, don't we? We're looking elsewhere or concentrating on something else. If we were on that road to Emmaus would we have recognized Christ? Jesus told his disciples, "When I was hungry, you fed me; when I was thirsty, you gave me drink." "When did we do this?", they asked. "When you have done it to a member of my family, you've done it for me."

Did the two on the road to Emmaus expect to encounter Jesus?

If I asked you to describe your most profound encounter with Christ, what would it be like? Did you expect it? At times, it's when we least expect him, that we meet Jesus in the ordinary places and experiences of our lives. How do we know? We know. It's like that "burning within our hearts."

I don't know about you, but I could use a walk. A daily walk. I need to take a walk not only with my wife and my kids, but with Jesus. A walk to listen, to slow down and enjoy all He has to offer.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Jimmy

*Having first,
gained all
you can, and
secondly
saved all you
can, then
give all you
can."
John Wesley*

Summer Registrations www.wcumc.info

Science Camp

June 5-9

Vacation Bible School

June 19-23

Christmas in July Day Camp

July 12

CLUB345 Deep & Wide Retreat

July 18

GROW Day Camp

July 24-28

Paw Patrol Preschool Day

August 9

Native American Special Offering April 30



**Thursday, April 20
at 12noon in the WCGym**
Entertainment provided by
Linda Foster
Gospel Music Southern Style
Bring a side dish or dessert!



Donation baskets for smooth peanut butter and grape jelly are located in the CE Building and outside the Sanctuary. Collections help to prepare sandwiches monthly for New Hope Homeless shelter and the MUST Summer Lunch program providing lunches for children in Cobb County.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

April 6 Grady Bramblett
Dot Danforth
Gayle Deimel
Harold & Valarie Phillips
April 7 *Charles & Betty Pettett*
April 9 Allison Phillips
April 11 Olivia Reed
April 12 Rachel Resendez
April 13 Nina Williams
April 14 Ryker Zalokar
Joan Briggs
April 15 Levada Mabry
Dave Davenport
Dillon Gross
April 22 *Bob & Nita Tolar*
April 24 Maggie Sinclair
April 27 Jessica Sinclair
April 30 Benton Reed

The church daily activity calendar can be found at www.wcmmc.info

Youth News

When you go through deep waters, I will be with you. Isaiah 43:2

April 2

10 am SS in the WCGym classrooms
11 am Worship in the front pew
Noon There is a VBS meeting for those interested in serving this Summer.
Spring Break begins!! NO UMYF tonight!! Have a safe and fun week!
Honduras Mission Team paperwork and payments are due to Marcie by noon today!!

April 9 Palm Sunday

10 am SS in the WCGym classrooms
11 am Worship in the front pew
Noon Mission Meal in the WCGym
5 - 7 pm UMYF

Monday April 10 – Saturday April 15 HOLY WEEK

Easter Sunday

Worship Services:
Sunrise, 8:45 am and 11 am
ALL WCYouth and Young Adults are invited to meet in the WCGym at the 10 am SS hour!! We look forward to seeing our "college kids" home for Easter!
NO UMYF

April 23

10 am SS in the WCGym classrooms
11 am Worship in the front pew
UMYF 5-7 pm. If you are going on a mission trip this Summer you need to attend UMYF for the next 3 weeks. We are beginning a study and activities about serving in the mission field.

Sunday April 30

10 am SS in the WCGym classrooms
11 am Worship in the front pew
UMYF 5-7 pm. Week 2 of the Mission Study for Summer 2017 Mission trips!

**Sunday School at 10am in the WCGym
Worship on the front pew at 11am**

We have a Facebook page and WCYouth Instagram, too!!

Check them often – it's the latest in info, photos and the occasional contest (some have won gift cards!!)

**Easter Egg Hunt
Palm Sunday
April 9
Noon-ish**

Vacation Bible School Training Dates

**Sunday April 2 @ 12noon
Sunday May 7 @ 12noon
Sunday June 4 @ 12noon
Sunday June 18 Decorating Party & Final Training**

Everyone who will be serving must attend at least one training.

See DeDe for details.

Holy Week Special Services

Palm Sunday

10am Sunday school
11am Musical
12noon Egg Hunt & Missions Lunch

Maundy Thursday

7pm

Easter Sunday

7am Sunrise
8:45am
11am

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Thank you for your continued financial support of the ministries as well as the local and global missions of Wesley Chapel UMC. If you are not able to attend weekly services, you can make your giving online through your bank's bill pay service or mail a check to 4495 Sandy Plains Road, Marietta, GA 30066.



April 9—Silver Night
April 23—Splish Splash at Acworth Beach
Parents needed to drive & chaperone!
April 30— Color Wars
End of year celebration



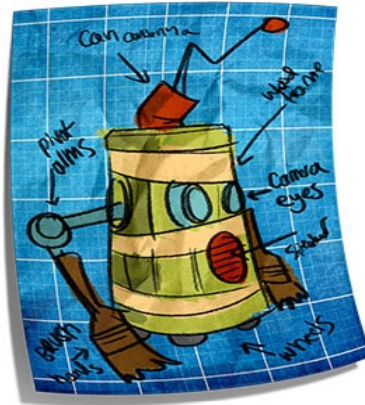
Sign Language Class

4-4:45pm
April 9th
in The Great Room

PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY

Sandwiches for New Hope Homeless Mission are prepared monthly at Wesley Chapel on the 2nd weekend of the month. You can help by donating peanut butter and grape jelly. Donation baskets are located in the CE Building and outside the Sanctuary. Collections also help us prepare 1,000 sandwiches for MUST summer lunches.

Design A Robot Contest



Use recyclables, craft supplies, junkyard finds, and be creative.

Robots on display 5/7-5/28

Best Robot voting 5/7-5/21

Winners announced on May 28

All sizes needed for lots of VBS decorations!

All Sizes Needed!



Imagine using photo images to connect the heart and mind of a disciple, a seeker, a child, a student, a grieving grandmother to Scripture.

Rev Dr. Scott Hughes, Director of Adult Ministries of United Methodist Discipleship Ministries will lead training at Wesley Chapel UMC on Tuesday, May 9 10am-1pm to use images for faith formation. If you are involved in discipleship as a leader or participant in the local church, a photographer, a small group leader or engaged in faith formation in life, this is for you.

The class is free and lunch will be provided.

Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/visual-faith-project-training-event-tickets-33116900541>

For more information about The Visual Faith Project, go to vibrantfaith.org/visualfaith.

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