

# Wesley United Methodist Church

**January 4, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.**

*To Love God with all our Heart–To Love the World as Jesus Does*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*(Visitors, Members, and Friends of Wesley, please sign the “Friendship Pad” to register attendance with us today. We are glad you are here!)*

\*HYMN “Joyful, Joyful” (UMH#88)

CALL TO WORSHIP (ON SCREEN)

*L: Darkness descended over the land.*

**P: The people lived in fear.**

*L: Then something so unexpected happened.*

**P: Something that filled the people with surprise.**

*L: A star burned brightly in the heavens!*

**P: A star beyond imagining!**

*L: Our darkness is gone!*

**P: Though the night be dark and times difficult,  
a new light shines for us!**

*L: Fears are banished; failures are forgiven!*

**P: God has heard our cries and has given us hope!**

*L: Come, let us celebrate God’s light given to us!*

**P: Let us praise the God of hope and promise! Amen.**

HYMN “My Hope is Built” (UMH#368)

OFFERING OURSELVES, OUR LIVES, AND CONCERNS

PERSONAL PRAYER TIME *(Remember those on our prayer list.)*

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our  
trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for  
thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

SCRIPTURE TEXT Matthew 2:1-18

MESSAGE “The Wise Will Arise!”  
Rev. Dr. Shalom Renner

HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN “We Three Kings” (UMH#254)

\*FLOWER CELEBRATIONS AND MEMORIALS

\*BENEDICTION \**Stand as able.*

# Wesley United Methodist Church

January 4, 2026 – 10:45 a.m.

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SONG OF CELEBRATION

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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\*MUSIC OF PRAISE

PRAYER TIME

Personal Time of Prayer *(Please remember those on our prayer list.)*

Morning Prayer

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as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us  
from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Children Preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are invited  
to Children’s Church on the first Sunday of the month.*

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2:1-18

MESSAGE

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HOLY COMMUNION

\*CLOSING MUSIC

\*BENEDICTION

*\*Stand as able.*

# Wesley United Methodist Church Canton, IL



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