

# *"The Church With The Warm Heart"*

October 4, 2020



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## **“The Power of the Pentecost Season”**

Greetings, family, in the name of the Lord Jesus the Christ! Although Pentecost Sunday is eighteen weeks in our rearview mirror, we are still in the Pentecost season. Just as Easter is more than a day celebration but rather a season, so is Pentecost. The season of Pentecost takes us all the way to the Advent season. As a reminder, Pentecost Sunday is a day we commemorate because it marks the birth of the Christian Church. On the day of Pentecost (A Jewish harvest festival) the Holy Spirit swept into the Upper Room where the disciples were, both male and female, and they began to praise God in other languages which amazed the crowd. It was a day when bold faith replaced their fear and thousands joined the new Christian movement. Let us remember that during this lengthy season.

After that powerful Kairos moment, the disciples, led by Peter, began a discipleship journey that had them preaching truth to power, teaching truth to the masses, evangelizing to the lost, healing the sick, and meeting the basic needs of the poor. The Book of Acts describes the powerful “actions” of the disciples after they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. The Spirit of Jesus was now a part of their lives like never before. They were transformed men and women. They were different. They were ready for the adventure. They were ready for God to use them anywhere and at any time. Their holy boldness was contagious and wherever they ministered that place was never the same.

And guess what? Their powerful witness and works took place outside of the Temple and synagogue. They were so bold and confident that they ministered and preached in the marketplace. They knew the LORD was with them everywhere they went and not just in religious spaces. They were so influential and impactful that people began to say that they were turning the world upside down.

It hit me that if the Holy Spirit did that for them back in the first century, then the Holy Spirit can do that for us in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, even during a pandemic. We just have to be more creative. That same Holy Spirit can give us holy boldness. That same Holy Spirit can give us fiery passion. That same Holy Spirit can give us preaching and evangelizing power. That same Holy Spirit can help us meet people’s practical needs. That same Holy Spirit can help us eliminate scarcity and poverty. That same Holy Spirit can help us impact our community so that when others see Wesley United Methodist Church members they will say, “Look, they are turning the world upside down.” (Or is it, right side up?) Take advantage of this Pentecost season by recognizing your God-given power to be a difference-maker. Have a great week!

# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Please check the church website, now our 'virtual church,' and your email regularly for ongoing updates.  
[www.wesleyumcchicago.org](http://www.wesleyumcchicago.org)

**SPIRITUAL THEME FOR SEPTEMBER: "Making Disciples"**

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

COLOR: WHITE

### Scripture for the month:

*"<sup>37</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Matthew 9:37-38 NIV*

### Call to Worship

### Invocation

Scripture 1 Kings 19:1-10 see video, or page 4

Psalm of Praise Psalm 19:1-10 see video, or page 5

### Announcements

### Offering

### Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Series *Views From the Valley* Rev. Charles A. Woolery, Sr.

Today's Message: *"I'm All By Myself"*

### Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Holy Communion A Service of Word and Table, II see video, or hymnal (page 12)

### Affirmation of Faith

### Benediction

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	
Morning Worship (9/27/20)	94 (views)
Worship Call "	38 (callers)
Sunday School "	16 (callers)
Prayer Group	8 (callers)
Bible Study (AM: 11   PM: 7)	18 (views/calls)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>174</b>

# Morning Scripture

## ***1 Kings 19:1-10 (NKJV)***

<sup>1</sup> And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, also how he had executed all the prophets with the sword.

<sup>2</sup> ***Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, “So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by tomorrow about this time.”***

<sup>3</sup> And when he saw *that*, he arose and ran for his life, and went to Beersheba, which *belongs* to Judah, and left his servant there.

<sup>4</sup> ***But he himself went a day’s journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he prayed that he might die, and said, “It is enough! Now, LORD, take my life, for I am no better than my fathers!”***

<sup>5</sup> Then as he lay and slept under a broom tree, suddenly an angel touched him, and said to him, “Arise *and* eat.”

<sup>6</sup> ***Then he looked, and there by his head was a cake baked on coals, and a jar of water. So he ate and drank, and lay down again.***

<sup>7</sup> And the angel of the LORD came back the second time, and touched him, and said, “Arise *and* eat, because the journey *is* too great for you.”

<sup>8</sup> ***So he arose, and ate and drank; and he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights as far as Horeb, the mountain of God.***

<sup>9</sup> And there he went into a cave, and spent the night in that place; and behold, the word of the LORD *came* to him, and He said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

<sup>10</sup> ***So he said, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life.”***

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WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



# Psalm of Praise

## *Psalm 19:1-10*

***(R) Hear the commandments of life; give ear, and learn wisdom.***

<sup>1</sup>The heavens are telling the glory of God;  
and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

<sup>2</sup>***Day to day pours forth speech,  
and night to night declares knowledge.***

<sup>3</sup>*There is no speech nor are there words;  
their voice is not heard;*

<sup>4</sup>***yet their voice goes out through all the earth,  
and their words to the end of the world.***

In them God has set a tent for the sun,

<sup>5</sup>which comes forth like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,  
and runs its course with joy like a strong man.

<sup>6</sup>***Its rising is from one end of the heavens,  
and its circuit to the end of them;  
and there is nothing hid from its heat.***

***(R) Hear the commandments of life; give ear, and learn wisdom.***

<sup>7</sup>The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
***the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;***

<sup>8</sup>The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
***the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;***

<sup>9</sup>the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever;  
***The ordinances of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.***

<sup>10</sup>More to be desired are they than gold,  
even much fine gold;  
***sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.***

***(R) Hear the commandments of life; give ear, and learn wisdom.***



## PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please check your email weekly for a full list of announcements, scripture readings and updates.

- **Multiple ways to worship!** Our worship services are now available online! Go to: [www.wesleyumcchicago.org](http://www.wesleyumcchicago.org) and click/tap **SUNDAY SERMON**. The videos are also available on other platforms, such as our church app (see SERMONS), our YouTube channel (Wesley UMC Chicago), and will be posted on our **Facebook** page each Sunday afternoon (@WesleyUMCChicago). For those who prefer a more personal experience, join the **Weekly Worship Conference Call** at 10:30 am each Sunday! Call-in info: 1-425-436-6348: code 672500#
- **Do you have the GivePlus+ app? Electronic giving just got easier!!** Vanco's **GivePlus+** app makes it as easy as 1-2-3! Just download the **GivePlus+** app, (click for [Apple](#), or [Google](#)) complete your login and profile using your email address and password, provide your bank information and that's it! You can setup a recurring payment or enter the amount each time.
- **NEW FEATURE! GivePlus+ also allows you to make contributions with a quick text message!** Simply send a text to our **DEDICATED** text number, **1-833-595-0705**, with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$25. Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email.
- **The United Methodist Men's Day Service** will be **Sunday, October 25, 2020**. The guest speaker of the day will be Ronald Williams. The service will be made available online and via our church app.
- **Annual Church Conference** will be held at **7 pm Thursday, October 15, 2020**. SPRC will meet at 6:15; the conference begins at 7 pm. All reports **should have been submitted by September 30, 2020**. If you have outstanding documents or have any questions, please contact Vickie Powell-Bass.

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Alita Williams	October 6 <sup>th</sup>	Shani Smith Walton	October 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Quinton Moss	October 7 <sup>th</sup>	Calvin Fox	October 24 <sup>th</sup>
Mark Garrett	October 8 <sup>th</sup>	Paulette Myrie-Hodge	October 24 <sup>th</sup>
Albert Porter	October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Christopher Davis	October 25 <sup>th</sup>
Norma Long	October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Wilena Campbell-Watkins	October 26 <sup>th</sup>
Ronald Williams	October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Cayden Woolery	October 27 <sup>th</sup>
Sierranise Brunt		October 28 <sup>th</sup>	

## PRAYER LIST

**Below is this week's prayer list. Please keep these persons in your prayers!**

(\* = Church member, followed by Class Number)

<u>SHUT-IN</u>	
*Minnie Thompson (20)	*Bessie Alford-Moore (18)
*Lucille Sanders (16)	*Doris Anderson (1)
*Clarence Sanders (16)	*Spencer Plaxico (17)
*Barbara Shepherd (18)	*Jessie Stokes (19)
*Eric Geraldts (3)	*Helen Tuck (7)
*Fred Williams (20)	*Lucious Smith (12)

<u>GENERAL</u>		
*Callie Dulaney & Family (12)	Leslie Carey Kirk	Katherine Thompson
*LaRue Grizzard (4)	Byron Agnew, Jr.	Shatarah Ridley
*Y. Shorter-Darden & Family (4)	Sam Agnew	David Williams
*Gloria Banks (20)	Nannie Agnew	Owen McPherson
*Doris Echols (16)	Juanita Weatherspoon	James Williams
*Mary Alice Lovely & Family (19)	Annie Lois Robinson	James Taylor
*Diamond Jones (12)	Jessica Smith Crenshaw	James Curtis
*Trinity Jones (12)	Joyce Chisem-Davis	The Baker Family
*Lawrence Moore (13)	Carolyn Ransom	Anna Young
*Wilena Campbell-Watkins (5)	Sylvia Nichols	Dorothy Williams
*Mark Garrett (5)	Milton Kellum	Lois Tucker
*The Plaxico Family (17)	Rosie Howard	Katherine Evans
*Denise Richardson (20)	Natesha Smith	Carl Frazier
*Clarence Rogers, II & Family (4)	James Sanders	Robert A. Watkins
*Jessie Gilmore (16)	Joanna Lennhardt	Aaron Thomas, Jr.
*Maurice & Faye Smith (17)	Martha Muhs	Michael Miller
*Theresa Bradshaw (12)	Muriel Bolden	Angel Acosta
*The Hudson/Bradshaw Families (7   1   12)	Gregory Simms	Tammy Pompeo
*The Moss Family (13)	Norbert Sanders	Sharon Cruikshank
*Darlene Clark and Family (1)	Brittany Porter	Vinelle Myrie
*Lorraine Forbes and Family (3)	Rhonda Monique Miller	Alexandria Ward
*Charles & B.J. Curtis and Family (3)	Ashley Parks	Davion McNeal
*Betty Jenkins and Family (5)	Kathy Jenkins	Willie Moore
*Dorothy Williamson and Family (10)	Rebecca Merkson	Peaches Clark
*Donna/Deborah Lomax and Family (13)	John Anderson	Larry Clark
*Odis & Lucinda Franklin Family (20)	Jerry Simmons	Justin York
*Ena Davis (1)	Rochelle Johnson	Russell York
*Gwendolyn Watkins (7)	The Ford & Robinson Families	Percy & Essie Hayes
*Doris Thompson (19)	Mila Kuntu	Mildred Forest
*Helen York and Family (5)	Ron Birton	Takia Yearby
*Dawn Funches-Fox and Family (10)	Aiden Combs	
Rashaud Thompson	Mae Gilliams Fizer & Family	

# SUNDAY MORNING HEALTH CORNER



## Breast Cancer Awareness

As Breast Cancer Awareness is observed in October, this is an optimal time to emphasize the importance of examination and early detection. Early detection is one of the ways of finding cancer before it spreads beyond its place of origin. Though there is no way of preventing breast cancer, there are ways to detect it early and achieve a higher rate of treatment success.

Here are three ways you can be proactive in early detection:

- **Breast Self-Exams** or Self-Awareness
- **Annual Wellness Exams** with a gynecologist or primary care physician
- **Annual Mammogram Screening** for women ages 40 and older

If you have a family history of breast cancer; you should talk to your doctor about additional screenings such as annual breast ultrasounds and genetic testing before the age of 40.



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# OCTOBER 2020

Please check bulletin and emails **regularly** for schedule changes.

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<b>27</b> 9 am <b>Sunday School Call</b> 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259#  <b>UMW Women's Day Service &amp; 10:30 am Call</b> Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Remote Bible Study 11 am ----- 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	1 Remote Prayer Group 11 am ----- Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> UMM Meeting (via Zoom) 9 am
<b>4</b> 9 am <b>Sunday School Call</b> 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259#  <b>Remote Worship &amp; 10:30 am Call</b> Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Remote Bible Study 11 am ----- 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	<b>8</b> Remote Prayer Group 11 am ----- Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women 10 am (via Zoom)
<b>11</b> 9 am <b>Sunday School Call</b> 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259#  <b>Remote Worship &amp; 10:30 am Call</b> Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Remote Bible Study 11 am ----- 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	<b>15</b> Remote Prayer Group 11 am ----- Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#  <b>Annual Church Conference 7 pm</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 9 am <b>Sunday School Call</b> 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259#  <b>Remote Worship &amp; 10:30 am Call</b> Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Remote Bible Study 11 am ----- 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	<b>22</b> Remote Prayer Group 11 am ----- Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Board of Trustees Mtg 9 am (via Zoom)
<b>25</b> 9 am <b>Sunday School Call</b> 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259#  <b>UMM Day Service &amp; 10:30 am Call</b> Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Remote Bible Study 11 am ----- 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	<b>29</b> Remote Prayer Group 11 am ----- Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> UMW Meeting via Zoom Conference 10 am -----

# Social Commentary

## **Don't Forget Breonna Taylor, but Also Remember Black Women Killed in Domestic Violence**

by Mary Mitchell



I know the name of Breonna Taylor, a young, Black woman who was killed during a police raid in Louisville that went horribly wrong. Her name has been painted on protest signs, her face plastered on billboards and murals. But in the midst of all the rise-ups across the nation over police shootings of Black people, I had forgotten that Kierra Coles, a young, pregnant, Black woman disappeared from Chicago's South Side nearly two years ago, her disappearance still a real-life mystery. Despite a reward fund that has grown to nearly \$50,000, no one has come forward with information about what happened to her. The missing postal worker's family celebrated Cole's 28th birthday on Thursday with a cake and a plea.

Next month is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Women of color are still two-and-a-half times more likely to be killed by men than white women, according to the Blackburn Center, a Pennsylvania-based domestic violence center. While many of us can see the injustice and betrayal when a white officer kills a young Black woman like Taylor, too many of us keep silent about intimate-partner violence.

According to a study of 2018 homicide data released this past week, nine of 10 Black women murdered by men are killed by someone they know. The Washington-based Violence Policy Center study found that "605 Black women were murdered by males in single-victim/single-offender incidents at a rate of 2.85 per 100,000. In comparison, the rate for white women murdered by males for that same period was 1.03 per 100,000.

"When the murder weapon could be identified, 64% of Black female victims were shot and killed with guns, and, within that group, 70% were killed with a handgun," according to the study. It's understandable that woke people are outraged when a white police officer unjustifiably uses lethal force against a Black suspect. That outrage has forced those in power to begin looking in the mirror and committing to changing festering inequities.

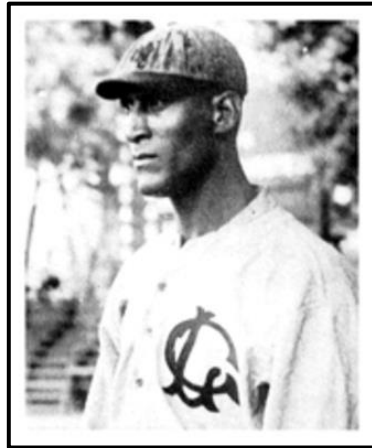
But too many of us have kept silent when it comes to the violence perpetrated against Black women by Black men even though the statistics are appalling. The Blackburn Center's Black Women's Health Project also found that 92% of the killings of women by men were committed by a Black man against a Black woman, leading researchers there to conclude that violence is the No. 1 health issue facing Black women.

Sisters need to say the names of their murdered sisters just as loudly as they say the names of the brothers who have been killed by police. Only then will brothers be forced to look in the mirror.

## Little Known Black History Fact

### Joe Williams

By D. L. Chandler



**Joe Williams** was considered to be one of the best pitchers of his era, even though he never made it to the majors. The Negro Leagues star even edged out the great [Satchel Paige](#) in a vote of who was the greatest pitcher of the leagues of all time.

Joseph Williams was born on this day in 1886 in Seguin, Texas. Discovering the game as a boy, Williams grew to a towering 6-foot-4, allowing him to fling the ball with power. He began his career playing in small leagues in and around the San Antonio area before being discovered by the “Father of Black Baseball,” Rube Foster, during a game Foster’s Leland Giants had in the region.

Williams joined Foster’s team in 1910, and then went over to become a major star for the New York Lincoln Giants. It was there where he was given the nickname “Cyclone” due to the power in his right arm. Williams also played for lesser known teams during his time with the Giants before moving on to the Homestead Grays in 1925.

Even though Williams lost some of the “Cyclone” power, with his nickname switching over to “Smokey,” he still has good stuff. At the age of 44 in 1930, Williams fanned 27 Kansas City Monarchs, and then went on to defeat Paige in another dazzling display in a later game. Even baseball legend Ty Cobb, a known racist, said that Williams would have been a 30-game winner in Major League Baseball. Williams retired from the game in 1932.

A 1952 Pittsburgh Courier poll of Black sportswriters and baseball players elected Williams as the greatest pitcher in the Negro Leagues history over Paige.

Williams passed at the age of 64 in 1946. He was posthumously inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1999.

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**Sunday 10:30 am - LIVE Service**

1.425.436.6348

**Thursday 11 am - Prayer Call**

Code: 672500#

**Wednesday 11 am - Bible Study:**

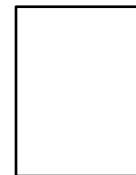
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***Wesley's 66<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary!***

This year we will celebrate **Wesley's 66<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary!** We are so very grateful for the years of service to this community, yet we know there is still much left to be done.

We've kicked-off our **66<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Pledge Drive**, "*Building for the Future.*" Program details will be shared periodically via email. Please prayerfully consider participating in this sacrificial giving program. These special gifts can be given in a single payment or in installments over several months. We need your sober commitment to support our church and serve the Lord through this ministry!

**2020 Daily Bible Readings (One Year Bible Reading Plan)**

**Week of October 4<sup>th</sup> – October 10<sup>th</sup>**

**October 4**

Jeremiah 2:31-4:18

Colossians 1:1-17

Psalms 76:1-12

Proverbs 24:21-22

**October 5**

Jeremiah 4:19-6:15

Colossians 1:18-2:7

Psalms 77:1-20

Proverbs 24:23-25

**October 6**

Jeremiah 6:16-8:7

Colossians 2:8-23

Psalms 78:1-31

Proverbs 24:26

**2020 Vision:**

***"The Year of the Child"***

(Matthew 19:14)

**October 10**

Jeremiah 14:11-16:15

1 Thessalonians 2:9-3:13

Psalms 80:1-19

Proverbs 25:1-5

**October 7**

Jeremiah 8:8-9:26

Colossians 3:1-17

Psalms 78:32-55

Proverbs 24:27

**October 8**

Jeremiah 10:1-11:23

Colossians 3:18-4:18

Psalms 78:56-72

Proverbs 24:28-29

**October 9**

Jeremiah 12:1-14:10

1 Thessalonians 1:1-2:8

Psalms 79:1-13

Proverbs 24:30-34