Welcome to Hayward Wesleyan Church

We are a community of people who are being changed by the love of God. We're down to earth and upbeat. We believe that it's the gospel of Jesus that truly changes people and those people are the ones who bring about change in the world. **There's a place for you!**

So that we know you are here today, we ask EVERYONE to please either check-in using the Church Center phone app or fill out the Connect Card located in the chair seat back (one per family) and hand it to a Host Team Member on your way out.

If this is your first time here, thank you for coming!

We are grateful to have you! We would love to know who you are and help you get connected to the church body. Please fill out a card found in your seat back pocket and hand it to one of the host team members on your way out today.

FAITH & FINANCES

December 2023:

December General Fund Offerings: \$95,756 December General Fund Expenses: \$49,823 Month offerings exceeded expenses by \$45,932 Budgeted Monthly Offering Need: \$50,282

YTD-06/01/23-12/31/23:

YTD Offerings: \$355,286 YTD Expenses: \$344,815

YTD offerings exceeded expenses by \$7,161

If you would like additional information on weekly financial data please contact the church office.

Giving cheerfully is part of our worship. Your generosity allows us to help more people experience the life-changing impact of belief. You may hand your tithes and offerings to a host team member as you leave today or use the wooden offering receptacles in the foyer.

We encourage electronic giving! Visit www.hwc.church and click on "GIVE" or find "GIVE" within our Church Center phone app. (give as a guest or set up an account).

WIFI available: "HWC Guest network" Password: wesleyan4613

HWC Church Center Phone App

Stay up to date with events, ongoing small groups, , e-giving, registration, directory and more!

- Download the <u>Church Center</u> app on your phone.
- Select Hayward Wesleyan as your church
- Enter in your phone number or email
- Select your profile (if no profile appears, continue to follow the prompts in the app to get you added)

PASTORAL STAFF

Steve McVey, Interim Lead Pastor

Ryan Wilson, Pastor of Worship and Disciple Making (*ryan@hwc.church*) **Jordan Baker**, Next Gen (Youth) Pastor (*jordan@hwc.church*) **Lisa Oetken**, Pastor of Families (lisa@hwc.church)

SUPPORT STAFF

Jillian Stone, Administrative Assistant (office@hwc.church)

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Pam Gerken, Nursery Coordinator (pigerken2@yahoo.com)

SERMON NOTES
TODAY'S SONGS

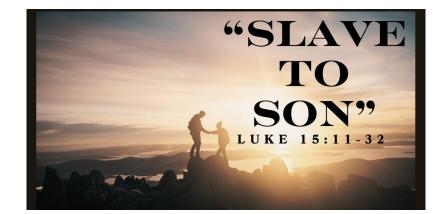
God Is For Us In Christ Alone You've Already Won His Mercy is More

Hayward Wesleyan Church Office office@hwc.church I (715) 634-4613 Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.



HAYWARD **wesleyan** CHURCH

Connecting every life to Jesus



January 21, 2024

Worship Services 9:00 & 10:30AM

"Slave to Son"

Luke 15:11-32

Guest Pastor Ron Gormong

LIVESTREAM of services in our Fireside Room & Family Cry Room #101

Worship service streams online at 9:00 & 10:30AM at facebook.com/haywardwesleyan OR hwc.church/live

Recordings are available @ www.hwc.church/messages

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT HWC



HWC Kid's Sledding Party, Saturday February 3 All ages are Welcome to join Pastor Lisa and our kid's ministry at the Town of Hayward Recreational Forest for an afternoon of sledding, hot cocoa and fellowship on February 3rd from 1–3pm.

CONNECT WITH A GROUP

The below groups are ongoing and open to the public:



Encore, Thursday, January 25 @ 11:30am Hayward Wesleyan Church—Theatre Room A potluck luncheon with singing, fellowship & fun! All seniors (65+) are invited to come!

Please bring a dish to pass!



Celebrate Recovery—Tuesdays 5:30–7:00PM (located in the HWC Theatre Room)

A great way to meet new friends and learn about the hurts, habits, and hang-ups that are keeping you from experiencing peace and fully living out your life's purpose. Its also a great way to serve

God and others. Now is a great time to check it out as we begin a new year of teaching on January 23rd. Doors open at 5:30 where we share a light meal or snacks while connecting. Large group begins at 6:15 with praise and worship and a lesson or testimony. Men's and women's open share groups meet following large group time. Everyone is welcome.

RSVPs not necessary; contact Deb at 715-558-1431 for info.

Prayer Group—Mondays at 10:00AM (Fireside Room) **AA Group**—Mondays at 7:00PM (Library)

MOMCo (Formerly MOPS) – 1st & 3rd Thurs 9–11AM (Theatre Rm) **Gals in Grace**—1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 9am in Fireside Room; Call Linda (715–558–5046), Nicole (715–558–1555) or Janet (715–699–9589)

HWC has several other small groups. If you are interested in joining or starting a group, please talk to Pastor Ryan and/or fill out a survey at hwc.church/groups.

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY

Available at the 9:00 & 10:30 Sunday Worship Services

NURSERY CARE (ages 0-3)

Available during the 10:30 Sunday Worship Service

PRESCHOOL (AGES 3–5, potty–trained) Room 103 KIDS' CHURCH (K–Grade 5) Theatre Room YOUTH SMALL GROUP (Grades 6–12) Room 110



Youth Group (Grades 6–12)

Every Wednesday evening from 7:00-9:00PM,

youth gather at the Hayward Wesleyan Church to discuss matters of faith and how Christianity works itself out amidst the issues and reality of everyday life.



HWC Kids Church is in the series PIXEL PARTY
A series that will use sticky notes (pixels), to teach kids
that individual pixels can come together to form a
picture that will help tell the Big Bible Story.



FOLLOWERS is an after school ministry for children who are in grades K–5. Followers meets every other Monday after school from 3:30–5:00 P.M.

Register Now at: hwc.church/ministries/followers

- Church Center app > Registration
- Next Meeting: January 29



SAVE THE DATE for Hayward Wesleyan Church's VBS Sunday-Thursday, July 14-18th from 6:00-8:30pm Ages 3 years to 5th Grade. Registration opens in May.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU

We've partnered with **RightNow MEDIA**, which gives our church and all of YOU unlimited access to free Christian video resources for adults, small groups, families, kids/teens, and any kind of ministry/discipleship you can think of. All you have to do is set up your account, and you're good to go!

Sign up at: www.hwc.church/rightnowmedia



HWC Weekly Window Emails

Are you signed up to receive our weekly window emails? Call or email the church office to give us your current email address and let us know you would like to receive our Weekly Window Emails.

MISSIONS & COMMUNITY



Austin & Brianna, Youth with a Mission (YWAM)

Austin and Brianna have been missionaries for three years in Central Asia with Youth with a Mission. Their last name and location are confidential for security reasons, as they serve in a post-Soviet Muslim nation. Bri and Austin are part

of a YWAM team tasked with evangelism and church-planting. Their personal roles are to grow the local body of Christ through discipleship, teaching, Bible studies, and one-on-one encouragement of new believers. Austin also helps train local Christian leaders. Pray for YWAM's work in the 10 nations of Central Asia, where more workers are needed to reach 367 distinct people groups. Bri grew up locally and is the daughter of Kristi and William, who staff The Shack ministry at the LCO reservation. Austin was raised in Texas. The couple met serving with YWAM, and have a son, Arthur.

Hayward Middle and High School Hygiene Drive

For the month of January, the Hayward Middle School and High School are hosting a hygiene drive to collect hygiene products for students in the Hayward Community Area. Staff are asking for items including deodorant, chapstick, scented lotions, body spray, shower gel, body wipes, and dry shampoo. Please consider packing the hygiene items in a discreet pack. Also, clothing items such as black leggings or sweatpants, underwear and socks (sizes S–XL in men's and women's). Items will be collected through the end of January.



Foundations Marriage Conference *Spooner Wesleyan Church*

February 2, 6:30–8:30pm, & February 3, 8:45am–3pm This conference is for engaged and married couples at any age or stage. The cost is \$40 per couple.

Registration forms and more info are located on the shelves next to the HWC Office.



Baby Bottle Campaign

Northwoods New Life Resource Center Bottles for the annual Baby Bottle Campaign can be found next to the office. Fill a baby bottle with change or an online gift to enable them to continue providing

services to moms and dads-to-be, the preborn, new parents and their little ones.