

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

On Memorial Sunday, May 26, 2019 (my last Sunday as your Choir Director and Song Leader), you surprised the “Heck” out of us. The “Blue Pitcher” offering over-flowed with green stuff. Oh my, you were so kind and generous. We’ve never bought a lottery ticket, but it was like we won the lottery!

Then, the fellowship hour, (surprise pot-luck) was so celebrative. I hope we didn’t miss thanking each and every one of you at every table. Bev and I cannot express in words, our appreciation for not only the day, but for the 4- and ½- year ride at Wesley.

The choir members always gave their all for me. Reflecting on the Christmas and Palm Sunday Cantata’s, they “Rocked”. You, the congregation, supported the Student Music Scholarship Program, which truly embellished the choir’s numbers and quality of output. I pray it will continue...

Yes, leaving is “bitter-sweet”. There were numerous indications, that it was my time to retire. Three times since January, I forgot to put in my hearing aids. Do you know how difficult it is to lead singing, when you can’t hear? Also, numerous times I couldn’t “hit” the high notes. These and other reasons, led me to believe, I must retire.

Not only did we have a very positive working relationship with Pastor Emilie, as well as with both the salaried and volunteer staff, but we hope we developed positive lasting relationships with many of you! Ethically, we must allow the new Music Director to form a bond with the congregation as she or he establishes a style of leadership. Therefore we must be absent from Wesley as that takes place.

Once again... Thank you!

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