



John Wesley's Pyramid Scheme To

# Use Money to Make Friends

**EARN**  
ALL YOU CAN

(without self-harm)

(without exploitation)

(without ZERO sum competition)



**SAVE**  
ALL YOU CAN

(only spend on basic necessities)

(teach kids life is more than luxury)



**GIVE**  
ALL YOU CAN

(for the basic needs of those who can't provide for themselves)

(whatever you do, can you honestly pray: "God, I know I have done your will with this money")



For clarification, is tithe based on NET or GROSS income? Do I have to give to the church if I'm giving to non-profits? Does reducing luxury mean getting an iPhone 7 when the iPhone 8 comes out?

It's not about a proportion, but giving back to God all that is already His...  
OOPS! That was my last dollar. Wanna buy a John Wesley COFFEE MUG from my merch store?

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March 22, 2020 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, An on-line Service of Word

PRELUDE & BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

INTROIT

“We Resist”

Mark Miller

CONGREGATIONAL CENTERING IN GRATITUDE

by Mark E Lett, Trinity Austin

\*SINGING TO OPEN

“All Glory, Laud and Honor” vs.1

UMH 280

***All glory, laud, and honor  
to you, Redeemer, King,  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.***

***You are the King of Israel  
and David's royal Son,  
now in the Lord's name coming,  
the King and Blessed One.***

FROM OUR SCRIPTURES

Mark 12:38-44

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among,  
for the word of God within us, ***thanks be to God.***

CONFESSING WHO WE ARE

From the preface of the proposed 2020 Social Principles

***Gracious God***

***We recognize the challenges before the church  
to engage with honesty and compassion through deep listening,  
hard conversations and shared ministry, even when we do not agree on all matters.  
We tire of the effort to defend our existence,  
and to live amidst those who do not value us as part of the diverse body of Christ,  
And yet we acknowledge that the church is a living body  
gathered from the many and diverse parts of the human community.  
We pray to be faithful in facing the disagreements and even the despair,  
and not cover differences with false claims of consensus or unanimity.  
Help us embrace conflicts with courage and perseverance  
as we seek together to discern your will. (Silence) Amen.***

\*BEING ASSURED OF FORGIVENESS & EXCHANGING PEACE

Peace be with you. ***And also, with you.***

OPENING THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

FROM OUR TRADITION

FROM OUR EXPERIENCE – PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD’S PRAYER

“When the Waves are Crashing”

W&S 3144

***When the waves are crashing, and my faith is drowning  
though I may forget you, hold me, Lord.  
When the cliffs are steepest and my hope is weakest,  
though I fail to trust you, hold me, Lord.***

SINGING FOR ILLUMINATION

“Abide With Me”

vs. 1 UMH 700

***Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.***

OFFERING

\*SINGING OUR PRAISE AND DEDICATING OUR GIFTS

OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

*Praise God, from whom all blessing flow, praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.*

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

\*SINGING TO SEND US OUT & TAKING OUT THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

UMH 196

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” vs.1

*Come, thou long expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us,  
let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art;  
dear desire of every nation,  
joy of every longing heart.*

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING & GOING FORTH

\*POSTLUDE

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**prayer concerns, ministry opportunities, and notes**

- Prayers for the safety of all those traveling.
- Prayers for Louise House back at Heritage House. You can call her at 413-333-2552.
- For a friend of the Denyko family awaiting biopsy results.

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**LENTEN PAUSES**

**1:00 pm every Wednesday during Lent**  
Meeting at the Industrial Dr. parking lot.  
Cancelled in case of inclement weather.

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March 24 *Leo Deziel*  
March 27 *Justin Jones*  
March 28 *Carolyn Freeman*



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