

# The HeartBeat

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

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## Celebration of Candlemas and Congregational Care Ministries – February 1

On February 1, Wesley Memorial will celebrate the ancient holy day of Candlemas. Candlemas is a Sunday when people once brought Candles to church to have them blessed. They would then light these candles during difficult moments in life as a reminder that the light of Christ is always with us.

Many of our caring ministries at Wesley Memorial reflect God's light and love to people experiencing sickness, surgery, grief, and pain. Many of the actions of our team members go unseen, but their work brings hope and comfort to many people, not only at Wesley Memorial, but also throughout our community.

**Pillow Ministry**-Creates and delivers comfort pillows to individuals after surgery, hospitalization, or rehabilitation. Every month our Pillow ministry gives 30 pillows to the Hospice of the Piedmont for patients and families, reaching people beyond the walls of our church.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**-Every Wednesday afternoon, the prayer shawl team gathers to knit and create beautiful prayer shawls. After the shawls are completed, the team blesses the shawls and delivers them to those who are in ill health, knowing that the shawl is a symbol of God's healing love which surrounds us always. These shawls are also sent to families at the Henderson Settlement in Kentucky where Wesley Memorial provides presents for families in need at Christmas.

**Caring Ministry Team**-Once a month, this team meets on Wednesday afternoons and gathers information about recent care concerns at Wesley Memorial. Individual members take a name and call, write, or visit with a person going through a difficult moment in life. Their hugs and smiles bring joy and encouragement to many at Wesley Memorial.

**Bereavement Meal Team**-Whenever a death occurs, this team mobilizes to provide meals and hospitality to families experiencing grief. Their work enables families to focus on one another during difficult times.

**Prayer Network**-Members of Wesley Memorial pray for the long-term care needs of folks at Wesley Memorial. Many of their faithful prayers have been answered by God's healing hand.

**Stephen Ministry**-After 50 hours of training, Stephen Ministers promise to provide emotional and spiritual support in one-to-one settings for persons in need. With support of clergy, Stephen Ministers offer confidential, non-judgmental support through their prayers and conversations. They also deliver a year-long series of books on grief and healing to those who have lost loved ones.

**Congregational Care Team**-This ministry team of elected church members helps to support the work of all of our Congregational Care ministries. Through events like Candlemas and the Aging Well series, they address broader concerns and ideas at Wesley Memorial and in the community.

Many of these teams are supported by generous donations and memorials from individuals like you. Thank you for your support, and thank you to all those who bring care and comfort to so many of God's children. Want to get involved in one of these teams? Contact Rev. Jared Stine.



Contact: **Rev. Jared Stine**  
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care  
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## Human Sexuality Event February 19-21

Created by God for 5th graders  
and their Parents

Thursday, February 19 through  
Saturday, February 21



Cost will be \$50 per child. This will cover book, meals (Friday dinner and Saturday lunch) and leaders. A letter with complete details and registration information has been sent to all 5th grade families. This is open to anyone in the community so feel free to invite friends. For more information please contact Debbie Foust or Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org).



**The Greenhouse...Growing to be like Jesus**  
In Elementary Sunday School, "The Greenhouse" kindergarten through fifth graders are experiencing the story of Jesus and John the Baptist in five different stations. The main focus will be on Jesus' baptism and what baptism means to us as children of God. Children continue to enjoy the engaging activities each week. In late February, we will move into the stories leading up to Easter.

Do you have a love for art, cooking or science? We would love to have you help with a five week station in one of these areas. Please contact Debbie for more information.

In Sprouts Preschool Sunday School, the threes and fours are learning about Jesus and some of his miracles as he went about teaching and healing those he encountered.

## Save the Date-Here is what's coming up in Children's Ministries

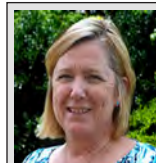
**February 19-21:** Created By God Human Sexuality for 5th Graders

**March 20:** 3rd-5th Grade-Resurrection Clue Scavenger Hunt

**March 29:** Rock n Roll Easter-church and community event

**June 22-25:** Music Arts Camp 9 am-12 pm

**July 20-23:** VBS



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### **New Series this Month: "Awkward"**

This month we are tackling some...interesting... topics during the month of February. Our sermon series is entitled "Awkward". We will be discussing tough subjects, like mental illness, addiction, doubt, and sexuality. These topics are often on the forefront of students' minds, but are rarely discussed at church. The Student Ministries at Wesley Memorial UMC desires to be a place where students can ask the sensitive or tough questions. That's why we're discussing these topics. I hope your student can make it.

### **Bahamas Mission Trip**

There is still space available for our Bahamas mission trip! Our final deadline is FEBRUARY 15! For more information, please contact Jay Butler.

### **Confirmation News**

There will be no Confirmation Class on February 18, which is Ash Wednesday. Instead, the confirmands are encouraged to attend the service that evening at 7 pm. Also, our service project will be February 28 from 9 am-12 pm at the The Children's Home in Winston-Salem. Please arrive in the youth area by 8:30 am!

### **Human Sexuality Weekend scheduled for March 6-7**

Human Sexuality Weekend, which was originally scheduled for last November, will now take place on March 6-7. This is open to 8th and 9th graders, and will focus on what it means to be a Christian and in a relationship. Please RSVP by February 27 to Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org)



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### **Remember your new nametag!**

On January 25, the Evangelism & Hospitality team launched our new name tag initiative at the 8:45, 9:45, and 11 am worship services. We encourage all members to wear nametags during worship every Sunday. You can keep your nametag with you (in your car or purse) or return it to the kiosks after worship each week. Thank you for making Wesley Memorial a place where everyone feels connected and welcome!

### **DivorceCare support group starts February 2**

Recently separated and not sure what's next? Divorced for years but can't find peace? Know someone going through a difficult divorce? Wesley Memorial's DivorceCare Support Group is the right place to be. Join us on Monday evenings from 6:30-8 pm as we listen to leading experts, pastors, and everyday people talk about grief, anger, dealing with children, and hope. One recent participant said, "I used to feel that I was all alone. Now I know there are folks just like me." Register at the first meeting. Reading guide and Bible study - \$15. For more info, contact Jared Stine or visit [divorcecare.org](http://divorcecare.org)

### **Jared Stine to travel to Haiti with HPU Students**

In March, Jared will guide a group of ten High Point University students to Cange, Haiti. These students are opting for an "Alternative Spring Break". Instead of hitting the beach, they are choosing to serve and visit one of the poorest parts of the world. The students will focus their time on building relationships and continuing agricultural and creative arts projects in schools and orphanages. Please be in prayer for Jared and the students of our community. Would you like to support a student or donate items for their trip? Contact Jared Stine.

### **Wholeness & Healing Service – March 15**

The Stephen Ministry will host a Lenten Wholeness & Healing Service in the Chapel on Sunday, March 15 at 7 pm. If you are experiencing emotional or physical pain, grief, or searching for hope, you are invited to participate in this special service of prayer, holy communion, and anointing with oil.



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## Calling All Sunday School Leaders and Unity Group Leaders!

2015 is already off to a great start here at Wesley Memorial, and we want to make sure that all of our Sunday School classes and Unity Groups have all the support, resources, and community they need to keep up the good work. If you are a leader in your Sunday School class or Unity Group, you are invited to the applicable meeting:

**Sunday School Leaders Meeting:** February 2, 2015, 5:30-6:45 pm in the Media Center.

**Unity Group Leaders Meeting:** February 16, 2015, 5:30-6:45 pm in the Circle View Room.

At these meetings we will discuss how the Unity Groups and Sunday School classes are going, possible new directions for curricula, and opportunities for new growth. So come with your ideas, your hopes, your dreams, and your visions for your group!

## Are YOU Looking for a Place to GROW?

At Wesley Memorial, we are committed to GROWth:

G-God's Word

R-Relationships

O-Openness to God's Spirit

W-Wonder and Prayer

We are always looking for ways to connect our members (and non-members) to one another and to God in these ways. Have you been toying around with the idea of joining a Unity Group? A book club? A Disciple Bible Study? An accountability or prayer group? We are looking for interested participants to join a new wave of dedicated persons, committed to one another in small groups filled with love, joy, and friendship. Please contact Erin Beall if any of the above interest you. Let's lead Wesley Memorial into a 2015 filled with spiritual vitality, growth, and connection with God and one another!

## Contemporary Worship: Lent

Lent is not something that is forever clogging up your dryer. Lent is that wonderful season of the liturgical year when we Christians remember our mortality, our need for grace, and our bent to sinning. Doesn't sound like much fun, does it? It can actually be one of the most robust times of faith and worship in the Church. We will gather together in the

knowledge that we are a people of failing bodies and faltering faith and we will support one another and worship a God who sticks with us and carries us through all our troubles.

This Lent in our two contemporary worship services, we will think together about the meaning of Lent, use our hands and our imaginations in worship, and even talk together about the hard topics Lent brings up. So, if you are looking for a worship that engages your heart, your body, your mind and your imagination, join us at 8:45 or 9:45 every Sunday this Lent as we talk, and work together to worship the God of Lent: a God who loves our failing bodies and faltering hearts more than we could ever imagine.

**Lent begins on Wednesday, February 18 with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday services will be at 7 am, noon, and 7 pm. The first Sunday service during Lent will be Sunday, February 22.**

## Live Alive~ Tuesday, February 17



**Program: Donna Hurt, retired Director of Christian Education at Home Moravian Church in Old Salem. She will be sharing a World War II, God-story regarding her dad.**

**Menu for February 17: Country Style Steak, White Rice, Carrots, Bread and Dessert**

## Live Alive meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month:

Live Alive gatherings for adults 55+ with many opportunities available for you to enjoy and fellowship with one another.

To make a reservation for lunch, please call the Front Desk at 884-2204 by 10 am the Friday prior to our Live Alive gathering. Lunch is \$6.



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## Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church 2015 LEADERSHIP

### Church Council

Chair (CC)	Pete Thompson
Lay Leader for Administration (LLA)	Harvey Lowd
Lay Leader for Ministry (LLM)	Vicky Jarrett
Recording Secretary	Laura Gibson
Staff Parish Relations, Chair (SPRT)	Tom Smothers
Finance, Chair	Jim Gooding
Trustees, Chair (BOT)	Bryant Aldridge
Leadership/Nominations Vice-Chair	Mark Morgan
Annual Conference Lay Members (3) (LMAC)	Suzie Farabow, Jim Royal
Reserve Members	George McLarty, Leigh Anne Bassinger
Children & Family Ministries Team Rep	Carolyn Steed
Congregational Care Team Rep	Gene Kester
Adult Education Team Rep	Debbie Smothers
Mission Team Rep	Jim Holcomb
Worship Team Rep	Michael Amos
Evangelism Team Rep	Michele Lane
Student Ministries Team Rep	Mary Cullen Bills
Weekday Ministries Board Chair	Samantha Klemme
UMW President/Rep (Elected by UMW)	Rita Meredith
UMM President/Rep (Elected by UMM)	
Youth Rep (Elected by SM)	Aislinn Antrim
Ex Officio (without vote)	Al Ward, Scott Howell

### Administrative Teams

(Chairs are in **bold**.)

#### Board of Trustees

2015: Karen Odom, David Pruette, Warren Lackey  
 2016: A.B. Henley, **Bryant Aldridge**, Mac Lane  
 2017: Jane Kester, Whit Holbrook, Mike Samuel  
 Staff: Scott Howell

#### Facilities Team (Sub-Team of Trustees)

2015: **George Holbrook**, Henry McMullan, Tim Lynch  
 2016: Teresa Johnson, Jeff Heybrock, Christi Barbour  
 2017: Scott Dunbar, Karen Hoffman, Jo Thompson  
 Staff: Scott Howell

#### Parsonage Team

(BT), Jobie Redmond, Nancy McKenzie, (SPRT)  
 Ex Officio: Miriam & Al Ward

#### Finance Team

2015: Dwight Steed, **Jim Gooding**, Ned Covington  
 2016: Doug Brackett, George Morris, Dan Smoak  
 2017: Don Shaw, Beth Swann, Michael Byles  
 Ex Officio: (LLA, LMAC, CC, BOT, SPRT)  
 Staff: Scott Howell & Al Ward

### Stewardship Team (Sub Team of Finance Team)

2015: Charlie Rowe, Ivey Orr  
 2016: Katherine McMullan, Andy Bills  
 2017: Tommy Langley, Iv Culp  
 Staff: Scott Howell & Al Ward

### Leadership Development/Nominations Team

2015: Liz Rogers, Mark Morgan, Meredith Covington  
 2016: Susan Samuel, Jim Royal, Grace Henley  
 2017: Leslie Culp, Elizabeth Lynch, Jeff Horney  
 Ex Officio: LLA  
 Staff: **Al Ward**

### Staff Parish Relations Team

2015: Stuart Nunn, Ellen Miller, Mike Flack  
 2016: **Tom Smothers**, Ray Rogers, Ardith Pugh  
 2017: Matt Miller, Karen Gooding, Matt Cochrane  
 Ex Officio: (LMAC, LLA)  
 Staff: Al Ward

### Ministry Teams

(Chairs in **bold**.)

#### Adult Education and Spiritual Formation Team

2015: Susan Meisky, Cobb Atkinson, Kelly Yates  
 2016: **Debbie Smothers**, Richard Orr, Sallie Corrigan Amos  
 2017: Brent Womble, Betty Royal, Laney Morris  
 Staff: Erin Beall

#### Children's Ministries Team

2015: Alison Yates, Polly Geisler, Alison Collins  
 2016: Brian Boger, Patricia Nash, Bonnie Odom  
 2017: Wendy Kitley, Melanie Bruton, **Carolyn Steed**  
 Staff: Debbie Foust

#### Congregational Care Team

2015: Patsy Surles, **Gene Kester**, Nancy McKenzie  
 2016: Libby Cheek, Rex Walser, Linda Smoak  
 2017: Laura Amos, Brenda Bradner, Sarah Kemm  
 Staff: Jared Stine

#### Evangelism and Hospitality Team

2015: Marcia Williams, Amanda Covington, **Michele Lane**  
 2016: Leigh Anne Bassinger, Jane McInnis, \_\_\_\_\_  
 2017: Kellie Hall, Nancy Warburton, Carolyn Shaw  
 Staff: Jared Stine & Al Ward

#### Mission and Community Impact Team

2015: Beth Holbrook, Catherine Niebauer, Bob Blue  
 2016: **Jim Holcomb**, Julie Price, Aislinn Antrim  
 2017: Meredith Morgan, Audrey Miller, Rita Meredith  
 Staff: Al Ward

**Older Adult Council**

2015: Lucille Duncan, Glenda Brown, Carolyn Watson  
2016: **Bill Anderson**, Lois Markham, Joyce Stephens  
2017: Jane Blackwell, Bonnie Cashion, Bootsy Tucker  
Staff: Erin Beall

**Student Ministries Team**

(Nominated by Director of Student Ministries)  
Adults: **Mary Cullen Bills**, Mary Drummond, Kellie Hall,  
Wes Hall, Iris Sunshine, Ken Marsh  
Students: JB Amos, Aislinn Antrim, Anna Eskew, Ryan  
Eskew, Bo Henley, Ella Russell, Stephanie Thomas  
Staff: Jay Butler

**Traditional Music Team**

2015: Nancy Shaw, Richard Wood, Mike Jarrett  
2016: **Harriet Mattes**, Zoe Draelos, Teresa Flack  
2017: Harold Johnson, George McLarty, Claire Wilson  
Staff: Anne Carroll

**Worship Team**

2015: Gaston Penry, Lisa Cheek, Barbara Frye  
2016: Barbara Coughlin, **Mike Amos**, Bob Amos  
2017: Patty McLarty, Lee Lyon, Chris Covington  
Staff: Al Ward, Erin Beall, Anne Carroll

**Victorian Qubein Fund Team**

2015: Grace Henley, Bill McGuinn, Jeanette Langley  
2016: Greg York, Joni Lackey, \_\_\_\_\_  
2017: Stephanie Beaver, Bert Wood, Katherine Covington  
Ex Officio: Mariana Qubein  
Staff: Al Ward

**Wesley Memorial School Board**

2015: **Samantha Klemme**, Robert Yates  
2016: Iris Sunshine, Linda Millen  
2017: Susan Hedrick, Bob Niebauer, Sherman Covington  
Ex Officio (with vote): Stephanie Beaver, Jim Gooding,  
Debbie York, Scott Howell, SPRT  
Ex Officio (without vote): Susan Sumpter, Susan Kelley,  
Debbie Foust

**LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

**All of these leaders are reminded of our LEADERSHIP SUMMIT on Saturday, February 28, 2015 from 9 am until noon in the Dining Hall (continental breakfast served at 8:30). An agenda will be emailed to everyone in mid-February.**

**A FEW NUMBERS FROM 2014**

Last week Wesley Memorial filed the 2014 Statistical Report with the Western North Carolina Conference. The numbers give us both cause for rejoicing and an agenda for improvement. Here are some statistical highlights.

Total Professing Members	2,159
Additions by profession of faith & transfer	37
Removals by death	19
Removals by transfer & withdrawal	38
Total Baptized Members (mainly children)	353
Total Constituents (non-members for whom we provide spiritual care)	170
Average Worship Attendance (52 weeks)	460
Average Weekly Attendance in Spiritual Formation Groups (Sunday School, Unity Groups, UMYF, etc.)	600
Total Dollars raised for operating funds	\$1,940,000
Raised from pledges	\$1,660,000
Total Expenditures	\$1,800,000
Total Mission Expenditures from budget and special offerings (not including \$154,000 of Conference & District apportionments)	\$110,000

**STEP UP ONE**

Our senior pastor has issued a challenge to the 1,025 members of Wesley Memorial who attended one of our Sunday worship services one of more times in 2014. Al has challenged our membership to step up our personal worship attendance by one Sunday a month during 2015.

He said, "If you attend once a month, step up to twice a month. If you attend twice a month, step up to three times a month. If you attend three times a month, step up to four times a month. If you attend four times a month, for heaven's sake keep it up!"

"We've done the math," he said, "and if all 1,025 who attended in 2014 would step their attendance by one Sunday a month, we could improve our worship attendance by almost 25%. This isn't a gimmick to improve our numbers, but it is very much part of our purpose 'to make and sustain spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ.'"



# American Red Cross

**American Red Cross Blood Drive  
hosted by FAITH Circle  
Sunday, March 8; 9:00 am-1:30 pm  
Dining Hall**

Please log onto [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code "Wesley Memorial UMC" or contact Kellie Hall @ 708-6432 to schedule an appointment to donate. Please eat well and drink plenty of fluids prior to donating. Photo ID required! Every pint can help save up to 3 Lives! Thank you!!



*The following Wesley Memorial members were part of a building team in San Sebastian, Puerto Rico during January. Joel Key, Jim Holcomb, Keith Lee, Tom Mason, George McLarty, Dwight Steed and Ken Hudson.*

## KENYA MISSION OPPORTUNITY 2015

Could it be that God's plan for you includes being a part of a mission team to Africa? Kenya Partners has openings for you to serve Him on its next inter-generational team July 7-23, 2015. Opportunities are available for folks with skills in teaching (all levels K-12), medical, dental, lab, construction, optometry, chiropractic, photography, computer, sports activities, knitting, and for those who have none of these skills but who have a heart to serve the least of these – there is a need for all of you. This ministry built and operates a boarding school for 600+ children in the peaceful village of Lanet, about 2 hours north of Nairobi, and a 24/7 primary care medical, dental, and eye clinic in the same community. Other programs include 2 pre-schools, one of which is in a slum and a program of community health focusing on those suffering with HIV/AIDS. Contact Diane Hamrick 210-3765 [diane@kenya-partners.org](mailto:diane@kenya-partners.org).



### Special needs:

- Protein items
- Juice Boxes

Collection bins are in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby and Administrative Building Lobby.



**The deadline for article submission for the March issue of the HeartBeat will be February 12. To submit information for the HeartBeat contact: Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesley memorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesley memorial.org) or 812-4806.**



**SAVE THE DATE!** Be sure to put March 22 on your calendars. **The Chancel Choir** will present for 11 am worship Felix Mendelssohn's "As Pants The Hart", Psalm 42 with orchestra, organ and soloists. Psalm 42 expresses the soul's longing and thirst for God and reminds us to hope in God in times of distress. The Chancel Choir is also working on two anthems with trumpets, organ and timpani for Easter, Vaughan Williams' "Let All The World In Every Corner Sing" and Mack Wilberg's "Redeemer of Israel". We hope to be able to present a program at River Landing after Easter.

**Chancel Bells** resumed rehearsals on January 15 and are preparing pieces to ring for worship during Lent and Easter. One of their Easter selections will include trumpet with handbells.

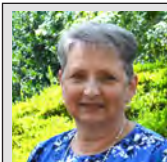
**Youth Handbells** will rehearse on February 15 and 22, March 8, 15 and 22. They will be preparing to ring on Palm Sunday, March 29. These eight young people have done an excellent job because they have worked hard and had excellent rehearsal attendance all year. They have been a wonderful addition to worship at Wesley Memorial. A special thank you to Cindy Webb and Kelly Frye for being our Safe Sanctuaries "chaperones".

**Wesley Ringers** resumed rehearsals on January 21 and rehearse on Wednesdays from 4:15-5:00 in the childrens' handbell room.

On January 11, 18 and 25, **children in kindergarten-first grade** had a time of music in the Children's Gathering Space before Sunday School. They sang songs, played singing games, tone chimes, drum and sticks.

**Children in grades 2-5** resume their music time on March 1, 8, 15 and 29 in the Children's Gathering Space and the Sanctuary from 9:30-9:45 so that they may sing the introit on Palm Sunday, March 29. A tremendous thank you goes to the parents of these children for their extra effort to bring these young musicians to church early on Sunday mornings.

**SOMETHING NEW AND EXCITING!** This summer, from June 22-25 from 9 am-12 noon we will have a Music and Arts Camp for children in 2-5 grades. We will offer singing, liturgical dance, drama, instrumental music sessions and at least one break during each morning. On Thursday at 11:30 am we will invite any parents, grandparents, friends or neighbors to come to a short presentation to see what the children accomplish in each area. Be sure to save this week on your calendars. More later on registration, snack donations and volunteers needed to make this a fun and successful time for our children to explore their spiritual gifts.



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## ***United Methodist Women***

**UMW Sunday is February 15**, 11 am Service in the Sanctuary

**Mobile Meals** needs a chairman for the volunteers that deliver meals on the third Friday of each month. Just a few hours of your time each month would make a big difference. Please call Joyce Stephens 887-1155 or Betty Packer 454-1884 to learn more about this opportunity to serve.

Volunteers are needed for the Media Center. Please call Patricia Nash for information, 869-0093.

### **February Circle Meetings:**

**Angel Tree Circle:** Monday, February 9, 7 pm, at the home of Betty Royal, 1235 Wales Court.

**Faith Circle:** Sunday, February 15, 3:30 pm at the home of Kellie Hall, 491 Ansley Way

**Circle #6:** Monday, February 16, 7 pm at the home of Carolyn Steed, 1201 Wynnewood Avenue

**Circle #8:** Monday, February 9, 11 am at Ward Street Mission, 1619 W. Ward Avenue

**Circle #9:** Tuesday, February 17, 10:30 am in the Dining Hall

**Circle #11:** Monday, February 16, 11:30 am in the Dining Hall

**Friendship Circle** will not meet.



Wesley Memorial School...

# wesley memorial school

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## Time to Register for 2015-16 School Year!

Wesley Memorial School invites families with young children to plan ahead for fall!

NURSERY classes for Infants (3 mos +), and for Toddler Ones, and for Twos.

PRESCHOOL classes for Threes and for Pre-K Fours.

KINDERGARTEN classes for Fives.

Our school day is 9 am-12 pm; 9 am-1 pm for Fives. "Lunch Bunch" until 1 pm for Threes & Fours included one day per week. Optional hour of Before School Care or After School Care is available (all ages) to extend the day and help meet parent's scheduling needs. Take a peek into the exciting hands-on learning of each age-level by exploring our website [www.wesleymemorialschool.org](http://www.wesleymemorialschool.org)...then call Susan Sumpter or Susan Kelley to arrange for YOUR tour visit!

Pre-K curriculum "Get Set For School" readies children for the Common Core State Standards curriculum of our Kgt Fives. At Wesley Memorial School, we pledge to ignite each child's love of learning and foster attitudes of Christian care and acceptance - - building blocks that will last a lifetime.

## Come to an OPEN HOUSE event

Let us tell you more!

Kindergarten Fives	Wednesday, Jan 28, 9:15 am
Pre-K Fours	Friday, Jan 30, 9:15 am
Threes	Wednesday, Feb 4, 9:15 am
Nursery	Friday, Feb 6, 9:15 am (Beginner Infants, Toddlers, Twos)

## Family Partnerships

One of the "top ways" that WMS is unique lies in the collaborative relationships we build with families. We strongly believe that Family-Teacher partnerships are "key" to each child's school success. Therefore, parents & grandparents at WMS are offered opportunities throughout the year for

active involvement IN CHILD'S CLASSROOM, and at total-school FAMILY EVENTS. An example is the success of our recent "Winterfest." Parents & grands enjoyed leading indoor activity stations of: ice skating, sled pulling, snowball throwing, dressing a real snowman, science ice trays, storytime, polar bear gymnastics, and serving snacks of hot cocoa and snowflake cookies! The Winterfest event supported children's imaginations as well as enhanced concept-learning about God's world in winter. Children were thrilled to have their grown-ups participate with them in a day at school!



We look forward to our next family event...

## "FAMILY FUN NIGHT!"

**Thursday, March 5, 6:30-8 pm**

**6:30-7:15 pm:**

Children are the "teachers" at this annual favorite evening event of WMS! Parents, grandparents, brothers & sisters come ready for work & play activities. Everyone gets to paint a picture! Create a graph! Engineer a block structure! Perhaps author an original piece from a prompt! (The boys & girls will show you how!) Families are invited to visit up and down the hallways exploring older rooms and chatting with school staff.

**7:15-8 pm:**

It's off to the Dining Hall to make ice cream sundaes and enjoy a singing performance of our Pre-K Fours and Kgt Fives. Of course, expect audience participation!



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# Wesley Memorial Celebrates...

## Weddings...

*Congratulations to **Mary Barto and Scott Pendergraph** who were married **January 9, 2015.***

*We would like to announce all new babies born into our church family as well as baptisms and weddings in the HeartBeat each month. Please notify **Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministry**, with any new arrivals or adoptions and **Dr. Al Ward** with wedding information to be included.*

## Join us for Scout Sunday, February 8



For over ninety years Scouting has been a vital part of Wesley Memorial's ministry to the community. Beginning with a Boy Scout Troop in 1920, our ministry has expanded to include active troops for Daisy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Boy Scouts. Each year in February, we celebrate our Scouting ministries during an 11 am worship service where Gold Awards are given to Girl Scouts and Eagle Awards to Boy Scouts.

**Join us this year on Sunday, February 8 for this special day!**

**Mid-Week Communion**, led by Rev. Jared Stine, begins at 11 am in the Chapel.



**Bible Study Lunch**, led by Dr. Al Ward, begins at 12 noon in the Dining Hall. **This group will be participating in a study of John Wesley and the movement that has become the United Methodist Church.**

### *Bible Study*

This same material will also be offered by Erin Beall on Monday mornings and Wednesday evenings. The study is based upon Adam Hamilton's book, *Revival*. **Meal includes: Soup, Sandwich, Dessert, Tea or Water.** Bring your own lunch or make a reservation by Monday at 4:30 pm for the \$5 catered lunch. All are invited!

**Wednesday Dinners** are prepared by our fabulous Holy Chefs from Wesley 100. Seating begins at 5:30 pm in the Dining Hall. The price is only \$6 for adults, \$3 for youth 14-18 and free for those under 14.

### **The menus for February are:**

**February 4**-Chicken & Dumplings, Slaw, Apple Sauce, Bread, and Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

**February 11**-Gumbo, Rice, Salad, Corn bread and Dessert. Children's menu is Pizza.

**February 18**-Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Bread and Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

**February 25**-Ground Chuck Patty, Potato Salad, Broccoli/Cauliflower Salad, Bread and Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

# We Remember and Honor Our Loved Ones

Gifts given through December 2014

## IN MEMORY OF:

**Patricia Stansbury Anderson:** Bill Anderson, Tammy Wright  
**Si Bell, Jr.:** Kathy & Allen Dick  
**Jimmy Gray Branch (Brother of Lucille Duncan):** Vicki Hamilton, Jim & Sandra Marsh  
**Blake Brown:** Marcia Cloninger  
**Frank M. Dozier:** Edith Fisher Dozier  
**Lella Gueth:** Raymond & Liz Rogers  
**Betty Anne Harrison:** Mary Louise Stone, Patsy & Charlie Surles  
**Elna Bridges Hodges:** June Safrit  
**Lula Foushee Hinton Hoskins:** Raymond & Liz Rogers, June Safrit  
**Mary Hughes:** Raymond & Liz Rogers  
**Raymond Reitzel Hutchins, Jr.:** Vicki Hamilton, Bonnie Odom, Raymond & Liz Rogers, June Safrit  
**Michael John Lyles:** Edith Dozier, the Family  
**Walter B. Mackenzie (Father of Nancy Perryman):** Jerry Bain  
**Jane Kearns Marlowe:** Mary Jane Lindsay  
**Jim & Jane Marlowe:** Mike & Susan Samuel  
**James Manning (Jim) Marlowe:** Jerry Bain, Mr. & Mrs. Russell Barringer, Jr., Ray & Sallie Edwards, Elizabeth Fisher, Walter & Michele Fisher, Rex & Nancy Gribble, Harold Hansen, David & Bonnie Horney, Fred & Liz Jones, Sarah Kemm, Nan & Buck Kester, Dr. & Mrs. Wade Markham, Hilda Owen, Sallie Phillips, Ed Price, Nido & Mariana Qu-bein, June Safrit, Patsy & Charlie Surles, Clinton Toms, III, Dr. & Mrs. Ed Weller  
**Wade & Marion McInnis:** Steve McInnis  
**Nancy Clayton Meeks:** Carlene Blackman, Louise & John Campbell, Andrea Cozart, Alice Ervin, Olive Frye, Tom & Jean Gooding, Glenda & Rudy Hinnant, Mary Jane Lindsay, Jim & Sandra Marsh, Hilda Owen, June Safrit, Mike & Susan Samuel, Dwight & Sally Story, Bootsy Tucker, Elizabeth Whitesides  
**John C. (Jack) Slane:** Mary Jane Lindsay, Ed Price, June Safrit, Jim Schenck  
**James R. Stanton, Jr.:** Virginia & William Hoover, Jr.  
**Emilio Suarez (Father of Linda Smoak):** Dan & Linda Smoak, Mary Louise Stone, , Patsy & Charlie Surles  
**Martha Nell Tucker:** Dr. Elizabeth Tucker  
**Ann Tyler:** Liz Rives Rogers  
**John Gilbert (Gib) White (Brother of Mary Louise Stone & Joann McCuiston):** Vera Fick  
**Joel Williams:** Barbara & Joe Greeson  
**Paul & Elsie Younts:** Bob & Carolyn Younts

## In Memoriam

**Delores "Peggy" Clodfelter Sparks**      **January 17, 2015**

**Doris True White Lindsay**                      **January 21, 2015**

## IN HONOR OF:

**Bill Anderson:** Tammy Wright  
**Steve Bouldin:** Robert Amos, III  
**Ned Covington:** Samuel Hood  
**Mary Jane Lindsay:** Jane Lindsay Barrineau  
**Wanna McAnally (on her birthday):** Vivian Penry  
**Mr. & Mrs. Henry McMullan:** Mary Jane Lindsay  
**Frank Pifferetti:** Teri DeCurtis  
**Rev. Jared Stine:** Teri DeCurtis  
**Rev. Al Ward:** Teri DeCurtis, Wednesday Bible Study Group  
**Marcia Williams:** Barbara & Joe Greeson

## OUR SYMPATHY TO:

**Elizabeth Hutchins Wood and family** in the death of her husband; Randy Edgar Wood on January 1, 2015.  
**Christi Barbour and family** in the death of her father; Leighton Edward McGinn on January 10, 2015.  
**Marcus Fariss and family** in the death of his mother; Laura Holland Fariss on January 17, 2015.  
**The family of Delores "Peggy" Clodfelter Sparks** in her death on January 17, 2015.  
**James Brotherton and family** in the death of his mother; Margaret Corell Brotherton on January 17, 2015.  
**The family of Doris True White Lindsay** in her death on January 21, 2015.  
**David Williams and family** in the death of his brother; Robert Edward Williams on January 21, 2015.  
**Allen Beard and family** in the death of his sister; Kitty Sue Gregory on January 22, 2015.

# All You Can Eat Pancake Supper



**SHROVE  
TUESDAY**

**Tuesday,  
February 17**

**5-7 pm**  
in the  
Dining Hall

**Tickets are \$6**

**Children under 12 are free**

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## ASH WEDNESDAY

Wesley Memorial's observance of Lent will begin  
on Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2015. There will  
be three opportunities for worship on that day  
at 7 am (Chapel), 11 am (Chapel), 7 pm (Sanctu-  
ary).

### SAVE THE DATE

On Tuesday, March 31, 2015, Wesley Memo-  
rial will host The Jesus Painter as part of Wesley  
Memorial's observance of Holy Week. The Jesus  
Painter will "bring faith to life in living color  
through a live painting performance." You will  
not want to miss this amazing experience, so  
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