

Welcome to WESLEY MEMORIAL

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

Our purpose is to make and sustain spiritually healthy followers
of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world.

SUNDAY - JANUARY 4, 2015

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

Traditional Worship in the Chapel
8:30 am

Contemporary Worship in the Fellowship Hall
8:45 am & 9:45 am

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
11:00 am

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The Worship of God

Chapel

January 4, 2015

8:30 am

Welcome!

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! Please take a moment to sign the attendance notebooks during the announcements. If you are a guest, please leave your contact information and a pastor will contact you this week with more information about our church.

Service Notes:

The Call to Worship is taken from And Also With You, Year B, p 22.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

March of the Magi F. Flaxington Harker

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Arise, shine, for our light has come,

And the glory of the Lord has risen on us.

Let us lift up our eyes and look around;

That we may see God's salvation.

† OPENING PRAYER

† HYMN No. 220

Angels from the Realms of Glory REGENT SQUARE

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal p. 881

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON

"Home By A Different Way"

Al Ward

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

UM Hymnal p. 12

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

He Is Born Robert J. Powell

† DOXOLOGY No. 94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

† HYMN No. 229

There's a Song in the Air CHRISTMAS SONG

GREAT THANKSGIVING

UM Hymnal p. 13

LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† HYMN No. 251

Go, Tell It on the Mountain GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

† BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Fantasia on "Joy to the World" Marc F. Cheban

† Please stand as you are able.

Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:45 am

January 4, 2015

The Beginning 9:45 am

Gathering Music

Sing, Sing, Sing Chris Tomlin

Mighty to Save Hillsong

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

Glorify Your Name Chris Tomlin

Scripture

John 1:10-18

Message

Erin Beall

Holy Communion

Closing

Go, Tell It on the Mountain David Crowder Band

If you are gluten intolerant, we now offer a gluten-free wafer. You may receive the wafer from the server between the communion stations. If you are not gluten-intolerant, we ask you to please receive the bread.

Worship Leaders: Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Keith Byrd, Director of Contemporary Music; The Horizon Praise Team.

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HORIZON

Horizon Worship Services include The Gathering at 8:45 am and The Beginning at 9:45 am on Sunday mornings. Both services meet in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome!

The Worship of God

Sanctuary

January 4, 2015

11 am

OPENING VOLUNTARY

March of the MagiF. Flaxington Harker

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

On This Day Angels Sing arr. Gustav Holst
Chancel Choir

Please stand as you are able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

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And the glory of the Lord has risen on us.
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OPENING PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 220

Angels from the Realms of GloryREGENT SQUARE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM

Away In A Mangerarr Mack Wilberg
Chancel Choir

Away in a manger no crib for a bed, The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head. The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay. The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes, But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes. I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky, And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh. Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care, And fit us for heaven to live with Thee there.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

SERMON

"Home By A Different Way"

Al Ward

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

UM Hymnal No. 12

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Saw You Never In The Twilight arr. Hal H. Hopson
Chancel Choir

Saw you never, in the twilight, When the sun had left the skies, Up in heav'n the clear stars shining Through the gloom, like silver eyes? So of old the wise men, watching, Saw a little stranger star, And they knew the King was given, And they followed it from far. Heard you never of that story How they crossed the desert wild, Journey'd on by plain and mountain, 'Til they found the holy Child? How they open'd all their treasure, Kneeling to that infant King; Gave the gold and fragrant incense, Gave the myrrh in offering? Know you not that lowly baby

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Please come to the front by the center aisle, receive the bread or gluten-free wafer and dip it in the cup. After receiving, you may kneel at the prayer rail or return to your seat by a side aisle. If you need to be served at your seat, please tell an usher.

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*Was the bright and Morning Star? He who came to light the Gentiles, And the darkened isles afar? And we, too, may seek his cradle; There our heart's best treasures bring; Love and faith, and true devotion For our Savior, God and King.
Please stand as you are able.*

DOXOLOGY No. 94

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HYMN No. 249

There's a Song in the Air CHRISTMAS SONG

Please be seated.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

UM Hymnal No. 23

LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN No. 251

Go, Tell It on the Mountain GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Praise Ye The Lord Of Hosts Camille Saint-Saëns

Chancel Choir

Rejoice, ye angels rejoice all ye nations, now in the face of the Lord, for He cometh. Alleluia.

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Placare Christe Servulis Marcel Dupre

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministries; Anne Carroll, Director of Music Ministries; Frank Pifferetti, Organist; Chancel Choir; Ellison Beaver and Charley Doak, Acolytes; Hampton Helsabeck, Crucifer; Jerry Tucker, Sound Engineer.

Ushers for the month of January: Michael Amos, Martha Bass, Ron Crowder, Kem McAllister, George Morris, Ardith Pugh, Grayson Frye and Mary Lyle Frye.

Greeters for the month of January: Norman Andrews, Joe Needham, Bonnie Odom, Pat Williard.

Our Sympathy to ~

Nat Harrison and his family on the death of his wife, Betty Anne Harrison, on December 28, 2014.

Acknowledgments ~

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the Chancel Choir, Chancel Bells, Youth Handbells, Wesley Handbells, and Director of Music, Anne Carroll, by Frank and Kathy Pifferetti.

Thanks and praise ~

... to the Chancel Choir, Chancel Bells, Youth Handbells and Choral Scholars for continually providing beautiful music throughout fall and advent; and, for the dedication and extra time spent on preparation.

Ways to CONNECT

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR EXPLORE WESLEY MEMORIAL COFFEE



Interested in learning more about our church? Want to meet our pastors or ministry directors in a smaller group? Want a tour of the Wesley Memorial campus? If you answered "Yes!", please join us for our Explore Wesley Memorial Coffee today at 9:45 am or 12 noon in the Asbury Room. We look forward to getting to know our visitors better and hope to answer questions you may have.

OUR STUDENT MINISTRIES ACTIVITIES RESUME TODAY

We will be starting our new Student Ministries Sunday School series called "The Voice" at 9:45 this morning in the Underground. Tonight, our small groups resume. Our Middle School and High School girls meet from 6-7 pm, and our Middle School and High School guys meet from 7-8 pm. For more information on small groups please contact Jay Butler.

NEED TO TALK BUT DON'T KNOW WHERE TO TURN?

Stephen Ministry offers one-to-one confidential emotional and spiritual support to persons in need of a listening ear. Stephen Ministers are non-clergy persons trained to provide confidential care. If you would like more information, contact Mike Flack at 812-3559 or speak to one of our pastors.



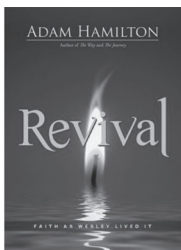
**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Ways to GROW

ARE YOU LOOKING TO START THE NEW YEAR WITH A SHORT-TERM SMALL GROUP?

A new small group called Paths of Grace is forming this spring for 8 weeks starting January 7. This is a great second step for new members after joining the church. We want existing members to join, too, and meet our new folks and walk with them as we all deepen our life of faith here at Wesley Memorial. We will meet at 6:30pm on Wednesday evenings and study Jim Harnish's A Disciple's Path, exploring discipleship and our membership vows of prayers, presents, gifts, service, and witness. Contact Jared Stine at 812-4813 or jstine@wesleymemorial.org to be a seed and friend to new members.

NEW SIX WEEK REVIVAL STUDY WILL BE OFFERED ON MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING THIS WEEK



Have you ever wondered about how Methodism came to be? About our founder? About what makes our denomination different from the rest? In *Revival*, Adam Hamilton leads us into the mind of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. His life, his doubts, his faith, and the theology that led to the creation of what we now know as the United Methodist Church will all be covered in this 6-week study. Come and discover what our founder believed, and how he hoped it would shape our lives today! There are three time options— Monday mornings at 9:15 am, Wednesdays at noon (Bible Study Lunch) and Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm. The study will run January 5 and 7 through February 9 and 11.

WOMEN OF WESLEY (WOW) BIBLE STUDY STARTS THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

Attention, Women of Wesley Memorial UMC! A new Bible study called *Breathe*, by Priscilla Shirer, is coming Thursday mornings 9:30-11:00 am, beginning January 22, 2015. We are in bondage to busyness. We constantly strive to complete the limitless to-do lists that hinder us from experiencing all that God has for us. We miss the moments because we rush ahead to the next thing. It is time for us to breathe and build margin into our lives for God. Sabbath was intended as a gift and it is still a gift to us today. If you are weary, worn out, and exhausted the concept of Sabbath will change your life.



Ways to SERVE

OPEN DOOR MINISTRIES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers to pick up food at 1 pm on Friday afternoons from local schools and then deliver to Open Door for meals. Thank you for volunteering with WMUMC for Open Door Ministries. Together we can make a difference! For more information contact Julie Price at julie.f.price@wellsfargo.com.

SUMMER 2015 MISSION TRIPS PLANNED FOR STUDENTS

The Student Ministries is excited to announce that we are going on two mission trips this summer! High school and college students will be going on a trip to the Bahamas from June 28-July 4, 2015. Middle school students will be going on a mission trip to West Virginia from July 12-17, 2015. If you are interested in going on either one of the trips or would like more information, please contact Jay. Space is limited, so don't wait!

ON THIS COMMUNION SUNDAY ...

We share the addresses of some of our members with health concerns who would like to hear from you. There are cards in the Welcome Folders. Won't you take a moment to write to them? Please address the card. You may mail it or place it at the altar rail or in the offering plate for us to mail.

Sue & Cal Anderson

1111 Wynnewood Ave
High Point, NC 27262

Henry Dowdy

3540 Wildflower Dr., Unit 521
Greensboro, NC 2741

Ways to GIVE

HAVE YOU TURNED IN YOUR 2015 PLEDGE CARD?

To date, we have received nearly \$1.7M in pledged financial support of our 2015 operating budget. If you have already submitted a 2015 pledge card, thank you. If you have not yet submitted pledge card, please do so today. You may submit your pledge card by:

- Mailing your completed pledge card to the church; or
- Returning your pledge card to the Front Desk; or
- Submitting a pledge card on-line at <http://www.wesley memorial.org/gifts>;
- Or using this QR code:



DONATIONS NEEDED TO FILL THE BACKPACKS

Will you help us feed children experiencing hunger in our community? We need donations of the following items: **Granola Bars, Fruit Cups, Juice Boxes, non-refrigerated single serve milk and Individual Cereal Boxes.**



Look for giving stations in the Sanctuary Narthex, Chapel Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby and Giving Bins near the Front Desk.



Wesley Memorial has a new video on our website to help visitors get to know our congregation. Check it out!

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CALENDAR - January 4, 2015 - January 11, 2015

Sunday, January 4, 2015

- Explore Wesley Memorial Coffee, 9:45 am, Asbury Room
- Explore Wesley Memorial Coffee, 12:00 pm, Asbury Room
- Student Ministry Small Groups, Middle and High School Girls 6:00 pm / Boys 7:00 pm, Underground

Monday, January 5, 2015

- Revival Study, 9:15 am, Conf. Rm. #3
- Jean Stockton's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- Congregational Care Team, 5:15 pm, Circle View Room
- Youth Mission Meeting (WV Trip), 7:00 pm, Underground
- Youth Mission Meeting (Bahamas), 8:00 pm, Underground

Tuesday, January 6, 2015

- Mission & Community Impact Team, 7:00 pm, Circle View Rm.

Wednesday, January 7, 2015

- Mid-Week Communion, 11:00 am, Chapel
- Revival Bible Study Lunch, 12:00 pm, Dining Hall
(Cost is \$5 for the soup-and-sandwich combo. Call the church office by 4:30 pm on Monday to make a reservation.)
- Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:30 pm, 6 Grade / A&C
- Wednesday Dinner, 5:30 pm, Dining Hall
(Menu: Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Bread, Dessert & Tea. Call the church office at 884-2204 to make a reservation. Cost is \$6 -adults, \$3 -youth 14-18, and free for those under 14.)
- Confirmation Class, 5:30 pm, Underground
- Revival Study, 6:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Paths of Grace, 6:30 pm, D213 Media Center
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:45 pm, Conf. Rm. #2
- Men's Bible Study, 7:00 pm, Circle View Room

Thursday, January 8, 2015

- Student Ministry Breakfast Club, 7:00 am, Chick-fil-A
- Adult Handbell Rehearsal, 7:00 pm, E204

Saturday, January 10, 2015

- Praise Team Rehearsal, 9:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, January 11, 2015

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship 8:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Contemporary Worship 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- Student Ministries Ice Skating Event, 7-9 pm

WELCOME VISITORS!

Thank you so much for joining us today in worship. If this is your first time worshipping with us, **please help yourself to a blue Wesley Memorial reusable tote bag as our gift to you.** Inside you will find information about our church. We also invite you to take our First Time Visitor Survey found on the homepage of our website. We hope you will return to worship with us again!

Our faithfulness in attendance December 28, 2014

All Worship Services: 310

(Goal 505)

CONNECT • GROW • SERVE

OUR CLERGY & MINISTRY STAFF:

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Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministries

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In the event of an emergency, you simply need to call the main number, 884-2204. You will then **choose option 1.** It is available 24/7 and will connect you with a pastor.