

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 - MARCH 5, 2017
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Traditional Worship in the Chapel
8:30 am

Contemporary Worship in the Fellowship Hall
8:30 am & 9:45 am

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
11:00 am

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The Worship of God

Chapel

March 5, 2017

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.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Priere..... Felix Borowski

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are the people whose sins are forgiven!

God's forgiveness is poured on them as a healing balm.

Happy are the people who place their trust in God.

God's presence is their guide and their strength.

Come, let us worship the God who forgives and heals us.

Let us celebrate God's presence with us each day.

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Holy One,

**we are constantly bombarded
with temptations and enticements.**

**When we yield, when we fail,
who will help us?**

You, Lord, have come to our aid.

**You teach us, counsel us, and guide us
in the ways we should go.**

We rejoice in your unfailing love. Amen.

† HYMN No. 73

O Worship the King.....LYONS

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

ANTHEM

Hearken! Stay Close To Jesus Christ.....arr. Clarence Dickinson

Wesley Singers: Michaela Kelly, Brittany Griffin, Walker Brown, Stephen Saxon

Hearken! Stay close to Jesus Christ; let His spirit lead you; know that He is ever with you, that His loving care never faileth. For this He came from heaven and took upon Him our flesh and blood, for our salvation became man, and suffered death. His saving power blesses all the world; no one is outside His mercy; He redeems us from all our sins, He makes us one with God; to share with him eternal life.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11 (NT pg. 3)

SERMON

Al Ward

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites to his table . . . before God and one another.

Gracious and merciful God, you see into the secret places of our hearts, where we mourn our sins. Look with mercy on our contrite hearts, wash from us the stain of iniquity, and create a new and right spirit in us, that we may declare your praise and offer an acceptable sacrifice in these Lenten days; through Christ Jesus, who bore our sins on the cross. Amen.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY No. 95

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings FlowOLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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All Who Hunger HOLY MANNA

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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SHARING THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days LAND OF REST

† BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

O God, My Strength and Fortitude George Dyson

† Please stand as you are able.

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Michaela Kelly, Brittany Griffin, Walker Brown, Stephen Saxon, Wesley Singers; Frank Pifferetti, Organist.

Service Notes:

The Call to Worship and Opening Prayer are taken from ministrymatters.com.

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Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:30 am

March 5, 2017

The Beginning 9:45 am

Gathering Music

Lift Your Head Weary Sinner David Crowder

Beautiful Things Gungor

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

Spirit of The Living God Vertical Church

Scripture

Matthew 4:1-11

Message

Erin Beall

Holy Communion

Reprise

Closing

If you are gluten intolerant, we 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; Keith Byrd, Director of Contemporary Music; **The Horizon Praise Team.**

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Horizon

Horizon Worship Services include The Gathering at 8:30 am and The Beginning at 9:45 am on Sunday mornings. Both services meet in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome!

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Sanctuary

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Call To Worship..... Dale Grotenhuis

Chancel Choir

The Lord our God is in his holy temple. Come worship and bow down before him. Let us enter into his courts with praise. Praise his holy name.

Please stand as you are able.

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

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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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SHARING THE EUCHRIST

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN No. 269

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days..... LAND OF REST

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Benediction..... Howard Coble

Chancel Choir

May the Lord bless you. May the Lord keep you. May the Lord show his face to you and give you peace. Amen.

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

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Ushers for March: Laura Amos, Nancy Ilderton, Bill Levina, Howard Regan, Pat Rosser, Craig Skillman, Rex Walser.

Greeters: Carol Hutchins, Laney Morris, Don Scarborough.

Thanks and Praise ~

... to Barbara Frye for her service as Communion Steward today and to Martha Redmond for her service on Altar Guild in March.

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.

Horace Steadman

1568 Skeet Club Rd. (Rm #31)
High Point, NC 27265

Debbie Pedersen

2205 Van Buren St.
High Point, NC 27260

Ways to CONNECT

LIVE ALIVE EVENTS ON TUESDAY, MARCH 21

Live Alive gatherings are for adults 55+ to enjoy and fellowship. Activities begin at 10 am. All readers are invited to visit the Live Alive Book Club at 10:30 am in the Small Dining Room. Our program will be presented by Dick Thomas from Piedmont Environmental Center. Our lunch menu is Meatloaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread and Dessert. Please register by Friday, March 17 by calling the Front Desk (336-884-2204).



STOP BY AND VISIT THE NEW BRIDGE CAFÉ IN THE LOBBY



Do you worship at 8:30 am and have 15 free minutes between service and Sunday School? Or maybe you arrive a little early for Sunday School? Perhaps you're a newer member or visitor and looking to casually connect with WMUMC folks? Come and hang out at The Bridge Café!

The Lobby between the Fellowship Hall & Dining Hall will play host to Wesley Memorial's new hangout spot. Coffee, donuts, and places to mingle and chat between, before, or after services and classes—every Sunday morning! We look forward to seeing you there!

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

Our 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 and thoughtful care without judgment. If you are grieving a loss, dreading the holiday season, struggling with divorce, or any other life transition, contact Stephen Minister Mike Flack at 336-812-3559 or speak to a pastor.

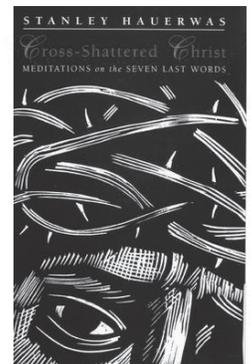


**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Ways to GROW

JOIN US FOR A LENTEN STUDY: WEDNESDAY EVENINGS MARCH 8 – APRIL 5

Lent is one of the most special seasons in the life of the Church, as we journey from Ash Wednesday through Holy Week and finally Easter. During this time of penitence and reflection, one of the most fruitful topics for study is that of the Seven Last Words of Christ. Time Magazine-named "America's Best Theologian" Stanley Hauerwas has a book on just this subject titled *The Cross-Shattered Christ*. Join Rev. Erin Beall Wednesdays in Lent, 6:30-7:45 (after dinner) in the Circle View Room, as we delve into this intriguing and beautiful text on our journey through Lent. Books and registration available at the Front Desk for \$15. Childcare available as needed.



MIDWEEK COMMUNION & BIBLE STUDY LUNCH SESSIONS ON WEDNESDAYS

The Midweek Communion service led by Rev. Jared Stine begins at 11 am on Wednesdays in the Chapel. Led by Dr. Al Ward, the study begins at 12 noon in the Dining Hall. 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.

Ways to SERVE

IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3 TO SERVE AT OUR FATHER'S TABLE

Volunteers are needed to serve at the Father's Table (Open Door Ministry). This program makes it possible for men, women and children of all ages who are in need, to receive a hot meal at no cost. If you want to serve, all you need to do is (1) sign up through Julie Price at 336-869-0672, (2) show up at Our Father's Table on 400 N. Centennial St in High Point for your scheduled meal, and (3) serve a hot meal to the guests. Meals are served 3 times a day, seven days a week.

YOU CAN HELP WORK IN THE COMMUNITY GARDEN



In just a few weeks, we will begin preparing our garden beds for the spring planting. If you can lend a hand preparing the garden beds in Wesley Memorial's community garden, contact Bob Bass at 336-882-1163.

Ways to GIVE

HELP FEED CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN HIGH POINT WHO WOULD OTHERWISE GO WITHOUT

Feeding Lisa's Kids is a grassroots movement started by Lisa Hawley, owner of Southern Roots and member of Wesley Memorial. Last fall, Wesley Memorial embraced Feeding Lisa's Kids as a ministry partner of WMUMC.



Please contact Lisa Hawley at 336-442-5866 if you are interested in helping. Also, you can make a financial contribution to this ministry through Wesley Memorial. To contribute, please write a check to Wesley Memorial and write Feeding Lisa's Kids in the memo line.



HONOR OR REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES THIS EASTER SEASON WITH A LILY

Easter Lilies may be placed on the altar in the Chapel, Sanctuary or Contemporary Worship Services on Easter Sunday in memory or honor of a special person. The lilies will cost \$25.50 each. Call Sue Schoch at 336-812-4811 to reserve your lilies for the worship services of your choice. Deadline for ordering is April 7. Please make your check payable to Wesley Memorial UMC and mail to Tish Schultheiss, P. O. Box 5289, High Point, NC 27262. Please put Easter Lilies in the memo line.

HAVE YOU TRIED GIVING ONLINE?

Visit www.wesleymemorial.org where online giving is available 24/7! Click the link on the left side bar. (First-time users: look for, "Need a log-in?" under the blue box. You will be emailed a password to log-in.)



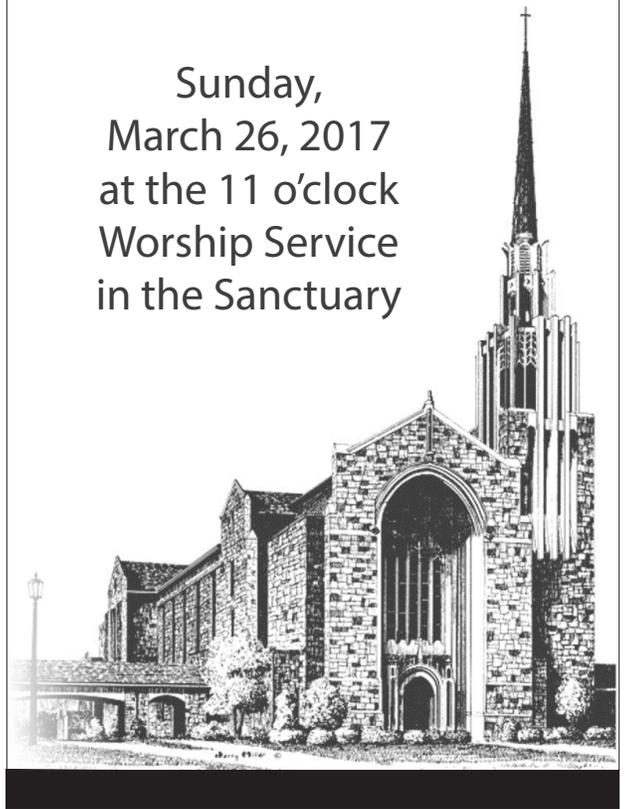
The Chancel Choir of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

Presents

Requiem

by Eleanor Daley

Sunday,
March 26, 2017
at the 11 o'clock
Worship Service
in the Sanctuary



CALENDAR: March 5 - 12, 2017

Sunday, March 5, 2017

- Children's Music, 9:30 am, Children's Gathering Area
- Children, Student & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Wesley Singers Rehearsal, 9:50 am, Sanctuary
- Confirmation Class, 4:00 pm, Underground
- JuBELLation Choir, 4:30 pm, E204 Adult Bell Room
- Bible Explorers / CrossTrainers, 4:45 pm, Children's Gathering Area

Monday, March 6, 2017

- Non-Denominational Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- Congregational Care Team, 5:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

- Evangelism & Hospitality Team, 5:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Facilities Team, 5:30 pm, Circle View Room
- Mission & Community Impact Team, 7:00 pm, Circle View Room

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

- Midweek Communion, 11:00 am, Chapel
- Bible Study Lunch, 12 noon, 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, Arts & Crafts Room
- Wesley Handbell Choir, 4:15 pm, D204 Youth Bell Room
- Handbell Quartet, 4:30 pm, E204 Adult Bell Room
- Wednesday Dinner, 5:30 pm, Dining Hall (*Menu: Meatloaf, Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, and Dessert. Call the church office at 336-884-2204 to make a reservation. Cost is \$6-adults, \$3-youth 14-18, and free for those under 14.*)
- Cross-Shattered Christ, 6:30 pm, Circle View Room
- Soul Food (6th-8th Grades), 6:30 pm, Nelson's Home (1016 Wellington St., High Point)
- Soul Food (9th-12th Grades), 6:30 pm, Soul Cafe
- Chancel Choir, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 9, 2017

- Board of Trustees, 5:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Chancel Bells Rehearsal, 7:00 pm, E204 Bell Room

Saturday, March 11, 2017

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

Sunday, March 12, 2017

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship, 8:30 am & 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Handbell Quartet Rehearsal, 9:15 am, Children's Gathering Area
- Children's Music, 9:30 am, Children's Gathering Area
- Children, Student & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- JuBELLation Choir, 4:30 pm, E204 Adult Bell Room
- Bible Explorers / CrossTrainers, 4:45 pm, Children's Gathering Area

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!

CONNECT • GROW • SERVE

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***In the event of an emergency,
you simply need to call the main number,***

336-884-2204. You will then choose

***option 1. It is available 24/7 and
will connect you with a pastor.***