

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 - APRIL 19, 2015

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

April 26, 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.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Processional on "Lift High the Cross"Donald Busarow

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise be to God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

Praise be to God, the Good Shepherd!

The mercies of God endure forever.

The goodness of God is everlasting.

Praise be to God, who loves us.

Praise be to God, who teaches us to love.

† OPENING PRAYER

† HYMN No. 315 (VERSES 1, 3, 5)

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain..... ST. KEVIN

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

After the new member has affirmed his vows, the pastor shall say:

Members of the household of God, I commend this person to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love.

We give thanks for all God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant to support the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our witness, and our service as together we make and sustain spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Laudamus Te.....Antonio Vivaldi

Teresa Bonavita, soprano; Katie Reide Clark, mezzo-soprano

We praise you, we bless you, we worship you, we glorify you.

† 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!

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Word of God, Come Down on Earth LIEBSTER JESU

SCRIPTURE LESSON

I John 3:16-24

SERMON

"It's the Thought That Counts"

Jared Stine

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Where Charity and Love Prevail ST. PETER

† BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

March on "Lasst Uns Erfreuen" June Nixon

† Please stand as you are able.

Worship Leaders: Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Teresa Bonavita, soprano; Katie Reide Clark, mezzo-soprano; Frank Pifferetti, Organist.

Service Notes:

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Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:45 am

April 26, 2015

The Beginning 9:45 am

Gathering Music

Father, Spirit, Jesus Casting Crowns
Come Reveal Jonathan Stockstill

Welcome and Announcements

Reception of New Members (8:45 am)

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

Word of God Speak Mercy Me

Scripture

1 John 3:16-24

Message

"God is Bigger" Erin Beall (8:45 am)
"It's the Thought That Counts" Jared Stine (9:45 am)

Time of Reflection

Closing

Worship Leaders: Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship (8:45); Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care (9:45); Al Ward, Senior Pastor; 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!

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INTROIT

Sing, Joyous Christians Antonio Lotti

Chancel Choir

Sing, joyous Christians! Sing forth your alleluias! Alleluia!

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM

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PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Turtle Dove.....Margaret Vardell Sandresky

Chancel Choir

Hark! Don't you hear the turtle dove, the token of redeeming love? From hill to hill we hear the sound, the neigh'ring valleys echo round. O Zion, hear the turtle dove, the token of your Saviour's love! She comes the desert land to cheer and welcome in the jubil-year. The winter's past, the rain is o'er, we feel the chilling winds not more. The spring is come, how sweet the view, all things appear divinely new. On Zion's mount the watchmen cry, "The resurrection's drawing nigh." Behold the nations from abroad are flocking to the mount of God. His banner soon will be unfurl'd and He will come to judge the world. On Zion's mountain we shall stand, in Canaan's fair celestial land. When sun and moon shall darken'd be, and flames consume the land and sea, When worlds on worlds together blaze, we'll shout and loud Hosannas raise. Hosanna!

Please stand as you are able.

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HYMN No. 549

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BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Dismissal.....Dale Grotenhuis

Chancel Choir

May the God of hope now fill us with all joy and peace.

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

March on "Lasst Uns Erfreuen".....June Nixon

Worship Leaders: Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministry; Anne Carroll, Director of Music; Chancel Choir; Teresa Bonavita, soprano; Katie Reide Clark, mezzo-soprano; Frank Pifferetti, Organist; Charley Doak, Stuart Nunn, acolytes; Neil Brown, crucifer; Jerry Tucker, Sound Engineer.

Service Notes:

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Ushers for the month of April:

Chris Dudley, Warren Lackey, Britt Lytle, Jobie Redmond, Jr., J.J. Smith, Bruce von der Lippe, Kevin von der Lippe.

Greeters for April:

Bob Bass, Wanna Blanton, Lee Huff, Larry Peters.

Our sympathy to ~

Pete Wilson and family in the death of his mother, Bette L. Pierson Wilson, on April 9, 2015.

Thanks and praise ~

... to Kristy Dudley for coordinating the Confirmation brunch on April 12.

... to all of our Anthem Angels. Since September, 2013 Anthem Angels have provided 29 anthems, 4 major works and 9 handbell pieces for the traditional music library. This is a tremendous gift to worship and allows the choir to sing some of the best and newest sacred music. If you have not heard your anthem yet, keep listening. It will be sung in worship soon.

Don't Forget Your Nametag!

Please remember to wear your nametag on Sunday mornings. You may pick up your nametag at the kiosk in your usual worship space. After worship, you have three options: 1) take your nametag with you, 2) drop it in a return basket, or 3) place it back at a kiosk. Thank you!

Connect with Us on Social Media ~

You can follow Wesley Memorial on Twitter and like us on Facebook to stay up-to-date on the latest posts, photos, and events.



Ways to CONNECT

MYF IS GOING TO THE GREENSBORO GRASSHOPPERS GAME TODAY

For this month's MYF, we are going to the Greensboro Grasshoppers game! Please arrive at the Underground TODAY at 3 PM, and price for the game will be 10 dollars. Don't forget to bring some blankets, because we will be staying in the outfield lawn. **Bring a friend, because they get to go for FREE!** Please bring extra money if you plan on eating at the stadium.

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN LIVE ALIVE THIS TUESDAY, APRIL 21



Live Alive gatherings are for adults 55+ to enjoy and fellowship. Activities begin at 10 am. This month's program will feature Frank Hensley, Associate Pastor of Green Street Baptist and burn victim of the Flat Rock School fire back in the 50's. He will be sharing his story of the fire and how it changed Fire Code Regulations for the state and nation. Lunch is at 11:45 am. If you were unable to make a lunch reservation, bring your lunch and join us anyway.

OLDER ADULT COUNCIL ANNOUNCES RETURN OF GOOD TIME TRIPS

Remember those trips the older adults used to take together, traveling near and far to experience history, art, and adventure together? Thanks to the work of the Older Adult Council, these trips will once again be a part of our ministry here at Wesley Memorial! Our first two trips as listed here will be in conjunction with the High Point Senior Center. Here are our first two trips:

Nashville Show Trip:

July 13-17 (5 days, 4 nights), \$519/person

San Antonio, TX Trip:

Sept. 19-27 (9 days, 8 nights), \$739/person

To register, or for more information, call Becky Bailey at (336-686-6917) or email Jane Blackwell at catlover@northstate.net.

NEED A CHRISTIAN FRIEND TO WALK ALONGSIDE YOU?

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, struggling with divorce, or any other life transition, contact Stephen Minister Mike Flack at 812-3559 or speak to a pastor.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

PLEASE JOIN OUR PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY ON WEDNESDAYS

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has made and delivered over 1,600 shawls, blankets, sweaters and other items to members of our church and community! Join the group on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room. Contact Lee Huff, 887-9165; Karen Sumner, 883-8721 or Linda Dale, 884-5121.

Ways to GROW

YOU'RE INVITED TO CHECK OUT THE ONE WORD SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS AT 9:45 AM IN D205

If you are seeking a Bible-based Sunday School class, please visit One Word. Our members are in their 40s and 50s. One Word studies and discusses books of the Bible, such as Genesis, Acts, and Revelation. Each lesson focuses on one or more chapters of the Bible -- read, explained in everyday language, and discussed. The class seeks to better understand the word of God and who he is. Our class enjoys a warm camaraderie and always welcomes newcomers.

SPRINGFEST CARNIVAL & AUCTION: COMING SUNDAY, MAY 3, 4-7 PM

A Grand Carnival Celebration for Children of All Ages!

Hot Dog Supper prepared by Wesley 100 Men (no reservations – eat anytime)

Silent Auction • Bake Sale • BOGO Scholastic Book Fair • Pony Rides

Everyone's invited to come out and enjoy the variety of intergenerational festivities including carnival attractions: giant slide, climbing wall & moonwalk; games for younger children: duck pond, bean bag toss & buried treasure! Prizes! Fun-food concessions (cotton candy, sno-cones, popcorn) and more! Springfest is our WMS "signature" spring fundraiser ... providing new resources in curriculum, technology and classroom learning tools. Mark your calendars! **Please contact Susan Sumpter or Susan Kelley (884-4232). We'll be delighted if you can help!**

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Donate a new product or service for the silent auction
- Bring a baked good item for us to sell
- Work a game/or dinner buffet line shift: 3:45-5, or 5-6, or 6-7

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Ways to SERVE

WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN?



Wesley Memorial is beginning a gardening partnership with Macedonia Resource Center as well as some "experimental" raised garden plots on our campus. If you would like to be part of this mission initiative, sign-up online at www.wesleymemorial.org.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY EVENT NEXT SATURDAY

Wesley Memorial will participate in a Habitat for Humanity "build" next Saturday, April 25. If you are a skilled or unskilled builder and would like to take part in this "build," contact Jim Holcomb (jhol20@aol.com) for details and to register.



DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR DESIGNING FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS? IF SO, WE COULD USE YOUR HELP.

The Worship Team has approved a new Creative Team to be formed to provide flowers for the Sanctuary and Chapel when needed. If you are interested in helping or just have a question, please contact Laura Amos (889-7575) or Tish Schultheiss at tschultheiss@wesleymemorial.org (812-4808).

Ways to GIVE

NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES - SPECIAL OFFERING

Almost since the beginning, the people called Methodist have been in ministry with Native Americans. When John Wesley came to colonial America in 1737, a part of his ministry was to the "Georgian Indians" (e.g., Cherokee, Choctaw, Chicasaw, Uchee, Creek nations) around Savannah. Native American Methodists have made and continue to make significant contributions to the work and witness of our Church. Triad United Methodist Church in Greensboro is one of the Native American congregations in our Conference. Native American Ministries Sunday, the third Sunday in April – recognizes this contribution and the special offering helps provide seminary scholarships and empower outreach across the church. Please consider contributing to the special offering being collected today.

WM "SCHOOL SPIRIT NIGHT!" AT CHICK-FIL-A



Stop by the Chick-fil-A on North Main Street in High Point (near Walmart) tomorrow evening Monday, April 20 from 5-8 pm and join the fun & fellowship as our church & school families get together for a meal. Tell the restaurant staff that you are from "Wesley Memorial" and our school will receive a donation of 15% of total Wesley Memorial receipts from this night! We hope to have a BIG TURN-OUT, so please come! If you are too busy to eat with us, your purchase at the drive-thru will support our school, too.

CALENDAR: April 19 - April 26, 2015

Sunday, April 19, 2015

- Wesley Memorial 101, 9:45 am, Circle View Room
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Youth Handbell Rehearsal, 2:15-2:45 pm, E204
- MYF - Greensboro Grasshopper Game, 3:00 pm

Monday, April 20, 2015

- Jean Stockton's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- DivorceCare, 6:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Worship Team Meeting, 7:00 pm, Circle View Room

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

- Live Alive Events, 10:30 am, Fellowship Hall
- Church Council, 5:30 pm, Circle View Room

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

- Mid-Week Communion, 11:00 am, Chapel
- 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, Arts & Crafts Room
- Wednesday Dinner, 5:30 pm, Dining Hall (Menu: Gumbo, Rice, Salad, Corn Bread and Dessert. Children's menu is Pizza. Call the church office at 884-2204 to make a reservation. Cost is \$6-adults, \$3 ages 14-18, and free for those under 14.)
- Spring Workshop Leaders Meeting, 6:00 pm, Underground
- Falling Upward Study, 6:30 pm, Media Center
- Men's Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Circle View Room
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 23, 2015

- Student Ministry Breakfast Club, 7:00 am, Chick-fil-A
- Financial Strategies Team, 5:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Adult Handbell Rehearsal, 7:00 pm, E204

Saturday, April 25, 2015

- Habitat for Humanity Event, 8:00 am, Off-site
- Praise Team Rehearsal, 9:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 26, 2015

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship 8:45 and 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Wesley Memorial 101, 9:45 am, Circle View Room
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- Children's Ministry Team, 4:00 pm, Children's Gathering Space
- Chancel Choir to Pennybyrn, 6:15 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 April 12, 2015

All Worship Services: 509

(Goal 505)

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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.