

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 26, 2015
FOURTH 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

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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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Sanctuary

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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!

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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

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

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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.

Welcome ~

Today we welcome new members to our church during the following services:

8:30 – Fred Isenhower

8:45 – James Moss, Eric & Keelah Voll

11:00 – Ashley & Lee Tillery

Acknowledgments ~

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Hailey Tout and Samuel Sirmons.

Our sympathy to ~

... to the family of Virginia (Ginny) Gibson Griffith who died on April 21, 2015.

... to Bill Coble in the death of his father, George William Coble, on April 5, 2015. (Bill was Director of Student Ministries at Wesley Memorial.)

Thanks and praise ~

... to Jimmy Carroll who prepared last Sunday's bulletin and to Caroline McGuinn and Louise Campbell who fold and stuff the bulletin each week.

... to those who have brought in "after the season" Easter eggs to get a head start on next year. We have been able to collect 3,500 of the 4,000 eggs we hope to have for next year. This is such a big help – Thank you.

On behalf of Lilly Sheffield, Megan Adelette, and Moregan Kelley, Cadets in the Wesley Memorial Girl Scout Troop 190, we would like to thank everyone who contributed to the collection of caps and lids for our Silver Award Project. With every possible color collected we have thousands of caps and lids to create an art piece that will be displayed around the community of High Point to bring awareness about the importance of RECYCLING!

Ways to CONNECT

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?



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

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

Ways to GROW

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE ONE WORD SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

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. We meet at 9:45 am in D205.

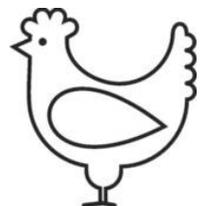
WESLEY 100 CHICKEN 'N FIXINS FUNDRAISER DINNER

Friday, May 15, 5:30 - 7:00 pm in the Dining Hall
Dine-in or Take-outs Available

Menu: BBQ Chicken, Slaw, Beans, Bread, Dessert & Beverage

\$10 per ticket (Children under 12 are free)
Tickets are available at the Front Desk, from any Wesley 100 member, or at the door.

Come for great food and fellowship to benefit Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church in Reidsville, NC. Their Sanctuary and Education Building were destroyed by fire earlier this year.



Ways to SERVE

WANT TO SING FOR THE SUMMER IN THE CHOIR?

If you do not want to make a permanent commitment to singing in the Chancel Choir but would like to help us out in the summer months when many choir members are out of town and most of our choral scholars are gone, please contact Anne Carroll or just come to Wednesday rehearsals. Check the church calendar because we take some Wednesdays off in summer.

WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR NEW COMMUNITY GARDEN PROJECT?

We will be helping build raised garden beds at Macedonia Family Resource Center on Saturday, May 2, 2015. If you would like to help, please register at www.wesleymemorial.org/community-garden. At the same website, you may also register to help build some raised beds at Wesley Memorial and/or plant a garden in one of the raised beds on our campus.



ENJOY WORKING WITH FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS?

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).



WANT TO VOLUNTEER AT THE FATHER'S TABLE?

If you are interested in serving with the folks at Open Door Ministry, you may sign up at www.wesleymemorial.org/table. 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. This is a great opportunity for families and small groups!

Ways to GIVE

HELP US FILL THE BACKPACKS TO FEED THE KIDS



Will you help us feed children experiencing hunger in our community? We need donations of protein items and juice. Look for specially marked bins in the Sanctuary Narthex, Chapel Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby and near the Front Desk.

GIVING ONLINE IS QUICK & CONVENIENT

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.



CARNIVAL & AUCTION: NEXT 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, snowcones, 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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NURSERY • PRESCHOOL • KINDERGARTEN

CALENDAR: April 26 - May 3, 2015

Sunday, April 26, 2015

- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Children's Ministry Team, 4:00 pm, Children's Gathering Space
- Chancel Choir to Pennybyrn, 6:15 pm

Monday, April 27, 2015

- Jean Stockton's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- DivorceCare, 6:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Victoria Qubein Committee, 5:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #2
- Worship Team, 7:00 pm, Circle View Room

Wednesday, April 29, 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: Ground Chuck Patty, Potato Salad, Broccoli/Cauliflower Salad, Bread and Dessert. 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.)
- Falling Upward Study, 6:30 pm, Circle View Room
- Men's Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Chancel Choir Practice, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, April 30, 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, May 2, 2015

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

Sunday, May 3, 2015

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship 8:45 and 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- WM School SpringFest Carnival, 4:00 pm, Back Lawn
- Youth Handbell Rehearsal, 5:00 pm, E204
- Student Ministry Small Groups, Middle and High School Girls 6:00 pm / Boys 7:00 pm, Underground

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 19, 2015

All Worship Services: 303

(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.