

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 - MAY 3, 2015 FIFTH 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

May 3, 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

Benedictus..... Alec Rowley

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

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with the congregation of the faithful,

**we lay down our fears,
to boldly sing God's praise.**

Here in the vineyard of the Lord,
with our sisters and brothers in Christ,

**grandparents tell stories of faith
to little ones sitting on their laps.**

Here where God waits to serve us at the Table:

**we shall be so filled with love
that we will run to serve others.**

† OPENING PRAYER

† HYMN No. 660

God Is Here ABBOT'S LEIGH

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 8:26-40

SERMON

Al Ward

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

O Divine Redeemer..... Charles Gounod

Michaela Kelly, soprano

Ah! Turn me not away, receive me, tho' unworthy! Hear Thou my cry, behold, Lord, my distress! Answer me from thy throne. Haste Thee, Lord, to mine aid, Thy pity show in my deep anguish! Let not the sword of vengeance smite me, tho' righteous thine anger, O Lord!

Shield me in danger, O regard me! On Thee, Lord, alone will I call. O divine Redeemer! I pray Thee, grant me pardon, and remember not my sins! Forgive me. Night gathers round my soul; fearful, I cry to Thee; come to mine aid, O Lord! Haste Thee, Lord to help me! Hear my cry! Save me Lord, in Thy mercy; Save, in the day of retribution, from Death shield Thou me, O my God! Help me, my Savior!

† **DOXOLOGY No. 94**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings FlowLASST 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. 613**

O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread LAND OF REST

GREAT THANKSGIVING

UM Hymnal P. 13

LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

† **HYMN No. 614**

For the Bread Which You Have Broken FOR THE BREAD

† **BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Pageant Raymond Weidner

† Please stand as you are able.

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; **Michaela Kelly**, soprano; **Frank Pifferetti**, Organist.

We welcome our newest member, Fred Isenhower, who is joining our congregation today.

Service Notes:

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Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:45 am

May 3, 2015

The Beginning 9:45 am

Gathering Music

Great are You Lord All Sons and Daughters

Sing, Sing, Sing Chris Tomlin

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

Remembrance Matt Maher

Scripture

Acts 8:26-40

Message

"What Is to Prevent Us?" Erin Beall

Holy Communion

Closing

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

May 3, 2015

11 am

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Benedictus..... Alec Rowley

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing..... Gordon Young

Chancel Choir

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise. That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise. Sing Alleluia!

Please stand as you are able.

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OPENING PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 660

God Is Here ABBOT'S LEIGH

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Please be seated.

UM Hymnal No. 881

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM

Rejoice, The Lord Is King Robert Lau

Chancel Choir

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph ever more. Lift up you heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice! Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love who purged our sins and took the royal seat above. God's kingdom cannot fail, Christ rules o'er earth and heav'n. The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n. Rejoice in glorious hope! For Christ, the judge, shall come to glorify the saints for their eternal home.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

UM Hymnal No. 12

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Last Sunday's anthem, "The Turtle Dove" was purchased by Bob and Sallie Amos in honor of our building facilities staff: Keith, Tommy, Darren, Fred and Phillip, for the excellent way they care for our building.

(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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Ushers for the month of May:

Michael Amos, Martha Bass, Ron Crowder, Chris Fievet, Kem McAllister, George Morris, Ardith Pugh, Grayson Frye, Mary Lyle Frye.

Greeters for May:

Bill Bradner, Brian Bunch, Jerry Tucker, Kay Tucker

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

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UM Hymnal No. 23

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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HYMN No. 614

For the Bread Which You Have Broken FOR THE BREAD

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

God Be In My Head John Rutter

Chancel Choir

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in mine heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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Thanks and praise ~

... to the Early Childhood Committee of WMS for hosting our Spring Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. Thanks also to Bill Anderson for sharing an inspiring message.

... to Sallie Ann Church, WMS parent, for purchase of eggs and setup of a hatching incubator in our Kgt Fives classroom. The children are the proud parents of 7 little chicks! They are now observing the process with Quail eggs.

... to all who attended the "Grandparents Raising Grandchildren" reception event so that WMS could honor you!

... to WMS teachers, students & families and church members who supported the Chick-Fil-A School Spirit Night – we were awarded \$150.82 (15% receipts) for WMS Scholarships.

ON THIS COMMUNION SUNDAY ~ we share the addresses of some of our members with health concerns that would like to hear from you. There are Care Cards in the Welcome Folders. Won't you take a moment to write to them? Please address the card. You may mail it yourself or place it at the altar rail or in the offering plate for us to mail:

M.L. Koebberling
820 Quaker Lane
High Point, NC 27262

Leo Skidmore
1706 Bristol Place
High Point, NC 27262

Ways to CONNECT

ATTENTION PROUD PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS!

Let us know about your college graduate! Call or e-mail Tish Schultheiss at 812-4808 or tschultheiss@wesleymemorial.org. Let us know your graduate's full name, name of college and degree. These will be listed in an upcoming issue of the HeartBeat newsletter.

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED JOINING THE CHOIR JUST FOR THE SUMMER?

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.

FACING DIFFICULTY? NEED A CHRISTIAN FRIEND TO WALK ALONGSIDE YOU?

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.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY — WONDERFUL FELLOWSHIP FOR A GREAT CAUSE

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has made and delivered over 1,600 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 JOIN 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.

Music Camp

June 22-25, 2015 9 am - 12 noon

(For Children in Grades 2-5)

Our theme is "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"
Singing, Drama, Liturgical Dance, and Chime Playing!

Register By June 5 at:
www.wesleymemorial.org



A Grand Carnival Celebration for Children of All Ages!

CARNIVAL & AUCTION: TODAY FROM 4-7 PM

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. **Please join us this afternoon!**

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

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

**Visit with Girl Scout Cadettes as they promote RECYCLING.
Help create a mosaic mural of bottle caps!**

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Ways to SERVE

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@wesley Memorial.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.wesley Memorial.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 to serve together and support our community!

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.wesley Memorial.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.



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.*

CALENDAR: May 3 - May 10, 2015

Sunday, May 3, 2015

- Youth Handbell Rehearsal, 9:15 am, E204
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Church Camp Planning Meeting, 12:00 noon, Underground
- WM School SpringFest Carnival, 4:00 pm, Back Lawn

Monday, May 4, 2015

- Jean Stockton's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- Congregational Care Team, 5:15 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- DivorceCare, 6:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3

Tuesday, May 5, 2015

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

Wednesday, May 6, 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: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, 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, May 7, 2015

- Student Ministry Breakfast Club, 7:00 am, Chick-fil-A
- Youth Service Project, 5:00 pm, Ward Street Mission
- Adult Handbell Rehearsal, 7:00 pm, E204

Saturday, May 9, 2015

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

Sunday, May 10, 2015

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship 8:45 and 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Youth Handbell Rehearsal, 9:15 am, Sanctuary
- Explore Wesley Memorial Coffee, 9:45 am, Asbury Room
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary

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 26, 2015

All Worship Services: 433

(Goal 505)

CONNECT • GROW • SERVE

OUR CLERGY & MINISTRY STAFF:

Dr. Al Ward, Senior Pastor

812-4808; award@wesleymemorial.org

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& Contemporary Worship

812-4815; ebeall@wesleymemorial.org

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Anne Carroll, Director of Music Ministries

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Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministries

812-4804; dfoust@wesleymemorial.org

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.