

# Welcome to WESLEY MEMORIAL

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of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world.

**SUNDAY - MAY 21, 2017**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**ALPHA & OMEGA SUNDAY**

*Congratulations to:*

Roy Parker Clinard	Benjamin Rhodes Lytle
Ian Thomas Craig	Maia Nicole Moore
Madison Elizabeth Dyson	Jane Chandler Nunn
Elizabeth Kaemlyn Forester	Lee Coker Payne
John Morgan Forester	Samuel Clay Phillips
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Lauren Catherine Griffith	Stephanie Elise Thomas
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# The Worship of God

Chapel

May 21, 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

*O Filii et Filiae (O Sons and Daughters) with Variations*.....John E. West

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and celebrate!

Shout joyfully to the Lord, your God!

Glorify him with your praise!

**Everything on earth will worship you;  
they will sing your praises,  
shouting your name in joyful songs.**

Come and see what our God has done,  
what awesome things he has done for us!

**Let the whole world bless our God and sing his praise.  
For our lives are in his hands,  
and he keeps our feet from stumbling.**

### †OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**God of love, plant us in the soil of your grace.**

**Nurture us with the strength of Christ. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your**

**Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide  
in you and live in your love. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

### †HYMN No. 89

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*.....HYMN OF JOY

### †AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

### †GLORIA PATRI

UM Hymnal No. 71

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

UM Hymnal No. 895

### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*Intermezzo* .....Flor Peeters

### †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!**

† **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

† **HYMN No. 732**

*Come, We That Love the Lord*..... ST. THOMAS

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

John 14:15-21 (NT pg. 109)

**SERMON**

Al Ward

† **HYMN No. 453**

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*..... MORE LOVE TO THEE

† **BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Jesus Lives!*..... Malcolm Archer

† Please stand as you are able.

**Worship Leaders:** Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Frank Pifferetti, Organist.

**Service Notes:**

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# Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:30 am

May 21, 2017

The Beginning 9:45 am

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## Gathering Music

*Joyful, Joyful* Casting Crowns

*The Same Love* Paul Baloche

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prayer Concerns and Prayer

## Offering

*Spirit of the Living God* Vertical Church Band

## Scripture

John 14:15-21

## Message

Erin Beall

## Time of Reflection

Reprise

## Closing

**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!

# The Worship of God

Sanctuary

May 21, 2017

11 am

## OPENING VOLUNTARIES

*Reflections Of Peace*..... Jason Krug  
*Diadem* .....arr. Howard Starks

Chancel Bells

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INTROIT

*Come, Ye That Love The Lord*.....arr. Alice Parker

Chancel Choir

*Come, ye that love the Lord and let your love be known; Join in a song of sweet accord And thus surround the throne. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God; But favorites of the heavenly King May speak their joys abroad.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

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## OPENING PRAYER

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**Nurture us with the strength of Christ. Enlighten us with the wisdom of your Spirit, which flows through us today and all days. Abide in us, that we may abide in you and live in your love. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 89

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*.....HYMN TO JOY

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

*Please be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*After the parents' profession of faith, the pastor asks the congregation:*

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

**We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include *Rhett* in your care?

**We will.**

*After the baptism, the pastor asks the congregation:*

Will you welcome our new brother in Christ?

**Through baptism we are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.**

## Welcome!

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We rejoice in the baptisms of **Rhett Lee Winston Petty**, son of Austin and Sarah Petty, and welcome him into the family of Christ. Grandparents are Jim and Becki Arrington of Greensboro, NC, Kyle Petty of Charlotte, NC, Pattie Petty of Nashville, TN. Great grandparent is Richard Petty of Randleman, NC.

**HYMN No. 608**

*This Is the Spirit's Entry Now* (vv. 1 & 3) .....AZMON

***This is the Spirit's entry now: the water and the word, the cross of Jesus; on your brow, the seal both felt and heard.***

***Renewing Spirit, hear our praise for your baptismal power that washes us through all our days. Lord, cleanse again this hour.***

**RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES**

**PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

UM Hymnal No. 895

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*O Sons and Daughters* .....Paul Sjolund

Chancel Choir

*O sons and daughters of the King, Whom heavenly hosts in glory sing, Today the grave has lost its sting: Alleluia! On this most holy day of days To God your hearts and voices raise In songs of joy and shouts of praise: Alleluia! And we the holy Church unite, As evermore is just and right, In glory to the King of light.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

**DOXOLOGY No. 94**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* .....LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**HYMN No. ???**

*Lord, Speak to Me* .....CANONBURY

*Please be seated.*

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**SERMON**

Al Ward

*Please stand as you are able.*

**HYMN No. 453**

*More Love to Thee, O Christ* .....MORE LOVE TO THEE

**BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Amen* .....Dale Grotenhuis

Chancel Choir

**CHIMES OF THE TRINITY**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Grand Choeur Dialogue* .....Eugène Gigout

**Worship Leaders:**

**Al Ward**, Senior Pastor; **Erin Beall**, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; **Jared Stine**, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; **Debbie Foust**, Director of Children's Ministries; **Anne Carroll**, Director of Music Ministries; **Chancel Choir**; **Frank Pifferetti**, Organist; **Caroline Boger, Elizabeth Boger**, Acolytes; **Hampton Helsabeck**, Crucifer; **Susan Ravenel**, Altar Guild; **Dave McCoy**, Sound Engineer.

Today is the last day for Wesley Singers Michaela Kelly and Wesley McCleary-Small. We thank them and wish them God's Blessings in all their endeavors.

**Service Notes:**

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**Ushers for May:**

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

**Greeters:** Bill Bradner, Brian Bunch, Jerry Tucker, Kay Tucker.

## Our Sympathy to ~

Brett Barbour and family in the death of his father, Dr. Earl Barbour, on May 15, 2017.

## Acknowledgments ~

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Monte and Cindy Webb to the Glory of God and in honor of TJ Webb and the Alpha & Omega graduates. We celebrate their wonderful accomplishments and pray their lives are blessed with faith, hope, goodness and love.

The wedding flowers in the Narthex are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Mrs. Beryl Dills Mashburn, and in loving memory of Mrs. Helen Hepler Bradner, Mr. Roy Saunders Bradner, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Ray Dixon, Mr. Glenn Lee Nifong, Mrs. Pattie Odessa Nifong and Mr. Daniel Stevenson Mashburn.

## Thanks and Praise ~

... to the throngs of church and school family volunteers for making WMS SPRINGFEST CARNIVAL a big success with your donations and leading of games. Special appreciation to: Early Childhood Team for overall coordination; Wesley 100 Men and Cindy Dominick for the hot dog supper, UMW Circle #8 for serving, Chris Massey for facilities set up, and to Officer David Needham for security. Springfest was such a JOYFUL event for the children!

... to Patty McLarty, Dianna Carter, Phillip Leach, George McLarty, Bob Carter, Gloria Adams, Martha Bass, Carolyn Shaw, Betty Jeanne Day, Claire Wilson, Kindra Ingram, Carol Huff, Cindy Webb and Susan Sumpter for sharing their time, talents and service in Chancel Bells.

## Ways to CONNECT



# Class of 2017

## HONORING OUR GRADUATES

Our seniors will process in their cap & gowns and be honored during the 11 am Alpha & Omega worship service today. Following the service, all 6th-12th grade students, their families and friends are invited to join our 2017 Seniors and their families in the Dining Hall for a special luncheon. We will have a **FREE CATERED** meal for your entire family. We will have a special scholarship presentation, senior gift presentation, senior picture slideshow and fellowship! We are excited to celebrate our seniors with all of student ministry families!

## CHURCH CAMP 2017: JUNE 11-16 AT VALLE CRUSIS

This retreat event is open to all 6th-12th grade students and their friends. WMUMC Members and Non-Members may join us at Church Camp 2017. Standard Registration runs May 1-31 (\$350.00 per student). 2 options for payment: \$150 down or pay in full. \$150 is non-refundable. Deposit for each registration period is \$150 minimum and other payment option available can be to pay in full according to time of payment.

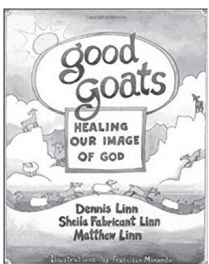
### PROUD PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS!

Let us know about your college graduate. Contact Kim Suda at 336-812-4806 or ksuda@wesleymemorial.org. Let us know your graduate's full name, college and degree. These will be listed in the *HeartBeat*.

## Ways to GROW

### EXECUTING GRACE: A CHRISTIAN EXAMINATION OF THE DEATH PENALTY - NEW COMERS WELCOME

Since the death penalty was reinstated in 1976, there have been 1,448 executions in the United States. 43 were in North Carolina, and our state presently has 155 men and women on death row. What is the proper Christian response? What is the position of our denomination, and what are we supposed to do? This course will utilize numerous resources, from books like *Executing Grace* by Shane Claiborne and *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson, to movies like *Dead Man Walking* starring Susan Sarandon, to art and music from real NC death row inmates. The class will meet Sundays in May, 6:00-7:30, with dinner included, and will cost \$25 per person. Childcare is available by request.



### THE ADULT SPIRITUAL FORMATION TEAM ANNOUNCES 2017 SUMMER READING BOOK

The wait is over! We are finally announcing our summer book: *Good Goats* by Dennis, Matthew, and Sheila Linn. This fantastic little book tackles the tougher topics of our faith gently and intimately. Focusing on "Healing Our Image of God," the authors invite readers to consider whether concepts like judgment, damnation, and hell are truly compatible with the merciful Jesus we encounter in the Bible. Mature students are also invited to read along. Books will be available at the Front Desk beginning June 1. Keep your eyes peeled for dates when we'll meet to discuss what we've read throughout the summer.

## Ways to SERVE

### WANT TO SUPPORT HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS FOR THOSE IN NEED RIGHT HERE IN HIGH POINT?

The Congregational Care team is seeking individuals and groups to help provide a dinner once a month for employees and volunteers at the Community Clinic on Main St. Each Thursday, staff and volunteers stay late into the evening to serve patients. We need folks who would be willing to bring a healthy meal for fifteen people on the fourth Thursday of each month. June 22, July 27, and August 24 are available. Contact Jared Stine or Nancy McKenzie, Congregational Care Chair, to serve or learn more. This makes a great service project for families, too!

### VOLUNTEER TO SERVE IN OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN

The "garden guys and gals" have planted ten beds of potatoes in our campus garden. When these potatoes mature they will be donated to Our Father's Table at Open Door Ministries. Our gardeners could really use some help this spring and summer. For more information, or to volunteer, contact Bob Bass (336-882-1163) or Al Ward (award@wesleymemorial.org).

## Ways to GIVE

### CHURCH CAMP 2017 SCHOLARSHIPS NEEDED TO ASSIST STUDENTS IN PAYING FOR CAMP

We are so excited for all the 6th-12th grade students to go to Church Camp 2017 this summer at Valle Crucis Conference Center in Banner Elk, NC. We need your help! Please consider partnering with our student ministry by helping with church camp scholarships this year so everyone has an opportunity to hear God's word and be in community with one another during a week in the mountains. We don't want money to ever be the reason for a student not to go to camp! Please contact Steven Nelson if you are interested in giving a church camp scholarship or if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued care, support and prayers for our families and students!

### HAVE YOU TRIED GIVING ONLINE?

Visit [www.wesleymemorial.org](http://www.wesleymemorial.org) where online giving is available 24/7! It's quick, easy and convenient.

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.)



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# MISSION

## DAY CAMP FOR KIDS

**Date:** Thursday, June 22, 2017  
**Time:** 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Who:** 3rd - 5th Graders  
**Cost:** FREE

Pick up registration form on the  
Elementary Hall or Contact Debbie Foust:  
[dfoust@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:dfoust@wesleymemorial.org)  
or 336-812-4804



### AL AND MIRIAM WARD: CELEBRATING A LIFETIME OF SERVICE

For the past six years, Dr. Al Ward has had a profound impact on the life and ministry of Wesley Memorial. As you know, Dr. Ward has announced his plans to retire after 46 years in active ministry effective July 1, 2017. We will gather to honor Al's ministry June 4 at one Celebration Service, with Al preaching, at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. Afterward, please join us for a picnic with a free catered lunch. Please let us know if you plan to attend the picnic lunch by calling 336-812-4824 or go to [www.wesleymemorial.org](http://www.wesleymemorial.org). You may also express your love and appreciation to Al and Miriam by making a contribution thru a traditional love offering or by donating to the Vivian Rose Vaughn Scholarship Endowed Fund to support students with special needs at Wesley Memorial School in honor of Al and Miriam's granddaughter. Contributions may be made:

1. Online at [wesleymemorial.org](http://wesleymemorial.org), click on Give and follow the instructions.
2. By check made payable to Wesley Memorial and write in the memo line: "V Rose Endowment" or "Ward Love Offering." You may mail your check to the church, bring it to the church office, or place it in the offering plate.



# 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

### CALENDAR: May 21-28, 2017

#### Sunday, May 21, 2017 (Alpha & Omega Sunday)

- Chancel Bells Rehearsal, 9:15 am, Sanctuary
- Alpha & Omega Brunch, 9:45 am, Asbury Room
- Alpha & Omega Luncheon, 12:00 noon, Dining Hall
- Children's Ministry Team, 4:00 pm, Children's Gathering Area
- High Point Community Chorus, 4:00 pm, Sanctuary
- Chancel Choir Picnic, 6:30 pm, Picnic Shelter
- Stained Glass Window Tour, 5:30 pm, Sanctuary
- Death Penalty Study, 6:00 pm, Media Center

#### Monday, May 22, 2017

- Adult Spiritual Formation Team, 5:45 pm, Circle View Room

#### Wednesday, May 24, 2017

- Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:30 pm, Arts & Crafts Room
- Handbell Quartet, 4:30 pm, E204 (Adult Bell 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, Hall's Home
- Chancel Choir, 6:45 pm, Choir Room

#### Thursday, May 25, 2017

- Youth Serving at Ward Street, 4:00 pm

#### Saturday, May 27, 2017

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

#### Sunday, May 28, 2017

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship, 8:30 am & 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Children, Student & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- Church Camp Planning Meeting, 12:15 pm, Off-Site
- Death Penalty Study, 6:00 pm, Media Center

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***option 1.*** It is available 24/7 and  
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