

# 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 28, 2017**  
**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

May 28, 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

*In Ascensione Domine from L'Orgue Mystique*.....Charles Tournemire

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

We shout for joy  
to God who rides upon the clouds!

**We sing praises to our awe-inspiring God,  
before whom the earth quakes,  
and whose abundant blessings provide for all in need!**

God is Sovereign over the earth,  
Defender of the defenseless, and Parent to orphans;  
God creates families for those who are alone.

**God leads captives to freedom  
and breaks the yoke of oppression.**

God goes forth before the people,  
marching through the wilderness of their lives,  
bringing forth restoration and justice.

**Sing praise to God,  
Rider of the ancient skies,  
who dwells in holiness.**

Proclaim the power of God!

**O God, how awesome you are in your sanctuary!  
You give power and strength to your people.**

### †OPENING PRAYER

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**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**God Most High, we gather to honor and glorify you.**

**Receive our invitation to dwell with us.**

**Enfold us in your presence and**

**fill us again with holy awe and mystery.**

**We are yours and we claim you as our God. Amen.**

### †HYMN No. 154

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*.....CORONATION

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 1:6-11 (NT pg. 118)

### SERMON

Al Ward

### †AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 888

### †HYMN No. 369

*Blessed Assurance*.....ASSURANCE

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

UM Hymnal No. 895

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

*Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise* ..... Paul Manz

**† 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. 413**

*A Charge to Keep I Have* ..... BOYLSTON

**† BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Jubilate Deo Omnis Terra* ..... Dom Paul Benoit

† 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 28, 2017

The Beginning 9:45 am

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## Gathering Music

*God Is on the Move* Seventh Time Down

*Revival* Third Day

*What a Beautiful Name* Hillsong

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prayer Concerns and Prayer

## Offering

*I Have This Hope* Tenth Avenue North

## Scripture

Acts 1:6-11

## Message

Al Ward

## Time of Reflection

Reprise

## Closing

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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

*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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### CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

### PRAYER

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

*Up Through Endless Ranks Of Angels* .....Walter L. Pelz

Chancel Choir

*Up through endless ranks of angels, cries of triumph in His ears, To His heavenly throne ascending, having vanquished all their fears, Christ looks down upon His faithful, leaving them in happy tears. Death destroying, life restoring, proven equal to our need, Now for us before the Father as our Brother intercedes; Flesh that for our world was wounded, living, for the wounded pleads. To our lives of wanton wandering send our promised Spirit guide. Through our lives of fears and failure with your power and love abide. Welcome us as You were welcomed to an endless Eastertide. Alleluia! O to breathe the Spirit's grace! O to see the Father's face! O to feel the Son's embrace! Amen!*

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**BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Amen* .....John Rutter

Chancel Choir

**CHIMES OF THE TRINITY**

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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.

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## Our Sympathy to ~

Pat Colonna and family in the death of her brother, Clifford Ray Doggett, on May 19, 2017.

## Thanks and Praise ~

... to all who helped with Alpha and Omega Sunday - Leigh Anne Bassinger for taking pictures, Alisha and Brian Boger for providing brunch, Susan Kelley and family for providing and planning the luncheon, Grace and AB Henley for hosting and providing senior dinners.

...to the facilities team who moved handbell tables, bells and music stands from the bell room, to the sanctuary and back again, 10 times since fall. Thanks Keith, Tommy, Wilson, Chris, Jay and David.

... to the Infants, Toddlers, 2's & 3's of WMS for a delightful "Family Party" to close your school year! Families loved the songs, fingerplays, and movement activities that you and your teachers shared. Special thanks to Jane Wall for her donation of 200 cupcakes!

... to the Pre-K Fours for your fabulous closing programs, and to your families for sharing delicious treats for our Dessert Social. You are officially Kindergartners now!

... to the Kindergarten Fives, our "Senior Class of WMS" for the delicious covered dish supper & musical program! Like the butterflies that recently hatched in your classroom, it is time for us to (proudly) release you to follow next steps in your education.

## PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS!

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

## Ways to CONNECT

### 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.



### STEPHEN MINISTRY OFFERS CONFIDENTIAL SUPPORT



**STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

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 person 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 336-812-3559 or speak to a pastor.

### STOP BY AND VISIT THE BRIDGE CAFÉ IN THE LOBBY

Are you a visitor or newer member looking to casually connect with WMUMC folks? Come and hang out at The Bridge Café in the Lobby between the Fellowship Hall & Dining Hall. Coffee, donuts, and places to mingle and chat between, before, or after services and classes.

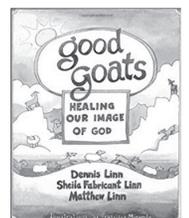
## Ways to GROW

### EXECUTING GRACE: A CHRISTIAN EXAMINATION OF THE DEATH PENALTY

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 through June 4, 6:00-7:30, with dinner included, and will cost \$25 per person. Childcare is available by request.

### GOOD GOATS: ARRIVING SOON!

Our summer book, *Good Goats: Healing Our Image of God* by Dennis, Sheila, and Matthew Linn, will be arriving in the Front Office at the beginning of June. Be sure to pick one up so you can be prepared for our summer get-togethers as we discuss the content of this powerful and interesting little book. We'll wonder together about what we picture when we think about God—is God an old man? a judge? a parent? And is God angry? merciful? both? Keep your eyes peeled for dates when we'll meet to discuss the book throughout the summer.



## Ways to SERVE

### 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).

### 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!

## 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.)



## 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 next Sunday, 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.

FREE

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



# 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 28 - June 4, 2017

#### Sunday, May 28, 2017

- Death Penalty Study, 6:00 pm, Media Center

#### Monday, May 29, 2017

- Church Office Closed (Memorial Day Holiday)

#### Wednesday, May 31, 2017

- Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:30 pm, Small Dining Room
- Student Ministry Leader Appreciation Dinner, 6:00 pm, Susan Kelley's Home

#### Saturday, June 3, 2017

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

#### Sunday, June 4, 2017

- One Worship Service, 10:30 am, Sanctuary
- Al & Miriam Ward's Retirement Luncheon, 12 noon, Dining Hall
- Church Camp Planning Meeting, 2:00 pm, Underground
- Death Penalty Study, 6:00 pm, Media Center

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### SUMMER SCHEDULE NOTICE

Facilities personnel (evening security) will be scheduled based on the church calendar during the summer months, so please confirm your event is on the calendar. The church will close at 6 pm on those evenings without scheduled meetings and events. Please contact Cindy at 336-812-4814 or confirm your meeting on the church calendar on the website at [www.wesleymemorial.org](http://www.wesleymemorial.org).

### OUR CLERGY & MINISTRY STAFF:

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