

# 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 - AUGUST 24, 2014** **ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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

August 24, 2014

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

*Prayer of Saint Gregory* ..... Alan Hovhanness

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**We belong to God.**

When we feel overwhelmed,

**God is on our side.**

When we are afraid,

**God will keep us safe.**

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**Blessed be the Lord!**

### † HYMN No. 559

*Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* ..... WESTMINSTER ABBEY

### † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Hymnal No. 881

### OPENING PRAYER

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 16:13-20

### SERMON

*"How Solid Is That Rock?"*

Erin Beall

### † HYMN No. 361

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* ..... TOPLADY

### PASTORAL PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

### GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*Morning Bells* ..... Improvisation

### † 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. 368**

*My Hope Is Built* ..... THE SOLID ROCK

**†BENEDICTION**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Toccata for Organ* ..... Gaston Belier

† Please stand as you are able.

**Worship Leaders:** **Erin Beall**, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; **Betty Jeanne Day**, Assistant; **Frank Pifferetti**, Organist.

**Service Notes:**

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# Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:45 am

August 24, 2014

The Beginning 9:45 am

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## Gathering Music

*Forever* Chris Tomlin

*Rock of Ages* Paul Baloche

## Welcome and Announcements

## Prayer Concerns

## Offering

*Let the Church Rise* Jonathan Stockstill

## Scripture

Matthew 16:13-20

## Message

*"How Solid Is That Rock?"* Erin Beall

## Time of Reflection

*Let the Church Rise* Reprise

## Closing

**Worship Leaders:** Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; Jay Butler, Director of Student Ministries (8:45); Keith Byrd, Director of Contemporary Music; The Horizon Praise Team.

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Thank you for worshipping with us this morning! Please sign the attendance notebooks that the ushers pass out during the announcements. If you are a guest, we ask that you please leave your contact information and a pastor will contact you this week with more information about our church.

# 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

August 24, 2014

11 am

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## OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Prayer of Saint Gregory*.....Alan Hovhannes

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## INTROIT

*Let All The World In Every Corner Sing*.....Erik Routley  
Chancel Choir

*Let all the world in every corner sing: my God and King! The heavens are not too high, God's praise may thither fly; the earth is not too low, God's praises there may grow. Let all the world in every corner sing: My God and King.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

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## OPENING PRAYER

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 559

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## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

*Please be seated.*

## CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

## ANTHEM

*Forever Blest Is He*.....George Fredrich Handel  
Chancel Choir

## BLESSING OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION LEADERS

Today we also recognize, celebrate and bless our spiritual formation leaders who will teach and nurture our children, youth, and adults. Will all of the people who teach, lead, or facilitate in the Church's ministries please stand. We ask you these questions: Will you commit your gifts and skills to God's leading?

**Leaders:** We will, as God gives us direction.

**People:** **Will you teach us how to talk to God and help us learn God's word?**

**Leaders:** We will, as God provides wisdom and compassion.

**People:** **Will you help us find where God fits into our lives?**

**Leaders:** We will, as God provides wisdom and compassion.

**People:** **Will you help us struggle with answers to the difficult questions?**

**Leaders:** We will, as God provides wisdom and compassion.

**People:** **Will you continue in our quest together to learn all that God has to teach?**

**Leaders:** We will, as God opens our souls, minds, hands, and hearts to God's leading.

Loving God, we thank you for all of these persons who make education available and accessible for children, youth and adults. May you give them wisdom and strength and patience. Bless them and bless their work that they may reflect your love.

**Pastor & People: Blessings on you! Amen.**

One final question: Will you, the congregation of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, support these brothers and sisters in Christ who teach in our midst?

**Pastor & People: We pledge our support as you fulfill this essential ministry on our behalf. May God bless and enrich you your whole life long.**

## PRAYER

## LORD'S PRAYER

## GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*A Hymn Of Praise To The Creator*..... Eric H. Thiman

Chancel Choir

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation; O my soul praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation. Come, ye who hear, Brothers and sisters, draw near, Praise Him in glad adoration. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, yea so gently sustaineth; Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been Granted in what He ordaineth. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen sound from His people again: Gladly for aye we adore Him! Amen.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

## DOXOLOGY No. 94

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## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## HYMN No. 589 (VERSES 1, 3, 5)

*The Church of Christ, in Every Age*..... DICKINSON COLLEGE

*Please be seated.*

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 16:13-20

## SERMON

*"How Solid Is That Rock?"*

Erin Beall

*Please stand as you are able.*

## HYMN No. 368

*My Hope is Built*..... THE SOLID ROCK

## BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

*Amen*..... David N. Johnson

Chancel Choir

## CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Toccata for Organ*..... Gaston Belier

## Service Notes:

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## Worship Leaders: 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; **Frank Pifferetti**, Organist; **Chancel Choir**; **Alex Moore** and **Reilly Williams**, Acolytes; **Charles York**, Crucifer; **Pete Thompson**, Sound Engineer.

## Ushers for the month

**of August:** Scott Dunbar, Windley Dunbar, Barbara Frye, Miles Gurley, Jane Harriss, Stuart Nunn, Colby Walton, Tom Smothers.

## Greeters for the month

**of August:** Jim Adams, Laney Morris, Joe Needham.

## Our Sympathy to ~

Phillip Dixon in the death of his father, Phillip Ray Dixon, Sr. on August 11, 2014.

## Thanks and praise ~

... to Raj Sangha and the Leadership HP Team for deconstructing the old playground equipment on Level #1, and for removal of decayed wood scraps. The metal and plastic parts (slide, steering wheel) were salvageable and re-cycled in constructing a playground for the children at Ward Street.

... to Karen Odom and Karen Hoffman for teaching a liturgical dance to the elementary campers attending Fun In The Son.

... to Carolyn Hall for sharing "drum and song" in delightful music classes for Fun In The Son!

## Ways to CONNECT

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES KICK OFF TODAY

Are you READY? Today's the day! All morning we are celebrating the wonderful things that will be taking place in our children's ministries this year. At 9:45 children, grades kindergarten through fifth grade will be treated to "Sundays on Sunday" in the Dining Hall as a welcome back from the summer. During this same time parents will have the opportunity to see, as well as hear about the exciting direction Children's Ministries is taking.



### JOIN US FOR THE SUPER SUNDAY YOUTH KICK-OFF ON SEPTEMBER 7

Students! On Sunday morning, September 7th, we will be starting our new series entitled "Behind the Scenes," and from 5-8 pm that evening we will have our kick-off party in the student ministry area. Bring your friends and family to the Underground for food, fun, and games! If you'd like more information, please contact Jay Butler at [jbutler@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:jbutler@wesleymemorial.org) or Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org).

**SUPER  
SUNDAY  
9.7.2014**

### BIBLE SUNDAY FOR RISING 3RD GRADERS - SEPTEMBER 14

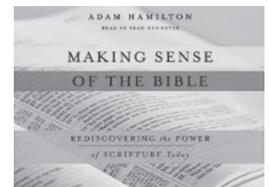
During the 11:00 worship service we will present Bibles to the rising 3rd Grade class. These Bibles are a gift from the Covington and Millis families. A letter has been sent to the parents of each rising 3rd Grader with information. If you have a rising third grader and have questions, please contact Debbie Foust at [dfoust@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:dfoust@wesleymemorial.org) or Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org).

## Ways to GROW

### ARE YOU READY TO GROW? NOW IS A GREAT TIME TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP STUDY AT WESLEY MEMORIAL!

#### ADAM HAMILTON'S MAKING SENSE OF THE BIBLE — WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS FALL

Rev. Erin Beall will offer a study on this fascinating new book, which explores questions and uncertainties many of us share about the Bible. For more info contact Erin Beall at 812-4815 or [ebeall@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:ebeall@wesleymemorial.org). To register for the study, please contact the Front Desk at 884-2204.



#### DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY: CHRISTIAN BELIEVER 32-WEEK COURSE COMING THIS FALL

If you have ever taken Disciple, you know how enriching and fulfilling it can be. *Christian Believer* is a Disciple course which offers less Bible reading in lieu of the writings of theologians, authors, and poets. Whether you've taken all, some, or none of Disciple, we would love to have you in this study! For more information contact Erin Beall at [ebeall@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:ebeall@wesleymemorial.org) or 812-4815. To register for the study, please contact the Front Desk at 884-2204.



#### WOMEN'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY WITH JEAN STOCKTON BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Jean Stockton will be returning to lead a women's Bible study this Fall. The group will meet on Mondays at 10 am in the Circle View Room. The first meeting is scheduled for September 8. All are welcome!



#### NEW BIBLE STUDY WITH DR. EFIRD — COMING SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 6

This fall, Wesley Memorial will once again be hosting the esteemed professor Dr. Mickey Efir! Dr. Efir will teach from the books of Joshua and Judges about the history of the land of Israel, which as we know so well is disputed even to this day. Be sure to mark your calendars for this upcoming event! For more info, contact Erin Beall at [ebeall@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:ebeall@wesleymemorial.org) or 812-4815.

# GROW SPIRITUALLY HEALTHY FOLLOWERS CONNECTING GROWING SERVING DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

## COMMITMENT TO GROW SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2014

What is GROW? We believe the Holy Spirit works through spiritual GROWth to transform us to be more like Christ and into the fullness of all God desires us to be, both individually and as a church. Whether you have been growing for a few days, a few years, or a lifetime, continued growth requires taking time to make intentional choices. Next Sunday the last letter in our acronym GROW will be revealed... make sure you don't miss it!

### G - God's Word

### R - Relationships

### O - Openness to God's Spirit, following God's leading.

We are called to open ourselves to God's call to be a people who are equipped to do kingdom work here in High Point and beyond. This involves obedient living to Jesus and His teachings.

### W - .....

This growth does not happen in isolation; we need each other. Transformational growth is facilitated when we actively and intentionally embark on the journey of growth together. Please be in attendance Sunday, September 7 for our Commitment to GROW Sunday at all services!

## Ways to SERVE

### JOIN US TO HELP US STOP HUNGER NOW

For the third year, we will be hosting a STOP HUNGER NOW meal packing event on Sunday, September 7. Between 2:00 and 5:00 pm we will pack 20,000 meals to feed hungry people throughout our world. This is a perfect opportunity for ages 4 and up to SERVE as the hands of Christ and transform the world. Sign up through our website ([www.wesley-memorial.org](http://www.wesley-memorial.org)) or call the Front Desk (884-2204). Contact Al Ward ([award@wesley-memorial.org](mailto:award@wesley-memorial.org)) for more information.



### SINGERS NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

Women and Men singers are needed on a very short-term basis. Women's Choir will rehearse on Monday, September 15 and 22, from 11:15-12:15 and sing in worship on September 28. After rehearsals we will go to lunch together. Men's Choir will rehearse at 8 pm on Wednesday, September 24 and October 1, for 20 minutes with the men of the choir. Men's Choir will sing for worship on October 5. Women, please let Anne Carroll know by September 12 if you wish to sing and go to lunch.



### SAVE THE DATE FOR CROP WALK 2014 - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Wesley Memorial will host the greater-High Point Crop Hunger Walk on Sunday, September 28, 2014. The Walk will begin at 4 pm on the Front Circle. We will also host a Mini-Crop Walk for pre-school children on September 26. We need a host of volunteers as well as walkers to make this event a success, so clear your calendars for September 28 and watch for more information coming soon!

## Ways to GIVE

### GET YOUR CAR WASHED AND HELP THE GIRL SCOUTS TODAY (2-5 PM)

Our local Girl Scout Troop is hosting a car wash today from 2 - 5pm to raise money for their Summer 2015 trip to Alaska. The car wash is being held at the Auto Zone at 2709 North Main Street in High Point. Donations are greatly appreciated.



### DONATIONS NEEDED FROM ALL TO HELP BUILD A WALL OF CANNED GOODS FOR THE NEHEMIAH PROJECT



The Wow Bible Study this fall is *Nehemiah... A Heart that Can Break*. Nehemiah is a life-altering story about a man whose heart didn't bow to earthly pleasures but instead broke for the suffering and vulnerable. He obeyed God's call to rebuild the WALL in Jerusalem. Please join us as we build a WALL of canned goods to be given to the organizations in High Point that so desperately need food! Look for the special containers labeled: **NEHEMIAH! BE PART OF THE ALL...HELP BUILD THIS WALL!**

## CALENDAR - August 24 - August 31, 2014

### Sunday, August 24, 2014

- Promotion Sunday & Blessing of Teachers, All Services
- Early Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship, 8:45 & 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Children's Ministries Kick-Off, 9:45 am
- Children, Youth & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary

### Wednesday, August 27, 2014

- Fairview Elementary Backpack Program, 10:00 am, D212
- Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:30 pm, 6 Grade / A&C

### Thursday, August 28, 2014

- WOW Study of Nehemiah, 9:10 am, Underground

### Saturday, August 30, 2014

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

### Sunday, August 31, 2014

- Early Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship, 8:45 & 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- 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!

## CONNECT • GROW • SERVE

### OUR CLERGY & MINISTRY STAFF:

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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.***

Our faithfulness in attendance August 17, 2014

All Worship Services: 428

(Goal 505)