

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 - SEPTEMBER 25, 2016
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

September 25, 2016

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

When In Our Music God Is GlorifiedDavid Cherwien

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

**All nations on earth shall bless you, O God,
for you have redeemed your people
and brought them new life. Through Christ you have
caused your word to shine on the just and the unjust.
By your Spirit your saving power is known by
all those who believe. We come confessing that Christ is our savior;
we give you all glory for your gift of redeeming grace.**

† HYMN No. 152

I Sing the Almighty Power of GodFOREST GREEN

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-6 (OT pg. 2 & 3)

SERMON

Al Ward

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

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PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

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† 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!**

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

† **HYMN No. 443**

O God Who Shaped CreationMUNICH

**O God who shaped creation at earth's chaotic dawn
your word of power was spoken, and lo! the dark was gone!
You framed us in your image, you brought us into birth,
you blessed our infant footsteps and shared your splendored earth.**

**O God, with pain and anguish a mother sees her child
embark on dead end pathways alluring, but defiled;
so too your heart is broken when hate and lust increase,
when worlds you birthed and nurtured spurn ways that lead to peace.**

**O God, when trinkets tarnish and pleasures lose their charm,
when, wearied by our wandering, we seek your opened arm,
with mother like compassion you share your warm embrace;
you set for us a banquet and heal us through your grace.**

**In mercy and compassion your goodness is revealed;
with tenderness you touch us, and broken hearts are healed.
You claim us as your children, you strip our prideful shame,
with freedom born of mercy we bless your holy name!**

† **BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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† Please stand as you are able.

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Michaela Kelly, Wesley Singer; Frank Pifferetti, Organist;

Service Notes:

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Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:30 am

September 25, 2016

The Beginning 9:45 am

Gathering Music

Indescribable Chris Tomlin

Come as You Are Crowder

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

God of Wonders Third Day

Baptism (9:45 only)

Scripture

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-6

Message

Al Ward

Time of Reflection

Beautiful Things Gungor

Closing

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Keith Byrd, Director of Contemporary Music; The Horizon Praise Team.

We rejoice in the baptisms of **Tinley Kate and Teagan Lee Tobin**, children of Tyler and Erica Tobin, and welcome them into the family of Christ. Grandparents are Keith and Cynthia Tobin of Thomasville, NC, Robert and Vickie Oakley of Reidsville, NC. Great grandparents are Dwight and Sally Story of Thomasville, NC and George and Ettrice Southerland of Rocky Mount, NC.

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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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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.

CALL TO WORSHIP

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make God's face to shine upon us.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 152

I Sing the Almighty Power of God FOREST GREEN

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

Please be seated.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

After the new member has affirmed his vows, the pastor shall say:

Members of the household of God, I commend Brian 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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM

Father, We Praise Thee Healey Willan

Chancel Choir

Father, we praise Thee, now the night is over, Active and watchful, stand we all before Thee; Singing we offer prayer and meditation: Thus we adore Thee. Monarch of all things, fit us for Thy mansions; Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending; Bring us to heaven, where Thy Saints united Joy without ending. All-holy Father, Son and equal Spirit, Trinity blessed, Send us Thy salvation; Thine is the glory, gleaming and resounding Through all creation. Amen.

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Hidden Stream That Feeds..... Eleanor Daley

Chancel Choir

The hidden stream that feeds our daily acts of care, springs forth in worship when Christ leads the church in song and prayer. Lord, through our lives may others hear your living waters drawing near. The stream runs clear and deep and tastes of heaven's skies, and where its ceaseless currents sweep flows life that never dies. A heart of stone and dust, of withered hopes and dreams, becomes a spring of faith and trust by drinking from these streams. We leave this watered place to work on rocky ground, yet even there the streams of grace sustain our daily round. Lord, through our lives may others hear your living waters drawing near.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN No. 603

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire..... WINCHESTER OLD

Please be seated.

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BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Benediction..... Howard Coble

Chancel Choir

May the Lord bless you, May the Lord keep you, May the Lord show His face to you, and give you peace. Amen.

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

When In Our Music God Is Glorified..... David Cherwien

Service Notes:

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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; Chancel Choir; Frank Pifferetti, Organist; Samantha Mickey and Tess Mickey, Acolytes; Moregan Kelley, Crucifer; Jo Smith, Altar Guild; Dave McCoy, Sound Engineer.

Ushers for the month of September:

Chris Dudley, Warren Lackey, Britt Lytle, Jobie Redmond, Jr., J.J. Smith, Bruce von der Lippe, Kevin von der Lippe.

Greeters: Norman Andrews, Bob Bass, Evelyn Davis.

Welcome New Member ~

We are pleased to welcome Brian Shaffer into the membership of Wesley Memorial.

Thanks and Praise ~

... to Judy Hustrulid and UMW Circle #8 for devoting their September meeting to help needs of Wesley Memorial School. Thank you for creating the beautiful Fall-themed Parent Bulletin Board in the preschool hallway, and for organizing our teacher resource collection of die-cut patterns and letters.

CONNECT WITH US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

You can follow Wesley Memorial on Twitter and like us on Facebook to stay up-to-date on the latest posts and see pictures from our various special events and much more!



Ways to CONNECT



FAMILY FELLOWSHIP FUN NIGHT FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30; 7-8:30 PM

Join us for fun and fellowship as we gather to play games, make a family art project, and enjoy each other's company and desserts. There will be activities for all ages. Everyone is asked to bring a dessert to share. To sign up contact Melissa Coley at mcoley@wesleymemorial.org or 336-812-4806.

DO YOU NEED TO TALK BUT DON'T KNOW WHERE TO TURN?

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 persons 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 812-3559 or speak to a pastor.



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

SAVE THE DATE

(note location change)

The Soul Food Dinner, to support Macedonia Resource Center, will be held Friday, October 28 at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church.

Ways to GROW



DR. EFIRD LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES FOR THE NEXT THREE MONDAY NIGHTS

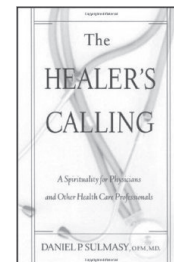
Wesley Memorial invites you to join Dr. Mickey Efird for his annual Monday night lectures. This is his 27th year teaching here! He continues teaching on the book of Isaiah the next three Monday nights, 6:45-8:45 in the Dining Hall. Bring your Bible and join us!

STUDENT MINISTRY SMALL GROUPS STARTING THIS FALL

We are so excited to offer a monthly Sunday night gathering for students in grades 6th-12th! This will provide students with the opportunity to bring friends and grow in their walk with Christ by being in community and sharing life with one another. If you are interested in leading or serving with these events please contact Steven Nelson at 336-812-4812 or snelson@wesleymemorial.org.

HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Last April, Wesley Memorial honored our community healthcare providers with a special Sunday. The Congregational Care team handed out copies of Daniel P. Sulmasy's, *The Healer's Calling*. If you are a healthcare professional, join Rev. Jared Stine and others on Tuesday, October 11 at 6:30 pm for a short discussion of the book and a conversation focused on healthcare professionals and their vocations. If you did not receive a book, contact Jared Stine for a free copy and to RSVP for this special evening.



GRIEF CLASS AND WHOLENESS & HEALING WORSHIP SERVICE PLANNED FOR NOVEMBER

Our November Wholeness & Healing Worship service will be Sunday, November 6 at 5 pm. In conjunction with this service, Rev. Jared Stine will lead a small group about grief and loss on Thursdays in November (Nov. 3, 10, and 17) at 6:30 pm in the Media Center. Mark your calendars and watch for more details. Contact Jared Stine to learn more.

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME CROP HUNGER WALK



CROP WALK IS TODAY!

Support those who are walking to end hunger in High Point and around the world. Use the enclosed envelop and place in the offering plate today.

Make checks payable to: CWS/CROP

If you would like to walk join us at First Baptist Church this afternoon. (Registration at 3 pm / walk begins at 4 pm).

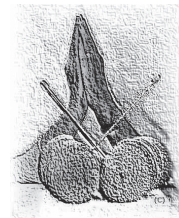
Ways to SERVE

DOES YOUR FAMILY OR SMALL GROUP WANT TO SERVE AT OPEN DOOR MINISTRIES THIS FALL?

We have open nights available for serving at Open Door Ministry this Fall. This is a great opportunity for small groups and families. Please review the schedule and sign-up at the link below as you are available. Please contact Julie Price at 336-869-0672 if you have any questions. Link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044aa4af2fa31-volunteer/20924350>

JOIN OUR PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY ON WEDNESDAYS

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has made and delivered over 1,600 shawls, blankets, sweaters and other items to members of our church and community! Join the group on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room. For more info, please contact Lee Huff, 336-887-9165; Karen Sumner, 883-8721 or Linda Dale, 336-884-5121.



Ways to GIVE



SUPPORT WESLEY MEMORIAL SCHOOL CHILDREN WHO NEED SCHOLARSHIPS

Join the fun at "School Spirit Nights" this year! Come to the Chick-fil-A on North Main Street in High Point (near Walmart) on Monday, September 26 anytime between 5-8 pm. Indicate to the cashier that your family is from Wesley Memorial. WMS will receive 15% of total food sales during this 3 hour period. Drive-thru or eat inside! (Typical amount received is \$150-\$200.)

YOU CAN BE AN ANTHEM ANGEL AND SUPPORT WESLEY MEMORIAL'S MUSIC MINISTRY

Anthem Angels purchase anthems from a list compiled by the Director of Music in honor or in memory of a loved one, Sunday School teacher, staff member or friend. If you would like to see a list of anthems for purchase, please contact Anne Carroll. If you would like to purchase an orchestra instrument in honor or in memory of someone you may also contact Anne Carroll. Brass and strings will be participating in worship this fall and winter.



HELP US FILL THE BACKPACKS FOR KIDS AT FAIRVIEW ELEMENTARY

Wesley Memorial is once again providing "backpacks" of food for Fairview students on the weekend and holidays throughout the school year. Items needed: Individual pop-top Spaghetti's, Chef Boyard-ee Spaghetti and Meatballs, and Kraft Mac and Cheese easy cups. We can no longer accept peanut butter items! Collection bins are in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby and Administrative Building Lobby.

HAVE YOU TRIED GIVING ONLINE? IT IS EASY, QUICK AND 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.

CALENDAR: September 25-October 2, 2016

Sunday, September 25, 2016

- Children's Ministry Team, 12:15 pm, Children's Gathering Space
- JuBELLation Handbells, 2:30 pm, Bell Room
- CROP Hunger Walk, 4:00 pm, First Baptist High Point

Monday, September 26, 2016

- Women of Wesley: *Mudhouse Sabbath* Study, 9:30 am, Arts & Crafts Room
- Women's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- Spiritual Formation Team, 5:30 pm, Circle View Room
- Dr. Efrid Lecture, 6:45 pm, Dining Hall

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

- Midweek Communion, 11:00 am, Chapel
- Bible Study Lunch, 12 noon, 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
- Wesley Handbell Choir (Grades 3-5), 4:15 pm, D204
- Handbell Quartet, 4:30 pm, Bell Room
- Wednesday Dinner, 5:30 pm, Dining Hall (*Menu: Meatloaf, Baked Potato Bar, Peas, Rolls & Dessert. Call the church office at 884-2204 to make a reservation. Cost is \$6-adults, \$3-youth 14-18, and free for those under 14.*)
- Financial Peace University, 6:30 pm, Media Center
- Chancel Choir, 6:45 pm, Choir Room
- Leadership Development Team, 7:00 pm, Conf. Rm. #3

Thursday, September 29, 2016

- Chancel Bells Rehearsal, 7:00 pm, Bell Room

Friday, September 30, 2016

- Family Fun & Fellowship Night, 7:00 pm, Dining Hall

Saturday, October 1, 2016

- Contemporary Rehearsal, 9:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, October 2, 2016

- 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
- JuBELLation Handbells, 2:30 pm, Bell Room

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

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In the event of an emergency, you simply need to call the main number, 336-884-2204. You will then choose option 1. It is available 24/7 and will connect you with a pastor.