

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 - NOVEMBER 8, 2015
TWENTY-FOURTH 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

November 8, 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

The King of Love My Shepherd Is..... David P. Dahl

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, take your rest this day.

Lord, free us from the stresses we have endured this week.

Come, put your minds at ease.

Lord, ease the burdens and frustrations of our lives.

Come. For this is the house of the Lord. It is here that you will find peace.

Praise and thanks be to God for giving us sanctuary. AMEN.

† HYMN No. 67

We, Thy People, Praise Thee..... ST. ANTHONY'S CHORALE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 25:14-30

SERMON

"Simple Rules for Money: Save All You Can"

Al Ward

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

† GLORIA PATRI

UM Hymnal No. 70

ANTHEM

Softly and Tenderlyarr. Mack Wilberg

Women's Choir

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, Calling for you and for me; See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, Watching for you and for me. Refrain: Come home, Ye who are weary, come home; Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, Calling, O sinner, come home! Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, Pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, Mercies for you and for me? Refrain O for the wonderful love he has promised, Promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, Pardon for you and for me. Refrain

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Awake, My HeartJane Marshall

Teresa Bonavita, Brittany Griffin, Jesse Herndon, Wesley McCleary-Small

Awake, my heart, and render To God thy sure defender, Thy Maker, thy preserver, A song of love and fervor. Confirm my deeds and guide me: My day, with thee beside me, Beginning, middle, ending, Will all be upward tending. My heart shall be they dwelling, With joy and gladness swelling; Thy word my nurture giv'n To bring me on toward heaven.

† **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. 354**

I Surrender All.....SURRENDER

† **BENEDICTION**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

The Queen's Procession.....Oliphant Chuckerbutty

† Please stand as you are able.

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Teresa Bonavita, Brittany Griffin, Jesse Herndon, Wesley McCleary-Small, Choral Scholars; Frank Pifferetti, Organist.

Service Notes:

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The Call to Worship is by Nancy Townley.

Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:30 am

November 8, 2015

The Beginning 9:45 am

Gathering Music

Freedom is Here Hillsong

Kindness Chris Tomlin

Your Grace is Enough Matt Maher (8:30 only)

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

Brighter Day Gungor

Scripture

Matthew 25:14-30

Message

"Simple Rules for Money: Save All You Can" Al Ward

Time of Reflection

Kindness Chris Tomlin

Closing

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; 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 8:30 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

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

This Is The Day..... Dale Grotenhuis

Chancel Choir

This is the day the Lord has made, Now let us give to the Lord what is his own. With solemn prayer, approach the throne; with meekness hear the Gospel word. Our joyful hearts and voices raise, and fill his courts with songs of praise!

Please stand as you are able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

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OPENING PRAYER

Lord, we have come to you this day bringing all that we have, our lives, our hopes and dreams, our fears and sorrows. We place these before you in faith and hope, knowing that no matter what has happened you are with us and blessing us.

Open our hearts to receive your words and your spirit, that we may find healing and comfort. Open our lives to the wondrous possibilities for service and joy that you offer to us. Ease our minds and spirits that we may hear the words of encouragement and peace this day. Amen

PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 88

Maker, in Whom We Live..... DIADEMATA

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

UM Hymnal No. 881

Please be seated.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty and Jacob's Ladder..... Paul Rosene

Wesley Handbell Choir

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

ANTHEM

Softly and Tenderly..... arr. Mack Wilberg

Women's Choir

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PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Music of Earth Erik Routley/Austin Lovelace

Chancel Choir

Let praise to God fill the music of earth, Let the beauty of thanks be our song! Our hearts overflow with blessings he gives to his people all day long. God counts the stars and he calls them by name, Ice and snow, frost and cold show his pow’r. He covers the heavens with clouds, he send rains which will bring the fields to flow’r. God takes his pleasure in all those that fear him, In those who have hope in his care. He heals broken hearts, he binds up all wounds, and he hears the meekest prayer. Lives are transformed, for disciples are stirred And the good news is preached, is proclaimed! The lame walk with leaping and blindness sees plainly, all healed in Jesus’ name.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN No. 405

Seek Ye First SEEK YE

Please be seated.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 25:14-30

SERMON

“Simple Rules for Money: Save All You Can”

Al Ward

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN No. 354

I Surrender All SURRENDER

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Amen John Rutter

Chancel Choir

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

The Queen’s Procession Oliphant Chuckerbutty

Worship Leaders: Al Ward, Senior Pastor; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Debbie Foust, Director of Children’s Ministries; Anne Carroll, Director of Music; Wesley Handbell Choir; Women’s Choir; Chancel Choir; Frank Pifferetti, Organist; Charlie Doak and Hampton Helsabeck, Acolytes; Mary Lyle Frye, Crucifer; Pete Thompson, Sound Engineer.

Ushers for the month of November: Brett Barbour, Edwin Bass, Daniel Dale, Bart Lassiter, Bob Niebauer, and Bill Russell.

Greeters for November: Jim Adams, Linda Dale, Jerry Tucker, Kay Tucker

Service Notes:

The Call to Worship and Opening Prayer are by Nancy Townley.

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Acknowledgments ~

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Margaret Wilson and June Safrit by Bev Gaska.

Our Sympathy to ~

Laura and Kevin Von Der Lippe in the death of Laura's mother, Janet Freedman Wood, on October 25, 2015.

Calhoun Anderson and family in the death of his wife, Sue Anderson, on October 31, 2015.

The family of Betty Jo Smith Farrington in her death on November 3, 2015.

Thanks & Praise to ~

... to everyone who purchased books at the WMS Fall Book Fair, and to the parents/grandparents who volunteered as cashiers. Special appreciation to Darren Dyer, church facilities staff, for donning the costume of Clifford the Big Red Dog and visiting in children's classrooms. The success of this Fair allowed WMS teachers to select free books for classrooms.

... to everyone who supported the Cookie Dough fall fundraiser of WMS, and to the parents/grandparents who volunteered to tally orders & to work shifts on pickup day. What a grand success with proceeds of \$5,800 for learning tools, technology, and teacher resources!

... to all of our students, parents, and volunteers who devoted their time to selling pumpkins in the Pumpkin Patch! Special thanks to Mary Drummond, our volunteer coordinator, Mary Lyle Frye, who worked the most individual hours (31), and the Hoskins family, who worked the most family hours (57). We sold nearly ten thousand dollars worth of pumpkins this year!

... to the Women's Choir for providing the anthem for traditional worship today.

... to the Stephen Ministers for their work at last Sunday's Wholeness & Healing Service.

Ways to CONNECT

COMMUNITY WORSHIP SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Wesley Memorial is joining with several other churches in High Point to sponsor a Community Worship Service. The first of these services will be held on Sunday, November 15, at 6 pm at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The Reverend Kinston Jones, Pastor of St. Stephen's Metropolitan AME Zion Church (High Point) will be the preacher.

JOIN OUR LIVE ALIVE EVENTS ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17



Live Alive gatherings are for adults 55+ to enjoy and fellowship. Activities begin at 10 am, Live Alive Book Club at 10:30 am in the Small Dining Room. Our November speaker is Debbie Lumpkins of the High Point Arts Council. This month's lunch menu is: turkey with dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, bread and pumpkin or pecan pie. Please RSVP for the meal by calling the Front Desk (884-2204) by noon on Friday, Nov. 13. Cost is \$6.

Ways to GROW

DAILY ADVENT DEVOTIONALS: COMING TO AN EMAIL INBOX NEAR YOU

Each day during Advent (Nov. 29-Dec. 24), a Wesley Memorial member or staff person has written a devotional. Our theme this year is "The Songs of Christmas." Don't miss out! You may sign up to receive these devotions by email — one per day, for each day of the season leading up to Christmas! Simply sign up on our website at www.wesleymemorial.org/advent2015 and adding your email address. (Note: A limited run of paper devotional books will be available for members without access to email. If you are able, we ask you to please consider choosing the email option, as we strive to reduce our environmental footprint!)

EARN.SAVE.GIVE.

John Wesley, the Christian evangelist and founder of the Methodist movement, gave a remarkable sermon called "The Use of Money." He said the important thing isn't money itself but how we use it. Wesley's surprising advice still rings true today: EARN all you can, SAVE all you can, GIVE all you can.

During the month of November, Wesley Memorial will experience an exciting new stewardship program, *Earn. Save. Give. Wesley's Simple Rules for Money*, developed by popular author and pastor James A. Harnish. Two of our adult Sunday School classes, Perspectives (D203) and Covenant (D202), and our kindergarten through fifth grade classes will be studying the book. All are welcome. No registration needed. On Consecration Sunday, November 22, we will welcome the Reverend Dr. James A. Harnish to our pulpits. He will preach at our two worship services (9:00 & 11:00).

CONSECRATION SUNDAY — NOVEMBER 22, 2015

Contemporary Worship 9:00 am

Fellowship Brunch & Mission Activity 9:30-11:30 am

Traditional Worship 11:00 am

Childcare available for ages infant – 4 (8:45 am until 12:15 pm)

Ways to SERVE

FLOOD RELIEF DISASTER RESPONSE OPPORTUNITIES

If you would like to help the recent flood victims, you may make a contribution to Wesley Memorial UMC and mark it "Floods" or you may give directly to UMCOR at www.umcor.org and donate to US Disaster Response Advance 901670. If you are interested in being part of a recovery team working to help people recover and rebuild from the floods, you may contact our senior pastor, Al Ward, at award@wesleymemorial.org.

MISSION ACTIVITY: CONSECRATION SUNDAY (NOVEMBER 22)

Part of our Consecration Sunday celebration will include a MISSION ACTIVITY. Like last year, we will be packing food bags that (along with a turkey) will be distributed to families at Fairview Elementary, our partner school. We are collecting the following items:

Student Ministries:

Green Beans (Lg Cans)
& Stove Top Stuffing

Children's Ministries:

Chicken/Turkey Broth

Adult SS Classes/Unity Groups:

Candied Yams (Lg Cans) &
Corn Bread Mix (add water)

Wesley Memorial School:

Instant Potatoes & Cranberry Sauce (Cans)

Please purchase and drop off these items in the designated bins by next Sunday, November 15 (the week before Consecration Sunday).

Delivery: Volunteers are needed to deliver the meals Sunday afternoon (11/22). Please contact Mary Nifong at nifongm@earthlink.net OR 336-687-0303. Mapquest directions will be provided.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR 40 KIDS KARE CHRISTMAS BAGS

Items are needed to fill 40 Christmas bags for boys and girls in the High Point area that are currently without permanent housing. There are specific items requested to be in all the bags, and a list of extras. We need items for teenagers and young children. Visit www.wesleymemorial.org/kidskare to sign up. Please bring items to the collection bin at the entrance of the Elementary Hall by November 13. For more information, contact Debbie Foust at dfoust@wesleymemorial.org.

HELPERS NEEDED TO PREPARE LOVEFEAST CANDLES

It is time to dress the beeswax candles for the Lovefeast with their red frills. We will meet this Tuesday, November 10 at 1:15 pm in the Choir Room. Please come for an enjoyable and vital part in preparing for the Lovefeast. Contact Ann Linthicum at 882-4044 or just show up Tuesday!

CAROLINA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**Saturday, November 21
8 am - 3 pm**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR THIS YEAR'S UMW BAZAAR

Please volunteer to contribute your time, bake something wonderful for the Bake Sale or donate gently used housewares, toys, books, collectibles and small appliances for the General Store and Silent Auction. Your participation is vital to the success of our Bazaar. Proceeds will benefit local & global mission projects of the United Methodist Women.

Complete details available at:

**[www.wesleymemorial.org/
carolinachristmasbazaar](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/carolinachristmasbazaar)**



Ways to GIVE

FIGHT HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS – FEED HOPE EVENT THIS THURSDAY

The 6th Annual Feast of Caring will be held Thursday, November 12 at First Presbyterian Church in High Point. Lunch is from 11 am to 2 pm and Dinner from 5 pm – 8 pm. You may purchase tickets online at www.feastofcaring.com or at the door.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS...

Call Sue Schoch at the church at 812-4824. You can order wreaths (inside and out), trees and poinsettias in honor or in memory of a loved one to decorate the church for Christmas. Don't wait, place your order today.

PURCHASE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE FROM THE WESLEY 100 / UNITED METHODIST MEN

The Wesley 100/UMM are selling fresh cut Christmas Trees from the NC mountains. Orders will be taken by the Wesley 100 during the Carolina Christmas Bazaar, at the Wednesday evening dinners, and Sunday mornings beginning November 1. Orders forms are also available at the Front Desk. The trees will be available for pick up on Saturday, December 5.

CALENDAR: November 8-15, 2015

Sunday, November 8, 2015

- Children's Music (Grades 2-5), 9:30 am
- Children, Student & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Earn, Save, Give Study, 9:45 am, D202 & D203
- Confirmation Class, 4:00 pm, Circle View Room
- Bible Explorers/Cross Trainers, 4:45 pm, Children's Gathering Area
- Student Ministries, 6:00 pm, Off Campus
- Feast and Fellowship Event for Chancel Choir, 6 pm, Off Campus

Monday, November 9, 2015

- Women's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- Staff Parish Relations Team, 5:15 pm, Circle View Room
- Stewardship Team, 7:00 pm, Circle View Room

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

- Women of Wesley (WOW) Bible Study, 9:30 am, Underground
- Finance Team, 5:45 pm, Conf. Rm. #3

Wednesday, November 11, 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
- Handbell Quartet, 4:30 pm, Bell Room
- Wednesday Dinner, 5:30 pm, Dining Hall (Menu: Fried Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Apple Sauce, 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.)
- Poetry Series, 6:30 pm, Circle View Room
- "Soul Food", 6:30 pm, Soul Cafe
- Chancel Choir, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, November 12, 2015

- Student Ministry Breakfast Club, 7:00 am, Chick-fil-A
- Board of Trustees, 5:30 pm, Conf. Rm. #3
- Adult Handbell Choir, 7:00 pm, E204

Saturday, November 14, 2015

- Contemporary Rehearsal, 9:00 am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 15, 2015

- Traditional Worship, 8:30 am, Chapel
- Contemporary Worship 8:30 and 9:45 am, Fellowship Hall
- Children's Music (Grades 2-5), 9:30 am
- Children, Student & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Earn, Save, Give Study, 9:45 am, D202 & D203
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- Confirmation Class, 4:00 pm, Circle View Room
- Youth Handbells, 4:30 pm, Bell Room
- Bible Explorers/Cross Trainers, 4:45 pm, Children's Gathering Area

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
November 1, 2015
All Worship Services: 398
(Goal 505)

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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.