

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 15, 2015
TWENTY-FIFTH 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 15, 2015

8:30 am

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the courts of the Lord"George Oldroyd

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

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to serve you as you deserve to be served;

to give without counting the cost;

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to work without seeking rest;

and to spend ourselves without expecting any reward,

but the knowledge that we are doing your holy will. Amen.

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In praise and thanksgiving,

we come before you

ready to learn of your power,

ready to follow your path for our lives.

We ask simply for ears to hear,

eyes to see, and minds to comprehend

the blessings you bestow. Amen.

† HYMN No. 181

Ye Servants of GodHANOVER

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UM Hymnal No. 881

ANTHEM

You Visit The Eartharr. K. Lee Scott

Brittany Griffin, mezzo-soprano

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PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Come, Ye Thankful People, ComeImprovisation

† 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!

Welcome!

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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Word of God, Come Down on Earth LIEBSTER JESU

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 12:41-44

SERMON

"Simple Rules for Money: Give All You Can"

Al Ward

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O Young and Fearless Prophet BLAIRGOWRIE

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CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him Donald Rotermund

† Please stand as you are able.

Worship Leaders: **Al Ward**, Senior Pastor; **Brittany Griffin**, mezzo-soprano; **Frank Pifferetti**, Organist.

Service Notes:

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Horizon Worship

The Gathering 8:30 am

November 15, 2015

The Beginning 9:45

Gathering Music

Do Something Matthew West

Offering Paul Baloche

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Matt Redman (8:30 only)

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer Concerns and Prayer

Offering

First Lauren Daigle

Scripture

Mark 12:41-44

1 Timothy 6:17-19

Message

"Simple Rules for Money: Give All You Can" Erin Beall

Time of Reflection

Reprise

Closing

Worship Leaders: Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship; Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care (8:30); Thomas Lyons, Ministry Intern (9:45); 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!

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Sanctuary

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11 am

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INTROIT

Sing Hallelujah! Praise The Lord!.....John C. Bechler

Chancel Choir

This is the day the Lord hath made, Let us be glad and rejoice. Sing Hallelujah, praise the Lord! Sing with a cheerful voice; Exalt our God with one accord, And in His Name rejoice. Ne'er cease to sing, Thou ransomed host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Until in realms of endless light Your praises shall unite.

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 181

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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 *Palmer and Evans* in your care?

We will.

After the baptism, the pastor asks the congregation:

Will you welcome our new sisters 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.

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We rejoice in the baptisms of **Evans Carson and Palmer Leigh Elliott**, daughters of Austin and Tara Elliott and welcome them into the family of Christ. Grandparents are Tim and Laurie Dolan of High Point, NC and Blades and Karen Elliott of High Point, NC.

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

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

HYMN No. 611

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise (vv. 1 & 4).....STUTT GART

**Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit’s sign;
With this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.**

**Child of God your loving Parent, learn to know whose child you are.
Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.**

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Awake, My Heart..... Jane Marshall

Chancel Choir

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 thy dwelling, With joy and gladness swelling; Thy word my nurture, giv’n to bring me on toward heaven.

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Amen..... Dale Grotenhuis

Chancel Choir

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

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Acknowledgments ~

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Charles and Scotty Tucker, and Hubert and Ellen Leach, by Jerry and Kay Tucker and Kelly and Don Tucker.

Our Sympathy to ~

Our sympathy to Julie Sanders and family in the recent death of her brother, Albert (Al) Vernon.

Thanks & Praise to ~

... to Bettye Packer, Bobbie Rasmussen, Nan Fulcher and Molly Miller-Beard for serving the bereavement reception for the family and friends of Betty Jo Farrington.

CHARGE CONFERENCE

The annual Charge Conference for Wesley Memorial will be held this Tuesday, November 17 at 5:30 pm in the Circle View Room.

Ways to CONNECT

COMMUNITY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITY THIS EVENING AT 6 PM

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.

LIVE ALIVE EVENTS TAKE PLACE THIS 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 will be with us to discuss the exciting new initiatives of the High Point Arts Council, including the acquisition of the old train depot. If you were unable to RSVP for lunch, bring your lunch and join us!

JOIN US FOR THE HANGING OF THE GREENS ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

We have an evening of fun and fellowship planned for all ages. Christmas Trees will be decorated and halls will be decked for the season! Activities for children through 5th grade will begin at 4:30 pm in Preschool and Elementary Sunday school classrooms. Infant care will be available in the Crib Room. Volunteers are needed to assist with the activities in each of the children's classrooms. Please sign up to help with these outside each Sunday school classroom. Everyone is invited to enjoy dinner together at 6 pm in the Dining Hall. Following dinner we will have a "Carol Sing" and light the decorated Children's Tree. Advance reservations are needed for the Soup and Sandwich dinner. Please make reservations by Tuesday, Dec. 1 by contacting dfoust@wesleymemorial.org or 812-4804.

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.

JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY FOR A SPECIAL MORNING OF WORSHIP & ACTIVITIES

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 SCHEDULE

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)

CAROLINA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

NEXT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21 • 8 AM - 3 PM

- ▶ **75 Vendors**
- ▶ **Silent Auction & General Store**
- ▶ **Food-A-Rama and Bake Sale**
- ▶ **Sausage Biscuits & Muffin Breakfast**
- ▶ **Sandwich/Hot Dog & Soup Lunch**
- ▶ **FREE Admission & Parking**

Proceeds will benefit local & global mission projects of the United Methodist Women.

Complete details available at:
www.wesley Memorial.org/carolinachristmasbazaar



Ways to SERVE

CONSECRATION SUNDAY MISSION ACTIVITY

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. **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.

HELPERS NEEDED TO PREPARE LOVEFEAST CANDLES

We still have more beeswax candles to dress for the Lovefeast with their red frills. We will meet this Tuesday, November 17 at 1:15 pm in the Choir Room. Please come and have fun preparing for this vital part of the Lovefeast. Contact Ann Linthicum at 882-4044 OR JUST SHOW UP TUESDAY!



Ways to GIVE

GET YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE FROM THE WESLEY 100

The Wesley 100 / United Methodist Men 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.

FILL THE BACKPACKS FOR STUDENTS AT FAIRVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Wesley Memorial continues to provide "backpacks" of food for Fairview students on the weekend and holidays. Items needed: protein items, individual servings of milk, white or chocolate, individual instant breakfast, individual cereal boxes, fruit juice and plastic grocery bags. Collection bins are in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby and Administrative Building Lobby.



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!

BRIGHTEN A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS BY TAKING AN "ANGEL" FROM ONE OF THE ANGEL TREES

Each angel represents a child identified by our ministry partners at Henderson Settlement and the High Point Jail Ministry. The Angel Trees will be up beginning Nov. 22 and all gifts should be delivered back to the Angel Trees no later than Sunday, Dec. 6. The Angel Trees will be located in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby, & Adult Education building.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AN ANTHEM ANGEL?

Anthem Angels purchase music from a list compiled by the Director of Music Ministries in honor of or in memory of a loved one. When your anthem is played or sung, a note will be placed in the bulletin to honor or memorialize your loved one. If you would like to be an Anthem Angel contact Anne Carroll at 812-4816.

CALENDAR: November 15-22, 2015

Sunday, November 15, 2015

- Children's Music (Grades 2-5), 9:30 am
- Children & Adult Sunday School, 9:45 am
- Earn, Save, Give Study, 9:45 am, D202 & D203
- Youth Handbells, 4:30 pm, Bell Room
- Bible Explorers/Cross Trainers, 4:45 pm, Children's Gathering Area

Monday, November 16, 2015

- Women's Bible Study, 10:30 am, Circle View Room
- Stewardship Caller Dinner, 5:30 pm, Dining Hall
- Worship Team, 7:00 pm, Circle View Room

Tuesday, November 17, 2015

- Women of Wesley (WOW) Bible Study, 9:30 am, Underground
- Live Alive Events, 10:00 am, Fellowship Hall
- Charge Conference/Church Council, 5:30 pm, Circle View Room

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

- Mid-Week Communion, 11:00 am, Chapel
- Handbell Quartet, 4:30 pm, Bell Room
- "Soul Food", 6:30 pm, Soul Cafe
- Chancel Choir, 6:45 pm, Sanctuary

Thursday, November 19, 2015

- Student Ministry Breakfast Club, 7:00 am, Chick-fil-A
- Adult Handbell Choir, 7:00 pm, E204

Saturday, November 21, 2015

- UMW Bazaar, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Dining & Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 22, 2015 (Consecration Sunday)

- Contemporary Worship 9:00 am, Fellowship Hall
- Consecration Brunch, 9:30 am, Dining Hall
- Children's Music (Grades 2-5), 9:30 am
- Traditional Worship Service, 11:00 am, Sanctuary
- Children's Ministry Team, 4:00 pm, Children's Gathering Area
- Confirmation Class, 4:00 pm, Circle View Room
- Youth Handbells, 4:30 pm, Bell Room
- Student Ministries (MYF), 6:00 pm, Underground

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 8, 2015
All Worship Services: 452
(Goal 505)

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.