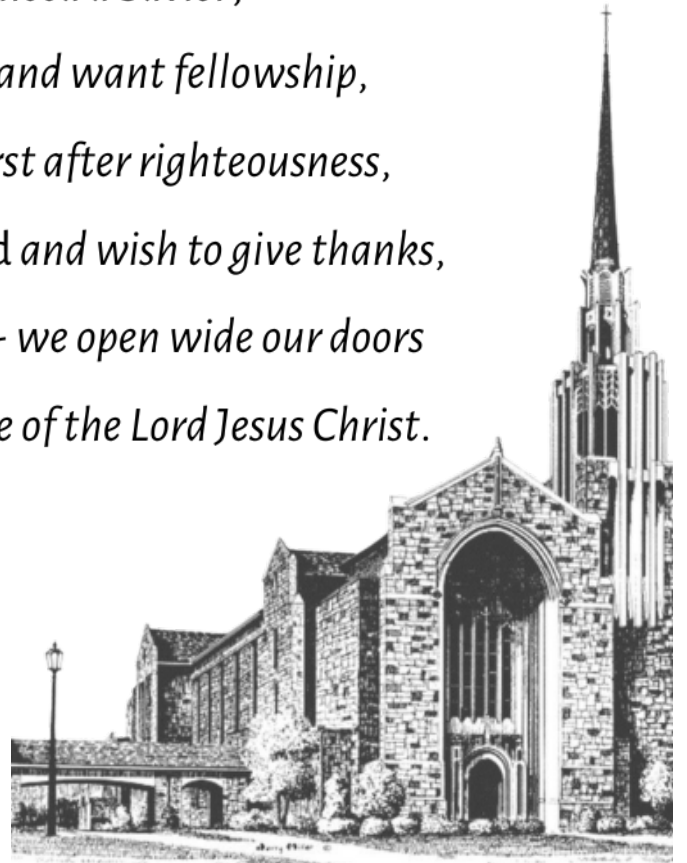


# WESLEY MEMORIAL

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

## WELCOME

To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest,*  
to all who mourn *and long for comfort,*  
to all who struggle *and desire victory,*  
to all who sin *and need a Savior,*  
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship,*  
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness,*  
to all who have been blessed *and wish to give thanks,*  
and to whoever will come -- *we open wide our doors*  
*and offer welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*



**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL 8:30**

*Our purpose is to make and sustain spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world.*

# WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

## *Order of Worship*

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 8th, 2024

Chapel

8:30 am

#### OPENING VOLUNTARY

The prelude is a time for people to become quiet, to meditate and pray, and to prepare their hearts individually for the worship of God.

WELCOME

Rev. Jeff Patterson

† CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER    Congregation reads bold print  
Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Let us pray.

**O Lord God, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

† HYMN NO. 34 (VERSES 1, 4 & 5)

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

#### PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison

**O holy and merciful God, we confess that we have not always taken upon ourselves the yoke of obedience, nor been willing to seek and to do your perfect will. We have not loved you with all our heart and mind and soul and strength, neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. You have called us in the need of our sisters and brothers, and we have passed unheeding on our way. In the pride of our hearts, and our unwillingness to repent, we have turned away from the cross of Christ, and have grieved your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### Welcome!

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship 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.

#### CARING CARDS

We share the names of some of our people who would be blessed to hear from you. There are cards in the Welcome Folders. Won't you take a moment to write to them? Please write your encouraging message on the caring card and drop in the offering plate for us to address and mail.

SYMPATHY TO Mike Hedrick in the death of his brother Kenneth on 8/30/24

SYMPATHY TO the family of Bob Hoover, who passed away 9/1/24

c/o Elisabeth Pruitt  
(Daughter)  
Bobby Hoover (Son)  
Janet Ellington  
(Daughter)



ARE YOU HURTING?  
Stephen Ministers  
bring Christ's love  
and care to people  
during a time of pain  
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or 336-414-6350.

SOLO HYMN No. 89  
*Love Lifted Me*

LOVE LIFTED ME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response:

“Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**”

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

† HYMN NO. 113

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

ST. ELIZABETH

SCRIPTURE LESSON

James 2:1-17 (Pg.1011)

This is the Word of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*“Faith-filled Works”*

Rev. Jeff Patterson

LET US WELCOME OUR  
NEWEST MEMBERS!

Teresa Swartz  
Rick Swartz

† APOSTLES' CREED

We face the cross and profess in unison

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*universal

† HYMN NO. 685

*Forth in Thy Name, O Lord*

DUKE STREET

*(The Altar is open for prayer.)*

† BENEDICTION

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY

† Those who are able please stand.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

Reverend Clark Chilton, Contemporary Worship/Evangelism

Reverend Susannah Pittman, Congregational Care/Adult Spiritual Formation

Reverend Dr. Ken Lyon, Generosity/Church Vitality/Missions

Reverend Dr. Glenn Myers, Pastor of Visitation

Mr. Phillip Leach, Baritone Soloist

Ms. Charli Mills, Director of Traditional Music and Worship Arts

Mr. Lindsay Odom, Organist

**REFLECTION QUESTIONS: JAMES 2:1-17**

1. Although we are saved by grace through faith, James reminds us in today's passage that our faith should be reflected in our works. Take a moment to reflect upon your day-to-day living, especially over this past week. In what ways did your faith impact your daily actions?
2. James warns us against showing partiality in how we treat others. In our world, it is easy to make judgments of one another and to love only those whom we like or with whom we agree. How does faith help you overcome the temptation to show partiality? Why do you think the virtue of showing no partiality is so essential to the Christian witness?
3. Take time this week to consider your relationships with others. What specific ways can you engage in acts of service and kindness, particularly in relating with someone with whom you may disagree or find difficult to love?

**RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS**

WE WILL BE RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2024.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN JOINING WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH, PLEASE CONNECT WITH ONE OF OUR FIVE PASTORS ON STAFF!



*Join Us!*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome guests! Scan the QR code on the left to receive a free welcome gift (to scan the code, use your phone's camera and follow the provided link)!

Attendance: please fill out and pass the friendship folders located in each row.

Nursery childcare is available (infants - 2 years old) Sunday mornings for the 9:45 a.m. service and the 11 a.m. service. The nursery is in the Children's Ministry Hall. If you need assistance in locating the nursery, one of our ushers will be glad to assist you.

Offering plates will be passed down each row during the service. To give online use your camera on your phone to scan the QR code to the right or text the word DETAILS to 94000 to give online.



## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY, September 9</b> 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	The Ten Commandments Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Student Ministry Ball & Bible Cub Scout Meeting Boy Scout Meeting AA Meeting	Media Center Fellowship Hall Scout Room Scout Room Adult Wing D208
<b>TUESDAY, September 10</b> 9:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study Card Ministry Meeting Board of Directors Meeting	Media Center Circle View Room Circle View Room
<b>WEDNESDAY, September 11</b> 7:20 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	John Willett's Men's Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Revelation Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Prayer Shawl Ministry Wednesday Dinner (served until 6:30 p.m.) Vespers GriefShare Wesley Memorial Kids Fall Family Night Student Ministry Middle School Midweek Motivation W.O.W. (Women of Wesley) Bible Study Disciple II Financial Peace University Revelation Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Chancel Choir Rehearsal Student Ministry High School Midweek Motivation	Dining Hall Dining Hall Conference Room 3 Dining Hall Chapel Adult Wing D203 Fellowship Hall Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing D210 Circle View Room Adult Wing D201 Media Center Choir Room Student Ministry Wing
<b>THURSDAY, September 12</b> 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	The Good & Beautiful God Book Study with Pastor Susannah C.S. Lewis Society of the Triad AA Meeting ALAnon	Media Center River Landing Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D201
<b>SUNDAY, September 15</b> 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Adult Sunday School Contemporary Worship Small Groups/ All Welcome Traditional Worship Children's Church Rise Against Hunger Student Ministry Young Adult Ministry Night	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Children's Ministry Wing Adult Wing Fellowship Hall Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing Dining Hall Off-site

To view the full church calendar visit our website, [wesleymemorial.org/calendar](http://wesleymemorial.org/calendar)  
 Visit [wesleymemorial.org/announcements](http://wesleymemorial.org/announcements) for our announcement board

### Fall Adult Studies with Pastor Jeff

The Ten Commandments: A Blueprint for Freedom  
Monday beginning September 9

10:30 a.m. (Media Center)

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The Book of Revelation: A Manual for Discipleship  
Wednesday beginning September 11

9:30 a.m. (Dining Hall) or 6:45 p.m. (Media Center)

### Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study

You are invited to attend the Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study beginning September 10 at 9:00 a.m. in the Media Center. We will be studying Luke in the Land by Kristi McLelland.

In this study you will follow our author through Israel as we study snapshots from the Gospel of Luke to see where the stories of the Bible took place. Over 7 sessions, it will challenge the way you read the accounts of Jesus through teaching videos that take you to locations in Israel like Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee, Gethsemane, Jerusalem, and the road to Emmaus. Along the way, you'll see how Jesus, the Messiah, brought His kingdom to earth for everybody.

Benefits from the study:

- Behold the gospel story in a whole new way as we "travel" through Israel.
- Gain a deeper understanding of stories of Jesus's life from a first-century point of view.
- Explore cultural and historical concepts that will give new perspective on well-known biblical stories.

If you are interested in attending, please email Debbie Carmichael at [debccarmichael123@aol.com](mailto:debccarmichael123@aol.com) so that she can order a workbook for you.

### The Walk to Emmaus

The Walk to Emmaus is a three day retreat held twice a year by the Piedmont Emmaus Community. It is sponsored by the Upper Room. It runs from Thursday night to Sunday afternoon. It is an uplifting, energizing, and wonderful time away from the day to day worries that tend to drown out God. The dates for the Men's Walk for this fall are Sept. 12-15 and the Women's Walk is from Sept. 19-22. The retreat looks in depth at a variety of topics related to basic Christian theology. It is a very spiritual and renewing experience but also quite fun. It does require registration through an application. If you would like to attend or have questions, please visit [wesleymemorial.org/announcements](http://wesleymemorial.org/announcements) and you will find a list of members who you can contact.

### Wednesdays @ Wesley

Our Wednesday evenings meals and programming will resume on September 11, 2024 from 5:15 p.m.-6:30 p.m. in our Dining Hall. The cost is free, but donations are accepted. Following dinner is a wide range of opportunities for learning and spiritual growth.

The menu for September 11th is BBQ, coleslaw, and baked beans. There will also be a kids mac n cheese option available. All dinners come with salad bar, roll, and dessert.

### Fall Family Night

DON'T MISS the FALL FAMILY NIGHT on Wednesday, September 11th at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This is a brief, important meeting for all families with kids from birth through 5th grade. Bring the kids! We will meet, have dinner, and enjoy a fun night with a special guest!

### Financial Peace University

If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today. Financial Peace University is the nine-week class that's helped nearly 10 million people learn step by step how to beat debt and build wealth. Class starts on Wednesday, September 11th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in room D201. Join us and learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. The cost is \$79 per household. More information and link to register available at [wesleymemorial.org/financial-peace](http://wesleymemorial.org/financial-peace) Note: scholarships available.

Learn *God's ways* of handling money.

GriefShare®

## Grief Support Group

*Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one*

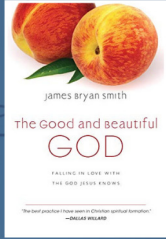
At a GriefShare group, you'll find understanding, guidance, relief, and a safe place to navigate the challenges of grief. Come join us!

Wednesdays 6 p.m..  
September 11 - December 11  
Wesley Memorial Methodist Church  
1225 Chestnut Drive  
High Point, NC 27262



**STARTING  
SEPTEMBER 11**

# WOMEN OF WESLEY BIBLE STUDY



**WEDNESDAYS | 6:15 PM**  
Room D210

God gives blessings to all without regard to their behavior. Terrible things happen to wonderful people. Wonderful things happen to awful people. We cannot look around the world we live in and build a case that sinners are punished and righteous people are blessed. Reality simply does not bear this out.  
-James Bryan Smith

Feel free to grab dinner from the dining hall and bring it with you! Need childcare? Each week Children's Ministries' Games & Gospel meets at the same time as WOW and provides a kid-friendly dinner option too.

## The Good and Beautiful God Book Study

Thursday mornings from September 12 to November 7, from 9:30 to 11:00 am, will be dedicated to a study facilitated by Rev. Susannah Pittman in the Media Center. This fall, we will journey through *The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love with the God Jesus Knows* by James Bryan Smith. This deep, loving, and transformative book will guide us in discovering a new way to experience life. We'll explore the narratives that Jesus lived by—to know the Lord He knew and the Kingdom He proclaimed—and practice spiritual exercises that will help us grow in the knowledge of our good and beautiful God. The book is available for purchase through online retailers. To register, please contact the church office or Rev. Susannah Pittman.

# #ADVENTUREON!

CUB SCOUT PACK 4

KICK-OFF/FAMILY NIGHT FOR BOYS AND GIRLS  
1ST-5TH GRADES

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16 7:00 PM

WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST DINING ROOM  
CUB SCOUTING IS FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!!!

- \*MAKE FRIENDS
- \*LEARN NEW SKILLS
- \*EARN BADGES
- \*CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT
- \*OUTDOOR ADVENTURES
- \*CREATE LIFE-LONG MEMORIES

COME LEARN ABOUT ALL THAT SCOUTING HAS TO OFFER.  
FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT  
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PACK 4 MEETS MONDAYS 7:00-8:00  
WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH  
1225 CHESTNUT DR. HIGH POINT



## Sunday Night Young Adults Gathering

Young Adults are meeting from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday nights at Pastor Clark's home. Young Adults are coming together for a relaxed and enjoyable evening. Hang out, share a meal, and engage in worship with friends. Please email [cchilton@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:cchilton@wesleymemorial.org) for the location address.

## Third Grade Bibles

Wesley Memorial's tradition of presenting Bibles to third graders, made possible by the Millis Bible Fund, has been a cherished practice for over 100 years. This year, Bibles will be given at the 11 a.m. traditional service on Sunday, September 15th, 2024.

If your child would like to participate, please send their full name to Ann Marie as you'd like it to appear on their Bible.

Additionally, we'll host a 3rd Grade Bible Mini Retreat on September 22nd from 2:00-5:30 p.m. at the picnic shelter, with pizza and ice cream for dinner. Please email Ann Marie at [achilton@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:achilton@wesleymemorial.org) to RSVP for the retreat.

## Rise Against Hunger 2024

We are excited to announce our upcoming Rise Against Hunger event on September 15, 2024 at 2 pm in the Dining Hall, where our church community will once again come together to make a difference in the fight against hunger. This marks our 12th event, building on our proud history of service and compassion. Over the years, we have collectively packaged an incredible 322,518 meals, and this year, we aim to add 36,072 meals to that impressive total. This effort not only exemplifies our commitment to serving those in need but also brings our community closer together through the shared goal of making a tangible impact in the world. In our most recent event in 2023, the meals we packaged were shipped to the Adventist Development and Relief Agency in Madagascar and the American Relief

Agency for the Horn of Africa in Somalia. These meals have provided essential nourishment to communities facing severe food insecurity, underscoring the importance of our continued support. As we prepare for this year's event, we invite everyone to join us in this meaningful endeavor. Whether you're a long-time participant or new to Rise Against Hunger, your efforts are crucial in bringing hope and sustenance to those in need. Together, let's rise to the occasion and make a lasting difference in the lives of many. Sign up to volunteer at <https://wesleymemorial.org/rise>

## Salem Bach Festival — Friday, September 27

Wesley Memorial is delighted to be a host church for the seventh annual Salem Bach Festival this year! Join us at 7pm in the Sanctuary on Friday, September 27th for a Vespers service featuring North Carolina's most talented singers and period instrumentalists.

Programming will feature J.S. Bach's exquisite vocal motet, Jesu meine Freude (BWV 227), solo cantata Ich habe genug (BWV 82), and the Concerto for Violin and Oboe in C minor (BWV 1060R).

The Salem Bach Festival strives to share the music of J.S. Bach and his contemporaries with the Triad community through historically informed performances.

For more information and to discover other area events, visit [salembachfestival.com/2024-festival](http://salembachfestival.com/2024-festival).

All festival events are free!

## Autumn Lights: Outdoor Candlelight Prayer Service Sunday, September 29, 2024 at 7:30-8:00 pm (Registration begins 7:00)



The Senior Adult Council invites ALL FAMILIES of our church and community to participate in an OUTDOOR candlelight worship service of music and prayers to raise awareness and financial support to benefit Alzheimer's and Dementia Patients and their care partners. This event will take place on the Dining Hall Patio (in case of rain, the service will be held in the Fellowship Hall). Upon arrival, attendees will receive candle votives in glass jars. This is a beautiful and heart-touching service. You will be invited to write names on paper flowers of your loved ones affected by Alzheimer's now or long ago. Our pastors will pray over these names.

Currently, 1 in 3 Seniors age 65+ dies with Alzheimer's or other dementia. By 2030, this number is expected to increase by 26%. Thank you in advance for adding YOUR LIGHT to this crucial fight to end Alzheimer's. Last year, our Wesley Memorial donations totaled \$13,824. We were recognized as the #1 fundraising "team" in Guilford County. All donations benefit The Alzheimer's Association of Guilford County, given in a combined gift from Wesley Memorial. Our 2024 goal is to meet or exceed last year's gift - - we can make a strong difference in furthering support of patients, their caregivers, and research.

We apologize that the 2023 version of our Autumn Lights mailing was inadvertently sent to some of our congregants. Please note that the correct date for the service is Sunday, September 29.

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CARE SERVICES

# THE ANNUAL SOUL OF THE COMMUNITY

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT

TICKET PRICE  
\$15.00

MENU:  
CHICKEN  
VEGETABLES  
CORNBREAD  
DESSERT

FRIDAY,  
September  
**27th**  
2024  
4PM - 7PM

Tickets available at  
Wesley Memorial  
1225 Chestnut Dr.  
High Point, NC 27262  
and  
Macedonia Family  
Resource Center



[Macedoniacenter.org](http://Macedoniacenter.org)



## 3rd Annual Fundraiser HOPE 4 HUMANITY

at Hope Baptist Church • 4872 Old Edgar Rd. Sophia, NC 27350

BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS FUNDRAISING  
EVENT, YOU ARE PLAYING A CRUCIAL ROLE  
IN CREATING A BETTER WORLD FOR ALL.

Silent Auction, Bingo  
**A Special Speaker**  
Music with:  
**For His Glory** and  
**Bradley & Savannah Mick**  
So, get ready for a  
*Great night of Fun and Fellowship*

**Menu includes:**  
Flounder, Hush Puppies,  
French Fries, Slaw,  
Drink and Dessert.

\$15 donation at the door

*Giving Hope...  
Changing Lives*

OCTOBER 11TH, 2024 FROM 5:00 TO 8:00PM

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Matthew 25:40



*GriefShare:* 📍 Meets in room D203

🕒 Begins Wednesday, September 11th - December 11th @ 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

**Facilitated by Tammy Patterson and Abbigail Felton**

Participant's workbook will be available at first session. Suggested donation is \$10, and scholarships are available. To register, please visit [www.griefshare.org/groups/241402](http://www.griefshare.org/groups/241402), email Rev. Susannah Pittman [spittman@wesley Memorial.org](mailto:spittman@wesley Memorial.org), or call the church office @ 336-884-2204. GriefShare is a 13-week grief support group for people grieving the death of a loved one. Each week, we'll watch a weekly video with counsel and insights from respected grief experts and relatable personal stories, followed by a time of sharing and support. Session topics include what's normal in grief, how to handle difficult emotions, and what to do with regrets, questions, and worries.

*Women of Wesley W.O.W:* 📍 Meets in room D210

🕒 Begins Wednesday, September 11th - November 6th @ 6:15pm - 7:30 pm

**Facilitated by Jerry Cornwell and Barbara Coughlin**

For more information please contact Jerry Cornwell at [jerrycornwell08@gmail.com](mailto:jerrycornwell08@gmail.com) or Barbara Coughlin at [blbc215@aol.com](mailto:blbc215@aol.com) Books will be available to purchase at the first session. All women are invited to participate in this time of study, prayer, and fellowship. This fall, we will be journeying through The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love with the God Jesus Knows by James Bryan Smith. This deep, loving, and transformative book will help us discover a new way to experience life. We'll explore the narratives that Jesus lived by—to know the Lord He knew and the Kingdom He proclaimed—and to practice spiritual exercises that will help us grow in the knowledge of our good and beautiful God.

*Disciple II:* 📍 Meets in Circle View Room (3rd floor)

🕒 Begins Wednesday, September 11th - May 14th @ 6:15pm - 8:15 pm

**Facilitated by Tucker Mitchell**

To register, please contact Tucker Mitchell at [tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com](mailto:tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com) or 843-409-5587. Workbooks will be available at the receptionist's desk prior to the first session (some reading is required for the first lesson). The workbook cost \$45, but there are scholarships available. Disciple Bible study at Wesley will head down an exciting new path in the coming year. This year's group will dive into the Disciple 2 Study called "Into the Word, Into the World." The 30-week study takes a deep look at the books of Genesis and Exodus during the first half of the year. In our "second semester" we'll tackle Luke and Acts. The weekly classes feature video presentations, lively lectures, and great group discussions. Individual faith is deepened, and new bonds are formed. This is a follow-on study for the Disciple 1 course, but there is no prerequisite. The course is open to any prospective disciple, regardless of whether they've been through Disciple I or not. Disciple Bible study does require a commitment -- several hours of individual reading and study each week along with the two-hour class -- but any Disciple who has completed a class will tell you that it is well worth the time.

*The Good and Beautiful God Book Study:* 📍 Meets in Media Center

🕒 Begins Thursday, September 12th - November 7th @ 9:30 am - 11:00 am

**Facilitated by Rev. Susannah Pittman**

To register, email Rev. Susannah @ [spittman@wesley Memorial.org](mailto:spittman@wesley Memorial.org) or call the church office at 336-884-2204. The Good and Beautiful God is available to purchase through online retailers. This fall, we will be journeying through The Good and Beautiful God: Falling in Love with the God Jesus Knows by James Bryan Smith. This deep, loving, and transformative book will help us discover a new way to experience life. We'll explore the narratives that Jesus lived by—to know the Lord He knew and the Kingdom He proclaimed — and to practice spiritual exercises that will help us grow in the knowledge of our good and beautiful God.

*The Ten Commandments: A Blueprint for Freedom:* 📍 Meets in Media Center

🕒 Begins Monday, September 9th - November 7th @ 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Facilitated by Dr. Jeff Patterson

To register, please contact the church office @ 336-884-2204

*The Book of Revelation: A Manual for Discipleship:* Morning or Evening Available

🕒 Begins Wednesday, September 11th @ 9:30 am - 10:30 am in the Dining Hall

Begins Wednesday, September 11th @ 6:45 pm - 7:45 pm in the Media Center

Facilitated by Dr. Jeff Patterson

To register, please contact the church office @ 336-884-2204

*C.S. Lewis Society:* 📍 Meets in the living room at River Landing Retirement Community

🕒 Runs September - May @ 7:00 pm every 1st Thursday of each month

Facilitated by Dr. Jeff Patterson

For more info and for the reading list, please contact Rev. Jeff Patterson at

[jpatterson@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:jpatterson@wesleymemorial.org)

*Financial Peace University:* 📍 Meets in room D201

🕒 Begins Wednesday, September 11th @ 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Facilitated by Warren Lackey

If you've ever felt like you just can't get in control of your money, you're not alone. You'd be surprised how many people you know are struggling just like you. But it's time for your struggle to end—starting today. Financial Peace University is the nine-week class that's helped nearly 10 million people learn step by step how to beat debt and build wealth. Learn how you can pay off debt, save more money, and build wealth. The cost is \$79 per household (Scholarships Available!) Link to register and for more information:

<https://wesleymemorial.org/financial-peace>

*There are activities for all ages!*

For Wednesday night adult classes that run later than 7:30 pm, nursery and childcare available upon request!

### *Children's Ministry*

**Wednesday Night Kids Games & Gospel**

📍 Meet in the Dining Hall

🕒 Begins Wednesday, September 11th @ 6 pm - 7:30 pm

For ages 2 years through 5th grade. FREE dinner for kids each week - donations accepted. For more information visit [www.wesleymemorial.org/kids](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/kids)

### *Student Ministry*

**Midweek Motivation - Middle School**

📍 Meet in the Student Ministry Wing

🕒 Begins Wednesday, August 21st @ 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

**Midweek Motivation - High School**

📍 Meet in the Student Ministry Wing

🕒 Begins Wednesday, August 21st @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Our student ministry is open to any student and their friends in grades 6-12. We also have new opportunities for young adults ages 18-29 during different seasons and special times throughout the year too. We love seeing new faces and meeting new friends! For more info, visit [www.wesleymemorial.org/students](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/students)

# **RISE AGAINST HUNGER** **EXPERIENCE**

Please come join us!

**Wesley Memorial Methodist Church**  
~1225 Chestnut Dr. High Point, NC 27262~

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm**  
**In the Dining Hall**

Join us on September 15, 2024, for our 12th Rise Against Hunger event! We'll be packaging 36,072 meals to add to the 322,518 meals we've prepared in past events. Last year's meals were sent to Madagascar and Somalia, providing much-needed aid to those in need. Let's come together again to make a difference!



## **BRING THE KIDS**

Bring the whole family as well as any friends! To assist with planning, please scan the QR code to register your name and the number of participants in your party. Your participation matters!



**Volunteer  
Release  
& Waiver**



If you would like to further support the cause, visit  
<https://www.riseagainsthunger.org/how-you-can-help/donate/> for any monetary donations!

