

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, FEBRUARY 19, 2023
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY
11:00 AM

1225 Chestnut Drive • High Point, North Carolina 27262
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"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2).

WESLEY MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Order of Worship

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 19, 2023

Sanctuary

11:00 am

OPENING VOLUNTARIES

Fanfare

Jean-Joseph Mouret

Celebration in G Major

Michael R. Keller

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

Jeff Patterson

The Choral Call to Worship

15th Century

O wondrous sight! O vision fair of glory that the church shall share, which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun he glows! From age to age the tale declares how with the three disciples there where Moses and Elijah meet, the Lord holds converse high and sweet. The law and prophets there have place, two chosen witnesses of grace; the Father's voice from out the cloud proclaims his only Son aloud. With shining face and bright array, Christ deigns to manifest that day what glory shall be theirs above who joy in God with perfect love.

† GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

Congregation reads bold print

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

God of glory and mercy, before his death in shame your Son when to the mountain top, and you revealed his life in glory. Where prophets witnessed to him, you proclaimed him your Son, but he returned to die among us. Help us to face evil with courage, knowing that all things, even death, are subject to your transforming power. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

† HYMN NO. 92

For the Beauty of the Earth

DIX

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Welcome!

Thank you for worshipping 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.

Today, please help us welcome as our guest preacher, Rev. Ellen Martin. For the past 15 years, Ellen Martin has had “the talk” with her children. For the past 10 years, she has empowered other parents to do the same in one-on-one settings. Now she offers a workshop experience, “The Talk: Embrace the Sacred Gift.” Ellen earned a Masters of Christian Education from Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Ky., in 2005 and a Masters of Divinity in 2010.

We share the addresses of some of our people who need to hear from you.

There are cards in the Welcome Folders. Won't you take a moment to write to them? Please address the card. You may mail it yourself or place it at the altar rail or in the offering plate for us to mail.

Recent surgery:

John Weaver
103 Prestwick Drive
High Point, NC 27265

Recent treatments:

Ed Charles
1102 Sweetbriar Rd.
High Point, NC 27262



ARE YOU HURTING?

Stephen Ministers bring Christ's love and care to people during a time of pain and need. Each specially trained Stephen Minister confidentially guides his or her care receiver toward a place of peace and healing. To learn more, contact Mike Flack at gmflack@northstate.net or 336-688-5526 or Barbara Coughlin at BLBC215@aol.com or 336-414-6350.

THE ANTHEM

Resound and Rejoice

Jason W. Krug
(b. 1978)

†SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ann Marie Chilton

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Climb to the Top of the Highest Mountain

Carolyn Jennings
(b. 1936)

Climb to the top of the highest mountain, joyous tidings proclaim to the world, lift up your voice, shout the good news: behold, your Lord comes to you. He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will carry the lambs in his arms, he will ever keep them safe from harm. Behold, your Lord comes to you. He who made the stars in the heaven, he who fashioned the earth and the sea, from time eternal he was God, The Alpha and Omega, He. Behold, your Lord! He will come in power and glory, he will rule with mercy truth, hope of all the nations light of all the world! He will love the little children, he will hold them in his arms. Love him and trust him as a child, behold, your Lord comes to you.

†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. 599 (1ST VERSE ONLY)

Break Thou the Bread of Life

BREAD OF LIFE

**Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst
break the loaves beside the sea; beyond the sacred page
I seek thee, Lord; my spirit pants for thee, O Living Word!**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 3:6-24 (OT pg. 3)
John 3:16-21(NT pg 94)

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

SERMON

"Courage to Be His"

Ellen Martin

† APOSTLES' CREED

We face the cross and profess in unison

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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. 467

Trust and Obey

TRUST AND OBEY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHORAL BENEDICTION:

15th Century

*And faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision's mystery;
for which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.*

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Deo Gracias

Frederick Swann
(1931-2022)

SERVICE NOTES:

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† Those who are able please stand.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor
Ellen Martin, Guest Preacher

Clark Chilton, Associate Pastor Contemporary Worship and Evangelism

Lisa Tanico, Pastor of Congregational Care and Senior Adults

Ken Lyon, Pastor of Generosity/Church Vitality

Ann Marie Chilton, Children's Moment

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome guests! Scan this QR code 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 attendance pads 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.



Wesley Memorial School is open Monday – Friday at 9 a.m.

Offering plates will be passed or you can scan the QR code with your camera phone or text the word DETAILS to 94000 to give online.

MONDAY, February 20 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Interdenominational Bible Study Jubilate Ringers Senior Adult Line Dancing Ball & Bible Boy Scout Meeting AA Meeting	Adult Wing D213 (Media Center) Handbell Room Fellowship Hall Gym Boy Scout Room Adult Wing D208
TUESDAY, February 21 7:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 5:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	High School Guys Bible Study Women's Bible Study on Isaiah Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper Chancel Bells YAM (Young Adult Ministry)	Chick-fil-A Media Center Dining Hall Handbell Room Student Ministry Wing
WEDNESDAY, February 22 7:00 a.m. 7:20 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	ASH WEDNESDAY High School Girls Bible Study Men's Bible Study with John Willett Ash Wednesday Service Prayer Shawl Ministry Ash Wednesday Service Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Chick-fil-A Dining Hall Chapel Media Center Sanctuary Choir Room (under Sanctuary)
THURSDAY, February 23 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting AlAnon	Adult Wing D208 Adult Wing D201
FRIDAY, February 24 1:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Movie Day	Dining Hall
SATURDAY, February 25 10:00 a.m.	GriefShare's Loss of a Spouse Workshop	Media Center
SUNDAY, February 26 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.	WESLEY WOMEN'S SUNDAY Televised Traditional Worship Traditional Worship AA Meeting Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Adult Sunday School Contemporary Worship Student Ministry Sunday Morning Live Chancel Choir Rehearsal Small Groups/ All Welcome Traditional Worship Student Ministry High School Lunch Girl Scout Meeting Special Needs Listening Session	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D208 Children's Gathering Adult Wing Fellowship Hall Student Gathering Choir Room (under Sanctuary) Fellowship Hall Sanctuary Off-Site Dining Hall Fellowship Hall

To view the full church calendar visit our website, www.wesley memorial.org/calendar

Turkey & Syria Relief Fund

Thank you to all who have made contributions to the offering going to relief efforts following the earthquakes in Turkey & Syria. The amount collected as of this memo is \$4,000.

SENIOR ADULTS – LET’S GET MOVING! LINE DANCING IS COMING ON MONDAYS!

When: Mondays starting February 20 until March 27

Time: 2:00- 3:00 pm

Place: Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$5/ per person for each 1-hr session. Pay when you come.

What to Wear: Casual clothes and Comfortable Shoes

No rsvp needed. Questions? Call or text Bonnie Odom, 336-259-1941

Senior Adults February Event: POPCORN AND A MOVIE!

Friday, February 24

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Church Dining Hall

Bring your slippers, afghans & pillows to create a cozy “nest” in your seat! Our feature film to be shown on the BIG SCREEN

No rsvp required. Questions? Contact Sue Browder, 252-903-3311.

Wednesdays at Wesley

On Wednesday evenings we serve a warm, home-cooked meal beginning at 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.

There will NOT be a Wednesday night dinner on Ash Wednesday, February 22. Dinner will resume on Wednesday, March 1, 2023. The menu for March 1st is kielbasa with onions, peppers, and mushrooms served with rice pilaf. All dinners come with a salad bar, roll, and dessert. Donations are accepted.



SHROVE TUESDAY

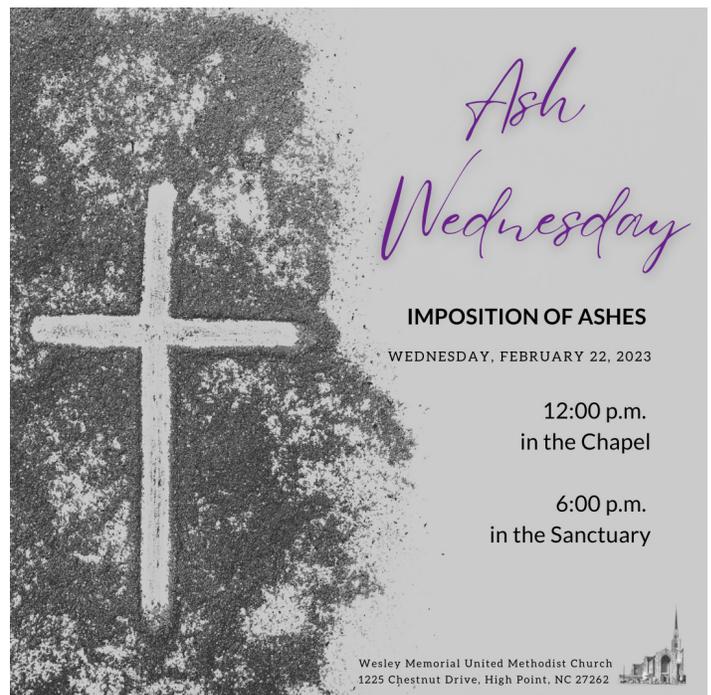
All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Supper
THIS TUESDAY
5:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. in the Dining Hall

TICKETS: \$7 EACH
(children under 12 eat free)

Sponsored by the United Methodist men in conjunction with and in support of Wesley Memorial Ministries.

SHROVE TUESDAY - The Wesley 100 Men will be selling tickets for the annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper which will take place on February 21st from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m. in the Dining Hall. Children under 12 eat free. Tickets are \$7 each and will be available in the Bridge Cafe before and after the 9:45 a.m. service on Sunday. You may also pick up your ticket at the church office during the week or they will be sold at the door on the 21st.

ASH WEDNESDAY- Wednesday Services will be held at 12:00 p.m. in the Chapel and 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, February 22, 2023. No Wednesday night dinner on February 22.



Ash
Wednesday

IMPOSITION OF ASHES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023

12:00 p.m.
in the Chapel

6:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church
1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, NC 27262

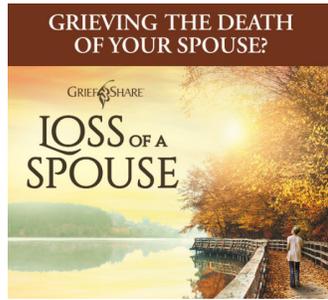
GRIEFSHARE'S

"LOSS OF A SPOUSE"

Saturday, February 25th
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
in the Media Center.

GriefShare brings you both spiritual and practical tools for surviving the loss of your spouse. Registration is necessary in order to ensure that you have a participant's book, which is \$10. Please join us for this important workshop facilitated by Abbigail Felton.

Please visit griefshare.org to register or contact Pastor Lisa if you're interested at 336-812-4815 or ltanico@wesley Memorial.org.



Special Needs Listening Session

April Maines and Pastor Ken are holding a listening session on Sunday, February 26th from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm in the Dining Hall. This meeting is for anyone with a special needs child, as well as, all those who may be interested in special needs ministry. The goal of this meeting is to get a deeper understanding of what Wesley Memorial can offer spiritually to those with special needs and their families. Light hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

High Point Singles

Our next event will be on Friday, March 17th for a casual Game Night. From 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm. We will meet here at the church. The room is to be announced.

It's in the middle of March Madness and it's also St. Patrick's Day. So, wear a bit of green or your favorite team's jersey or both!

We will be serving snacks, chips, dips and popcorn. Joan Campbell is bringing the game Trouble, she hasn't played it in years, so challenge her. If you have a board game and you want to challenge a new friend or acquaintance – bring it. We will have other board games available.

We Remember:

On Sunday, February 26, during the 11am worship service, we will commemorate the one year anniversary, of the Ukraine war. On February 24, 2022, Russia invaded Ukraine in a major escalation of the Russo-Ukrainian War, which began in 2014. The invasion has caused tens of thousands of deaths on both sides and instigated Europe's largest refugee crisis since World War II.

Senior Adult March Event: Seagrove Pottery Tour

Thursday, March 16, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Please join us for a guided tour and demonstration to learn about the rich history of NC Pottery and potters, past and present. We will visit the NC Pottery Center and Ben Owen Pottery. Ben's work can be found in many museums nationwide including the Smithsonian Museum of Art. The cost is \$10 per person plus money for lunch. We will meet in the sanctuary parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and carpool to Seagrove.

Reservations are required by Monday, March 6. Call Cynthia Reddick at 336-884-2204 to register.



Divorced or separated?

Find help, hope and healing

Wednesdays, Feb. 8 – May 17

6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Wesley Memorial UMC

Room 202

For more info, call 336-884-2204

Childcare provided

13-week seminar/support group.

You can join at any time!

www.divorcecare.org



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Middle School Mountain Trip to Valle Crucis CC
 The group will leave at 4 p.m. on Friday, March 3rd and return at 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 5th. Cost is \$150 per student (scholarships are available). The weekend includes t-shirt, 2 nights/3 days lodging, 5 workshop sessions, Mast General Stores, and tons of mountain adventure! This trip is also open to high school student sign-up that would enjoy coming alongside. Registration closes February 28th.

TVR Summer Camp to Teen Valley Ranch
 The group will leave at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 26th and return at 10 a.m. on Sunday, July 1st. Cost is \$350 per student (scholarships are available). The weekend includes t-shirt, 5 nights/6 days lodging, workshop sessions, meals, and tons of mountain adventure! This trip is also open to current 6th through 12th graders. Registration closes March 15th.

Mission Moment

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater High Point will be marking their 25th Anniversary this year and they have much to celebrate. In the Triad area they have increased from five clubs to ten. In our local area, renovating the former Rankin Memorial Methodist Church into the newest Boys & Girls Club facility should be complete late summer. At that time the Ward St/Oak Hill Club will move into the facility,

joining Macedonia, South Side, Forest Hills, Carson Stout, and Southwest Middle Extension in serving the children of High Point. Volunteer opportunities exist at these clubs for anyone willing to help with homework in reading and math or help with a 25th anniversary club party. Clubs are open 2:30-7:00 Monday through Friday year-round.

For details on how to get involved please contact Catherine Niebauer 336-812-7992 or catherine@hoclub.org.

Sedar Meal and Dinner

Valley of Blessing will be holding their annual Sedar meal in our Dining Hall on Wednesday, April 5th from 6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Ages 12 and under are free. Deadline to register is March 31st and should be done through Valley of Blessing.

Easter Flower Delivery Help

Flower Easter is just around the corner and the Congregational Care Team would appreciate your help delivering Easter flowers to REACH (restricted or reduced mobility, exceptional circumstances, advanced aging, convalescing, and homebound) members of our congregation.



On Friday, March 31st from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. drive through the porte cochere at the side entrance to the narthex where we will load your car. You may request the number of Easter flowers you wish to deliver along with specific neighborhoods or specific recipients. Any flowers left over from Friday pick up will be available for delivery after Palm Sunday services.

Hope you will help, it means so much to over 100 REACH members of our congregation!

Mark Your Calendar

Our Prayer Workshop will be on Thursday, March 23 this year. Two sessions will be offered: a morning and evening. More details to follow.