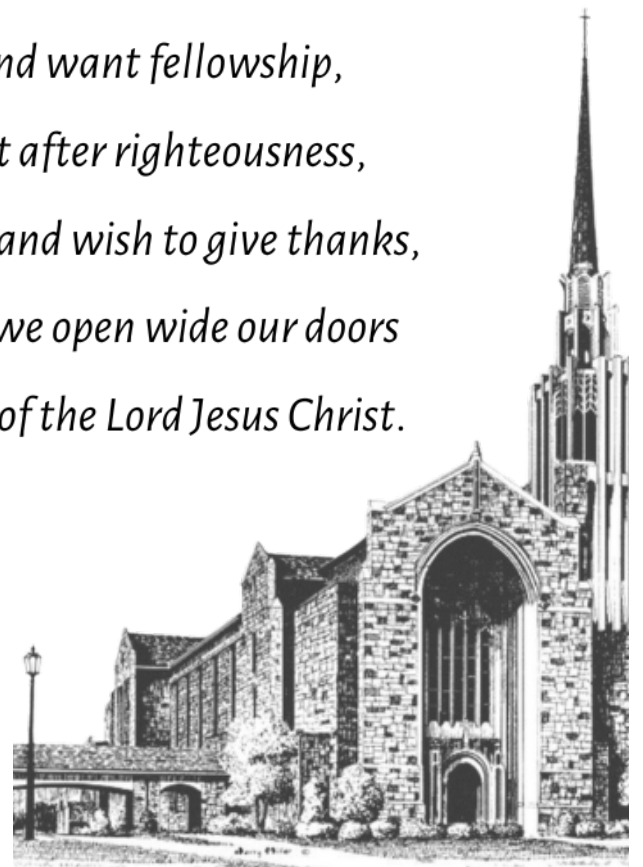


# WESLEY MEMORIAL

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 SANCTUARY 11:00**

*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*

### FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### SCOUT SUNDAY

February 9th, 2025

Sanctuary

11:00 am

#### PRELUDE

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

arr. Robert Hebble

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.

#### INTROIT

*O Thou in Whose Presence*

DAVIS

*O Thou, in whose presence my soul takes delight, on whom in affliction I call; my comfort by day, and my song in the night, my hope, my salvation, my all.*

† 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, our heavenly Father, keep your household the Church continually in your true religion, that we who trust in the hope of your heavenly grace may always be defended by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

† HYMN No. 87

*God Is Love: Let Heaven Adore Him*

BEECHER

#### PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

##### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison

**O holy 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 Brenda George on the passing of her mother, Daphne King, on 2/4.

SYMPATHY TO Sheri Hicks on the passing of her mother, Bettye Brisentine, on 2/1.

ABOUT  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH

For quick  
information about  
Children's Church,  
please scan me!



GIVING

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.



† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*(Children proceed to the pulpit side door for Children's Church)*

SCOUT PRESENTATIONS

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*The Lord is My Shepherd*

*The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake. Yea, though I walk thro' the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me: Thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me: Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full. But thy loving kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

† DOXOLOGY

*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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15: 11-24 (Pg. 874)

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

SERMON

*"The Relentless Love of the Father."*

Rev. Jeff Patterson

† 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. 572  
*Amazing Grace*

NEW BRITAIN

WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS!

*(The Altar is open for prayer.)*

† BENEDICTION

† The CHORAL BENEDICTION

*O Thou in Whose Presence*

DAVIS

*Dear Shepherd! I hear, and will follow Thy call; I know the sweet sound of Thy voice; restore and defend me, for Thou art my All, and in Thee I will ever rejoice.*

Judy Teetor  
Shelby Walker  
(Mother)  
Nathan Walker  
(Son)  
Jane Cameron

† CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

† POSTLUDE

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Johann Walther

† Those who are able please stand.

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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

Chancel Choir

Mrs. Patti Wood, Flute

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

Mr. Chris Ward, Organist

Mr. Edwin Bass, Usher

Mr. Bart Lassiter, Usher

Mr. Bradley Gibson, Usher

Mr. Wray Hodgin, Usher

Mr. Bill Bradner, Usher

Mr. James Robbins, Acolyte

Mr. David Robbins, Acolyte

Mr. Colton Maines, Crucifer

Miss Brielle Keunnen, Bible

Reflection Questions: Luke 15:11-32

1. Today's passage is often referred to as "The Parable of the Prodigal Son", but arguably the primary character of the parable is the father. What strikes you about the father in the parable? What does the character of the father in the parable reveal about the character of our Heavenly Father?

2. Both sons are lost in their own unique way. How does the relentless love of the Father for both of them speak to you about the character of God?

3. What specific ways can you "go and tell" about the relentless love of God this week?

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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 phones' camera and follow the provided link)!

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

Large print hymnals are available in the Narthex.

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.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY, February 10</b> 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Monday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Ball & Bible Cub Scout Meeting Boy Scout Meeting AA Meeting	Media Center Fellowship Hall Student Ministry Wing Scout Room Adult Wing D208
<b>TUESDAY, February 11</b> 1:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Card Ministry Board of Directors Meeting	Circle View Room Circle View Room
<b>WEDNESDAY, February 12</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. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	John Willett's Men's Bible Study Revelation Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Prayer Shawl Ministry Wednesday Dinner (served until 6:30 p.m.) Vespers Wesley Memorial Kids Games & Gospel (Ages 0-11) Student Ministry Midweek Motivation W.O.W. (Women of Wesley) Bible Study Disciple II Men's Bible Study Revelation Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Dining Hall Dining Hall Conference Room 3 Dining Hall Chapel Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Student Wing - C111 Circle View Room Conference Room 3 Media Center Choir Room
<b>THURSDAY, February 13</b> 10:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	"Life After Life" by Charletta Phillips AA Meeting AlAnon	Media Center Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D201
<b>SATURDAY, February 15</b> 8:30 a.m.	Wesley 100 Men's Group	Dining Hall
<b>SUNDAY, February 16</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.	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 Student Ministry Confirmation Class	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Children's Ministry Wing Adult Wing Fellowship Hall Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing

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

**SHARING JOY LUNCH**

Join us for an exciting afternoon of pizza and Bingo with friends and family. Fantastic prizes, laughter, and a whole lot of joy await you.

**TODAY**  
12:30 PM - Dining Hall

Grab your family and reserve your spot now.

[wesleymemorial.org/joy](http://wesleymemorial.org/joy)

### Senior Adult Winter Outing to TAG

Join fellow senior adults for a special Winter Outing designed exclusively for senior adults aged 60 and above! On Thursday, February 27, the group will enjoy a fun art class at TAG (The Art Gallery) at Congdon Yards, located at 400 West English Road, High Point. The class will take place from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon, with a cost of \$12 per person, payable upon arrival. Transportation will be provided—meet in the front church parking lot at 9:30 AM to board the church bus or carpool. Participants will paint individual pictures of an outdoor scene featuring our beautiful church. The instructor, Michaela, will have the church pre-drawn on each canvas and will guide participants through color selection and brush techniques. No prior experience is necessary, and all supplies will be provided. Each participant will leave with their own completed painting. The class is limited to the first 20 senior adults who RSVP, so call the church office at 336-884-2204 to secure a spot. If the class fills up, additional names will be added to a waiting list, with a second session scheduled once at least 10 participants are confirmed.

### February Card Ministry

Snail Mail rocks, especially when it comes to cards. So spread some joy as part of the Caring Card Crew! Join us every second Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Circle View Room as we discuss current prayer concerns, and make plans to send cards to our Wesley Memorial family. You'll choose names from the prayer list and directory, and during the month send a card to those you've selected. Nothing is required at this meeting except a heart for making someone smile! There's no registration needed, either. Simply come as you can and know that you're bringing a smile to many in our congregation. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 11th.

### Wednesdays @ Wesley

On Wednesday evenings we serve a warm, home-cooked meal from 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in our Dining Hall. The menu for February 12th is chicken & dumplings with creamed spinach and carrots. All dinners come with salad bar, roll, and dessert. The cost is free, but donations are accepted.

### Tools to Help You "Go and Tell"!

As we continue in our sermon series of "Go and Tell", please take advantage of free resources in either the Bridge Cafe, Nathex, or lounges in the Chapel. These include free copies of the Gospel of John, Wesley Memorial car magnets and other resources. Share the love of God and let your light shine!

**Grieving the death of a spouse?**  
*Or do you know someone who is?*

SCAN TO REGISTER

Your life has changed forever. The daily emotions and challenges can seem too hard to bear.

**You'll hear:**

- Practical advice from others who've been there.
- What to expect in your grief.
- How to cope with life without your spouse.
- Why it won't always hurt this much.

**Find help at a Loss of a Spouse seminar.**

**LOSS OF A SPOUSE**

Saturday, March 1, 2025 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. in room D201

Please join us for this encouraging seminar.

### Inclement Weather Updates

For all weather related schedule changes, you may call 336-884-2204 and press 6 for weather information. We will also share changes to WFMY Channel 2, WXII Channel 12, WGHP FOX8, our Facebook/Instagram pages, and via text.



# SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, March 4, 2025  
5:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Join us for the annual all-you-can-eat pancake supper on Shrove Tuesday. Tickets will be available soon or can be purchased at the door.

**\$7**  
TICKETS

CHILDREN 12  
AND UNDER  
EAT FREE

**PANCAKES • SAUSAGE**  
**JUICE • COFFEE • TEA**



Wesley Memorial Dining Hall  
1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, NC 27262

**Rise**  
AGAINST HUNGER

SUNDAY, MARCH 9  
2:00 - 4:30 PM

REGISTER AT  
[WESLEYMEMORIAL.ORG/RISE](http://WESLEYMEMORIAL.ORG/RISE)

## Ash Wednesday Services



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025  
12PM & 6PM  
IN THE SANCTUARY

*"From dust you came and from dust you will return."*

### Join the Praise Team

Are you passionate about worship music? We'd love to have you on the team! Come to our Praise Team Interest Meeting on Wednesday, March 12, in the Dining Hall from 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. Whether you sing, play an instrument, or want to learn more about how you can serve, this meeting is for you! For more details, contact Caleb Janney, Director of Contemporary Worship Music, at [cjanney@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:cjanney@wesleymemorial.org). Let's make a joyful noise together!

### 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 spring are March 13 - 16 and the Women's Walk is from March 20 - 23. 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 call or email any of the members listed below:

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**WEEKEND**

**This weekend could change everything.**

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