

WESLEY MEMORIAL

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

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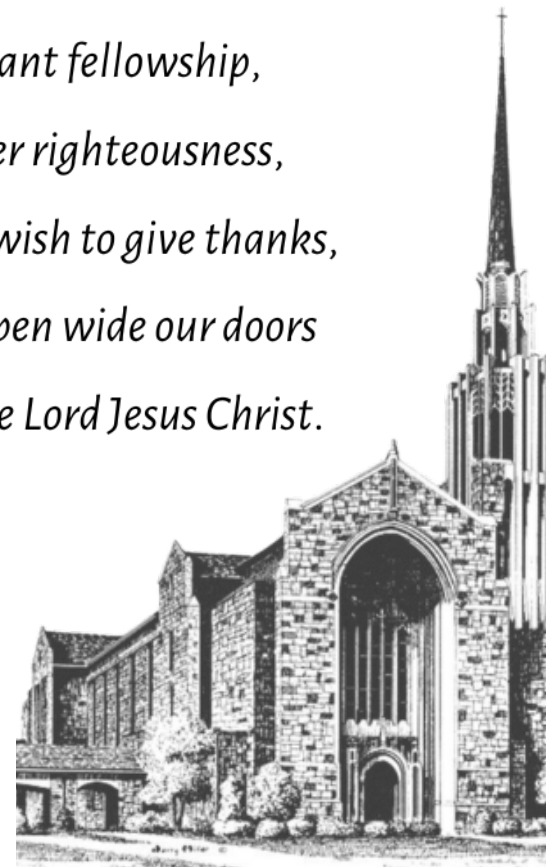
WELCOME

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.

APRIL 26TH, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL 8:30 A.M.



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

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

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 God, whose Son Jesus is the Good Shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† HYMN No. 73

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought HE LEADETH ME
He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heav'nly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain: He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me: His faithful follow'r I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom, by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. Refrain

Lord, I would place my hand in Thine, nor ever murmur nor repine; content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. Refrain

And when my task on earth is done, when by Thy grace the victory's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. Refrain

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. Please write your encouraging message on the caring card and drop in the offering plate for us to address and mail.

SYMPATHY TO ZOE DRAELOS ON THE PASSING OF HER MOTHER, LORENE KECECIOGLU.

RECENT SURGERY:
Tim Tilley
Rick Swartz

RECENT HOSPITALIZATION:
Phil Wood

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 or text the word DETAILS to 94000 to give online.



SOLO

The Good Shepherd

Brian D. Petersen

The Lord is my Shepherd; the good Shepherd. And He knows His sheep and they know His voice. As the shepherd to his lambs is known, they are known and loved by their master. And He layeth down His life for the sheep. The Lord is my Shepherd; I am numbered in His fold. And he giveth unto us eternal life. The Lord is my Shepherd; no want shall I know, and He layeth down His life for us all. The Lord is my Shepherd; as His sheep, I'll follow Him.

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.

† GLORIA PATRI NO. 33

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

† 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

John 10:1-10 (Pg. 896)

SERMON

"Our Shepherd Still"

Rev. Dr. 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

(The Altar is open for prayer.)

† HYMN NO. 275

Before the Throne of God Above

BEFORE THE THRONE

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea: a great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands. My name is written on His heart. I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart; no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see Him there, Who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free. For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me; to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb! My perfect spotless righteousness. The great unchangeable I AM. The King of Glory and of Grace. One with Himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God; with Christ, my Savior and my God!

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

† *All are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

Reverend Clark Chilton, Contemporary Worship/Evangelism

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

Reverend Lisa Tanico, Senior Adult Ministry

Reverend Dr. Glenn Myers, Pastor of Visitation

Mr. Phillip Leach, baritone soloist

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

Ms. Mora Wolff, Organist

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome, guests! We're glad you're here. Scan the QR code to receive a free welcome gift. Nursery childcare is available for infants through 2-year-olds during the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services on the children's ministry hall (ask an usher for help finding it). Members and guests, please take a moment to fill out and pass the friendship folders in each row. Large-print hymnals are available in the Narthex.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

MONDAY, April 27 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Pastor Jeff's Bible Study Bible & Ball Cub Scouts Daisy Scouts Boy Scouts AA Meeting	Media Center Fellowship Hall Dining Hall Admin - A220/A221 Boy Scout I Room Adult Wing D208
TUESDAY, April 28 12:45 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	Handbells Rehearsal Seasons of Sorrow	Adult Wing D212 Adult Wing D203
WEDNESDAY, April 29 7:20 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 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 Pastor Jeff's Bible Study Wednesday Night Dinner Vespers Handbells Rehearsal Children's Choir Rehearsal Wesley Memorial Kids' Games & Gospel Wesley Memorial Students Disciple Bible Study WOW Bible Study Men's Bible Study Pastor Jeff's Bible Study Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Dining Hall Dining Hall Dining Hall Chapel Adult Wing D212 Admin A220/A221 Children's Ministry Hall Student Ministry Wing Circle View Room Student Soul Cafe Conference Room 3 Media Center Choir Room
THURSDAY, April 30 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal AA Meeting AlAnon	Fellowship Hall Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D201
FRIDAY, May 1 4:00 p.m.	HPU Baccalaureate	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, May 3 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	COMMUNION SUNDAY Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Contemporary Worship Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School Chancel Choir Rehearsal Contemporary Unity Group Couples Group Traditional Worship Children's Church Confirmation Class Blessed Beginnings Unity Group	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing Choir Room Dining Hall Circle View Room Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Circle View Room

Monthly Food Collection The Missions team rotates our monthly Communion Sunday food collection. **On Sunday, May 3rd, donations will go to Open Door Ministry. Bins will be placed outside all three services.** Please consider bringing items as you feel led; **Please no expired food, drinks, or snacks.** Your generosity helps provide for neighbors in need. Thank you!

To view the full church calendar visit our website, wesleymemorial.org/calendar.
 Visit wesleymemorial.org/announcements for our announcement board

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 April 29th is bbq chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, cornbread, salad bar, and dessert. Payment not required, donations encouraged! Reminder that our last dinner will be on May 13th!

Easter Offering

Because of your generosity, lives will be changed—both here in High Point and across the world.

Through our Easter Offering, you gave a total of **\$22,994.90** to support two incredible ministries—one local and one global—each sharing the love of Christ in powerful, tangible ways.

Your gifts will help Open Door Ministry's Arthur Cassell Transitional Housing. Operating as one of two facilities within Open Door Ministries campus structure, the ACTH, is a lifeline for 24 of our nation's heroes who are struggling with homelessness. They also offer 24/7 care to veterans with chronic physical or mental disabilities. Your gifts will also support Friends of Gahini and the Smart Legacy School in Rwanda, helping ensure that children can continue receiving both education and spiritual formation in a place they call home.

Because of you, hope is extended, needs are met, and the love of Christ is made visible.

Thank you for your faithful generosity and for being a church that lives out the Gospel—not just in word, but in action.



MARRIAGE NIGHT

AT WESLEY MEMORIAL

Join us for Marriage Night at Wesley Memorial, an evening designed to encourage, strengthen, and celebrate the gift of marriage. Whether you are newly married or have been together for many years, this event will provide meaningful conversation, practical insights, and time to reconnect with your spouse in a Christ-centered setting.

- 📅 Friday, May 15th, 2026
- 🕒 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
- 📍 Wesley Memorial Fellowship Hall

\$30
PER
COUPLE

SCAN ME! >>>



More details are coming soon.
Reserve your spot online at wesley memorial.org/marriage or scan the QR code.

Rise AGAINST HUNGER

- 📅 Sunday, May 17th, 2026
- 🕒 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- 📍 Dining Hall at Wesley Memorial

Bring the whole family and help Wesley Memorial pack 36,000 meals for global hunger relief! Scan the QR Code to register or visit wesley memorial.org/rise



ACTIVITIES FOR
JUST OLDER YOUTH
AGES 60+



Events Column

May 2026

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PAINTED PIANO FESTIVAL
DOWNTOWN THOMASVILLE
@ 6:30 PM

14

SHELF LIFE BOOK CLUB
Local Author Shirene Gentry will be
discussing her book Identity Unveiled:
Daughter of the King of Kings
@ 1:30 PM in the Media Center

14

SENIOR APPRECIATION MEAL:
SANTO "THE NEIL DIAMOND GUY"
Shag Lessons @ 5:30 PM
Dinner served @ 6:30 PM
Menu is shrimp boil. Bring a lawn chair -
outdoor at the picnic shelter. Must make
reservation by 4/30

To inquire, please email joy@wesleymemorial.org

The J.O.Y. Group invites you to a Senior
Appreciation Dinner & Show!

Santo "The Neil Diamond Guy"

Santo So Good is a talented entertainer
and Neil Diamond tribute singer!



Scan the QR Code
to reserve your
spot by 4/30! Bring
a lawnchair and
enjoy the evening
outdoors by the
picnic shelter!



Menu

SHRIMP BOIL

@ 6:30 p.m.

FREE EVENT!

Shag Lessons
at 5:30 PM

WESLEY MEMORIAL

GRADUATION *Sunday*



MAY 17TH, 2026
11 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Parents and grandparents of graduating seniors—we
would love to celebrate this special milestone with you
and your student on Graduate Sunday!

GRADUATES ARE INVITED TO:

- Attend a reception before the 11 a.m. service
- Wear their cap and gown
- Receive a special blessing and sermon
- Be celebrated alongside their church family

FOR MORE DETAILS AND TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE

COMPLETE THE FORM AT

WESLEMEMORIAL.ORG/GRADUATES AND SUBMIT A
 PHOTO OF YOUR GRADUATE TO LIZ AT
 LNEEDHAM@WESLEMEMORIAL.ORG BY 5/11

IF YOU HAVE A COLLEGE GRADUATE YOU WOULD LIKE
TO INCLUDE IN OUR GRADUATE SUNDAY INSERT,
PLEASE FILL OUT THE SAME FORM ON OUR WEBSITE

Support the Good Shepherd Fund

Wesley Memorial has a special resource for church
members in need of financial assistance called the
Good Shepherd Fund. If you feel called to give to this
important resource, please write Good Shepherd on
the memo line of your check. Thank you for helping
maintain this fund that helps our church family.

THE BIG DROP
@ WESLEY MEMORIAL

**WEDNESDAY
MAY 20
6:00 P.M.**

YOU'RE INVITED!
Join us for the most smashing fun event of the year! During "The Big Drop", you'll get to play games, eat sweet treats, and let gravity do its thing as stuff drops from way up high and goes KERSPLAT! Everyone will hear the story of Jesus' first disciples and discover how we too can drop everything and follow Him.

Mini Tours

WESLEY'S WINDOWS

Upcoming Tour Dates:
Sunday, May 24th | Sunday, June 28th

*Tours Last 15- 20 Minutes
*Meet the Window Team at the front of the Sanctuary after the 11 am Traditional Service.

Look for the Window Tour Sign!

Scan to see what's happening in our Children's and Student Ministries!

WESLEY STUDENTS

WESLEY KIDS

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Eucharist Ministry Invitation

We invite you to consider joining our Eucharist Ministry. Through this special ministry, we share Holy Communion with our REACH members in their homes once a month. While this work happens quietly, its impact is meaningful. It brings comfort, connection, and a reminder that they remain a cherished part of our church family, even when they are unable to be with us in person. If you feel called to be part of this caring ministry, or would like to learn more, please contact Abbigail at Afelton@wesleymemorial.org

Prayer Shawl Ministry

You're invited to join our Prayer Shawl Ministry—a beautiful time of fellowship, creativity, and care for others. We meet every **Wednesday from 1:30–3:00 pm** in Conference Room 3, and everyone is welcome! If you're new, we're happy to teach you—just bring a willing heart and a desire to serve; no knitting experience required! Come be part of a ministry that wraps others in prayer, one stitch at a time.

Comfort Pillow Ministry

If you have a sewing machine and a heart for service we need you to sew pillow shells for our pillow ministry! It is quick and simple flat sewing, but with over 700 shells, we need all the help we can rally. Yearly we deliver 360 comfort pillows to hospice and 360 comfort pillows to the cancer center. These pillows are received with much gratitude during times of great difficulty.

We hope you will help. For more information contact Susan Samuel at 336-819-1482 or Emilie Rogers at 336-471-1678

Now Enrolling for the Upcoming School Year!



Wesley Memorial School is now accepting enrollment for Nursery, Preschool, and Kindergarten! We provide a loving, faith-centered environment where children grow academically, socially, and most importantly, spiritually. Through engaging lessons, play-based learning, and Biblical foundations, we nurture each child's unique gifts and curiosity.

If you're looking for a place where your child will be known, loved, and encouraged to thrive, we would be honored to partner with your family.

Matthew 19:14 "but Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.'"

Spots are limited—register today!

For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact us at agatewood@wesleymemorial.org