

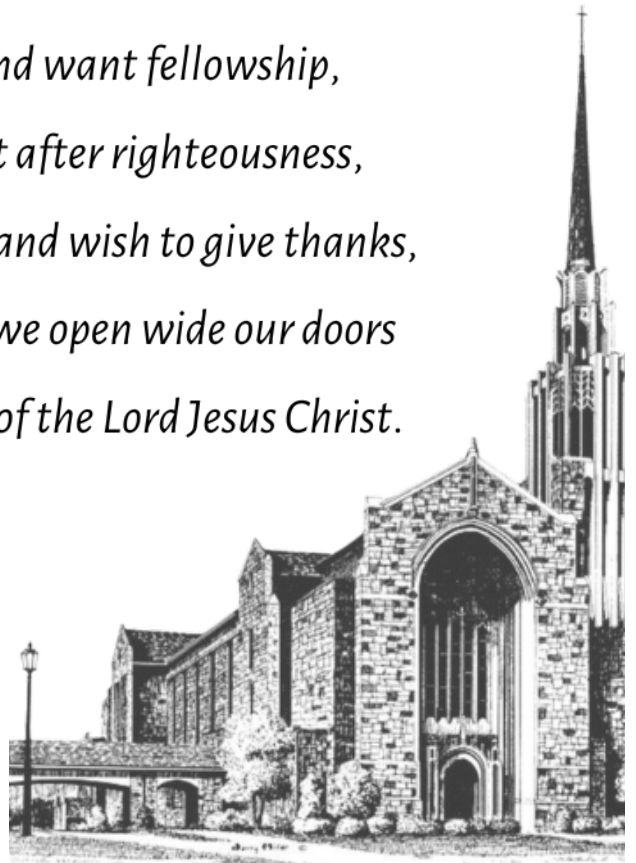
# WESLEY MEMORIAL

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*

### FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

### HOLY COMMUNION

February 2nd, 2025

Chapel

8:30 am

#### 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:

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

† HYMN NO. 35  
*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

EIN' FESTE BURG

#### † 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 James Beck on the passing of his brother, Rev. Joseph Beck, on 1/17.

HEALTH CONCERN:  
Barbara Beck

ON COMMUNION  
SUNDAYS WE PROFESS  
THE NICENE CREED, 325  
AD, THAT PROFFESSES  
THE FAITH OF THE  
UNIVERSAL CHURCH.

SOLO

*I Was in His Mind*

LaRowe/arr. Jackson

*I was in His mind before the worlds were made; I was in his mind before earth's frame was laid; because he knew me, because he loved me! I was in His tho'ts the night He prayed for me; I was in His tho'ts before Gethsemane, because he saw me, because He loved me! I was in His heart when Calv'ry's hill He climbed; I was in His heart when he died for all mankind, because he sought me, because he loved me! I am in His mind, and soon he'll come for me; I am in His mind with Him in heav'n to be, because He wants me, because he loves me!*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 2:14-18 (Pg. 1002)

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

SERMON

*"He Himself Likewise Partook "*

Rev. Jeff Patterson

† NICENE CREED

We face the cross and profess in unison

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in the one holy catholic\* and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

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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!**

## 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.



† THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and good to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. Before the mountains were brought forth, or you had formed the earth, from everlasting to everlasting, you alone are God. You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ, in whom you have revealed yourself, our light and our salvation. You sent a star to guide wise men to where the Christ was born; and in your signs and witnesses, in every age and through all the world, you have led your people from far places to his light. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you have given birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

*Please be seated*

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

## THE 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.**

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs from under your table, but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us, Amen.**

## SHARING THE EUCHARIST

*Please come to the serving table and receive the bread or gluten-free wafer. After receiving, you may kneel at the prayer rail. (If you are unable to come forward and would like to be served at your seat, please let an usher know.)*

## MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN No. 486

*There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood*

CLEANSING FOUNTAIN

HYMN No. 531

*To God Be the Glory*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE

† 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

Mr. Phillip Leach, Baritone Soloist

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

Ms. Mora Wolff, Organist

## SERMON REFLECTION

QUESTIONS: HEBREWS

2:14-18

1. Today's Scripture passage delves into the significance of the Incarnation—that Jesus is both fully human and fully divine. When we profess that Jesus is fully human, we are reminded that He understands and has experienced all that we experience—the joys, the sufferings, the temptations, and everything in between. How does the truth of a God who understands our day-to-day struggles give us a sense of comfort and strength?

2. Jesus is also fully divine. As today's verses proclaim, Christ defeated death and evil and “became a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.” How does the truth of a God who overcomes the world give us a sense of hope and peace?

3. Our sermon series this month is “Go and Tell.” As you think about your everyday responsibilities, interactions, and relationships, how can you witness to the Good News of the Incarnation 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 3</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>WEDNESDAY, February 5</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 6</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 8</b> 8:30 a.m.	Leadership Summit	Dining Hall
<b>SUNDAY, February 9</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. 12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	<b>Scout Sunday</b> 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 Sharing Joy Lunch & Bingo (ALL AGES) Student Ministry Confirmation Class	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Children's Ministry Wing Adult Wing Fellowship Hall Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing Dining Hall 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

FEBRUARY 2025 SERMON SERIES

# GO & TELL

## Give Your Testimony in February

On the heels of the January sermon series of "Come and See", our February sermon series, "Go and Tell", starts today. The Christian has such good news to share with the world! Sharing the personal experience of your faith in Christ can be the most powerful sort of witness. Throughout February we are looking for Wesley Memorial members who want to share their faith. If you feel called to give a pre-recorded video testimony, or a live Sunday morning testimony, please contact Rev. Clark Chilton at [cchilton@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:cchilton@wesleymemorial.org) or 336-812-4813.

## 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 5th is hot dogs with chili and chips.. All dinners come with salad bar, roll, and dessert. The cost is free, but donations are accepted.

## "Life After Life" with Dr. Charletta Phillips

Discover the transformative power of near-death experiences in "Life After Life," a thought-provoking discussion led by Dr. Charletta Phillips. Join us in the Media Center on Thursday, February 6 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM as we explore how these extraordinary experiences have changed lives. Contact the church office at 336-884.2204 to register.

## Leadership Summit - February 8 at 8:30 a.m.

All administrative teams and committee members are invited to Wesley Memorial's 2025 Leadership Summit on February 8th, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. in the Dining Hall. Please plan to join us for this important event!



A black graphic with a white grid background. At the top, it says "SHARING JOY LUNCH" in large, colorful letters. Below that, it says "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." Then, "SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9" in orange, and "12:30 PM - Dining Hall" in yellow. Below that, "Grab your family and reserve your spot now." in white. At the bottom, there is a pink button with the text "wesleymemorial.org/joy". There are also several circular icons with numbers 1, 3, 4, and 5, and some pizza slice illustrations.

## 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.

## The Benevolence Fund

This fund is used to meet needs in our community. If you'd like to contribute, please make checks payable to the church and mark them "Benevolence Fund."

## Faith Mentors Needed - Confirmation 2025

Are you interested in making an everlasting investment in our church? Do you want to see what God can do through you in the year 2025? If you answered yes to either one of these questions or if you have a desire to pour into the next generation of faithful followers, join us for Confirmation 2025 as a Faith Mentor and walk alongside our students as they continue to form and grow their faith. Interested? Contact Chase Harris at [charris@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:charris@wesleymemorial.org).

## 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.

## Grieving the death of a spouse?

*Or do you know someone who is?*

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

**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.**

SCAN TO REGISTER



### 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.

## A Jesus-Shaped Life: Lent 2025 Study

This Lent, join us on a transformative journey as we explore A Jesus-Shaped Life. Through Sunday sermons and small group discussions, we'll discover how to live, love, and lead more like Jesus. Whether you're part of an existing group or looking for a new one, there's a place for you in this congregation-wide study. Stay tuned for more details!

## Ash Wednesday Services



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025  
12PM & 6PM

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

## REGISTER TODAY

Wesley Memorial Methodist Church  
NOW: MARCH 7-8 ■ High Point, NC



# SPIRIT & TRUTH WEEKEND

**This weekend could change everything.**

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

### Spirit and Truth Weekend Coming Soon

Sometimes all it takes is a single moment in the presence of God to change the course of someone's life. Sometimes a little bit of training and invitation into one new practice can reset the trajectory of a person's life in Christ. Led by the Spirit and Truth ministry from Dayton, OH (and out of United Seminary), some typical topics covered in a Spirit & Truth Weekend:

- Building a Foundation of Prayer (Making prayer the starting place for all of life)
- Cooperating with the Holy Spirit (Learning to hear God's voice)
- Everyday Evangelism (Learning to share your faith right where you live, work and play)
- Becoming a Disciple-Maker (Mobilizing every member to participate in the Great Commission)

Cost is \$25 and open to any youth or adult. Sessions will be at Wesley Memorial on Friday night and Saturday morning/afternoon (breakfast and lunch provided on Saturday). To register, visit [wesley memorial.org/spiritandtruth](http://wesley memorial.org/spiritandtruth). Questions? Rev. Clark Chilton [cchilton@wesley memorial.org](mailto:cchilton@wesley memorial.org)