

# WESLEY MEMORIAL

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

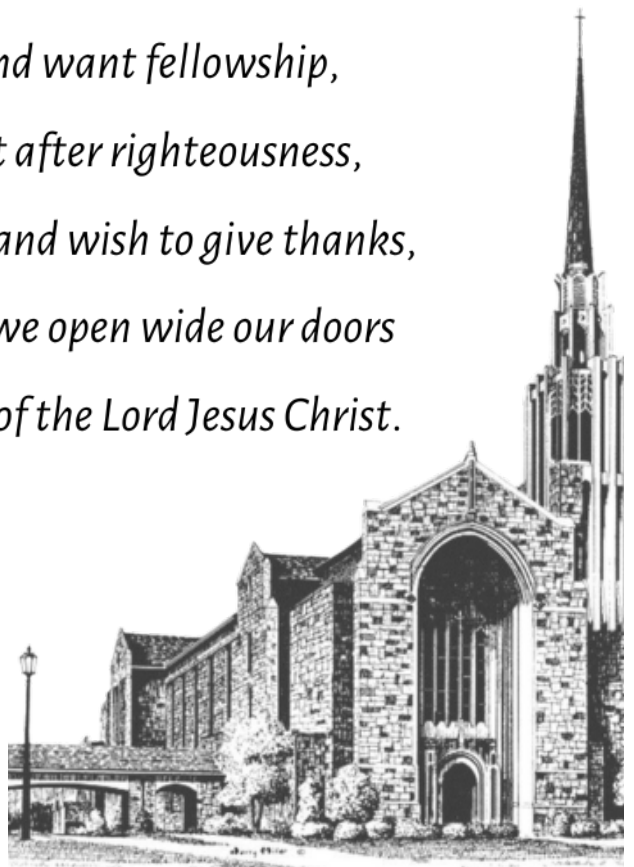
## WELCOME

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.*

**AUGUST 17TH, 2025**

**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**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.*



# 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:

**Keep your Church, O Lord, by your perpetual mercy; and because without you the frailty of our nature causes us to fall, keep us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

† HYMN No. 34

*All Creatures of Our God and King*      LASST UNS ERFREUEN  
*All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing*  
*Alleluia, Alleluia! O burning sun with golden beam, and silver moon with*  
*softer gleam, O praise him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*O rushing wind that art so strong, you clouds that sail in heav'n along, O*  
*praise Him, Alleluia! O rising morn in praise rejoice, O lights of evening,*  
*find a voice, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*O flowing water, pure and clear, make music for your Lord to hear,*  
*Alleluia, Alleluia! O fire so masterful and bright, providing us with*  
*warmth and light, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
*Alleluia!*

*All you who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part, sing*  
*praises, Alleluia! All you who pain and sorrow bear, praise God and*  
*on Him cast your care, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
*Alleluia*

*Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in Humbleness, O*  
*praise Him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise*  
*the Spirit, Three in One, O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia,*  
*Alleluia*

## 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 family and friends of Vivian Rydgren Robinson who passed on 8/11.

Health Concerns:  
Becky Burroughs

## PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison

**Almighty and most merciful God, you know the thoughts of our hearts. We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight. We have transgressed your holy laws. We have disregarded your Word and Sacraments. Forgive us, O Lord. Give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things, that, being delivered from the bondage of sin, we may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance, and from henceforth may ever walk in your holy ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### HYMN No. 406

*Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace*

GIFT OF LOVE

*Lord, make us servants of Your peace: where there is hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one.*

*Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.*

*Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled, but to console; nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand.*

*May we not look for love's return, but to seek love unselfishly, for in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiv'n.*

*Dying, we live, and are reborn through death's dark night to endless day; Lord, make us servants of Your peace, to wake at last in heaven's light.*

### 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 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.**

#### 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.



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

Matthew 5:38-42 (Pg.810)

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

SERMON

*“Radical Love”*

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

*(The Altar is open for prayer.)*

† HYMN NO. 570

*Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine*

ASSURANCE

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.*

*Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.*

*Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love. Refrain*

*Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love. Refrain*

LOOKING FOR ALTAR  
SERVERS!

WE ARE  
RECRUITING FOR  
CRUCIFERS, ACOLYTES  
AND BIBLE BEARERS  
FOR OUR 11 AM  
SERVICE. IF YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO  
SERVE IN THIS  
MINISTRY, PLEASE  
CALL PRISCILLA  
SMITH AT  
336-848-9589.

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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

† 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 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

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome, guests! We're glad you're here. Scan the QR code on the left with your phone's camera to receive a free welcome gift!

Nursery childcare is available for infants through 2-year-olds during the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, located in the Children's Ministry Hall. If you need help finding it, an usher will be happy to assist you.

Members and guests, please take a moment to fill out and pass the friendship folders located in each row.

Large print hymnals are available in the Narthex for those who need them.

## Important Reminder: Scott Ball Presentation - Today at 3 p.m.

This afternoon at 3:00 PM in the Dining Hall, Scott Ball will present the results of our recent church survey and share next steps. All are invited—and encouraged—to attend.

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY, August 18</b> 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Ball & Bible Girl Scout Daisy Troop AA Meeting	Media Center Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Adult Wing D208
<b>TUESDAY, August 19</b> 6:00 p.m.	Monthly Ministry Update	Dining Hall
<b>WEDNESDAY, August 20</b> 7:20 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	John Willett's Men's Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Prayer Shawl Ministry Vespers Wesley Memorial Students (Grades 6-12) Men's Bible Study Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Dining Hall Dining Hall Conference Room 3 Chapel Off-site Conference Room 3 Media Center Choir Room
<b>THURSDAY, August 21</b> 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
<b>SUNDAY, August 24</b> 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	<b>Blessing of the Backpacks</b> Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Contemporary Worship Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School Chancel Choir Rehearsal Small Groups/All Welcome Traditional Worship Children's Church	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing Choir Room Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing

## Blessing of the Backpacks – August 24

Students in K–5th grade, bring your backpack on Sunday, August 24 for a special blessing during both services (9:30 and 11:00). We'll pray for students, teachers, and a great start to the school year!

# WMS 1ST CHALK THE WALK

**Save the Date**  
**SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH FROM 12:30PM-2:30PM**  
**DONATION: \$10 MINIMUM PER SQUARE**

Help us kick off the new school year with color and creativity! Purchase a sidewalk square to decorate and let your inner artist shine. These chalk masterpieces will line the walkway and be the first thing our students see as they arrive on the first day—what a fun and welcoming surprise!

Can't attend but still want to support?  
 No problem—we've got you covered! Just send us a message, and we'll be happy to help coordinate your donation.

Let's make the first day of school a colorful one to remember!

For those who are decorating we will provide...

**CHALK, DRAWING SPACE, SMALL WATERS, LIGHT SNACKS**

Need Ideas for drawing...

**WELCOME BACK SIGNS, RAINBOWS, SIMPLE SHAPES, STARS, INSPIRATIONAL / ENCOURAGING MESSAGES, ETC.**

## Preparing for the Unexpected

Did you know that approximately 70% of people have no Will or Estate Plan?

Without one in place, decisions about your property, family heirlooms, finances, charitable gifts, and even the care of dependent children will be made according to state law rather than your wishes. That means the legacy you hope to leave could look very different from the one you intended.

August is National Make a Will Month, the perfect time to be intentional about protecting the people you love and supporting the causes close to your heart.

If you already have a Will, use this month as a reminder to meet with your attorney and review it in light of any changes in your circumstances, relationships, or finances. If you don't yet have a Will, consider consulting with an estate planning professional for advice and guidance.

Want to know more? We've prepared some additional information that can help you as you take steps to protect and care for your family and your Wesley Memorial family if you choose. Contact Pastor Ken klyon@wesley-memorial.org.

## 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."

## Becoming a More Prayerful Person

Looking to deepen your prayer life? Join Dr. Jeff Patterson on Tuesday, August 26 from 2–3 p.m. in the Media Center for an enriching session on prayer practices and resources—including the 2019 Book of Common Prayer, prayer guides, devotionals, and more. This free event, sponsored by the Great Day Unity Group, will introduce ways to pray Scripture and the Psalms. Optional copies of the Book of Common Prayer will be available for \$30. RSVP by emailing [receptionist@wesley-memorial.org](mailto:receptionist@wesley-memorial.org).



**JOIN CUB SCOUTS & SCOUTS BSA**

## OPEN HOUSE

**Monday, August 25 6:30 p.m.**

Wesley Memorial Church, 1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, NC



**Cub Scout Pack 4**  
 Boys & Girls • Grades K-5



**Boy Scout Troop 4**  
 Boys • Ages 11-17



### WHAT SCOUTS OFFERS:

- Character Development
- Physical Fitness
- Community Service
- Leadership Skills
- New Friends
- Outdoor Activities
- Games and Fun
- And So Much More

### A SCOUT IS:

**TRUSTWORTHY LOYAL**  
**HELPFUL FRIENDLY**  
**COURTEOUS KIND**  
**OBEDIENT CHEERFUL**  
**THRIFTY BRAVE**  
**CLEAN REVERENT**

Contact Amy Heybrock at 336-442-8895. Pack 4 and Troop 4 meet on Monday evenings at Wesley Memorial located at 1225 Chestnut Drive in High Point

## Pillow Ministry Stuffing Party

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, September 3 at 2 PM in the Media Center for Pillow Ministry's quarterly stuffing party. This afternoon is a chance to help stuff over 200 pillows--spreading love, comfort, and encouragement throughout our community!

Comfort pillows share care and compassion in a simple but powerful way. They're available to anyone and can be picked up from the closet in the mailroom behind the front desk. These pillows are a vital part of our ministry; delivered by our ministers during visits, included in baby welcome bags for new parents, and shared with Hospice of High Point, where we provide 30 pillows each month. This year, we're also donating 30 pillows each month to the High Point Cancer Center, making your help more important than ever. Come join us for fun and fellowship, and make a meaningful impact in the lives of others.



### **Salem Bach Festival — Friday, September 5**

Wesley Memorial is delighted to be a host church for the eighth annual Salem Bach Festival this year! Join us at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary on Friday, September 5th for a Vespers service featuring North Carolina's most talented singers and period instrumentalists. Programming will feature French and French-influenced Baroque music, including J.S. Bach's *Himmelskönig, sei willkommen* (King of Heaven, welcome), Charpentier's *Laudate pueri Dominum* (Praise the Lord, you children), and Couperin's *Les Nations, 1er ordre: "La Française."*

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, please visit [www.salembachfestival.com/2025-festival](http://www.salembachfestival.com/2025-festival). All festival events are free!

### **Disciple Bible Study**

Disciple Bible Study at Wesley continues with a new class, Wednesday nights beginning Sept. 10. This year's study will follow the Disciple 3 curriculum, entitled "Remember Who You Are." It delves into the writings of the Old Testament prophets and the travails of the Israelite people during the monarchy days (first semester), and then offers a close study of the Letters of Paul (second semester).

Disciple is a 30-week study that involves preparatory reading in the Bible and in the Disciple handbook plus weekly classes of about 2 hours. The various Disciple courses -- there are six -- have reached millions worldwide, immersing them not only in a great Bible study, but an enriching spiritual experience as they study the Word in the company of fellow Christians. The relationships created are long lasting; the fellowship experiences unforgettable.

Tucker Mitchell is leading this year's class. It's his fourth Disciple class at Wesley and his 16th overall.

The class will meet Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. in the Circle View Room at Wesley. Classes last about two hours.

For more information, or to sign up, contact Tucker at [tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com](mailto:tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com), or call him at 843-409-5587.



### **Single & Parenting Support Group**

Being a single parent isn't easy. You may feel exhausted, overwhelmed, and underappreciated—and you're not alone. We welcome you to attend Single & Parenting—a supportive group where you can connect with others who understand your challenges and discover practical tips to help you thrive.

Join us starting September 17 for:

- Free Dinner
- Children's ministry program offered 6-7:30 p.m. for ages two through fifth grade
- Encouragement, wisdom, and real-life parenting support

This group will meet for 13 weeks starting Wednesday, September 17th at 6:00 p.m. in D202. Take a break. Focus on *you*. Find rest, hope, and community.

Registration available at [wesleymemorial.org/sandp](http://wesleymemorial.org/sandp).

### **Membership Updates**

In efforts to keep our membership database updated, we are asking all members to report any family changes. Change examples include birth, marriage, baptism, transfer, death in family, and any changes to contact information such as email, phone #, and address. If you are not a member, but are very active in the church, please feel free to reach out and update your information as well! To send your updates please email [info@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:info@wesleymemorial.org) or email [icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org) for further questions.

### **Calling All Canners, Bakers & Homesteaders!**

Are you a Canner? Food Preserver? Homesteader? Etc.? As you prepare the wonderful things you harvest from your garden or pick up from the farmer's market venues, keep your church in mind. The personal creations from your kitchen, be it canned goods, frozen goods, jams and jellies, or baked goods, would all make scrumptious additions to this fall's Wesley Women's Bazaar. So stick a few things back with your Church in mind and we'll remind you this Fall when its time to harvest all those amazing items. Once you decide whatever creation, made with love in your kitchen, you want to contribute, please let Lesa Pierce know (336-848-8886 [pierce@northstate.net](mailto:pierce@northstate.net)).

Storage for Contributions Available Soon!

Bart Lassiter, City Transfer and Storage, has generously donated the use of a trailer to hold contributions for the General Store portion of the bazaar. Storage begins after Labor Day. To arrange a drop-off time, contact Debbie Lassiter (336-880-7111) or Teresa Swartz (336-848-1793). Please note: No clothing, large furniture, or electronics will be accepted.

## 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 your support and helping maintain this fund that helps our church family.

## A Bible Study for Expecting, New & Preschool Moms

Circle View Room  
Wesley Memorial  
Methodist Church  
High Point, NC

## What to Expect

- Uplifting Bible study & discussion
- Complimentary childcare
- Prayer & support for moms
- Fellowship with women who understand
- Refreshments & resources for growing families

**Come as you are. Leave encouraged.**

RSVP:  
[communications@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:communications@wesleymemorial.org)

# Sermon Growth Notes

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# PRICES

/Person

\$455 Triple room  
\$469 Double room  
\$575 Single room

3 Days and 2 Nights Oceanfront  
December 1st-3rd  
(Depart Mon - Return Weds)

# Senior Adult

Exclusively for our  
SENIOR ADULTS 60+ yrs

## MYRTLE BEACH CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA!

This trip is exclusive for our Wesley Memorial Seniors and their invited guests. Our Motorcoach will not include pickups of other groups. Daily itinerary presented at a later date - yes! It will include some free time for beach walking! Attractions we will attend are:

- Alabama Theatre - See the South's Grandest Christmas Show!
- Legends In Concert Christmas Show- Tribute Artists perform their Christmas classics
- Barefoot Queen - Dinner Cruise with Christmas entertainment on intercoastal waterway
- Tanger Outlet Center- Find great deals on our shopping trip!

## Package Includes

- ✓ Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation on HOLIDAY TOURS including Wi-Fi and Electric
- ✓ Pickup and Return to Wesley Memorial
- ✓ 2 Nights Lodging - Oceanfront Hotel
- ✓ Meals: 2 Breakfasts at Hotel; 1 Lunch; 1 Dinner

## More Information

For more information about this trip call or email Susan Sumpter:



336-848-4128



susan.m.sumpter@gmail.com

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\$100 DEPOSIT DUE BY AUGUST 31 | 2ND DEPOSIT OF \$100 DUE SEPT 14  
FULL BALANCE DUE OCT 15