

# WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

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# Covenant Renewal Sunday



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November  $2^{\text{nd}}$  , 2025 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary 11:00 a.m



# Order of Worship COVENANT RENEWAL ~ ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

**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.

† 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, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those inexpressable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

† HYMN No. 480 (VERSES 1, 2, 4, 6)

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

# **Invitation to Confession**

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Hebrews 12:1

# SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison against you in

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

### Welcome!

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning! Please take a moment to sign the Welcome 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 the family of Joe Gamble who passed away on 10/30/2025

RECENT
HOSPITALIZATION:
Dave Zenns

RECENT SURGERY: Debbie York

# **ABOUT** CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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



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

# **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.



# I. Introit - Kyrie

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Exaudi orationem meam. ad te omnis caro veniet. Kvrie eleison. Christe eleison. *Kyrie eleison.* 

and let perpetual light shine upon them. Hear my prayer, for unto Thee all flesh shall come. Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have mercy.

Assurance of Pardon

# † SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

# BLESSING OF CHILDREN

(children proceed to the front for a blessing and then exit through the pulpit side door for Children's Church)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 7:9-12 (Pg.1032)

Rev. Jeff Patterson

"From All Tribes" SERMON

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

# **OFFERTORY**

II. VANITAS VANITATUM

Vanitas vanitatum, omnia vanitas!

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem.

Lacrimosa.

et locutus est.

pereat dies in qua natus sum.

Vanity of vanities, all is vanity! (from Ecclesiastes)

Merciful Lord Jesus, grant them rest.

Full of tears,

(from the Dies Irae)

he said.

let the day perish wherein I was born.

(from Job 3:2-3)

III. AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei,

qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis, dona eis requiem.

Agnus Dei,

qui tollis peccata mundi,

dona nobis pacem, miserere nobis,

dona eis requiem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; grant them rest. Lamb of God. who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace; have mercy on us; grant them rest.

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 renew our covenant and give thanks to the Lord our God.

Almighty and everlasting God, we give you thanks. You have made covenant with us to be our Sovereign God. From generation to generation, you have been faithful to your people. Your love is steadfast and your promises are sure. We earnestly and joyfully reaffirm our covenant with you and with one another as one Body in Christ. We trust you wholeheartedly and yield our wills to yours. Empowered and equipped by your Holy Spirit, we commit to growing in our faith through prayer, worship, devotion, and Christian fellowship. With cheerful and grateful hearts, we dedicate the giving of our resources, our time, and our talents to doing your Holy work. We promise to serve you through serving others in words and acts of compassion, reconciliation, and hope. By your sustaining and sanctifying grace, help us to grow faithfully in living out this covenant. We praise you with the angels, and archangels, and all the company of heaven, forever singing this hymn to the glory of your name:

# IV. SANCTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis!

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest!

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave 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.

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. Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those whom we name before you:

Billie Doris Watts Barrett
Joy Beth Arrant Bodnar
Eugene "Gene" Korner Bouldin
Norma Kale Brown
Fredrick "Fred" Bryant
Norma Elaine Mills Burns
Dorothy "Dot" Alexander Call
Terry Allen Conder
Helen Mounce Cook
John Kirby Farrington

James "Jim" Earnest Foscue Jr.
Joseph Phillip Gamble
William "Bill" Everett Garner Jr.
Rena Cook George
Nancy Keever Ilderton
Harold Padgett Johnson
Robert "Buck" Lee Kester
Margaret "Margie" Jean Kieke
Lillian Parrish Kimrey
Hayden Kirby-Smith
Yvonne Bingham Lloyd

David Kirkman Marshall
Mary Grace Megginson
Jane Wright Myers
Joseph Oscar Needham Jr.
Margaret Allmond Padgett
Howard Luther Regan, Jr.
Timothy "Tim" Ray Rhodes
Vivian Rydgren Robinson
Bobbie Lee Cox Shaw
Charles Harriss Simmons

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith. 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. **Amen.** 

# 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 one of the 4 available serving stations and receive the bread and juice. Proceed to the next available station. If you need an individual cup of juice or a gluten-free wafer, please proceed to the center station. Our Stephen Ministers are available behind the communion rail if you wish for anointing with oil and prayer. (If you are unable to come forward and would like to be served at your seat, please let an usher know.)

Elegy James Biery

# V. Lux Aeterna

Lux aeterna luceat eis, May light eternal shine upon them,

Domine: O Lord,

Cum sanctis tuis in aeternum: in the company of Thy saints forever:

quia pius es. for Thou art merciful.

Et lux perpetua luceat eis. Let perpetual light shine on them.

Come unto me, all ye who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. (Matthew 28:19)

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Dona nobis pacem.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Grant us peace.

# WESLEY COVENANT PRAYER

I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

# † Hymn

O Lord, Our Lord, We Offer Grateful Praise ENGELBERG O Lord, our Lord, we offer grateful praise: Your faithfulness extends through all our days. for this, our song of thankfulness we raise: Alleluia!

You kept your saints in your continual care. Your Spirit quickened them to do and dare. Lord, grant them rest to offer up their prayer: Alleluia!

As saints of old, we covenant with you, to seek your will in all we say and do; and grant us strength to also sing our true Alleluia!

And when we pass through this earth's bitter night, we trust that you will shine perpetual light, in which we may reach the beatific sight. Alleluia! Amen.

- † Benediction
- † CHIMES OF THE TRINITY
- † Postlude

† Those who are able please stand.

### 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 Chancel Choir

Ms. Charli Mills, Director of Traditional Music and Worship Arts Mr. Chris Ward, Organist

Mr. Hidase Getahun, acolyte Miss Brielle Keunnen, acolyte Mr. Christian Smith, crucifer

Miss Caraway Chilton Rible

Miss Caraway Chilton, Bible

Mr. Edwin Bass, usher

Mr. Bart Lassiter, usher

Mr. Bradley Gibson, usher

Mr. Wray Hodgin, usher Mr. Bill Bradner, usher

Mrs. Priscilla Smith, usher

Mr. Greg Smith, usher

#### MUSICIANS:

Faith Woodberry-Crisp, soprano Callie Iliff, mezzo-soprano Phillip Leach, baritone Debra Reuter-Pivetta, flute Anna Lampidis, oboe Joe Mount, horn

Beverly Naiditch, percussion Kristen Young, harp Julian Smart, violin

The choir dedicates this Requiem performance to the glory of God and in memory of choir members Joe Gamble and Bill Garner, and former choir director and organist Frank Pifferetti, under whom work for this Requiem was begun.

### PROGRAM NOTES:

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A Requiem, at its core, is a prayer for rest–traditionally, for the deceased. The five movements of Dan Forrest's Requiem for the Living, (2013), however, form a narrative just as much for the living, and their own struggle with pain and sorrow, as for the dead. The opening movement sets the traditional Introit and Kyrie texts- pleas for rest and mercy- using ever-increasing elaborations on a simple three-note descending motive. The second movement, instead of the traditional Dies Irae, sets Scriptural texts that speak of the turmoil and sorrow which face humanity, while yet invoking musical and textual allusions to the Dies Irae. This movement juxtaposes aggressive rhythmic gestures with long, floating melodic lines, including quotes of the Kyrie from the first movement. The Agnus Dei is performed next (a departure from the usual liturgical order) as a plea for deliverance and peace; the Sanctus, following it, becomes a response to this redemption. The Sanctus offers three different glimpses of the "heavens and earth, full of Thy glory", all of which develop the same musical motive: an ethereal opening section inspired by images of space from the Hubble Space Telescope, a stirring middle section inspired by images of our own planet as viewed from the International Space Station, and a closing section which brings the listener down to Earth, where cities teem with the energy of humanity. The Lux Aeterna which then closes the work portrays light, peace, and rest- for both the deceased and the living.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of all our members that have passed since last All Saints Sunday. Given by the caring and devoted Stephen Ministers of Wesley Memorial.

The Wesley 100 will be selling chicken pies **TODAY** for \$15 a piece.
They will be in the dining hall at 9:00 am and in the Asbury Room after the 11:00 am service.



SERVICE NOTES: Texts of the Call to Worship, Old Testament, Epistle, and Gospel taken from the English Standard Version Bible, The Book of Common Prayer, 2019, Anglican Liturgy Press, and The United Methodist Book of Worship, © 1992 The United Methodist Publishing House. Music: OneLicense.net A721606.

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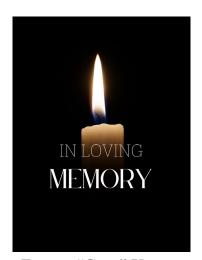
"For you are a people holy to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you out of all the people on earth to be his people, his treasured possession." Deuteronomy 7:6



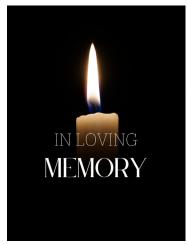
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**Joy Beth Arrant Bodnar** 08/21/1952 ~ 1/19/2025



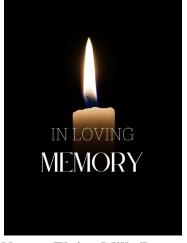
**Eugene "Gene" Korner Bouldin**08/10/1931 ~ 05/11/2025



**Norma Kale Brown** 12/04/1931 ~ 03/17/2025



Fredrick "Fred" Bryant 03/25/1938 ~ 03/3/2025



**Norma Elaine Mills Burns** 01/10/1948 ~ 12/23/2024



**Dorothy "Dot" Alexander Call**04/18/1923 ~ 03/29/2025



**Terry Allen Conder** 02/08/1963 ~ 08/29/2025



**Helen Mounce Cook** 01/20/1939 ~ 03/24/2025



**John Kirby Farrington** 08/30/1931 ~ 04/30/2025



James "Jim" Earnest Foscue Jr. 11/12/1944 ~ 06/04/2025



**Joseph Phillip Gamble** 11/21/1929 ~ 10/31/2025



**William "Bill" Everett Garner Jr.**02/10/1931 ~ 05/16/2025



**Rena Cook George** 07/16/1937 ~ 05/17/2025



**Nancy Keever Ilderton** 10/01/1946 ~ 10/01/2025



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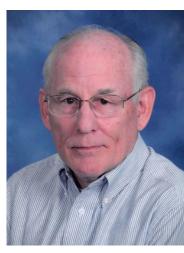
**Robert "Buck" Lee Kester** 01/29/1947 ~ 02/23/2025



**Margaret "Margie" Jean Kieke**12/03/1956 ~ 12/03/2024



**Lillian Parrish Kimrey** 03/08/1918 ~ 04/05/2025



**Hayden Kirby-Smith** 03/15/1944 ~ 02/18/2025



**Yvonne Bingham Lloyd** 04/02/1926 ~ 06/13/2025



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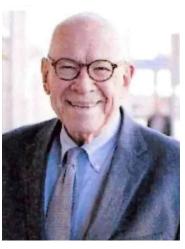
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# COMMUNITY SERVICE OF WHOLENESS, HEALING, AND HOPE



If it has been a time of grief, loss, disappointment, or heavy-heartedness, join us for this most uplifting and meaningful service.

Sunday, November 2, 2025 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary **Reception in Asbury Room** Sponsored by The Stephen Ministers



# **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 1 2		1
MONDAY, November 3		11.0
10:30 a.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Jeff	Media Center
5:30 p.m.	Ball & Bible	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Daisy Troop	Children's Ministry Wing
6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts	Student Gathering
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts	Scout Room
7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting	Adult Wing D208
TUESDAY, November 4		
12:30 p.m.	Handbells Rehearsal	Adult Wing D212
1:00 p.m.	GriefShare	Adult Wing D203
1:30 p.m.	Senior Adult Living Well Series	Media Center
7:00 p.m.	Sea Scouts	Scout Room
WEDNESDAY, November 5	NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER	
7:20 a.m.	John Willett's Men's Bible Study	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Pastor Jeff's Bible Study	Sanctuary
1:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Conference Room 3
5:30 p.m.	Vespers	Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Wesley Memorial Kids' Games & Gospel	Children's Ministry Hall
6:00 p.m.	Single & Parenting	Adult Wing D202
6:00 p.m.	GriefShare	Adult Wing D203
6:00 p.m.	Wesley Memorial Students (Grades 6-12)	Student Ministry Wing
6:15 p.m.	Disciple Bible Study	Circle View Room
6:15 p.m.	WOW Bible Study	Adult Wing D201
6:30 p.m.	Men's Bible Study	Conference Room 3
6:45 p.m.	Pastor Jeff's Bible Study	Media Center
6:45 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, November 6		<u>'</u>
6:00 p.m.	Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting	Adult Wing D202
7:30 p.m.	AlAnon	Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D201
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FRIDAY, November 7		
4:30 p.m.	Festival Eucharist	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, November 9		
7:30 a.m.	Televised Worship Service	WGHP, FOX8
8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Chapel
9:00 a.m.	AA Meeting	Adult D202
9:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m.	Children's Ministry Sunday Funday	Children's Ministry Wing
9:30 a.m.	Youth Sunday School	Student Ministry Wing
9:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Adult Wing
11:00 a.m.	Couples Group	Small Dining Room
11:00 a.m.	Small Groups/All Welcome	Circle View Room
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	New Member Class	Fellowship Hall
11:15 a.m.	Children's Church	Children's Ministry Wing
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Wesley Memorial Makes History Again

# Wednesdays @ Wesley

There will be NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER on November 5th and 12th as we prepare for the Carolina Christmas Bazaar.

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE OF** WHOLENESS, HEALING, AND HOPE



If it has been a time of grief, loss, disappointment, or heavy-heartedness, join us for this most uplifting and meaningful service.

But those who wait on the Lord, shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

# Sunday, November 2, 2025

4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary Reception in Asbury Room Sponsored by The Stephen Ministers



Our congregation and campus will host the Clergy and Delegates of the Anglican Christ Our Hope Diocese for their annual Convocation and Synod Meeting, November 5-8. This diocese contains 42 parishes in 11 states and is part of the Anglican Church in North America. Part of this conference will be a festival Eucharist in our sanctuary on **Friday**, **November 7th at 4:30 pm**. The preacher for the service will be Bishop Tim Davies of the Anglican Mission in England. This will be a joy-filled celebration of worship. You are invited to attend.

Veterans Day Event - Honor. Remember. Celebrate. Join us on **Tuesday**, **November 11th**, as we pay tribute to the brave men and women who have served our nation. Transportation Provided! A dedicated bus will depart promptly at 9:45 AM to take all interested veterans to the Carolina Field of Honor for the ceremony. Rain or shine, this event will take place! Ceremony Highlights:

- Presentation of Colors
- Wreath Laying Tribute
- Special Guest Speaker Seating is limited at the venue—please bring a



folding chair! Reserve your seat on the bus today! Call or text Richard Nifong at 336-259-0874 to sign up.

# Welcome to Wesley



# New Membership Class

You're invited to Welcome to Wesley: a two-Sunday new church member course!

- Learn more about Wesley Memorial's history, beliefs, & leadership
- Core beliefs of the Methodist Church
- Discover your own gifts for your ministry
- Service opportunities
- Meet clergy team & church staff

Dates: Sun, November 9th & 16th Time: 11 am Location: Fellowship Hall

Contact Pastor Clark Chilton Email: cchilton@wesleymemorial.org Phone: 336-812-4813 RSVP by Nov 5th

Your starting point to join the Wesley Memorial Church Family!

# Cover the City Blanket Drive

We are excited to announce that our annual Cover the City Blanket Drive will kick off on the first Sunday in November and run throughout the entire month.

Collection boxes will be available at all three services for your donations of blankets. As you snuggle in your warm bed this season, please remember those who are less fortunate. Over the past 10 years, this organization has collected more than 100,000 blankets, and this year, the need is greater than ever. Let us not forget the pressing needs in our local community.

We encourage you to dig deep and help us make this drive a success! If you don't have blankets to donate, you can still contribute by marking your check "Cover the City." Thank you for your generosity!



### Carolina Christmas Bazaar - General Store Donations

You did it! The first trailer is full of donations for the Bazaar. Great news! A second trailer has been delivered courtesy of Bart Lassiter at City Transfer and Storage. To arrange a drop-off time, contact:



- Debbie Lassiter at 336.880.7111
- Teresa Swartz at 336.848.1793

Thank you for supporting the

Wesley Women and the Carolina Christmas Bazaar!

# **Upcoming Pilgrimage to Italy**

Dr. Jeff Patterson and Educational Opportunities Tours are planning a Christian pilgrimage to Italy, Oct 27 - Nov 5, 2026. Cities visited include Venice, Florence, Assisi, Rome, Vatican City, and Monte Cassino. For complete information and registration, contact Pastor Jeff. An informational meeting is planned for **Sunday, November 16th, 5:30 pm** in the Dining Hall.

# 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."

..Choose this day whom ou will serve



It is a Holy time for our Wesley Memorial family. We are in a season of prayer and fasting as each of us reflects on God's goodness to us and our response. We are Christ-centered serving, growing, and giving community. Each year we set aside this time to prayerfully and intentionally seek God's direction for how we will live faithfully as God's people. Please join your Wesley Memorial family in filling out and returning the

Serving, Growing and Giving Response Forms. Visit our website at wesleymemorial. org/wearewesley to learn more about what the Lord is accomplishing through your generosity.

SCAN to fill out forms online!



# Nov. Food Collection: Fairview Backpack Ministry

Help Feed Children Over Christmas Break. In November our monthly food collection will go to the Fairview Elementary School Backpack Ministry. This ministry helps ensure that 80 children have food during their Christmas break when school meals are unavailable. We encourage everyone to focus their efforts on supporting this important initiative. We need your help! Please bring single-serving food items to place in backpacks for the students. Ideas include:

**Drinks:** Juice boxes | **Breakfast:** Cereal boxes/cups, Pop-Tarts, granola bars, muffin packs | **Meals:** Chef Boyardee cups, ravioli, beefaroni, pork and beans, mac and cheese cups | **Snacks:** Fruit cups/cans, pudding cups, Jello cups, cookies, chips, pretzels, Rice Krispy Treats, Goldfish|

Donations will be collected on Sunday, **November 2nd** through **November 29th.** You can drop off items anytime between these dates in the designated bins located in the Administrative Area. Thank you for helping us share love and support with the children at Fairview Elementary this holiday season!

# **Stephen Ministry Informational Meeting**

Interested in learning more about becoming a Stephen Minister? Join us for an informational meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 4 p.m. in the Media Center. For questions, please call Barbara Coughlin at 336-414-6350, Mary Hooper at 704-999-9878, or Cathy Weaver at 336-689-6279.



# **Heart of the Triad Christmas Concert**

Wesley Memorial is delighted to host the Heart of the Triad Choral Society for their 2025 Christmas Concert, "Merry and Bright!" HTCS is a non-profit community choir made up of singers from across the Piedmont Triad.

Performances will be held on **Friday, December 12, at 7 p.m.** and **Saturday, December 13, at 3 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. We're especially excited that our own Wesley Memorial children have been invited to take part! Come and celebrate the season with this joyful and festive choral event.

# 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 or email icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org for further questions.

# **Looking Ahead**

Several upcoming dates to note in the life of our church:

- Rise Against Hunger will take place Feb. 1, 2026.
- Evensong service is set for March 1, 2026 at 4 p.m.
- Gary Chapman returns on March 7, 2026.
- Community Impact Serving Day March 14, 2026
- The School of Methodism will be March 20–21, 2026

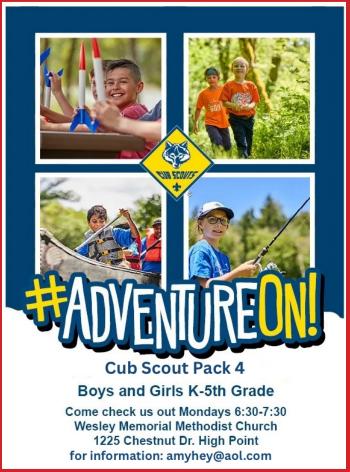
### Sea Scouts BSA

Wesley Memorial is organizing a program of Scouting America called Sea Scouts BSA. This program is for young men and women ages 14 to 20. It will complement our existing Cub Scouts Pack 4 (boys and girls, grades K–5), the 105-year-old Boy Scout Troop 4 (boys ages 11 to 17), and the GSA Daisy Scouts (girls, grades K–1).

For over 100 years, Sea Scouting has promoted better citizenship and improved members' boating skills through instruction and practice in water safety, boating skills, outdoor adventure, social and service experiences, and knowledge of our maritime heritage. The new unit will be Sea Scouts Ship 4. Hilco Woudstra will lead the Ship as Skipper, and Bill Milliken will serve as Committee Chair.

For more information, contact:

- Hilco Woudstra 336-254-3691
- Bill Milliken 336-906-9406
- Steve Bouldin 336-471-1390



# 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.