

Welcome to **WESLEY MEMORIAL**

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2023
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY



TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY
11:00 AM

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"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." (Galatians 6:2).

WESLEY MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Order of Worship

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 5, 2023

Sanctuary

11:00 am

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Liturgical Improvisation No. 3

George Oldroyd
(1887-1956)

Pour light upon us from above, and fire our hearts with thy strong love.

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

Jeff Patterson

The Choral Call to Worship

Walter Greatorex
(1877-1949)

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of God's word; in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of God's name! Make known God's might, who wondrous deeds has done; God's mercy sure, from age to age the same; God's holy name, the Lord, the mighty One.

† GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

Congregation reads bold print

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden. 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. 158

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

SPANISH HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Welcome!

Thank you for worshipping 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.



ARE YOU HURTING?

Stephen Ministers bring Christ's love and care to people during a time of pain and need. Each specially trained Stephen Minister confidentially guides his or her care receiver toward a place of peace and healing. To learn more, contact Mike Flack at gmlack@northstate.net or 336-688-5526 or Barbara Coughlin at BLBC215@aol.com or 336-414-6350.

We share the addresses of some of our people who need to hear from you.

There are cards in the Welcome Folders.

Won't you take a moment to write to them? Please address the card. You may mail it yourself or place it at the altar rail or in the offering plate for us to mail.

Recently in hospital:
Kathy Coble
C/O Friends Home
925 New Garden Rd
Room 910
Greensboro, NC 27410

Son recently in hospital
Chase & Gail Lassiter
2504 Lakeshore Dr.
Greensboro, NC 27407

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† SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ken Lyon

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:34-40 (NT pg. 25)

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

SERMON

"Love Is..." (Part 1)

Jeff Patterson

NICENE CREED

We face the cross and read 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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God is the Light of the World

Haydn Morgan
(1898-1981)

God is the Light of the world! In Him is no darkness, no darkness at all. And the night is as clear as the day; for the darkness and light are alike to Him, the God of Light. Therefore! Ye that follow Him shall always walk in the Light. And thy soul shall live in Him. And He will bless thee and keep thee in peace, in perfect peace. God is the Light of the world!

† DOXOLOGY No. 94

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!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

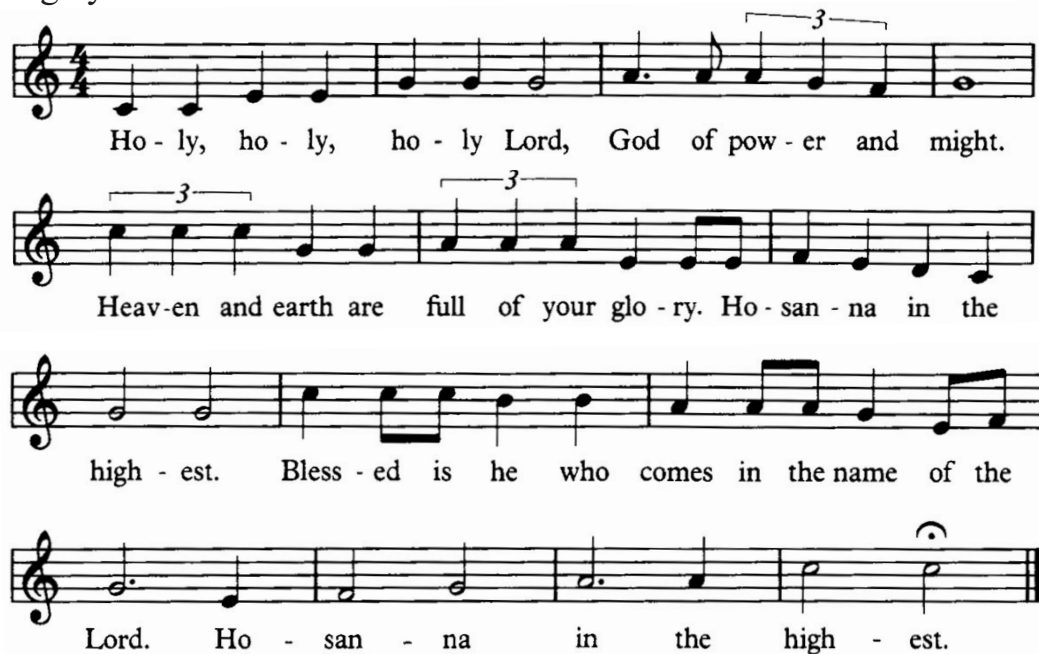
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our 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. 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 are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when you would save your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. 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. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy 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.



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.

SHARING THE EUCHARIST

The ushers will direct you to the center aisle, receive the bread or gluten-free wafer and dip it in the cup. If you prefer the celebration cups instead of intinction, they are available in the baskets. After receiving, you may kneel at the prayer rail and if you would like to be anointed with oil, please raise your hand for the Stephen Ministers or you may return to your seat by a side aisle. (If you need to be served at your seat, please tell an usher.) If you are gluten intolerant, we offer a gluten-free wafer. You may receive the wafer from the server between the communion stations. If you are not gluten-intolerant, we ask you to please receive the bread.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Borning Cry

John Ylvisaker
(1937-2017)

"I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell." "When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on; You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun." In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise." "I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold."

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

† HYMN No. 170
O How I Love Jesus
ANNOUNCEMENTS

O HOW I LOVE JESUS

BENEDICTION

THE CHORAL BENEDICTION:

Go To the World

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Go to the world! Go into every place. Go live the word of God's
redeeming grace. Go seek God's presence in each time and space.
Alleluia. Alleluia.*

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Epilogue

Norman Gilbert
(1912-1975)

SERVICE NOTES:
Texts of the Call to
Worship, Opening
Prayer, Old Testament,
Epistle, and Gospel
taken from the New
Revised Standard
Version Bible, The Unit-
ed Methodist Hymnal ©
1989 The United Meth-
odist Publishing House
and The United Method-
ist Book of Worship, ©
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odist Publishing House.
Music: OneLicense.net
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† Those who are able please stand.

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

Clark Chilton, Associate Pastor Contemporary Worship and Evangelism

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome guests! Scan this QR code to receive a free welcome gift! (to scan the code, use your phone's camera and follow the provided link)

Attendance: please fill out and pass the attendance pads located in each row.

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.



Wesley Memorial School is open Monday – Friday at 9 a.m.

Offering plates will be passed or you can scan the QR code with your camera phone or text the word DETAILS to 94000 to give online.

MONDAY, February 6 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Interdenominational Bible Study Jubilate Ringers Ball & Bible Boy Scout Meeting AA Meeting	Adult Wing D213 (Media Center) Handbell Room Gym Boy Scout Room Adult Wing D208
TUESDAY, February 7 7:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	High School Guys Bible Study Women's Bible Study on Isaiah YAM (Young Adult Ministry) Chancel Bells	Chick-fil-A Media Center Student Gathering Area Handbell Room
WEDNESDAY, February 8 7:00 a.m. 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. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	High School Girls Bible Study Men's Bible Study with John Willett Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Prayer Shawl Ministry Wednesday Dinner Vespers Children's Ministry Games & Gospel (ages 4-11) Student Ministry Middle School Midweek Motivation DivorceCare WOW (Women of Wesley) Bible Study Young Men's Bible Study w/Pastor Clark Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Bible Study with Pastor Lisa Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Chick-fil-A Dining Hall Dining Hall Media Center Dining Hall Chapel Children's Gathering Student Gathering Adult Wing D202 Student Ministry Wing Conf. Rm. 3- Admin Building Media Center Adult Wing D201 Choir Room (under Sanctuary)
THURSDAY, February 9 1:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Lisa Open Door Ministry (Serve Food) C.S. Lewis Society AA Meeting AlAnon	Pennybyrn Off-site River Landing Adult Wing D208 Adult Wing D201
SATURDAY, Saturday 11 2:00 p.m.	GriefShare's Loss of a Spouse	Media Center
SUNDAY, February 12 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Televised Traditional Worship Traditional Worship AA Meeting Children's Ministry Sunday School Adult Sunday School Contemporary Worship Student Ministry Sunday Morning Live Chancel Choir Rehearsal Small Groups/ All Welcome Traditional Worship Girl Scout Meeting	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D208 Children's Gathering Adult Wing Fellowship Hall Student Gathering Choir Room (under Sanctuary) Fellowship Hall Sanctuary Dining Hall

To view the full church calendar visit our website, www.wesley memorial.org/calendar

SHROVE TUESDAY - Feb. 21 at 5:30 - 7:30 pm
in the Dining Hall. Tickets will be on sale by the
Wesley 100 Men. More details to follow. Tickets will
also be available at the door.

ASH WEDNESDAY-Feb. 22 at 12 Noon & 6:00 pm.
in the Chapel. No Wednesday night dinner on
Feb. 22.

Wednesdays at Wesley

On Wednesday evenings we serve a warm, home-cooked meal beginning at 5:15 p.m. in our Dining Hall. The cost is free, but donations are accepted. Following dinner is a wide range of opportunities for learning and spiritual growth.

The menu for February 8th is country style steak with mushroom gravy served with mashed potatoes and peas. All dinners come with salad bar, roll and dessert. Donations are accepted.



Divorced or separated?

Find help, hope and healing

Wednesdays, Feb. 8 – May 17

6:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Wesley Memorial UMC

Room 202

For more info, call 336-884-2204

Childcare provided

13-week seminar/support group.

You can join at any time!

www.divorcecare.org

WOW starts back on Wednesday, February 8, 2023. All ladies 18 and up are invited to attend our 7 week session "Get Out of Your Head" by Jennie Allen. WOW (Women of Wesley) will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. starting February 8th, in the back corner room of the Underground Student Ministry wing. The 7 week study will cover the book of Philippians and is filled with super truth nuggets to help you keep your sanity in a world that feels a little crazy at times! Please contact Barbara Coughlin 336.414.6350 or Jessica Nelson 910.520.7383 for questions. Workbooks can be purchased through Amazon or at Hobby Lobby.

ATTENTION PARENTS: Rev. Ellen Martin will return the weekend of February 17th. Ellen will do her usual, "The Talk," on Saturday. Our kids ask questions about sex, and we may cringe or evade. In Genesis 2, Adam and Eve were naked and felt no shame. What if we talked about sex with each other and our kids as it was initially proclaimed by God, as good?

Additionally, this year Ellen will host "The Talk Continues" on Friday evening. For more details and registration information, please visit wesleymemorial.org/thetalk

GRIEF SHARE'S

"LOSS OF A SPOUSE"

Saturday, February 25th

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

in the Media Center. Grief-

Share brings you both

spiritual and practical tools

for surviving the loss of your

spouse. Registration is necessary in order to ensure

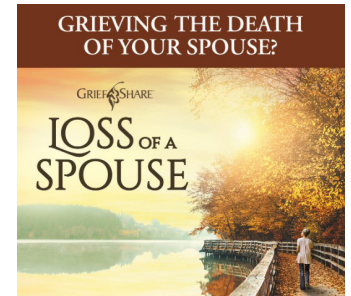
that you have a participant's book, which is \$10.

Please contact Pastor Lisa if you're interested

(ltanico@wesleymemorial.org) or 336-812-4815.

Please join us for this important workshop

facilitated by Abbigail Felton.



Special Needs Listening Session

April Maines and Pastor Ken are holding a listening session on February 26th from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm in the Dining Hall. This meeting is for anyone with a special needs child, as well as, all those who may be interested in special needs ministry. The goal of this meeting is to get a deeper understanding of what Wesley Memorial can offer spiritually to those with special needs and their families. Light hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

Volunteer Opportunity at Our Father's Table

As the New Year begins, Wesley Memorial begins another year of serving food at Open Door Ministry. Volunteers are needed to assist in the kitchen plating food trays for hungry people in our community. Three to four adults or teens are needed the 2nd Thursday of each month from 5:15 – 6:15. If you would like to serve, please contact Myra Snider at 336.803.1403