

We are Wesley

Doing Life Together in Christ

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~Acts 2:42-47



As God's Wesley Memorial people "Doing life together in Christ" means...

During what we call the Last Supper, Jesus took the bread and the cup and infused the ancient Passover observance with new meaning. In Jesus's words, the bread and cup became his "body and blood" of the New Covenant. He freely and fully gave himself for us and to us. Jesus is asking us in return to offer ourselves to Him and to live for him in this world.

As you enjoy looking at the picture of the laying of our cornerstone on our Wesley Memorial Campus many years ago, that cornerstone reminds us that Jesus is the ultimate and enduring cornerstone of our Wesley Memorial family. He is the rock upon which we build our lives as well as our church.

We are God's covenant people called to be a spiritual family for each other and to serve God's purpose in this world. Over the next several weeks in our worship services, we'll be learning and exploring what it looks like "Doing life together in Christ" according to the scriptures. Then on Sunday, November 3, we'll gather for a joyous Covenant Renewal Service. On that Sunday we will join as one to offer our Covenant promises to serve, give, and grow.

As you reflect on the message in this brochure, we invite you to scan the QR Code below. It will direct you to the website where you can fill out your response forms and giving forms to be filled out between now and November 3.



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Transforming lives and transforming the world...

We believe in the transformational power of relationship with Christ. We believe that God wants all people to come to know Jesus as Forgiver and Leader of their lives. We believe we are called to invite people to that relationship through our care and ministries. As faithful Christ followers, we will be "salt and light" to bring hope, help, and life-giving change to those we serve.



Living in Community and Generosity...

We believe that life is best lived in healthy relational connections with one another. Christian community is always marked by care for each other, joyful generosity and a spirit of gratitude for the gift we share of being God's beloved community. We are called to invite others to become part of the life-giving journey together in covenant with the Holy One.



We are a Christ-centered serving, growing, and giving community...

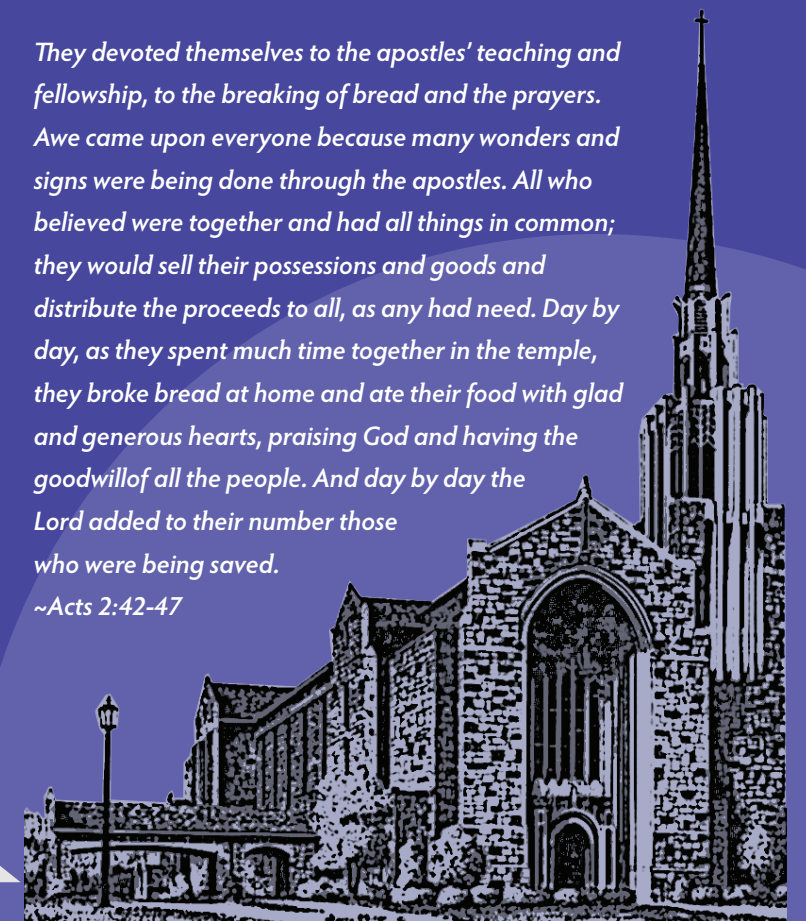
The God of all creation has made covenant promises that call us to be God's people. Through Jesus's work on the cross the chasm between God and us has been bridged. We are a forgiven people. Our lives are being restored and transformed by the Holy Spirit. In gratitude, we offer our covenant promises to live our lives responsively to the teaching of scripture and prompting of the Holy Spirit.



Connecting with purpose...

We recognize that life is often hard, confusing, and hopeless for many. We believe that our mission is to offer Jesus Christ as a remedy for the brokenness of life and the reality of sin. Jesus said "When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to me" John 12:32. For the reason we covenant that everything we do, every way we serve will be with the hope and purpose to lift Jesus up, sharing the abundant life with others.

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.
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A Letter From Our Senior Pastor...

Our personal practices of generosity reflect the generous nature of the God we love and serve. A Christian's generosity comes from a deep sense of gratitude for the life that God has given us. The practice of generosity is one of the key spiritual disciplines that helps us grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. Our generous spirits bless us and those around us. God gives us gifts so that we can become a gift to others. The way we use our resources tells our family and friends a lot about us. The legacy that we leave behind will depend greatly upon the ways that we give our time, talent, and financial resources to God's work in the world. What people will remember about us will be formed greatly by how we spent our lives for others.

As we enter a season when we intentionally focus on this life-skill, I invite you to take a step closer to tithing your resources to God's work through the church. This is a spiritual issue. Jesus Christ said more about the use of our resources in the gospels than he said about prayer. The church is not just one among many wonderful non-profit agencies in our community. The church is the Bride of Christ that is so united to Christ that we are the Body of Christ in this world (Rev. 21:9, 22:17, 1 Cor. 12:27, Eph. 4:12, 5:23, Col. 1:18). Through Christ, God has created the church to be the agent of his redeeming love in the world. We have the option of finding great joy by participating with Jesus Christ in touching lives with his goodness and love.

God has great dreams for our congregation, and he wants each one of us to be part of the fulfillment of those dreams. We build on a great past to embrace a great future that will transform our community for Jesus Christ. By changing our community, one person at a time, we will change the world.

With abundant confidence in Christ and great thanksgiving for you,
Pastor Jeff



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† Mission Partners

- A Simple Gesture
- Angel Tree Christmas
- Boys & Girls Club of High Point
- Children's Law Center of the Triad
- Commander Peace Academy
- Community Clinic of HP
- Cover the City Initiative
- Crossnore Home
- Compassion International
- Fairview Elementary School
- Feeding Lisa's Kids
- Good Sarmatian Clinic (Dominican Republic)
- Greater High Point Food Alliance
- Grow HP Helping Hands of High Point
- Henderson Settlement
- High Point Jail Ministry
- Hinton Resource Center
- HorsePower Therapeutic Learning Center
- HP MLK day annual breakfast
- Imago Dei
- Macedonia Family Resource Center
- Math/Reading Partners
- Matthew 25:35 Foundation
- Mobile Meals
- Open Door Ministries
- Partners ending Homelessness
- Rise Against Hunger
- UMAR – Ervin Home
- UMCOR
- Victory Junction
- Ward Street CRC
- Wheels 4 Hope
- Wesley Memorial School Rainbow Scholarship Fund
- West End Ministries/Leslie's House
- World Relief Triad
- YWCA of High Point

† Supportive Connections

- Alcoholics Anonymous
- Al-Anon
- Alzheimer's Association
- Sanctuary Counseling Center
- Red Cross
- Girl Scouts
- Boy Scouts
- Emmaus
- Global Harvest Fellowship Church

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