

# WESLEY MEMORIAL

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

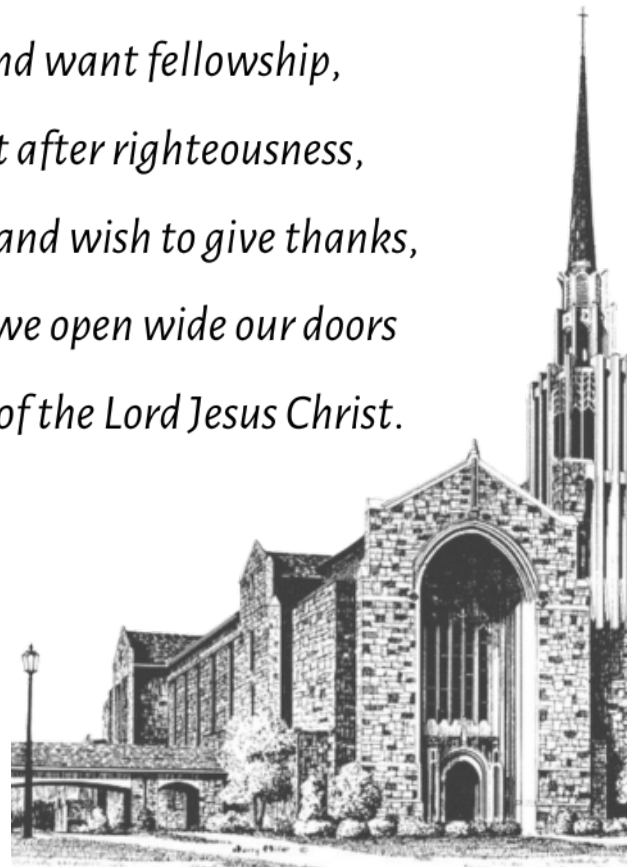
## WELCOME

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.*

**APRIL 27TH, 2025**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY 11:00**



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

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## PRELUDE

*Meditation on I Know That My Redeemer Liveth*

Gordon Young

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 and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

## † HYMN NO. 260

*Resurrection Hymn*

RESURRECTION HYMN

*See, what a morning, glor'ously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem; folded the grace-clothes, tomb filled with light, as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!" See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice; fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!*

*See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?" As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb; hears a voice speaking, calling her name; it's the Master; the Lord, raised to life again! The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us, will sound till He appears, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!*

*One with the Father, Ancient of Days, through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty; honor and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and authority! And we are raised with Him; death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered; and we shall reign with Him, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!*

## 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.

## 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.

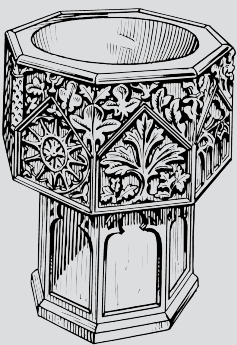
SYMPATHY TO DAVID  
DEW ON THE PASSING  
OF HIS BROTHER,  
LINNEY DEW, ON 4/16.

ABOUT  
CHILDREN'S CHURCH

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



WE REJOICE IN THE  
BAPTISM of Lilia  
Catherine Banit  
born on 9/20/2024,  
daughter of Sara  
and Austin Banit.  
Grandaughter of  
Mary and Joseph  
Masiello, Walter  
Banit, and Janell  
and Dave Tofanelli.



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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Lilia Catherine Banit

*After the parents' profession of faith, the pastor asks the congregation:*  
Will you who witness these vows encourage Lilia in the faith and do all in your power to support this child in her life in Christ? **We will.**

*After the baptism, the pastor addresses the congregation:*  
Let us welcome Lilia as our newly baptized member of Christ's church.

**We welcome you and receive you into the fellowship of the church. We promise to surround you in a community of love and forgiveness as you grow in Christ, so that you may confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people, to the glory of his name. Amen.**

† **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**  
*(children proceed to the pulpit side door for Children's Church)*

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY SOLO

*Because He Lives*

Bill and Gloria Gaither

*God sent His Son, they called him Jesus; He came to love, heal, and forgive. He lived and died to buy my pardon; an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives. Refrain*

*Refrain: Because He lives, I can face tomorrow; because He lives, all fear is gone. Because I know He holds the future and life is worth the living just because He lives.*

*How sweet to hold a newborn baby and feel the pride and joy he gives; but greater still the calm assurance: this child can face uncertain days because He lives. Refrain*

*And then one day I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain. And then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives. Refrain*

† 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

John 20: 24-29 (Pg.906)

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

SERMON

*"The Appearances Continue"*

Dr. 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.**

*(The Altar is open for prayer.)*

† HYMN NO. 254

*The Day of Resurrection*

LANCASHIRE

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God. From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky, our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.*

*Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light; and list'ning to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain, His own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.*

*Now let the heav'ns be joyful! Let earth the song begin! Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein! Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend, for Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.*

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.



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WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS!

Barbara Royster  
Newton Royster

† BENEDICTION

† CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

† POSTLUDE

*Postlude from CELEBRATE LIFE!*

Buryl Red

† 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

Chancel Choir

Mr. Phillip Leach, baritone soloist

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

Mr. Chris Ward, organist

Mr. Warren Lackey, usher

Mr. Jobie Redmond, usher

Mr. J.J. Smith, usher

Mr. Bruce von der Lippe, usher

Mr. Kevin von der Lippe, usher

Mr. Wayne Woodell, usher

Mr. Jim Maines, usher

Mr. James Robbins, acolyte

Mr. David Robbins, acolyte

Mr. Christian Smith, crucifer

Mr. Hudson Kuennen, Bible

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SERVICE NOTES: Texts of the Call to Worship, Old Testament, Epistle, and Gospel taken from the New Revised Standard Version Bible, The Book of Common Prayer, 2019, Anglican Liturgy Press, The Book of Common Worship (1993), of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and The United Methodist Book of Worship, © 1992 The United Methodist Publishing House. Music: OneLicense.net A721606.



# 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, April 28</b> 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Monday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Girl Scout Daisy Troop Cub Scout Meeting Boy Scout Meeting AA Meeting	Media Center Children's Minsitry Wing Student Ministry Wing Scout Room Adult Wing D208
<b>TUESDAY, April 29</b> 12:30 p.m.	Handbells Rehearsal	Adult Wing D212
<b>WEDNESDAY, April 30</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. 6:15 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 Students (Grades 6th - 12th) 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 Student Ministry Wing Student Wing - C111 Circle View Room Conference Room 3 Media Center Choir Room
<b>THURSDAY, May 1</b> 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	C.S. Lewis Society of the Triad AA Meeting AlAnon	River Landing Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D201
<b>FRIDAY, May 2</b> 7:00 p.m.	Leadership for Today: John C. Maxwell Special Event	Fellowship Hall
<b>SUNDAY, May 4</b> 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Contemporary Worship Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School Small Groups/ All Welcome Traditional Worship Children's Church Ireland Trip Meeting	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing Chapel

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

### Monthly Food Collection

The Missions team rotates our monthly Communion Sunday food collection between Open Door Ministries and Macedonia Family Resource Center. **Next Sunday, May 4th donations will go to Macedonia FRC. Bins will be placed outside all three services.** Please consider bringing items as you feel led— your generosity helps provide for neighbors in need. Thank you!

### Phones for Rwanda

We are collecting old cellphones for Pastor Herve's ministry in Rwanda. The cellphones need to be in good, working condition and manufactured within the past 5 years. Please make sure they are unlocked and factory reset (you can have this done for free at the Apple Store or your cellular carrier's store). Drop them in the box at the front reception desk by Monday, April 28. Thank you very much!

### Wednesdays @ Wesley

On Wednesday evenings we serve a meal from 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in our Dining Hall. The menu for April 30th is chili with a baked potato bar.

Wesley Memorial presents

### A FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Sponsored by the Victoria Qubein Educational Fund

Friday, May 2, 2025

## Leadership For Today

with World-Renowned Leadership Expert, Speaker, and Best-Selling Author  
**John C. Maxwell**

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**6:00 PM**

Doors open at 5:45 p.m.

### Wesley Memorial Methodist Church

Event will take place in the Fellowship Hall  
1225 Chestnut Drive  
High Point, NC 27262



#### ▶ ABOUT JOHN MAXWELL

Dr. John C. Maxwell is a globally recognized leadership expert, speaker, and author of over 100 books, selling more than 30 million copies. Through his organizations, he has trained millions of leaders around the world. Named the #1 Leadership Expert by Inc. magazine, Dr. Maxwell's influence spans faith, business, and personal growth.

Join us for this incredible opportunity to hear a special talk by Dr. Maxwell titled "Leadership in Uncertain Times."

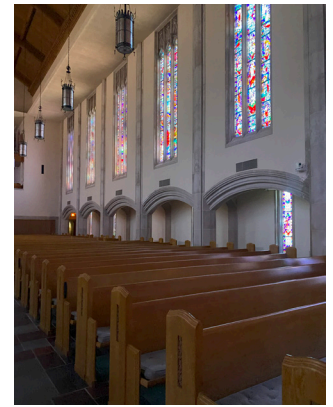
#### ▶ REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Visit [wesleymemorial.org/maxwell](http://wesleymemorial.org/maxwell) or call 336.884.2204

### The Windows @ Wesley: More Tours

The wonderful stained glass windows in Wesley's sanctuary are a marvel that dazzles the eye and lifts the spirit.

Now there is an opportunity to know and understand them in a deeper way with Wesley's Window Tour Guides. The all-volunteer group will be offering the first tours of the season on **Saturday, May 10 at 9 a.m.**



The guides will detail the history of the space and the windows, and highlight the stories – there are a lot of them, 135 Bible stories by last count – that the windows tell.

To help us make these tours as meaningful and enjoyable as possible, we ask that congregation members register for a specific tour. Just call the church office (336-884-2204) on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

More tours are coming! The Guides will offer fall tours on Oct. 4 & Nov. 1.

Groups, from both inside and outside the church, are also encouraged to arrange special tours at a convenient time. Contact the church office, or email [tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com](mailto:tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com) for more information.

We'll look forward to seeing you in the sanctuary, on a tour!

### Senior Adult Council Outing: Hillbilly Hideaway

Hillbilly Hideaway, established in 1978, was recently featured in Our State magazine (March 2025). Senior Adults are invited to enjoy a special evening featuring a delicious family-style



Southern spread—fried chicken, country ham, BBQ ribs, hoecake biscuits, vegetables, and homemade bread. After the meal, the group will head to the Music Hall for live bluegrass, gospel, and country music.

The outing is set for Saturday, May 17. Cost is \$27 per person, with an optional \$5 for homemade dessert. There is a reservation for 30 people. Stop by the church office to register and pay by Wednesday, May 14. Checks should be made payable to Wesley Memorial. Payment confirms your reservation.

Meet in the top circle of the church at 4:00 PM; the bus will depart at 4:15. Arrival at Hillbilly Hideaway will be before 6:00 p.m., with return to High Point around 9:00 p.m.

### Calling All Gardeners

Wesley Memorial and the High Point community needs you. We have 12 raised garden plots near the playground and we are in search of volunteers to bring these vegetable beds back to life again. Several years ago this was a vibrant ministry supplying food for the High Point community. An informational meeting will be held on Thursday May 1st at 6pm in the circle view room. Ordinary people can do extraordinary things in God's service. These fresh vegetables would be much appreciated by so many High Point families. Please call the church office at 336-884-2204 and register your interest.



### 12th Grade Ministry: Graduation Sunday

Join us as we celebrate our 12th-grade students on Graduation Sunday, May 18th at the 11 a.m. service! Let's honor their journey, faith, and upcoming milestones together at this special occasion to recognize our graduates. If you have a student graduating from high school, please send their name and graduation details to Kaide at [ksledge@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:ksledge@wesleymemorial.org) by May 12th. We want to make sure all of our graduates are included! We will also include an insert in honor of our college graduates. Please send full name, college/university, degree, and family details via email to Isabel at [icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org) by May 12th.

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

EVERY SUNDAY | 9:30 AM

FEEL CALLED TO SERVE IN YOUTH MINISTRY? WM STUDENTS IS STARTING A NEW YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ON MAY 4<sup>TH</sup> FROM 9:30 - 10:30 AM! TO HELP EXPAND THIS EXCITING DEVELOPMENT, WE NEED A FEW MORE ADULT LEADERS. ALL CURRICULUM AND PROGRAMMING IS PROVIDED!

IF YOU FEEL CALLED TO TAKE A SPOT IN A MONTHLY OR WEEKLY ROTATION, PLEASE CONTACT PASTER CLARK AT: [CCHILTON@WESLEYMEMORIAL.ORG](mailto:CCHILTON@WESLEYMEMORIAL.ORG)



For More Info:  
[wesleymemorial.org/students](http://wesleymemorial.org/students)

## THE BIG DROP

@ WESLEY MEMORIAL

WEDNESDAY  
MAY 21  
6:00 P.M.

### YOU'RE INVITED!

Join us for the most smashingly fun event of the year! During "The Big Drop", you'll get to play games, eat sweet treats, and let gravity do its thing as stuff drops from way up high and goes KERSPLAT! Everyone will hear the story of Jesus' first disciples and discover how we too can drop everything and follow Him.

## Chicken N Fixins

### Student Ministry Fundraiser

DINE-IN or TAKE-OUT

Wednesday, May 14, 2025

\$10 PER  
TICKET!

Children 10 &  
under eat FREE!



BBQ Chicken, Slaw (Regular or BBQ), Baked Beans, Roll, Dessert, Tea and Lemonade

### Senior Adult Trip to Wolfahrt Haus Dinner Theater

The Senior Adult Ministry at Wesley Memorial is planning a trip to Wolfahrt Haus Dinner Theater in Wytheville, VA for The Buffet and Dining Show: "The Music Man" on Thursday, July 10. The meal will be served at 12 noon and the show starts at 1:30. The cost of the trip is \$60.00 per person. Register and make payment at the front desk of the church by May 31. We need 20 reservations to be able to make the trip. We hope you can join us in this event.

### Generosity Forms

A spiritually healthy follower of Christ grows in all practices—including generosity. Will you take your next step in spiritual generosity? Scan the QR code or visit [www.wesleymemorial.org/wearewesley](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/wearewesley).

