

# WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH



## HOLY SATURDAY

EASTER VIGIL: A CANDLELIGHT SERVICE OF BAPTISMAL REAFFIRMATION

APRIL 4TH, 2026 ~ SANCTUARY ~ 7:30 PM



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# Order of Worship

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GATHERING IN THE NARTHEX

OPENING PRAYER AND INSTRUCTION

PROCESSION WITH THE PASCHAL CANDLE

*Were You There?*

GREETING AND INTRODUCTION

Rev. Jeff Patterson

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD REMEMBERING GOD'S SAVING DEEDS IN HISTORY

The Creation	Genesis 2:4-17	Rev. Glenn Myers
Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea	Exodus 14:19-29	Rev. Lisa Tanico
A New Heart and a New Spirit	Ezekiel 36:22-27	Rev. Ken Lyon
Buried and Raised with Christ in Baptism	Romans 6:1-11	Rev. Clark Chilton

HOMILY

Rev. Jeff Patterson

THE SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND REAFFIRMATION

APOSTLES' CREED

**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.**

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*Please extinguish your candle as you come forward to reaffirm your baptism.*

† HYMN AND ARRIVAL OF EASTER  
*Easter People, Raise Your Voices*

REGENT SQUARE

1. Eas - ter peo - ple, raise your voic - es, sounds of heaven in  
2. Fear of death can no more stop us from our press - ing  
3. Ev - ery day to us is Eas - ter, with its res - ur -

earth should ring. Christ has brought us heav - en's choic - es;  
here be - low. For our Lord em - pow - ered us to  
rec - tion song. When in trou - ble move the fast - er

heaven - ly mu - sic, let it ring. Al - le - lu - ia!  
tri - umph o - ver ev - ery foe. Al - le - lu - ia!  
to our God who rights the wrong. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter peo - ple, let us sing.  
Al - le - lu - ia! On to vic - tory now we go.  
Al - le - lu - ia! See the power of heaven - ly throngs.

† DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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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 Lisa Tanico, Senior Adult Ministry  
Reverend Dr. Glenn Myers, Pastor of Visitation  
Mr. Phillip Leach, Baritone Soloist  
Mr. Josef English Walker, Organist

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### You're Invited to Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Columbarium  
7:30 a.m. TV Service on WGHP FOX8  
8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship (Chapel)  
9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (Fellowship)

### Easter Offering

Our Easter offering this year will support two impactful ministries—one local and one global—both faithfully serving communities in need and sharing the love of Christ in tangible ways.

Locally, we are partnering with Open Door Ministries in High Point, which has been on the front lines of serving individuals experiencing homelessness, food insecurity, and crisis for over 33 years. In 2025 alone, they provided food to 9,399 individuals, offered shelter to 382 men, and touched more than 20,000 lives. In addition, they provide housing and vital support services for veterans facing chronic physical and mental health challenges.

Globally, we are supporting Friends of Gahini and the Smart Legacy School in Rwanda. This Christian school, serving children from pre-K through 6th grade, is a ministry of a small local church and plays a vital role in both education and spiritual formation. Due to new regulations, the school must undergo significant renovations to remain open. While the church has begun this work, the financial burden exceeds their resources. Without these updates, both the school and church face closure—impacting not only students and families, but the entire community that depends on them for education and a spiritual home.

Your Easter offering will help sustain and strengthen both of these vital ministries. You may give in advance by dropping off your offering at the church office or mailing it to 1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, NC 27262.

### Adorn our crosses for Easter Sunday

Help our crosses bloom on Easter Sunday! Bring flowers (purchased or from your garden) to adorn the crosses outside the Sanctuary and Bridge Cafe entrance starting Saturday, April 4, 2025.

On Easter Sunday, enjoy a free digital image and 4x6 photo print from a professional photographer. Photos will be taken by the flower crosses outside the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall after the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services (refreshments provided). We look forward to celebrating with you!

## 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
- And much, much more!

Your starting point to join the Wesley Memorial Church Family!

Dates: Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

Time: 11:00 am

Location: Fellowship Hall

RSVP with Pastor Clark Chilton via email at [cchilton@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:cchilton@wesleymemorial.org) or via phone at 336-812-4813 by April 15<sup>th</sup>

