

WESLEY MEMORIAL

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

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WELCOME

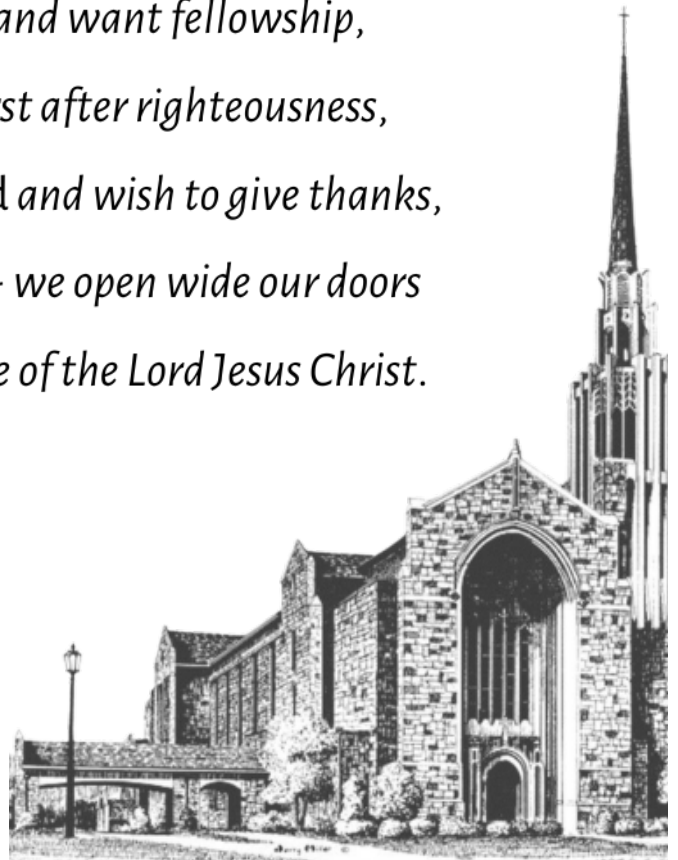
To all who are spiritually weary *and seek rest*,
to all who mourn *and long for comfort*,
to all who struggle *and desire victory*,
to all who sin *and need a Savior*,
to all who are strangers *and want fellowship*,
to all who hunger *and thirst after righteousness*,
to all who have been blessed *and 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.

DECEMBER 7TH, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE CHAPEL 8:30

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



Order of Worship

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.

WELCOME

Rev. Jeff Patterson

† 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:

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience and the comfort of your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† HYMN NO. 165

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

ELLACOMBE

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun! He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free; to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong; to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong; to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth; love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth. Before Him on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go, and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

To Him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend; His kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end. The tide of time shall never His covenant remove; His name shall stand forever; that name to us is love.

† THE LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE Alice & Kim Gallimore
Emily Gallimore

SOLO

Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head

arr. John Jacob Niles

Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, rest your head, you has got a manger bed. All the evil folk on earth sleep in feathers at their birth. Jesus, Jesus, rest your head, you has got a manger bed.

Have you heard about our Jesus? Have you heard about his fate? How his mammy went to the stable on that Christmas Eve so late? Winds were blowing, cows were lowing, stars were glowing, glowing, glowing.

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. Please write your encouraging message on the caring card and drop in the offering plate for us to address and mail.

RECENT INJURY:

Jerry Hoover

JOIN OUR CHURCH

Sunday, December 14th, we will be receiving new members at all 3 services. If you are considering joining our Wesley Memorial family, speak to one of our pastors at the end of service or email cchilton@wesleymemorial.org

To the manger came the Wise Men, bringing things from hin and yon, for the mother and the father, and the blessed little Son. Milkmaids left their fields and flocks and sat beside the ass and ox.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Response:

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

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.

† GLORIA PATRI No. 33

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

† Advent DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

VENI EMMANUEL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 1:26-37 (Pg.855)

SERMON

"Mary's Obedient 'Yes'"

Rev. Clark Chilton

† 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.

*universal

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.



(The Altar is open for prayer.)

† HYMN No. 179

What Child Is This?

GREENSLEEVES

*What Child is this who, laid to rest on Mary's lap is sleeping; whom
angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing!
Haste, haste to bring Him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary!*

*Why lies He in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding? Good
Christians, fear, for sinners here the silent Word is pleading. Nails,
spears, shall pierce Him through, the cross be borne for me, for you.
Hail, hail, the Word made flesh, the Babe, the Son of Mary!*

*So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh, come, peasant, king, to own
Him; the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone Him.
Raise, raise the song on high! The Virgin sings her lullaby. Joy, joy for
Christ is born, the Babe, the Son of Mary!*

† BENEDICTION

† 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

Mr. Phillip Leach, baritone soloist

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

Ms. Coco Bender, Pianist

**LOOKING FOR ALTAR
SERVERS!**

WE ARE RECRUITING
FOR CRUCIFERS,
ACOLYTES AND BIBLE
BEARERS FOR OUR 11
AM SERVICE. IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO SERVE
IN THIS MINISTRY,
PLEASE CALL PRISCILLA
SMITH AT
336-848-9589.

**JOIN US IN
WELCOMING OUR
NEWEST MEMBERS!**

Elizabeth Breece
Jacob Breece

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



LUCAS JAMES ALDRIDGE

February 16, 2025

Son of Jesse and Cassie Aldridge
Grandson of Lee and Bryant Aldridge



HENRY CRAWFORD BREECE

July 3, 2025

Son of Elizabeth and Jacob Breece
Grandson of Beth and David Breece



MILLER LAWRENCE BREWSTER

May 12, 2025

Son of Emma and Cody Brewster
Grandson of Dawn and Chad Miller



LENA BAILEY HAYES

February 28, 2025

Daughter of Sarah Bailey and
Michael Hayes
Granddaughter of Janie and Steve Hayes



PARKER REID HUGHES

December 16, 2024

Son of Mary and Byron Hughes
Grandson of Debby and
Richard Nifong



KATHRYN LOUISE HUSSEY

September 23, 2025

Daughter of Weldon and Jim Hussey
Granddaughter of Laney and George
Morris & Gail Hussey



RIDGE CLARK LASSITER

April 9, 2025

Son of Sydney and Kristopher Lassiter
Grandson of Barbara and Ronald Lassiter



ROBERT SPENCER LUTZ

June 29, 2025

Son of Ellison and Andy Lutz
Grandson of Jayne and Rick Lutz



LUCAS PERRY MCGEE

November 24, 2025

Son of Madison and Seth McGee
Grandson of Trish Kyle



ELISE ANN MITCHELL

December 13, 2024

Daughter of Kristen and Adam Mitchell
Granddaughter of Kimberly and Darren
Cossart & Sherry and John Mitchell



ROSCOE JAMES SMOTHERS

May 6, 2025

Son of Amanda and Jes Smothers
Grandson of Debbie and Tom
Smothers



BEATRICE RUTH TRAYLOR

March 9, 2025

Daughter of Tiffany and Brian Traylor
Granddaughter of Barbara and Alan
Traylor & Melissa Yancy



AUSTIN ADELE TUCKER

July 18, 2025

Daughter of Adele and John Austin Tucker
Granddaughter of Donna and Royster Tucker



FRANCES LINN WHITE

June 26, 2025

Daughter of Caroline and Lathe White
Granddaughter of Fran and Lathe White
& Robin Miller and David Miller





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, December 8 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Bible and Ball Girl Scout Daisy Troop Cub Scouts Boy Scouts AA Meeting	Fellowship Hall Admin A220 Gathering Room Admin-Boy Scout Room 1 Adult Wing D208
TUESDAY, December 9 12:30 p.m. 1:00 p.m.	Handbells Rehearsal GriefShare	Adult Wing D212 Adult Wing D203
WEDNESDAY, December 10 7:20 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER FOR 2025 John Willett's Men's Bible Study Prayer Shawl Ministry Wednesday Night Dinner Handbell Rehearsal Vespers Wesley Memorial Kids' Games & Gospel Single & Parenting GriefShare Wesley Memorial Students (Grades 6-12) Disciple Bible Study WOW Bible Study Men's Bible Study Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Dining Hall Conference Room 3 Dining Hall Adult Wing D212 Chapel Children's Ministry Hall Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D203 Student Gathering Circle View Room Student Soul Cafe Conference Room 3 Sanctuary
THURSDAY, December 11 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal AA Meeting AlAnon	Fellowship Hall Adult Wing D202 Adult Wing D201
FRIDAY, December 12 7:00 p.m.	Heart of the Triad Choral Concert	Sanctuary
SATURDAY, December 13 3:00 p.m.	Heart of the Triad Choral Concert	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, December 14 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Contemporary Worship Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School Chancel Choir Rehearsal Couples under 45 - Advent Study Young Adults - Advent Study Contemporary Unity Group - Advent Study Traditional Worship Children's Church Blessed Beginnings Unity Group - Advent Study Drive-Thru Nativity / Angel Tree Distribution	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing Sanctuary Circle View Room Student Soul Cafe Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing Circle View Room

To view the full church calendar visit our website, wesleymemorial.org/calendar
Visit wesleymemorial.org/announcements for our announcement board

Wednesdays @ Wesley

On Wednesday evenings we serve a warm, home-cooked meal from 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in our dining hall. The menu for Dec 10th is meatloaf, mac and cheese, buttered normandy blend vegetables, & corn bread. All dinners come with salad bar, bread and dessert.



Deliver gifts wrapped and labeled to the church by **TODAY!**. Blessing one child at a time just as our Father continues to bless us!

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.** & **Saturday, December 13, at 3 p.m.** in the Sanctuary. We're excited that our own Wesley Memorial children have been invited to take part! Come and celebrate the season with this festive choral event.

Wesley 100 Apple Pies - Just in time for Christmas!

The Wesley 100 will be selling apples pies again on **Sunday, December 14**. The cost is \$10 a pie. Grab your pies from the church dining hall from 9 am - 11:15 am or the Asbury Room after the 11:00 am service. To pre-order, please email Edwin Bass at edwinbass@triad.rr.com and let him know how many pies to reserve. Thank you for your support!

Christmas Staff Bonus

The Board of Directors invites you to help us celebrate and bless our incredible staff this Christmas. Their dedication, hard work, and love for our congregation make Wesley Memorial a place of true connection and ministry throughout the year.

If you would like to show your appreciation with a financial gift, you can participate in one of the following ways: Write a check to WMMC with "Staff Bonus" in the memo line and place it in the Sunday offering plate, mail it to the church, or drop it off at the Front Desk. Contribute online at wesleymemorial.org/give by selecting "Staff-Christmas Bonus" from the drop-down menu under "Fund." Let's come together to show our gratitude for all they do. Make your contribution by **Sunday, December 14, 2025**. Thank you for helping us honor and bless our wonderful staff this holiday season!

A festive graphic for the White Christmas Gift Collection. It features a white background with green pine branches and red-and-white striped Christmas ties. A red circular seal in the top right corner says "BRING GIFTS TO ALL 3 SERVICES". The text "WESLEY MEMORIAL'S ANNUAL" is in a small, grey, sans-serif font. Below it, "WHITE CHRISTMAS" is written in large, elegant, black serif letters. Underneath that, "GIFT COLLECTION" is in a smaller, grey, sans-serif font. The date "December 14th, 2025" is in a bold, red, sans-serif font. A paragraph of text explains the collection, and a list of requested items is provided in red text.

WESLEY MEMORIAL'S ANNUAL

WHITE CHRISTMAS

GIFT COLLECTION

December 14th, 2025

When you arrive to service, please keep your gifts with you until called to bring the gifts up to the altar. These gifts will go to West End Ministries and Leslie's House to provide essentials to men and women using those facilities. Items should be wrapped in white paper and may be brought up to the altar rail/platform during the final song. Items specific to men should be marked for West End Ministries and those for women to Leslie's House.

Requested items:

- coats (L, XL, XXL), sweatshirts (L, XL, XXL), white socks, stocking caps, scarfs, gloves, flip flops, blankets, twin sheets, toiletries, and canned goods

The Christmas Drive Thru Experience

Sunday, December 14 from 5:00 pm-6:30pm is an audio narrated journey through the Christmas story. Every year 150+ vehicles visit our campus to drive through the experience, and it takes 30+ volunteers to accomplish this powerful evangelistic outreach to our community. Help set up or tear down! Be an angel, Mary, or Joseph! In addition to live animals with the nativity, this year we will also be providing refreshments in the front circle so guests can connect with our church. This is a great service opportunity for entire Sunday school classes, small groups, families, children and youth. To sign up for your spot, visit wesleymemorial.org/drive or call 336-884-2204. Let's make this our best year yet!

Christmas Memorials: Honor Your Loved Ones

This Christmas season, you can honor or remember a loved one by ordering wreaths or poinsettias to decorate the church. To place your order, visit wesleymemorial.org/memorials2025 and fill out the form, or contact Isabel Cruz via email at icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org or call 336-812-4808.

The deadline for ordering and submitting payment is **Monday, December 15**. Memorials will be listed in the December 21 bulletin. Wreaths are available for \$30 & poinsettias for \$25 each.

Give Blood



LOCAL HEARTS, NATIONAL IMPACT

Wesley Memorial MC

Blood Drive

Fellowship Hall
1225 Chestnut Dr. High Point, NC 27262

Tuesday, December 16th
12:30pm-6:30pm

Schedule your appointment today!
RedCrossBlood.org | Sponsor Code: *HighPoint*

Give a gift, get a gift! Give blood 12/8-12/18 & get a \$15 Amazon Gift Card by email!




CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 24, 2025

3:30 PM

CONTEMPORARY **LIVE STREAM**
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

5:00 PM

THE 54TH ANNUAL LOVEFEAST

11:00 PM

TRADITIONAL
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

Communion will be served at the Contemporary and Traditional Service

Childcare will begin at 5 p.m. for ages 2 and under - families are encouraged to worship together

Christmas Eve Offering

In this season of generosity and care our Wesley Memorial tradition is to strongly support some of our local mission partners who serve the under resourced in our High Point community.

This year we have selected three mission partners that continue to do excellent work provid-ing tangible help and sustaining hope for the individuals and families they serve.

- * C3 - Community Collaboration for Children
- * Community Clinic of High Point serving the medical needs of the uninsured.
- * Second Harvest Food Bank supplies area food pantries that in turn provide needed food to families throughout the High Point area.

Each of these mission partners play a vital role in helping our High Point neighbors who are in challenging circumstances.

We can bless their efforts with our financial support. You don't have to wait until Christmas Eve. You can go ahead and write a check, send it to the church office, drop it by the office or bring it to worship services. Please put Christmas Eve Offering on the memo line. You can also go on line at wesleymemorial.org, tap the "Give" icon and then make your gift online. Thank you for providing a blessing through you gift.

SENIOR ADULT CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON!

An Invitation to Wesley Memorial Members ages 60+ years

THERE'S A SONG IN THE AIR!

DEC | 18 | 12 PM
CHURCH DINING HALL

This Christmas Luncheon is a GIFT to YOU! The Pennybyrn Choral will delight our Senior Adult members with a Musical Program of Holiday Favorites and Other Special Selections!

The Choral is made up of 29 Seniors who all live in Pennybyrn at Maryfield. Their ages range from 75 years to upper 80s. They enjoy sharing presentations that include a wide-variety of songs: sacred, secular, patriotic, and seasonal.

*Come in your festive Christmas attire
to enjoy the food, fellowship and spirit of the season!*

MENU

Roasted Turkey Breast, Mashed Potatoes & Turkey Gravy | Green Beans, Seasonal Salad with Dressing | Winter Apples, Rolls with butter and Holiday Dessert
Sweet & Unsweet Tea, Water, and Coffee

Sponsored by the Senior Adult Council

Kindly RSVP by Mon. Dec 15

Call the church office: 336-884-2204

Community Pastors in Support of
NEW LIFE FAMILY OUTREACH
Present

A Sanctity of Human Life

COMMUNITY SERVICE

01. 20. 2026

7:00 PM

Hosted by:
WESLEY MEMORIAL
METHODIST CHURCH

Featuring
Dr. Ben Carson

REGISTRATION REQUESTED
Scan QR Code to register



For more information visit:
WWW.FRIENDSOFNEWLIFE.ORG



WANTED!

LOOKING FOR

**VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON
SUNDAY MORNINGS AS
GUARDIANS AND
ASSISTANTS IN SEVERAL
LOCATIONS ON OUR
CAMPUS DURING OUR
VARIOUS WORSHIP
SERVICES & EVENTS**

**CONTACT ROY SHIPMAN AT
336 687-2074.**

"...Choose this day whom
you will serve



... As for me and my house,
we will serve the Lord."

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 wesley memorial.org/wearewesley to learn more about what the Lord is accomplishing through your generosity.

SCAN to fill out forms online!



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."

The Walk to Emmaus 2026

The Walk to Emmaus is a three-day retreat held twice a year by the Piedmont Emmaus Community. It is sponsored by the Upper Room. It runs from Thursday night to Sunday afternoon. It is an uplifting, energizing, and wonderful time away from the day to day worries that tend to drown out God. The dates for the Men's Walk for this spring are March 12 -16 and the Women's Walk is from March 19 - 22. The retreat looks in depth at a variety of topics related to basic Christian theology. It is a very spiritual and renewing experience but also quite fun. It does require registration through an application. If you would like to attend or have questions please call or email any of the members listed below:

Les Hurrelbrink, 336-687-2769, leh3md@gmail.com
Mary Sansing, 336-689-6172, msansing55@gmail.com
Mac Lane, 336-471-3335, maclane@northstate.net
Michele Lane, 336-899-9601, luckyleshell@gmail.com
Dan Smoak, 336.905.0980, drsmoak54@gmail.com
Linda Smoak, 336.905.0459, erlinda.smoak@gmail.com

Looking Ahead

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

- Sanctity of Life Community Service Jan. 20, 2026
- Rise Against Hunger will take place Feb. 1, 2026
- Leadership Summit Feb. 21, 2026