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.



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. Ken Lyon

[†] 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:

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who can do no good thing apart from you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† Нуми No. 45

God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA God of grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy pow'r; crown Thine ancient church's story, bring her bud to glorious flow'r. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn Thy Christ, assail His ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us, free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Set our feet on lofty places; gird our lives, that they may be armored with all Christ-like graces in the fight to set men free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not man nor Thee! That we fail not man nor Thee!

† 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

Welcome!

Thank you for
worshiping 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 informa-
tion 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 Pam Ingram on the passing of her mother on 7/2

SYMPATHY TO Jackie Gillespie on the passing of her stepson, John Gillespie Jr., on 6/28

RECENT SURGERY: Weldon & Ryn Hussey On communion Sundays we profess the Nicene Creed, 325 AD, that professes the faith of the universal church. SOLO O Taste and See Ralph Vaughan Williams O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

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,

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:13-16 (Pg. 810)

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

Sermon

"They All Look the Same to Me" Rev. Ken Lyon

† NICENE CREED

We face the cross and profess in unison

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.



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, and The United Methodist Book of Worship, © 1992 The United Methodist Publishing House. Music: OneLicense.net A721606. 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

* universal

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offertory

† 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!

the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING
 The Lord be with you.
 And with your spirit.
 Lift up your hearts.
 We lift them up to the Lord.
 Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.
 It is right and good to give him 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, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. 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." On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

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.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

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. **Amen.**

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.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs from under your table, but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us, Amen.

SHARING THE EUCHARIST

Please come to the serving table and receive the bread or gluten-free wafer. After receiving it, you may kneel at the prayer rail. Our Stephen Ministers are available if you wish for anointing with oil and prayer. (If you are unable to come forward and would like to be served at your seat, please let an usher know.)

MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN NO. 454

BEACH SPRING

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service Lord, whose love through humble service bore the weight of human need, who upon the cross, forsaken, offered mercy's perfect deed: we, Your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart, consecrating to Your purpose ev'ry gift that You impart.

Still Your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread; still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn in our dead. As, O Lord, Your deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul, use the love of Your Spirit kindles still to save and make us whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till Your love's revealing light in its height and depth and greatness, dawns upon our quickened sight, making known the needs and burdens Your compassion bids us bear, stirring us to tireless striving, Your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to Your service, forth in Your dear name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give, that Your servants, Lord, in freedom may Your mercy know and live.

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. Mora Wolff, Organist

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome, guests! We're glad you're here. Scan the QR code on the left with your phone's camera to receive a free welcome gift!

Nursery childcare is available for infants through 2-year-olds during the 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, located in the Children's Ministry Hall. If you need help finding it, an usher will be happy to assist you.

Members and guests, please take a moment to fill out and pass the friendship folders located in each row.

Large print hymnals are available in the Narthex for those who need them.

To view the full church calendar, visit wesleymemorial.org/calendar.

For more announcements, visit wesleymemorial.org/announcements.

MONDAY, July 7		
5:30 p.m.	Ball & Bible	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Daisy Troop	Children's Ministry Wing
7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting	Adult Wing D208
WEDNESDAY, July 9		
7:20 a.m.	John Willett's Men's Bible Study with Michael Gay	Dining Hall
1:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Conference Room 3
6:00 p.m.	Vespers	Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Wesley Memorial Students (Grades 6-12)	Student Ministry Wing
6:45 p.m.	Men's Bible Study	Conference Room 3
6:45 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
THURSDAY, July 10		
6:00 p.m.	Contemporary Praise Team Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting	Adult Wing D202
7:30 p.m.	AlAnon	Adult Wing D201
SUNDAY, July 13		
7:30 a.m.	Televised Worship Service	WGHP, FOX8
8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Chapel
9:00 a.m.	AA Meeting	Adult D202
9:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship	Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m.	Children's Ministry Sunday Funday	Children's Ministry Wing
9:30 a.m.	Youth Sunday School	Student Ministry Wing
9:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	Adult Wing
11:00 a.m.	Small Groups/All Welcome	Dining Hall
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.	Children's Church	Children's Ministry Wing

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

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

Wesley 100 Apple Pies

The Wesley 100 will be selling apple pies on Sunday, July 13th! Pies are \$12.00 each. Sales will be in the Dining Hall from 8:30–11:15 a.m. and in the Asbury Room after the 11:00 a.m. service. To guarantee your pie, preorder now by emailing Edwin Bass at edwinbass@ triad.rr.com. Don't miss out on these delicious pies!



Join the "Pick-Up Choir" This July!

Love to sing? Come be part of our Pick-Up Choir on Sunday mornings throughout July! No long-term commitment—just show up and sing.

We'll rehearse at 10:15 a.m. each Sunday in preparation for the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Whether you join us for one Sunday or all of them, you're welcome!

No need to sign up in advance, though a heads-up is always appreciated. Questions? Contact the Director of Traditional Music at cmills@wesleymemorial.org.



Get ready for a fun evening of food, fellowship, and live music! Join us for our churchwide picnic on Tuesday, July 15. We'll provide the main dish, sweet tea, and lemonade, please bring a potluck side dish or dessert to share! Here's a quick look at the evening's schedule to help you plan:

5:45–6:00 p.m. | Drop off food in the Fellowship Hall 6:00 p.m. | Dinner begins

6:30 p.m. | Live music from *The Synge Cats* (classic hits and oldies)

We'll also have games and activities for all ages, stay tuned for more details from our Children's and Youth Ministries!

This is a wonderful opportunity to slow down, reconnect, and simply be together as the body of Christ. We can't wait to see you there!

Join Our Prayer Team

Do you feel called to the ministry of intercessory prayer? We are seeking prayer warriors of all ages and stages who will pray before, during and even after our church services each Sunday. If interested contact Pastor Clark at 336-812-4813 or cchilton@wesleymemorial.org



Preserving the Light: Stained Glass Restoration

Nearly 60 years ago, our Sanctuary's stained glass windows were carefully designed and installed as a labor of love—filled with beauty, symbolism, and faith. Today, those same windows need restoration to preserve their integrity for the generations to come.

Letters and donation forms were recently mailed to members. Others who wish to participate in this meaningful effort can give online at wesleymemorial.org/give by selecting "Stained Glass Restoration." Checks should include that in the memo line.

Thank you for helping us preserve this legacy of light.

New Books Trace Our Church History

For the first time in 25 years, a new written history of our church is available! A Pictorial History of Our Church has just been published—a two-volume hardcover set created by Roy Shipman, Co-Chair of our Historical Committee and noted author of several books on High Point history.

This collection includes over 700 pages and 1,000 photos, names, and events from our church's rich story.

- Volume One covers 1856 through October 1960, when we moved to our current location.

- Volume Two continues from 1960 through 2024.

Books are available individually or as a set: Volume One is \$40, Volume Two is \$50, or the complete set is \$90.

These books make a meaningful gift and a lasting keepsake. Orders are now being accepted. Please make checks payable to Wesley Memorial with "HISTORY BOOK" on the memo line. Bring your payment to the front desk.

Generosity Forms

A spiritually healthy follower of Christ is constantly growing in all spiritual practices including the spiritual practice of generosity. The goal we learn from scripture is to give generously. Will you take your



spiritual generosity to the next level? Scan the QR code to visit www.wesleymemorial.org/wearewesley

YOU'RE INVITED VBS DECORATING PARTIES

The Alaskan Northern Lights theme needs your special touch! Meet in the Children's Gathering Area, on the children's ministry hall.

Thursday, July 3rd: 4 - 6 p.m. Monday, July 7th: 4 - 6 p.m. Thursday, July 10th: 4 - 6 p.m. Monday, July 14th: 4 - 6 p.m. Thursday, July 17th: 4 - 6 p.m.

Drop in anytime. Come early. Come late. Stay the whole time. Stay for just a little while. Come to one. Come to all.



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." Summer Adult Studies

Taught by Dr. Jeff Patterson

WISDOM FOR LIVING IN STRESSFUL TIMES

Sunday- Thursday, July 20-24 at 6:00 – 7:30 PM in Sanctuary

Do you long for moderation, balance, stability, and a lifegiving rhythm to your life? Do you want to find the peace and presence of God amid your daily activities? Do you want some Christian tools to help you grow as a Christian disciple? Pastor Jeff will bring the spirituality of the 6th century Rule of St. Benedict to bear on our busy 21st century lives. (Next to the Bible, Pastor Jeff says that this ancient book has been the most important book on his spiritual journey.)

AN INTRODUCTION TO MERE CHRISTIANITY

Wednesdays, August 6 – 27 at 9:30 AM or 6:45 PM in Media Center

This will be a 4-week study of the classic work by C.S. Lewis that presents the concepts of basic Christianity in a rational way to the modern world. This book originated as a series of radio talks by Lewis to strengthen the English during the bombings of World War II. Since publication in 1952, this book has influenced millions of Christians. The magazine Christianity Today in 2000 ranked it first among the "100 books that had a significant effect on Christians in this century." Since 2001, Mere Christianity has sold well over 4 million copies. It has been translated into at least 36 languages.

Please obtain your own copy of the book and show up at the first class having read chapters 1-5. While this book has major popular appeal, these opening chapters are a little difficult because they lay a philosophical groundwork for Christianity. You probably will find the remaining chapters much more engaging, but these opening chapters are important.

