

# WESLEY MEMORIAL

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

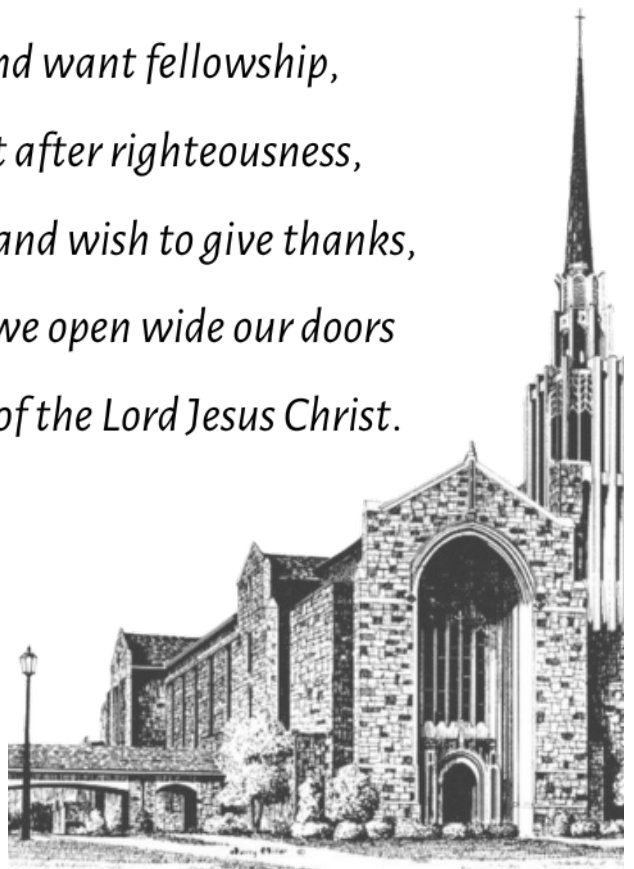
## WELCOME

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.*

**AUGUST 24TH, 2025**

**ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**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

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## 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:

**Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

† HYMN No. 91

*Here Is Love*

CYMRAEG

*Here is love, vast as the ocean, loving-kindness as the flood, when the Prince of Life, our Ransom, shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten, throughout heav'n's eternal days.*

*On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide; through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above; heaven's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.*

*Let me, all Your love accepting, love You, ever all my days; let me seek your kingdom only, and my life be to Your praise. You alone shall be my glory, nothing in the world I see; You have cleansed and sanctified me, You Yourself have set me free.*

*In Your truth You still direct me by Your Spirit through Your Word; and Your grace my need is meeting; as I trust in You, my Lord. Of Your fullness You are pouring Your great love and pow'r on me, without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to Thee.*

## 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 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 Bill Blue on the passing of his mother, Doris Blue, on 8/14.

Recent Surgery:  
Adol Nyuol

## PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Pray in Unison

**Almighty and most merciful God, you know the thoughts of our hearts. We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight. We have transgressed your holy laws. We have disregarded your Word and Sacraments. Forgive us, O Lord. Give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things, that, being delivered from the bondage of sin, we may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance, and from henceforth may ever walk in your holy ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### SOLO

*Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive*

DETROIT

*"Forgive our sins as we forgive," you taught us, Lord, to pray;  
but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.*

*How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart  
that broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?*

*In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew:  
What trivial debts are owed to us; how great our debt to you!*

*Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease;  
Then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.*

#### 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

#### 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.



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! Alleluia!**

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5: 43-48 (Pg.811)

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

SERMON

*“Love Your Enemies Pt. 1”*

Rev. 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.**

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*(The Altar is open for prayer.)*

† HYMN NO. 89

*Love Lifted Me*

LOVE LIFTED ME

*I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore, very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more; but the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry, from the waters lifted me, now safe am I.*

*Refrain: Love lifted me! Love Lifted me! When nothing else could help, love lifted me. Love lifted me.*

*All my heart to Him I give, ever to Him I'll cling, in His blessed presence live, ever His praises sing. Love so mighty and so true merits my soul's best songs; faithful, loving service, too, to Him belongs. Refrain*

*Souls in danger, look above, Jesus completely saves; He will lift you by His love out of the angry waves. He's the Master of the sea, billows His will obey; He your Savior wants to be; be saved today. Refrain*

† BENEDICTION

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!

Lydia Goho  
Harvey Goho  
Cameron Marsden  
Bryan Marsden

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† POSTLUDE

† 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 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](http://wesleymemorial.org/calendar).

For more announcements, visit [wesleymemorial.org/announcements](http://wesleymemorial.org/announcements).

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY, August 25</b> 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Ball & Bible Girl Scout Daisy Troop Boy Scout/Cub Scout Open House AA Meeting	Media Center Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Scout Room Adult Wing D208
<b>TUESDAY, August 26</b> 12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m.	Handsbells Rehearsal Becoming a More Prayerful Person with Pastor Jeff	Adult Wing D212 Media Center
<b>WEDNESDAY, August 27</b> 7:20 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	John Willett's Men's Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Prayer Shawl Ministry Handbell Rehearsal Vespers Wesley Memorial Students (Grades 6-12) Men's Bible Study Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Dining Hall Dining Hall Conference Room 3 Adult Wing D212 Chapel Student Ministry Wing Conference Room 3 Media Center Choir Room
<b>THURSDAY, August 28</b> 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
<b>SUNDAY, August 31</b> 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. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Contemporary Worship Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School Chancel Choir Rehearsal Small Groups/All Welcome Traditional Worship Children's Church	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Fellowship Hall Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing Choir Room Dining Hall Sanctuary Children's Ministry Wing

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Visit [wesleymemorial.org/announcements](http://wesleymemorial.org/announcements) for our announcement board



# PRICES

/Person

\$455 Triple room  
\$469 Double room  
\$575 Single room

3 Days and 2 Nights Oceanfront  
December 1st-3rd  
(Depart Mon - Return Weds)

## Senior Adult

Exclusively for our  
SENIOR ADULTS 60+ yrs

## MYRTLE BEACH CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA!

This trip is exclusive for our Wesley Memorial Seniors and their invited guests. Our Motorcoach will not include pickups of other groups. Daily itinerary presented at a later date - yes! It will include some free time for beach walking! Attractions we will attend are:

- Alabama Theatre - See the South's Grandest Christmas Show!
- Legends In Concert Christmas Show- Tribute Artists perform their Christmas classics
- Barefoot Queen - Dinner Cruise with Christmas entertainment on intercoastal waterway
- Tanger Outlet Center- Find great deals on our shopping trip!

## Package Includes



- ✓ Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation on HOLIDAY TOURS including Wi-Fi and Electric
- ✓ Pickup and Return to Wesley Memorial
- ✓ 2 Nights Lodging - Oceanfront Hotel
- ✓ Meals: 2 Breakfasts at Hotel; 1 Lunch; 1 Dinner

## More Information

For more information about this trip call or email Susan Sumpter:



336-848-4128



susan.m.sumpter@gmail.com

RSVP TO FRONT DESK NOW! CALL (336) 884-2204  
\$100 DEPOSIT DUE BY AUGUST 31 | 2ND DEPOSIT OF \$100 DUE SEPT 14  
FULL BALANCE DUE OCT 15



### Attention School-aged Families

At the start of a new school year, we could all use an extra blessing. Contact Pastor Clark (cchilton@wesleymemorial.org or call 336-812-4813) to arrange a blessing of your home!

### Preparing for the Unexpected

Did you know that approximately 70% of people have no Will or Estate Plan?

Without one in place, decisions about your property, family heirlooms, finances, charitable gifts, and even the care of dependent children will be made according to state law rather than your wishes. That means the legacy you hope to leave could look very different from the one you intended.

August is National Make a Will Month, the perfect time to be intentional about protecting the people you love and supporting the causes close to your heart.

If you already have a Will, use this month as a reminder to meet with your attorney and review it in light of any changes in your circumstances, relationships, or finances. If you don't yet have a Will, consider consulting with an estate planning professional for advice and guidance.

**Want to know more? We've prepared some additional information that can help you as you take steps to protect and care for your family and your Wesley Memorial family if you choose. Contact Pastor Ken.**

### Becoming a More Prayerful Person

Looking to deepen your prayer life? Join Dr. Jeff Patterson on Tuesday, August 26 from 2–3 p.m. in the Media Center for an enriching session on prayer practices and resources—including the 2019 Book of Common Prayer, prayer guides, devotionals, and more. This free event, sponsored by the Great Day Unity Group, will introduce ways to pray Scripture and the Psalms. Optional copies of the Book of Common Prayer will be available for \$30. RSVP by emailing [receptionist@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:receptionist@wesleymemorial.org).

### Pillow Ministry Stuffing Party

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, September 3 at 2 PM in the Media Center for Pillow Ministry's quarterly stuffing party. This afternoon is a chance to help stuff over 200 pillows--spreading love, comfort, and encouragement throughout our community!

Comfort pillows share care and compassion in a simple but powerful way. They're available to anyone and can be picked up from the closet in the mailroom behind the front desk. These pillows are a vital part of our ministry; delivered by our ministers during visits, included in baby welcome bags for new parents, and shared with Hospice of High Point, where we provide 30 pillows each month. This year, we're also donating 30 pillows each month to the High Point Cancer Center, making your help more important than ever. Come join us for fun and fellowship, and make a meaningful impact in the lives of others.



JOIN CUB SCOUTS & SCOUTS BSA

**OPEN HOUSE**

Monday, August 25 6:30 p.m.

Wesley Memorial Church, 1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, NC



**Cub Scout Pack 4**  
Boys & Girls • Grades K-5



**Boy Scout Troop 4**  
Boys • Ages 11-17



#### WHAT SCOUTS OFFERS:

- Character Development
- Physical Fitness
- Community Service
- Leadership Skills
- New Friends
- Outdoor Activities
- Games and Fun
- And So Much More

**A SCOUT IS:**  
TRUSTWORTHY LOYAL  
HELPFUL FRIENDLY  
COURTEOUS KIND  
OBEDIENT CHEERFUL  
THRIFTY BRAVE  
CLEAN REVERENT

Contact Amy Heybrock at 336-442-8895. Pack 4 and Troop 4 meet on Monday evenings at Wesley Memorial located at 1225 Chestnut Drive in High Point



### Salem Bach Festival — Friday, September 5

Wesley Memorial is delighted to be a host church for the eighth annual Salem Bach Festival this year! Join us at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary on Friday, September 5th for a Vespers service featuring North Carolina's most talented singers and period instrumentalists. Programming will feature French and French-influenced Baroque music, including J.S. Bach's Himmelskönig, sei willkommen (King of Heaven, welcome), Charpentier's Laudate pueri Dominum (Praise the Lord, you children), and Couperin's Les Nations, 1er ordre: "La Française."

The Salem Bach Festival strives to share the music of J.S. Bach and his contemporaries with the Triad community through historically informed performances. For more information and to discover other area events, please visit [www.salembachfestival.com/2025-festival](http://www.salembachfestival.com/2025-festival). All festival events are free!

### Disciple Bible Study

Disciple Bible Study at Wesley continues with a new class, Wednesday nights beginning Sept. 10. This year's study will follow the Disciple 3 curriculum, entitled "Remember Who You Are." It delves into the writings of the Old Testament prophets and the travails of the Israelite people during the monarchy days (first semester), and then offers a close study of the Letters of Paul (second semester).

Disciple is a 30-week study that involves preparatory reading in the Bible and in the Disciple handbook plus weekly classes of about 2 hours. The various Disciple courses -- there are six -- have reached millions worldwide, immersing them not only in a great Bible study, but an enriching spiritual experience as they study the Word in the company of fellow Christians. The relationships created are long lasting; the fellowship experiences unforgettable.

Tucker Mitchell is leading this year's class. It's his fourth Disciple class at Wesley and his 16th overall.

The class will meet Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. in the Circle View Room at Wesley. Classes last about two hours. For more information, or to sign up, contact Tucker at [tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com](mailto:tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com), or call him at 843.409.5587.

### SINGLE & PARENTING™

Beginning September 17

A faith-based group that features the nation's foremost Christian experts on single-parenting topics from a Biblical perspective.

#### Single & Parenting Support Group

Being a single parent isn't easy. You may feel exhausted, overwhelmed, and underappreciated—and you're not alone. We welcome you to attend Single & Parenting—a supportive group where you can connect with others who understand your challenges and discover practical tips to help you thrive.

Join us starting September 17 for:

- Free Dinner
- Children's ministry program offered 6-7:30 p.m. for ages two through fifth grade
- Encouragement, wisdom, and real-life parenting support

This group will meet for 13 weeks starting Wednesday, September 17th at 6:00 p.m. in D202. Take a break. Focus on *you*. Find rest, hope, and community.

Registration available at [wesley Memorial.org/sandp](http://wesley Memorial.org/sandp).

### Monday Morning Bible Study with Pastor Jeff

God's Plan for the Jews: A Study of Romans 9–11 will be offered at Wesley Memorial Church on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. in the Media Center, beginning September 8 and continuing through December 8. The study will be led by Dr. Jeff Patterson.

This series will explore the vital question: now that Jesus Christ has come, what is God's plan for Israel? In Romans chapters 9 through 11, the Apostle Paul addresses this profound and often challenging topic, offering insight into God's sovereignty, His covenant promises, and His ongoing work with the Jewish people. Participants will engage deeply with Paul's teaching as they seek to understand God's redemptive plan and its significance for both Jews and Gentiles in the Christian faith.

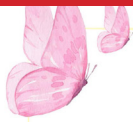
### Wednesday Fall Bible Studies with Pastor Jeff

A Study of First Corinthians will be offered at Wesley Memorial Church beginning September 17, 2025, and continuing through May 13, 2026. Participants may choose to attend the Wednesday morning session at 9:30 a.m. in the Dining Hall or the evening session at 6:45 p.m. in the Media Center. The study will be led by Dr. Jeff Patterson.

First Corinthians is a book filled with practical Christian truth. Paul founded the church in Corinth, but the believers there struggled to leave behind their old lives and embrace their new identities in Christ. Throughout the study, participants will explore a wide range of topics addressed in 1 Corinthians, including church divisions, sexual immorality, lawsuits among believers, marriage, worship practices, women's role in the Christian community, the work of the Holy Spirit and spiritual gifts, Holy Communion, and the resurrection of the body. This study offers an opportunity to dive deeply into the timeless wisdom and guidance found in Paul's letter to the Corinthians.

### Calling All Canners, Bakers & Homesteaders!

Are you a Canner? Food Preserver? Homesteader? Etc.? As you prepare the wonderful things you harvest from your garden or pick up from the farmer's market venues, keep your church in mind. The personal creations from your kitchen, be it canned goods, frozen goods, jams and jellies, or baked goods, would all make scrumptious additions to this fall's Wesley Women's Bazaar. So stick a few things back with your Church in mind and we'll remind you this Fall when its time to harvest all those amazing items. Once you decide whatever creation, made with love in your kitchen, you want to contribute, please let Lesa Pierce know (336-848-8886 [pierce@northstate.net](mailto:pierce@northstate.net)).



## Blessed Beginnings

A Bible Study for Expecting,  
New & Preschool Moms

**1st & 3rd  
Sundays  
2PM**

Circle View Room  
Wesley Memorial  
Methodist Church  
High Point, NC

### What to Expect

- Uplifting Bible study & discussion
- Complimentary childcare
- Prayer & support for moms
- Fellowship with women who understand
- Refreshments & resources for growing families

**Come as you are. Leave encouraged.**

**RSVP:**  
[communications@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:communications@wesleymemorial.org)



### 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](mailto:cchilton@wesleymemorial.org)

### 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 Bazaar is Coming November 15

Storage for Contributions Available Soon!

As you are fall cleaning, box up those gently used household items, seasonal decorations, toys, sports equipment, purses, and accessories for the Carolina Christmas Bazaar sponsored by Wesley Women.

Bart Lassiter, City Transfer and Storage, has generously donated the use of a trailer to hold contributions for the General Store portion of the bazaar. Storage begins after Labor Day. To arrange a drop-off time, contact Debbie Lassiter (336-880-7111) or Teresa Swartz (336-848-1793). Please note: No clothing, large furniture, or electronics will be accepted.

A big thank you to the Lassiter family and the Wesley Memorial congregation—your support helps make the 2025 Carolina Christmas Bazaar a success!

### Membership Updates

In efforts to keep our membership database updated, we are asking all members to report any family changes. Change examples include birth, marriage, baptism, transfer, death in family, and any changes to contact information such as email, phone #, and address. If you are not a member, but are very active in the church, please feel free to reach out and update your information as well! To send your updates please email [info@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:info@wesleymemorial.org) or email [icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:icruzvalencia@wesleymemorial.org) for further questions.

### 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).



## Sermon Growth Notes

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