

# Welcome to **WESLEY MEMORIAL**

A METHODIST CONGREGATION

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

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024**  
**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**



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

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*“Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” (Galatians 6:2).*

# WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

## Order of Worship

### THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 21, 2024

Sanctuary

11:00 am

OPENING VOLUNTARY  
*Plegaria (Prayer)*

Eduardo Torres  
(1872-1934)

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

THE CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Hal H. Hopson

*Sing Out All Voices Clear and Bright*

*Sing out all voices clear and bright; Our God brings forth the light  
from light; O Light of light, the fountain spring; O Day our days illu-  
minating. Come, very Sun of truth and love, Come in thy radiance from  
above; And shed the Holy Spirit's ray on all we think, or do, or say.*

† CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER      Congregation reads bold print  
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our  
Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good  
News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may  
perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives  
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever  
and ever. Amen.**

† HYMN No. 733  
*Marching to Zion*

MARCHING TO ZION

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

ANTHEM  
*Still, Still, Still*

Austrian Carol  
Arr. by Norman Luboff

#### Welcome!

Thank you for worship-  
ing 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.



ARE YOU HURTING?  
Stephen Ministers bring  
Christ's love and care  
to people during a time  
of pain and need. Each  
specially trained Ste-  
phen Minister confiden-  
tially guides his or her  
care receiver toward  
a place of peace and  
healing. To learn more,  
contact Barbara Cough-  
lin at BLBC215@aol.  
com or 336-414-6350.

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.

HEALTH CONCERNS:  
Sheri Hicks

UPCOMING SURGERY:  
Bonnie Odom

PLEASE HELP US  
WELCOME OUR NEWEST  
MEMBERS!

Rebecca Burroughs  
Deborah Irvin  
Bobby Irvin  
Patricia Saunders  
David Saunders

universal\*

## 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.**

## † SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

### CHILDREN’S SERMON

Neal Howes

### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

*Ubi caritas et Amor*

Dom Paul Benoit, O.S.B.  
(1893-1979)

## † DOXOLOGY No. 94

*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

## † HYMN No. 420

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

TRENTHAM

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 2:20 (ESV)

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

### SERMON

Rev. Jeff Patterson

*“The Tyranny of the Self: The Lies We Believe, Part II”*

## † APOSTLES’ CREED

We face the cross and profess in unison

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.**

## † HYMN No. 402

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### † BENEDICTION

### † The CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Go to the World*

*Go to the world! Go into all the earth. Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth, baptizing as the sign of our rebirth. Alleluia. Alleluia*

### † CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

### † CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*March*

Flor Peeters  
(1903-1986)

† Those who are able please stand.

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#### WORSHIP LEADERS:

Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor  
Reverend Clark Chilton, Associate Pastor of Contemporary Worship/Evangelism  
Reverend Dr. Ken Lyon, Generosity/Church Vitality/Missions  
Reverend Susannah Pittman, Congregational Care/Adult Spiritual Formation  
Reverend Dr. Glenn Myers, Pastor of Visitation  
Mr. Elli Yu, Pastoral Intern  
Chancel Choir  
Mr. Kyle Brown, Sound  
Ms. Barbara Ann Peters, Guest Organist

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*Join Us!*

## RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

WE WILL BE RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH AT OUR 11 O'CLOCK SERVICE. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN JOINING WESLEY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH, PLEASE CONNECT WITH ONE OF OUR FIVE PASTORS ON STAFF!



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Welcome guests! Scan the QR code on the left to receive a free welcome gift (to scan the code, use your phone's camera and follow the provided link)!

Attendance: please fill out and pass the friendship folders located in each row.

Wesley Memorial School is open Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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.

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.



<b>MONDAY, January 22</b> 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Interdenominational Bible Study Student Ministry Ball & Bible Boy Scout Meeting AA Meeting	Adult Wing D213 (Media Center) Fellowship Hall Boy Scout Room Adult Wing D208
<b>TUESDAY, January 23</b> 7:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	High School Guys Bible Study Student Ministry Pickleball	Chick-fil-A Fellowship Hall
<b>WEDNESDAY, January 24</b> 7:00 a.m. 7:20 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m. 6:45 p.m.	High School Girls Bible Study John Willett's Men's Bible Study Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Prayer Shawl Ministry Wednesday Dinner (served until 6:30 p.m.) Vespers Children's Ministry Games & Gospel (ages 2-11) Student Ministry Midweek Motivation W.O.W. (Women of Wesley) Bible Study Marriage Small Group for Couples Bible Study with Pastor Jeff Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Chick-fil-A Dining Hall Dining Hall Conference Room 3 Dining Hall Chapel Dining Hall Student Ministry Wing Room 111 Room D201 Media Center Choir Room
<b>THURSDAY, January 25</b> 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	AA Meeting AlAnon	Adult Wing D208 Adult Wing D201
<b>SUNDAY, January 28</b> 7:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Televised Worship Service Traditional Worship AA Meeting Children's Ministry Sunday Funday Student Ministry Sunday Morning Live Adult Sunday School Contemporary Worship Small Groups/ All Welcome Traditional Worship Care Ambassador Meeting Sharing Joy Dinner (all are invited!)	WGHP, FOX8 Chapel Adult D202 Children's Ministry Wing Student Ministry Wing Adult Wing Fellowship Hall Dining Hall Sanctuary Dining Hall Dining Hall

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

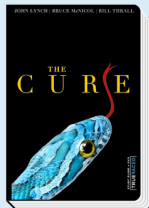


### Wednesdays @ Wesley

On Wednesday evenings we serve a warm, home-cooked meal beginning at 5:15 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. in our Dining Hall. The menu for January 24th is enchilada casserole and charro beans. All dinners come with salad bar, roll, and dessert. Donations accepted.

### WOMEN OF WESLEY BIBLE STUDY

Returns January 24th for all ladies 18 and up



*"What if it was less important that anything ever gets fixed than that nothing has to be hidden?"*

-John Lynch, *The Cure*

**WEDNESDAYS | 6:15 PM**

Student Ministry Wing - Room 111

Feel free to grab dinner from the dining hall and bring it with you! Need childcare? Each week Children's Ministries' Games & Gospel meets at the same time as WOW and provides a kid-friendly dinner option too.

### MARRIAGE WORKSHOP SMALL GROUP EXPERIENCE

JANUARY 24, 2024 | 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

JANUARY 31, 2024 | 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

FEBRUARY 7, 2024 | 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

FEBRUARY 21, 2024 | 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

FEBRUARY 28, 2024 | 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

starting next  
Wednesday

THE  
MARRIAGE  
YOU'VE  
ALWAYS  
WANTED

Calling married couples, young, old, and in the middle! Wesley Memorial is offering marriage small groups based on "The Marriage You've Always Wanted", with videos and workbooks by Dr. Gary Chapman. Did you miss last Saturday's marriage conference with Dr. Gary Chapman? This small group study gives you the opportunity to hear the same material and to go in-depth with your spouse on these important topics in marriage: Communication 101, Understanding and Expressing Love, Initiating Positive Change, Making Sex a Mutual Joy, and How to Share the Things That Bug You. You do not need to be a member of Wesley Memorial to attend. There will be small group leaders for every six couples registered. Childcare for infants through 5th grade is available and free of charge. Please contact the church office at 336-884-2204 or visit [wesleymemorial.org/marriagegroup](http://wesleymemorial.org/marriagegroup) to sign up and workbooks will be provided for you.

### Care Ambassador Invite

Here's an invitation to join an extraordinary people providing care and connection in our Wesley Memorial family. They are known as Care Ambassadors. Once a quarter, each care ambassador reaches out to their ten households to encourage and ask how we can pray for them and to ask if they have any questions or concerns they would like to get to church leadership. Want to know more? Come to our Care Ambassador celebration on Sunday, January 28th at 3 p.m. in the Dining Hall (no obligation). You will meet our care ambassadors and have an opportunity to learn about this helpful ministry. As always, we will have wonderful goodies prepared. Our theme for the afternoon is Winterfest, so expect some fun food and activities. Please contact Brittany Corts at 336-884-2204 or email her at [bcorts@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:bcorts@wesleymemorial.org) so are adequately prepared.

WESLEY MEMORIAL KIDS PRESENTS

## SHARING JOY DINNER

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024  
STARTS AT 5:30PM

PIZZA • DESSERT • BINGO • PRIZES

The children of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church invite you to a Sharing Joy Dinner where families, children, senior adults, and anyone in the church who wants to join will share pizza, dessert, BINGO, prizes, and lots of JOY! Families with kids of all ages are welcome to bring their favorite puzzles and board games to share as well.

Please register at:  
[wesleymemorial.org/joy](http://wesleymemorial.org/joy)

02.09.24 - 02.10.24

### THE JOHN WESLEY INSTITUTE PRESENTS THE SCHOOL OF METHODISM

Join leading scholars for this two-day event to explore our history as Wesleyans, what we believe, how we read scripture, what it means to live out our faith, and how our lives are shaped and formed by the worship of God.

Location: Wesley Memorial Methodist Church  
1225 Chestnut Drive  
High Point, NC 27262



More information: [wesleymemorial.org/som](http://wesleymemorial.org/som)

#### TICKETS

Available now  
for \$25 each

REGISTER TODAY

### School of Methodism

The launching of The School of Methodism by the John Wesley Institute will take place at Wesley Memorial Methodist Church on February 9-10. The John Wesley Institute founded in 2021 exists to make faithful scholarship accessible to the Christian faithful. Session will be led by leading scholars from the broad Wesleyan tradition – Methodist, Anglican, Holiness, Pentecostal. Now more than ever the message of Scriptural Christianity, the universal offer of salvation, and the promise of wholeness in Christ needs to be proclaimed with clarity. Cost of the event is \$25 per person. For more information and registration, go to [wesleymemorial.org/som](http://wesleymemorial.org/som).

### Conversation with the Pastors

Our pastors recognize that for some, the vote to disaffiliate did not turn out as they had hoped. Even with that, they are committed to continue with Wesley Memorial on their spiritual journey. Our pastors want to be available to meet in small groups with them to hear their concerns, questions, and suggestions about how we move forward together in care, connection, and unity of purpose. These respectful conversations will be held on February 12th, March 5th, and April 4th at 6 p.m. in room D201. The space will be limited to 10-15 people each session to foster conversation among all in attendance. Please contact Brittany Corts at 336-884-2204 or email her at [bcorts@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:bcorts@wesleymemorial.org) to reserve the date that works best for you. Thank you.

### Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study

You are invited to a 7-Session Study, *Jesus and Women*, by Kristi McLelland beginning February 13. The class will meet in the Media Center each Tuesday at 9:00.

Imagine walking the dusty roads of Galilee with Jesus of Nazareth—braving jostling crowds just to touch the edge of His cloak and hear Him say, "Take heart, daughter, your faith has healed you." Those words, once meant to comfort a hurting woman's soul thousands of years ago, were also meant for you. Explore how Jesus generously restores dignity and honor to women in the first century and now.

Join biblical culturalist Kristi McLelland on those dusty roads as she transports you back to Jesus' world, stepping into the footsteps of the women who came face to face with the living God. Over 7 sessions, examine the historical and cultural climate of first-century Middle Eastern society to not only understand Jesus more deeply but to fuel your worship of Him today.

Please contact Debbie Carmichael at [debcar michael123@aol.com](mailto:debcar michael123@aol.com) if you are interested in attending or if you have any questions. She will purchase the workbooks for the class (\$21.99) and you can pay for them on February 13.



### Leadership Summit

All team/committee leaders and members are invited to our annual Leadership Summit on Saturday, February 24th from 8:30 a.m. to noon. This is an important meeting for all who serve our congregation. The purpose of this time is to cast a vision for our congregation and to learn how our structure functions.

### The Walk to Emmaus

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 of the United Methodist Church. 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 7-10 and the Women's Walk is from March 14-17. The retreat looks in depth at a variety of topics related to basic Christian theology. It is a very spiritual and renewing experience. 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:

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### Calling All Tour Guides!

Wesley Memorial's main sanctuary is one of the great worship spaces in this state and region and a powerful symbol of Wesley's role as an advocate for Christianity in our community. The sanctuary's stunning architecture and its marvelous stained glass windows are an ongoing lesson in our faith and scriptures, fixed in place for all to see.

Unlocking the potential of that witness will require some special efforts, however. To that end, Wesley is in the process of putting together a group to manage and lead tours of the sanctuary and the windows. A variety of gifts will be needed, including those willing and able to lead tours, to prepare accompanying materials, and to provide general support for this effort. Church members with an interest in the history of the space, and knowledge of same, are also sought and welcome. To find out more, or to express interest, contact Tucker Mitchell at [tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com](mailto:tuckermitchell4104@gmail.com) or 843-409-5587.

### Get a copy of "Our Daily Bread"

Starting this month, free copies of the Our Daily Bread devotionals are available in the church office. This monthly publication has replaced our subscription to the Upper Room. Contact 336.884.2204 with questions. Large print editions are also available.

### **Pillow Ministry Stuffing Party**

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, March 12th at 1 o'clock in the scout room for Pillow Ministry's quarterly stuffing party. The pillow ministry plans to stuff over 200 pillows. That's a lot of love being spread around our community!



Comfort pillows are a great way to share care, compassion, concern, encouragement, and assurance with one another. They are available to anyone and can be picked up from the closet in the mail room behind Brittany's desk. Our ministers frequently deliver pillows when visiting church members, and new parents receive a comfort pillow in their welcome baby gift bag. Additionally, 30 pillows are delivered monthly to Hospice of High Point.

Join us for a few hours and make a world of difference!

### **Retirement of Cindy Dominick**

On February 23, 2024, Cindy Dominick will be retiring from Wesley Memorial Methodist Church as our Manager of Building Usage and Hospitality. She has been on staff as a faithful employee of Wesley Memorial since 2001. Our congregation has turned to Cindy for her planning, dependability, and listening ear over the years, and in the process, she has touched many lives. We will remember her time at Wesley Memorial with gratitude as we remember her many contributions and magnitude of knowledge. We have been blessed to have had her ministry impact and her support to our congregation for so many years.



To honor Cindy, there will be a retirement reception on Sunday, February 25th (also her birthday!). This will be a floating brunch in the Dining Hall from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Dining Hall. Please join us in extending best wishes and gratitude to Cindy by sending in your testimonials and photographs to [communications@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:communications@wesleymemorial.org)

Additionally, we will be collecting a Love Offering for Cindy which you can contribute through our church's website ([www.wesleymemorial.org/give](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/give)) or by writing a check to our church. If you write a check, please note Cindy Dominick Love Offering on the memo line and return it to the church office by February 23. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Haynes Paintings at High Point Library**

The High Point Library currently has 23 paintings by David Haynes on display. Mr. Haynes has painted a variety of images and scenes mostly in acrylics. Within three years he has painted over 300 paintings. His posted collection at the library includes Honoring Historic "Houses of Worship". One of his paintings is of Wesley Memorial Methodist Church. Stop by for a quick view at 901 North Main Street. The library's hours are Mon. - Thurs. 9 - 8 p.m., Fri. & Sat. 9 - 6 p.m. and Sunday 1:30 - 5:30 p.m. Interested in purchasing? The original is \$400. Reprints on a Fine Art thick photo paper (11x14) are \$25 each. There is also a canvas option of the 11x14 for \$50 each. It is a standard canvas with full wrapping around the sides and a bracket for hanging. To order, contact David directly by calling 336-314-1698 or email [david@davidhaynespaintings.com](mailto:david@davidhaynespaintings.com)



### **New Parent Ministry**

The Congregational Care Committee's New Parent Ministry is planning to recognize and honor newborns as they become part of the Wesley Memorial family. We will need help when a new baby arrives. Please call Brittany in the church office (336-884-2204) or email ([bcorts@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:bcorts@wesleymemorial.org)) with the information of the new baby. Thank you for your help in identifying Wesley Memorial's newest children of God.



### **Sponsor New Wesley Memorial Hymnals**

New hymnals are coming in 2024! Help our church purchase new hymnals by memorializing or honoring loved ones via sponsorship. Sponsorships are \$30 per hymnal. Visit [www.wesleymemorial.org/hymnal](http://www.wesleymemorial.org/hymnal), fill out the web form and submit your payment online. You may also submit your sponsorship by calling the church office with an accurate spelling of the person(s) you wish to sponsor, first-middle-last names. Make checks out to Wesley Memorial. Professionally printed stickers will be placed on the inside cover of each sponsored hymnal. Contact Rev. Clark Chilton at [cchilton@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:cchilton@wesleymemorial.org) with questions.

