



Welcome to

# **WESLEY MEMORIAL**

A UNITED METHODIST CONGREGATION

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

**Sunday, December 30, 2018**



Contemporary Worship in the Fellowship Hall

**10:00 am**

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

**10:00 am**

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# The Worship of God

Sanctuary

December 30, 2018

10 am

## Welcome!

Thank you for worshiping with us this morning! Please take a moment to sign the attendance 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.

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* ..... Neil Harmon  
*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly* ..... Neil Harmon

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please stand as you are able.*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the Lord, all the earth, from the highest heights to the deepest depths!

**Let everything sing and shout praise to the Creator!**

Praise the Lord, all the heavens and starry host!

**All throughout the universe may praise to God abound!**

Come, let us joyfully praise God!

**Let us live our praise in deeds of loving kindness.**

### OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Loving God, who walks with each one of us, help us to place our trust in your guiding care for us as we gather in peaceful community with each other. Prepare us to be witnesses of your love and forgiveness. Make us ready to work for you in your creation; for we ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. AMEN.**

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 234

*O Come, All Ye Faithful* ..... ADESTE FIDELES

*Please be seated.*

### THE FIRST LESSON: Psalm 148

### HYMN No. 238

*Angels We Have Heard on High* ..... GLORIA

### PASTORAL PRAYER

Response:

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

### LORD'S PRAYER

### GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*O Holy Night* ..... Adolphe Adam

Samantha Saake, soprano

*O holy night! The stars are brightly shining, it is the night of our dear Savior's birth. Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till he appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn. Refrain. Fall on your knees! Oh hear the angel voices! O night divine! O night when Christ was born, O night divine. Led by the light of faith serenely beaming, with glowing hearts by his cradle we stand; so, led by light of a star sweetly gleaming, here came the wise men from the Orient land. The King of kings lay thus in lowly manger, in all our trials is born to be our friend; He knows our need, to our weakness no stranger; behold your King! Before him lowly bend!*

*Truly He taught us to love one another; His law is love and His Gospel is Peace. Chains shall He break, for the slave is our brother, and in His name all oppression shall cease. Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we, let all within us praise His Holy name. Refrain.*

*Please stand as you are able*

**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. 249**

*There's A Song in the Air*..... CHRISTMAS SONG

*Please be seated.*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Colossians 3:12-17 (NT Pg. 201)

**SERMON**

Jared Stine

*Please stand as you are able.*

**HYMN No. 246**

*Joy to the World*..... ANTIOCH

**BENEDICTION**

**CHIMES OF THE TRINITY**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

*Angels from the Realms of Glory*..... Robert A. Hobby

**Service Notes:**

Call to worship & opening prayer by Nancy Townley at [ministrymatters.com](http://ministrymatters.com)

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**Worship Leaders:** Jared Stine, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; Anne Carroll, Director of Music Ministries; Samantha Saake, soprano; Frank Pifferetti, Organist; Thomas Wheatley, Sarah Faith Amos, Acolytes; Tess Mickey, Crucifer; Neil Brown, Bookbearer; Joe Gamble, Altar Guild; Dave McCoy, Sound Engineer.

**Ushers for December:** Scott Dunbar, Windley Dunbar, Barbara Frye, Miles Gurley, Jane Harriss, Stuart Nunn, Tom Smothers.

**Greeters:** Wanna Blanton, Bill Bradner, Brian Bunch.

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Thank you  
for being the  
presence of Christ  
in the world.

We are partnering with **Warner Temple AME Zion Church** in Wilmington, NC to help them rebuild after the devastation of hurricane Florence. The congregation needs \$225,000 to rebuild. Our goal is to raise at least \$15,000 for Warner Temple. Please give generously! Checks should be made out to Wesley Memorial with "Christmas Offering" in the memo line. Also, you may make your gift on line at [wesleymemorial.org](http://wesleymemorial.org). Click on GIVE ONLINE, Select A Fund, and Christmas-Offering.

**Church Office Closed  
for New Year's Day  
Tuesday, January 1**



**"WHERE THERE ARE NO DREAMS,  
THERE IS NO HOPE."**

**January 13  
We Need Dreams to Survive**

**January 20  
We Need God's Dreams**

**January 27  
What is Your Dream?**

**February 3  
(Re) Discovering the Dream for Wesley Memorial**



Our practice is to match our spending plan with our projected income. Pledges received by **December 31 (Tuesday)** are included in our plan for 2019. Pledges received **AFTER Tuesday** are greatly appreciated, however will not be reflected in our 2019 budget/spending plan. **Help us make the most of our plans for 2019 by submitting your pledge before the end of the year!**



Start the new year paying off debt, sticking to a budget, and saving more for the future – all with insightful teaching and a supportive community of peers! Join us for a **Preview Night on Wednesday, January 16 at 6:30 pm** and learn all about Financial Peace University. Ask questions, listen to the experience of others, and if you're ready for a life changing opportunity – order your personal finance kit!

The class is 10 weeks long and will meet on Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm in the Media Center starting January 30.

Contact Jared Stine or Whit Holbrook with questions. Check out **financialpeace.com** to learn more!



Calling all high school students & their friends (grades 9-12). We are hitting the road for the slopes in 2019. Check your calendar and invite your friends to join us on **Friday, January 25 - Sunday, January 27**. We will leave after school on Friday and come back Sunday evening. We are going to **Teen Valley Ranch in Plumtree, NC**. There will be options to ski, snow tube or just hangout if you choose. This is a great winter mountain trip to invite your friends for all the fun. TVR is a super awesome Christian Camp tucked in the heart of Avery County in the NC mountains. We will have a surprise destination on Sunday too!! Registration Dead-

line is **Monday, January 14**. Registration Price is \$200.00. \$50 deposit. Register Online at: **wesleymemorial.org/grow/students/**

## Reason For Life

I don't know how to say it  
but somehow it seems to me  
That maybe we are stationed  
where God wanted us to be  
That the little place you' re filling  
is the reason for your birth,  
And just to do the work you do  
He put you on this earth.

If God had wanted otherwise  
I guess he would have made  
You just a little different,  
of a worse or better grade  
And since God knows  
and understands  
all things of land and sea  
I fancy that He placed you here  
just where He wanted you to be.

And sometimes  
you may get to thinking,  
as your labors you review  
That you should like  
a higher place  
with greater tasks to do.  
But come to the conclusion,  
when the envying is stilled  
That the post to which  
God sent you  
is the post He wanted filled.

So you plod along and struggle  
in the hope when day is through  
That you are really necessary  
to the things God wants to do  
And there isn't any service  
You can give  
which you should scorn  
For it may be just the reason  
God allowed you to be born.

-Anonymous

Shared by Reverend Clifford Barnett,  
Sr., 1/16/2018

## This Week at Wesley Memorial: **December 30—January 5**

### Sunday, December 30

Contemporary Worship, 10:00 am, *Fellowship Hall*

Traditional Worship, 10:00 am, *Sanctuary*

**(NO SUNDAY SCHOOL on December 30)**

### Tuesday, January 1

Offices Closed

### Wednesday, January 2

**Ward Street Clothes Closet**, 9:00 am, *Ward Street UMC*

Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:30 pm, *Arts & Crafts Room*

Handbell Quartet, 4:30 pm, *Adult Bell Room*

Vespers, 5:30 pm, *Chapel*

Celebrate Recovery, 6:30 pm, *Media Center*

Chancel Choir, 6:45 pm, *Sanctuary*

### Thursday, January 3

**Ward Street Community Dinner**, 5:30 pm, *Ward Street UMC*

Memory Café, 10:00 am, *Small Dining Room*

Flannery O'Connor Discussion Group, 2:00 pm,  
*Small Dining Room*

### Friday, January 4

WMS Epiphany Walk, 9:00 am, *Adult Wing*

### Saturday, January 5

Horizon Praise Team Rehearsal, 9:00 am,  
*Fellowship Hall*

## Stay Connected & Informed



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[www.wesley memorial.org](http://www.wesley memorial.org)

## Other Ministries

wesley memorial school  
(infant through Kindergarten)

[wesleymemorialschool.org](http://wesleymemorialschool.org)

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WMUMC has established a policy designed to protect our children and students when they are attending or visiting Wesley Memorial's facilities and sponsored events.

## Non-Denominational Bible Study

SECOND LETTER OF PAUL TO

*Timothy*

**Mondays 1/7 - 2/4/19**

**10:30—11:30 am**

**Circle View Room**

The Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson, leading



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**option 1.** It is available  
24/7 and will connect you  
with a pastor.

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