

# *The HeartBeat*

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church  
High Point, North Carolina

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December 2014

## **Celebrating Advent and Christmas**

*December 5 - Christmas Tree Lighting on Front Circle at 6:30 pm*

*December 7 - Second Sunday of Advent*

Worship at 8:30, 8:45, 9:45 and 11:00 am

Blessing of the Greens in all services;

Holy Communion at 8:30, 8:45 and 9:45 am

Chancel Choir sings "A Ceremony of Carols" at 11:00 am

Hanging of the Greens; 4:30–6:30 pm

*December 14 - Third Sunday of Advent*

Worship at 8:30, 8:45, 9:45, and 11:00 am

White Christmas at all services

Children's Nativity at 11:00 am

Church Wide Caroling and Poinsettia delivery; 2-5 pm

*December 21 - Fourth Sunday of Advent*

Worship at 8:30, 8:45, 9:45, and 11:00 am

Children's Nativity at 8:45 am

*December 24 - Christmas Eve*

Worship at 3:00, 5:00, 8:00 and 11:00 pm

*December 28 - First Sunday after Christmas*

Worship at 8:45 am (Fellowship Hall) and  
11:00 am (Sanctuary)



### Kids Care Gift Bags for Children in High Point

We would like to collect supplies to fill 20 Christmas bags for boys and girls that are currently without permanent housing. There are specific items that are requested to be in all the bags and a list of extras.

Please go to Sign-Up Genius using this link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aafa92ca7fa7-kids> to sign up for the item(s) you will bring. Please bring items to the church and place in labeled bins on the Elementary Hall by December 12.

### Hanging of the Greens-Sunday, December 7

#### 4:30 pm Activities and 6 pm Dinner

Activities for toddlers through 5th grade will begin at 4:30 in their Sunday School classrooms. Infant care will be available in the Crib Room. Children will have fun decorating their tree in the Dining Hall, as well as making the next pieces in their Nativity set. They will also visit with Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus as they stop along the way to Bethlehem. Parents and children can enjoy dinner together at 6pm in the Dining Hall. If you did not make a reservation, you're welcome to bring your dinner and join us in the "Carol Sing" and light the decorated Children's Tree! For more information contact Debbie.

### Children's Nativity-Sunday, December 14

During the 11:00 traditional worship service, children ages 4 years through 5th grade will dramatize the story of the birth of Jesus. This is a service that has been enjoyed by many generations here at Wesley Memorial. We still have spots available for children ages 4 years through 5th grade to participate. Roles are as follows:

- Ages 4 & 5 Boys & Girls-Sheep
- Grades 1 & 2 Girls-Angels
- Grades 1 & 2 Boys-Shepherds, Donkey, Cow
- Grades 3, 4 & 5 Girls-Shepherds, Angels, Magi
- Grades 3, 4 & 5 Boys-Shepherds, Magi
- Grades 4 & 5 Boys & Girls-Readers
- Grade 5 Girls-Mary, Gabriel
- Grade 5 Boys-Joseph

Please contact Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org) to sign up for a role for your child. **Practice will be Saturday, December 13 at 10 am in the Sanctuary.**

### Children's Nativity-Sunday, December 21

During the 8:45 contemporary worship service, all children can participate in the impromptu retelling of Jesus' birth. If you would like to sign your child up for a part please contact [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org).

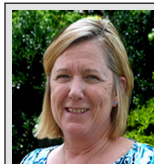
Parts will be: Mary, Joseph (4th or 5th grader), Gabriel, angels, shepherds, sheep, donkey, cow, Wise men. Other than Mary and Joseph, you do not have to be a specific age to play a part. This is a wonderful way to include our long time members, as well as those who may be visiting as we experience this beautiful story once again.



### Experience the Wonder Christmas Eve Family Service 3 pm in the Dining Hall

Come join us for this meaningful, unique, family friendly worship service. We will share the Wonder of Christmas through stories, activities and song in a memorable way that includes the children in the experience. During this service we will move through the four weeks of Advent as we anticipate the birth of the Christ.

This service is for everyone who enjoys sharing the experience of the Christmas Story with children.



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# the Underground

Wesley Memorial Student Ministries

## Poinsettia Delivery/MYF Christmas Party

December 14 is an event-filled day for the Student Ministries. Starting at 2 pm, we will be delivering poinsettias to our home-bound church members. That evening, we will have our MYF Christmas party! The party will last from 7-9 pm in the Underground gathering area. We will have games, prizes, and a very fun time celebrating this glorious season. We hope that you can be a part of this festive day!

## Angel Tree Party

This year, the Student Ministries is helping out with Angel Tree Christmas Party. This party will benefit the families of incarcerated people in High Point Jail. It will take place on December 20 in the Underground Gathering Area. For more information, please contact Jay.

## Love Feast Set-Up

Starting at 10:00 am on Christmas Eve, we need as many students as possible to help set-up WMUMC's Lovefeast. It is a very important event in the church and something that requires help from every member! If you can, please lend your time to help out the church. If you'd like more information, please contact Jay.

## Summer 2015 Mission Trips

The Student Ministries is excited to announce that we are going on two mission trips this summer! High school and college students will be going on a trip to the Bahamas from June 28-July 4, 2015. Middle school students will be going on a mission trip to West Virginia from July 12-17, 2015. If you are interested in going on either one of the trips or would like more information, please contact Jay. Space is limited, so don't wait!

## Christmas Tree Lighting December 5 at 6:30 pm

Join us as we gather around the Front Circle to sing carols, enjoy cookies, and countdown to light our Christmas Tree. "So simple, and so meaningful. We love the tree lighting!" said one Wesley Memorial family. We will celebrate together, rain or shine, so invite your neighbors and friends to this wonderful Christmas tradition!

## Christmas Caroling & Poinsettia Delivery

Join us on Sunday, December 14 at 2 pm in the Front Circle as we deliver poinsettias and visit our church members who are homebound or in retirement communities. We will travel by car in multiple groups to members who are geographically located near one another. We will finish by 5 pm if not earlier. What should you bring? A warm smile and a willing voice! Contact Cynthia Reddick to let us know if you'll be caroling at 884-2204.

## Visitors-Check out our Explore Wesley Memorial Coffee with the Pastors

Been visiting Wesley Memorial for a while? Have some questions? You're invited to our Explore Wesley Memorial Coffee on December 7 at 12:00 pm in the Asbury Room following the 11:00 am worship service. Learn how to connect in deeper ways to the ministries of the church. Current members are welcome to attend. Need childcare? Contact Jared Stine.

## Joining Sunday-December 14

Wesley Memorial will welcome new members in all worship services on December 14. If you've attended Wesley Memorial 101 or a Wesley Memorial Prospective Members lunch and you're ready to grow deeper in your faith through church membership, contact Jared Stine.



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Contact: **Rev. Jared Stine**  
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## Advent Bible Study

Advent can be a time of supreme busyness, but also one of deep reflection. Have you ever caught yourself wondering, why is Christmas even important? In the long run, isn't it Easter that saves us? Why do we even bother with Christmas, except for the cookies and presents? Come out Wednesday nights December 3, 10, and 17 at 6:30 pm, where we will discover just what it is about Christmas that's so important. This short, three-week study is for people who want to go really deep, ask the tough questions, maybe even learn some history! Registration appreciated but not required. For more information, contact Erin Beall.

## Hanging of the Greens

Hanging of the Greens will be Sunday, December 7 beginning at 4:30 pm. Sunday School classes are being asked to take part on this joyful project again this year. See the below assignments to find out what your Sunday School class will be up to!

### Aldersgate-Miller/Adult Fellowship

Asbury Room (including tree) and garland in Chapel

#### Brand X

Decorate the Narthex tree.

#### Covenant

Help decorate the Fellowship Hall with Praise Team.

#### Genesis

Hang wreaths on the outside doors.

#### New Vision

Help serve dinner.

#### One Word

Bring refreshment for adults.

#### Perspectives

Help with Dining Hall tree; string lights and help children put ornaments on tree.

#### Rhema

Decorate tree in Entrance Lobby of Preschool Wing.

#### Suzanna Wesley

Decorate Dining Hall tables and help serve dinner.

To make reservations for dinner at 6 pm. Contact Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org).

## New WOW Bible Study!

Attention, Women of Wesley Memorial UMC! A new Bible study called *Breathe*, by Priscilla Shirer, is coming to Wesley Memorial. Thursday mornings 9:30-11:00 am, beginning January 22, 2015. See the blurb below and discover if this Bible study is for you!

### *Breathe* by Priscilla Shirer

We are in bondage to busyness. We constantly strive to complete the limitless to-do lists that hinder us from experiencing all that God has for us. We miss the moments because we rush ahead to the next thing.

It is time for us to breathe and build margin into our lives for God. Sabbath was intended as a gift and it is still a gift to us today. If you are weary, worn out, and exhausted the concept of Sabbath will change your life. (LifeWay)

## A Big Thank You!

Rev. Erin Beall would like to thank everyone who came to the Human Trafficking informational seminar. The attendance was overwhelming, the conversation great, and the response outstanding. If you missed the seminar or have friends you would like to bring to it, please contact Erin and we will see if we can do the program again (particularly with an eye toward Spring Market Week!).



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**The deadline for article submission for the January issue of the HeartBeat will be December 11. To submit information for the HeartBeat contact: Melissa Coley at [mcoley@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:mcoley@wesleymemorial.org) or 812-4806.**

**STEWARDSHIP 2015:  
Sharing God's Gifts,  
Doing God's Word**



Sunday, November 23 was Consecration Sunday. Thanks to our Stewardship Team: Andy Bills, Barry Kitley, Whit Holbrook, Charlie Rowe, Katherine McMullan and Ivey Orr for coordinating a wonderful celebration. During our two worship services, we received more than 350 pledge commitments in support of our 2015 operating budget. In addition, approximately 450 people attended the Fellowship Brunch and we packed and delivered 50 Thanks-giving meals to families of Fairview Elementary. Thanks to everyone for their faithful and generous support.

**Have you turned in your 2015 Pledge Card?**

As of December 1, we have received \$1.4M in pledged financial support of our 2015 operating budget. If you have already submitted a 2015 pledge card, thank you. If you have not yet submitted pledge card, please do so today. You may submit your pledge card by:

- Mailing your completed pledge card to the church; or
- Returning your pledge card to the Front Desk; or
- Submitting a pledge card on-line at <http://www.wesleymemorial.org/gifts>; or
- Using the following QR code



*Thank you, in advance, for your generous support!*

**2014 Year-End Giving**

Along with Christmas, the end of the year is fast approaching. At Wesley Memorial, our staff is happy to work with you to help you achieve your 2014 giving goals and intentions. Here are some options and timelines available to you. In addition, you may always contact Deanie Simmons at [dsimmons@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:dsimmons@wesleymemorial.org) or 812-4801 to facilitate your giving at this busy time of the year.

- Give at one of the remaining Sunday worship services (12/7,12/14,12/21,12/28)
- Mail your check to 1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, NC 27262 postmarked by 12/31
- Contribute on line at <http://www.wesleymemorial.org/online-giving> by 12/29
- Use your bank's bill pay system by 12/29
- If giving stock or funds managed by a broker, ask for the transfer to be completed by 12/29
- Bring your gift to the church office by 12/31 at 12 noon.

Thank you for making a difference in countless lives in this community and around the world.



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**Giving has never been easier!** Click the link on the left side bar on the website, [www.wesleymemorial.org](http://www.wesleymemorial.org). (First-time users: look for, "Need a log-in?" under the blue box. You will be emailed a password. When you log back in you will be able to re-set the password.)



### Angel Trees

Visit one of the Angel Trees in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall Lobby or Adult Education Area and pick an "angel." Each angel represents a child identified by our partners at Henderson Settlement and the High Point Jail Ministry. Please return the gifts no later than December 14.

### White Christmas Gifts

On Sunday, December 14, bring a gift wrapped in white paper to the worship service you attend. At the end of the service, you will be invited to bring to the prayer rail in the Chapel and Sanctuary or the front of the Lord's Table in the Fellowship Hall. These gifts will be given to Open Door Ministries. Suggested gifts are men's coats, winter hats, gloves, socks, underwear or children's toys. Please write what is inside your gift on the bottom of the package.

### Gifts That Transform Our World

The GTTOW alternative gift market opens on Wednesday, December 3. Shop on Sunday mornings and Wednesdays and support some great causes while honoring a loved one. Many of the popular gifts are back in addition to several new ones.



#### **Wednesdays, December 3, 10, 17**

Administration Building Lobby, 11:30 am-1:00 pm

#### **Sundays, December 7, 14, 21**

Fellowship Hall Lobby, 8:30-9:00 & 9:30-10:00 am

Adult Education Area, 9:15-9:45 am

Narthex, 10:45-11:00 am & Noon-12:15 pm

### Don't forget to order your Christmas Memorials...

Call Sue Schoch at the church at 812-4811. You can order wreaths (inside and out), trees and poinsettias in honor or in memory of a loved one to decorate the church for Christmas. Don't wait, place your order today.



### Christmas Offering for Puerto Rico Mission Trip

This year's CHRISTMAS OFFERING will help provide building supplies and assistance with travel expense for a mission building team heading to Puerto Rico in January 2015. This mission team will be headed by Rev. Joel Key and will be working at the Methodist Church in San Sebastian. The congregation is presently meeting outdoors and the team is going to help get their modular unit ready for occupancy. This is the third congregation in Puerto Rico that Wesley Memorial under the leadership of Joel Key has helped build. The dates for the trip are January 8-21, 2015. (If you are interested in being part of this trip, contact Joel Key at 885-1927). Offering envelopes will be mailed in early December and will be in all the worship venues and you may contribute on line.



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Senior Pastor

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### Address Please

Do you know the address for any of these members of Wesley Memorial? If you do, would you please contact Tish Schultheiss at 812-4808 or [tschultheiss@wesleymemorial.org](mailto:tschultheiss@wesleymemorial.org).

**Bradley Boyles, Lisa Boyles, Matthew Howard Bradner, Edwin Brewer, Brian K. Brown, Douglas (Neil) Butterworth, Valerie Lorene Thompson Butterworth, Ashley Chadwick, Catherine Wheeler Chasteen, Tate Cheek, Katherine Cowen, Kyle Hastings Cowen, Nancy Cowen, Peter Cowen, David Daniel, Linda Daniel, Nancy Doub, James Van Metre (Jim) Hinson, Guy Ilderton, Dorsey Marvin Lewis, II, Tamela Long, Joanna Lyndrup, Sherri Mauldin, Frank Mickey, Bradley Miller, David Craig Miller, William D. (Bill) Rogers, Emily Russ, Vincent Russ, Sarah Armfield Smith, Christina Brown Staylor, Annette Vaughn, Camden Vaughn, Charles M. (Marc) Vaughn, Cristen N. Vaughn, Guy Alfonso Walters, III, Kristin Caldwell Walters, Zach Walters, Leigh Ann Weatherly.**

Join us on December 7, at 11 am, when the Chancel Choir presents *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten. This work is one of Britten's most well-known and often-performed works. It consists of eleven movements with texts that were written in Middle English during the 15th and 16th centuries. The work was written for women's voices and first performed in 1943. Because of its popularity an SATB version was published in 1955. Two harpists will accompany the Chancel Choir. The work begins and ends with Gregorian chant, "Hodie Christus Natus Est" (today Christ is born). The second movement, "Wolcum Yole" (welcome all), traces the Christmas season from the birth of Christ through all Feast days culminating on Candlemas, February 2. There are several movements about the Virgin Mary and the lowliness of Christ's birth. "This Little Babe" expresses the irony found in the Christmas story... "this little babe so few days old is come to rifle Satan's fold; All hell doth at his presence quake, though he himself for cold do shake." This movement ends with the powerful words, "if thou wilt foil thy foes with joy, then flit not from this heavenly boy." "Deo Gracias", the tenth movement, expresses the feelings of Christians everywhere, "Thanks Be to God." Several of our wonderful choral scholars will be singing solos and duets. At the 8:30 service on December 7, Teresa Bonavita and Adrienne Leggett will sing a duet from *A Ceremony of Carols* with harp accompaniment. We hope you will be at church to enjoy this music on this second Sunday of Advent.

**Youth Handbells** has been hard at work on music for Advent and Christmas Eve. They will ring at 11 am on December 7 and for the 11 pm Christmas Eve Service. This service will have music provided by youth of Wesley Memorial...youth handbells, Aislinn Antrim and Laura Bunch. Aislinn will play the piano during the prelude and communion and Laura will sing a solo during the service.

On December 14 **children in grades 2-5** will sing and ring the introit for the 11 am service. They will then join the Chancel Choir and members of Adult Handbells for a special anthem, "The Gift." This anthem by William Cutter is based on the beautiful carol, "O Come, Little Children." The children will then have the opportunity to participate in the Children's Nativity.



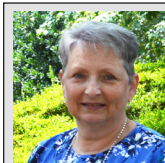
Our **Choral Scholars** will be singing solos throughout the Advent and Christmas season.

The prelude for the **Christmas Eve Lovefeast** will begin at 4:40 pm with organ and Adult Handbells. Then a solo voice singing "Once In Royal David's City" will announce the beginning of the service. This will be followed by the processional carol, "O Come All Ye Faithful", with full orchestra. During the Lovefeast, the Chancel Choir will sing several anthems, two of which have interesting histories. "Ding! Dong! Merrily On High" by Mack Wilberg was premiered by the King's College Choir for their 2007 BBC broadcast of "A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols". Mack Wilberg is the director of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. "Thou Who Wast Rich" is a 2014 publication based on a beautiful French carol with words written in memory of missionaries martyred for their faith in China in 1934. Singing with the Chancel Choir at the Lovefeast will be two former Campbell Choral Scholars, Allison Chickering and Jesse Darden. Allison will sing two solos during the Lovefeast, "The Little Road to Bethlehem" and "O Holy Night"; in addition to singing the Lovefeast, Jesse will provide the music for the traditional worship service on December 28. He will be singing two of everyone's favorite Christmas solos.

Watch the January Heartbeat for information on **Wesley Ringers, Women's Choir, Men's Choir, Youth Handbells and Children's Music**.

#### A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL ANTHEM ANGELS.

All of the anthems ordered in 2014 have been purchased by many very generous Anthem Angels. We appreciate greatly your generosity. If you have not heard your anthem yet, keep listening. We will be starting a new list in 2015.



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We share love with our church staff!

Children are bringing Christmas treats of fruits, nuts, candies & cookies to combine in making "Holiday Bags" -- one for each Wesley Memorial employee + regular church volunteers. Our total school enrollment, infants to K5's, will assemble around the Children's Tree in the Dining Hall to "surprise" church staff with these gift bags & to thank them for helping us in our school.

### COME HAVE LUNCH WITH SANTA!

**Friday, December 12, 12:00 noon-1:30 pm**

Families bring their own lunch, including beverage to the Dining Hall. Remember your camera, too! Children and their parents/grandparents will eat together. Santa Claus (beautifully portrayed by John Schultheiss) and Mrs. Claus (the charming Sarah Woollen) will be present on a small staging area alongside the Children's Tree. Parents may take their own photos, or WMS "Santa's Elves" (teachers) will take a digital picture that may be purchased for \$2. No reservations required-just come for the joy of fellowship!

### Wesley Memorial School Special Dates:

#### Christmas Luncheon for WMS Staff

Monday, December 8, 12:15, Dining Hall

#### Family Lunch with Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus!

Friday, December 12, 12 noon-1:30 pm, Dining Hall

#### Kgt 5's Nativity Pageant

Family Christmas Program

Friday, December 19, 11 am, Sanctuary

#### WMS CLOSED for Holidays

December 22-January 2

#### WMS Teacher's Workday- Friday, January 2

Children return – Monday, January 5

#### School Epiphany Walk (for 3's, 4's, K5's)

Monday, January 5

**JOYOUS HOLIDAYS FROM THE CHILDREN, FAMILIES & STAFF OF  
WESLEY MEMORIAL SCHOOL!**

### Open Houses-It's not too soon to plan for fall!

**Wesley Memorial School~a truly unique early childhood learning community.** We welcome the opportunity to tell you how our curriculum fosters the development of the WHOLE child -- social, emotional, cognitive, physical, and spiritual. Individual abilities guide how and what we teach, so each child's learning is developmentally appropriate yet challenging, joyful and active!

Our Core Values:

**PREPARATION**—Children are prepared for academic success in an environment of excellence and creativity.

**NURTURE**—Children are nurtured through positive, supportive and caring relationships in a diverse community.

**PARTNERSHIP**—A Christ-centered environment is provided as we partner with families in their child's spiritual formation.

### OPEN HOUSE EVENTS!

**Friday, January 23, 9:15-10:30 am**

All Age-levels: Infants, Toddlers, Twos, Threes, Pre-K Fours, Kindergarten Fives. Special presentation in Children's Gathering Room, followed by walk-thru tours of classes in session! Come see children & teachers engaging in learning center activities.

**Sunday, January 25, 4 pm**

All Age-levels: Infants, Toddlers, Twos, Threes, Pre-K Fours, Kindergarten Fives. Special presentation in Media Center; tour of school facilities indoors and outside campus.

Open House Event Dates Specific to Age-Level,  
9:15 am

Each will include special presentation in Children's Gathering Room, followed by time for classroom observation:

**Wednesday, January 28**-Kindergarten Fives

**Friday, January 30**-Pre-K Fours

**Wednesday, February 4**-Threes

**Friday, February 6**-Infants, Toddlers, Twos

Explore highlights of this year's school events and outreach projects by visiting our website!

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



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# United Methodist Women

Thank you to everyone that volunteered donated and shopped the recent **UMW Carolina Christmas Bazaar**. We couldn't do it without your support. The money raised will be used to fund our various local, national and international projects.

The **UMW Board** will meet Tuesday, December 2, 11:30 am at The String and Splinter.

The **UMW Reading Program** reading lists must be submitted to Patricia Nash by December 15.

**UMW Yearbook** changes and Circle rosters must be submitted to Patricia Nash by December 15

**Angel Tree** presents must be delivered to the Narthex by 11:00 on Sunday, December 14

**Mobil Meals** needs a few volunteers to drive on the third Friday of each month and a person to chair this group. Just a few hours a month will make a huge difference. Call Betty Packer 454-1884 or Joyce Stephens 887-1155 to find out more information.

Volunteers are needed for the **Media Center**. Call Patricia Nash, 869-0093, for information

## December Circle Meetings:

**Angel Tree Circle** - Sunday, December 14 on the Dining Hall stage to complete the Angel Tree project. Time TBA

**Faith Circle** - Friday, December 12, 7 pm, for Christmas Dinner at the home of Ashley Womble, 744 Quailwood Lane, Colfax 27235

**Circle 6** - will attend the performance of Bel Canto. Details TBA

**Circle 9** - Tuesday, December 16, 10:30 am in the Dining Hall

**Circle 11** - Monday, December 15, 11:30 am in the Dining Hall

These Circle will not meet in December:  
**Friendship** and **Circle 8**

## Live Alive~ Tuesday, December 16



**Program:** Christmas music provided by BJ Craven and 3 Quarter Time. This program is being sponsored by Gail and Chase Lassiter.

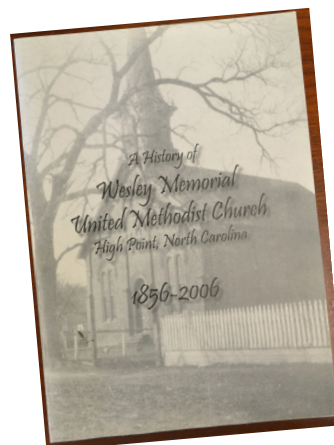
**Menu for December 16: Baked Ham, Macaroni & Cheese, Peas, Bread and Dessert**

**Live Alive meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month:** Live Alive gatherings for adults 55+ with many opportunities available for you to enjoy and fellowship with one another.

If you wish to make a reservation for lunch, you must call the Front Desk at 884-2204 by 10 am the Friday prior to our Live Alive gathering. Lunch is \$6.

## Our Church History...

## Toward a Future Worthy of Our Past




Family members moved away from High Point? Need a stocking stuffer? Pick up one or more copies of Wesley Memorial's own history book for \$15 each from the Front Desk. And get one for yourself: you'll find that you use it as a frequent reference. For more information contact Harriet Mattes at Hmfrsprt@aol.com.

# Wesley Memorial Celebrates...

Wednesdays at Wesley Memorial...

**The last Wednesday Dinner for 2014 will be December 10. The last Mid-Week Communion and Bible Study Lunch for the year will be December 17. All will resume January 7.**

**Mid-Week Communion**, led by Rev. Jared Stine, begins at 11 am in the Chapel.

**LUNCH & LEARN Bible Study**  
**Bible Study Lunch**, led by Dr. Al Ward, will begin at 12 noon in the Dining Hall. *Meal includes: Soup, Sandwich, Dessert, Tea or Water.* Bring your own lunch or make a reservation by Monday at 4:30 pm for the \$5 catered lunch. All are invited!

**Dinner** will be served from 5:30–6:30 pm every Wednesday. It will be cooked and served by the wonderful chefs of Wesley 100. Following dinner, plan to attend a class or join the Chancel choir for rehearsal.

## *The menus for December:*

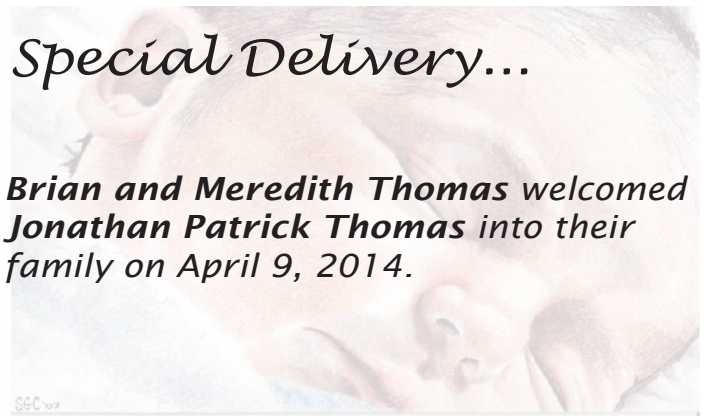
**December 3** - Scalloped Potatoes & Ham, Broccoli/Cauliflower Salad, Dessert & Tea. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

**December 10** - Ground Chuck Patty, Baked Potato Bar, Corn, Bread & Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

Come by the church office to purchase a ticket during the week or call the church office to make a phone reservation at 884-2204. Walk-in meals will also be available. Regular pricing will be \$6 for adults, \$3 for those 14-18 and free for those under 14.

## Special Delivery...

*Brian and Meredith Thomas welcomed Jonathan Patrick Thomas into their family on April 9, 2014.*



## Baptisms

We rejoice in the baptism of **Holden Miles Gurley**, son of Miles and Sonya Gurley of High Point, NC, and welcome her into the family of Christ on November 9, 2014.

We rejoice in the baptism of **Landon James and Dean Mendel Bregman**, sons of Ben and Landi Bregman of High Point, NC, and welcome them into the family of Christ on November 16, 2014.

## Weddings...

*Congratulations to **Pat Sharrard and Rex Walser** who were married November 15, 2014.*

*Congratulations to **Kristin Lowd and Mike Hicks** who were married November 29, 2014.*

*We would like to announce all new babies born into our church family as well as baptisms and weddings in the HeartBeat each month. Please notify Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministry, with any new arrivals or adoptions and Dr. Al Ward with wedding information to be included.*

# We Remember and Honor Our Loved Ones

Gifts given through October 2014

## IN MEMORY OF:

**David Samuel DeCurtis:** Eloise Holt, David & Pam Sprinkle

**Lella Gueth:** John Peeler

**Debbie H. Hill:** Leo & Devona Hill

**Elna Bridges Hodges:** Kay English, Frances McGee

**Lula Foushee Hinton Hoskins:** Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Danek, Jim & Sandra Marsh

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## IN HONOR OF:

**Anne Andrews:** UMW Circle #6

**Olive Frye (on her 90th birthday):** Joe & Judy Needham, Susan Sumpter

**Frank Pifferetti:** Carol Hutchins

**Dr. Al Ward:** The Bob Bass Family, Carol Hutchins

**Marcia Williams:** Meah Kelley

## OUR SYMPATHY TO:

**Kelly Yates and family** in the death of her father; Walter Clark Paul Garner on October 31, 2014.

**Marsha Slane and family** in the death of her husband; John C. "Jack" Slane on November 1, 2014.

**Lucille Duncan and family** in the death of her brother; Jimmy Gray Branch on November 6, 2014.

**Bobbie Shaw and family** in the death of her friend and former husband; Howard Franklin Shaw Jr. on November 7, 2014.

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## In Memoriam

**John C. "Jack" Slane**

**November 1, 2014**

**Ann Tyler** (former Director of Children's Ministry)

**November 18, 2014**

**Mary Hughes**

**November 21, 2014**

**Linda Smoak and family** in the death of her father; Emilio Suarez on November 10, 2014.

**Joanne McCuiston & Mary Louise Stone and families** in the death of their brother; John Gilbert "Gib" White on November 13, 2014.

**Nancy Perryman and family** in the death of her father; Walter Brandt Mackenzie on November 15, 2014.

**The family of Mary Hughes** in her death on November 21, 2014.

**Our Prayer Shawl Ministry** has made and delivered **over 1,400** shawls, blankets, sweaters and other items!



You are invited to join this wonderful group on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room. Contact Lee Huff, 887-9165; Karen Sumner, 883-8721 or Linda Dale, 884-5121.

## Wesley 100 is selling Christmas Trees again this year.

The NC mountain Christmas Trees will be available for pick up on December 6. Please consider buying your Christmas Tree from our own Wesley 100. Orders will be taken by the Wesley 100 on Wednesday evenings during dinner and Sunday mornings. Order yours today!





# *Your Invitation*

The Chancel Choir of Wesley Memorial  
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Presents

## *A Ceremony of Carols*

by Benjamin Britten

December 7, 2014 at 11 o'clock

Accompanied by 2 harps

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**The Church Offices will be closed  
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December 26 for Christmas and Thurs-  
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