The HeartBeat

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church High Point, North Carolina

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CALLING ALL WOMEN OF WESLEY

You are invited to a special "BABY SHOWER"... one that will benefit the YWCA's BABY BASICS CLOSET ... a program that provides low income families with much needed items for their newborn/toddlers!

FEATURING...

KERRI POMAROLLI ...a well known comedian, actress, and writer! Join us for an afternoon of fun AND fellowship AND ...don't forget...





Gift Ideas:

PLEASE RSVP TO 336-884-2204
CHILDCARE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST

Bottles, Baby Wipes, Size 3, 4 & 5 Diapers, Clothing-new & used (Infant-5T) Formula-Similac, Enfamil, Parents Choice Maternity Clothes, Cribs, Bassinets, Strollers and High Chairs

Have you seen and heard what's happening on the Elementary Hall?



We are creating a new Children's Gathering Space so that we can enhance and expand our Children and Family Ministry. This multi-purpose space has been designed to be engaging to our youngest members and friends. We are grateful for the work of our WM member, Christi Barbour of Barbour Spangle Design who led us in the design process. The 'new look' of our Children and Family Ministry will not only be integrated into the Children's Gathering Space but the Elementary Hall will also receive new paint, flooring

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BY JANUARY 10TH

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accents, and other visual updates. These renovations will ensure that children know that there is a place just for them at Wesley Memorial. Parents will appreciate new info centers at the end of each hall that will keep them up-to-date on new happenings and upcoming events. We are looking forward to the completion of this Phase I of the updates in January. We anticipate further updates to other rooms and halls as funds become available.

We are grateful to our Facilities Team, Trustees, and Church Council for guiding us through this process and providing necessary approvals for it to happen.



Bible "Explorers"

Sunday Evening Program for Kindergarten – 5th Grade Beginning Sunday, February 10; 4:45 – 6:00 pm

The Explorers is an exciting Christ-centered weekly program that will open with a lively large-group presentation and activities before breaking into smaller age level groups for deeper Bible exploration. Age appropriate engaging Bible study, meaningful scripture memory, and fun life-skill activities makes each meeting memorable and full of variety.

Each unit children will complete a Bible component, an activity component and a game component. Unit topics included are: Exploring the Bible, Getting Along with Others, Accepting God's Love, God and Me, Family Life, and Making Good Choices. Award badges will be given for the completion of each component ending in a celebration at the end of each unit.

Register your child by January 28th to participate. Brochures and registrations forms will be available through the website, Sunday school classes or by contacting Debbie Foust dfoust@wesleymemorial. org 812-4804.



Contact: **Debbie Foust**Director of Children & Family Ministry
812-4804
dfoust@wesleymemorial.org

Parent/Student Worship - Jan 6

Families with 5 – 12 grade students are invited to join us on Sunday January 6th at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall for a wonderful experience of student led worship. During our time together we will learn about the exciting year head. This is a very important time for all families, and I strongly encourage everyone to attend.

High School Ski Trip - January 19 - 21

All High School students are invited to join us as we spend Martin Luther King Weekend Skiing the slopes of Sugar Mountain. The cost is \$350 and includes transportation, accommodation, food during our stay, ski lifts and equipment rental. Online registration will open this week and close on January 7.

Student Leadership Team - Feb. 1 & 2

Members of the Student Leadership Team will meet for two days of planning and discernment in early February. This time will be led by Adam Vernon & Bryant Johnson. Bryant is a long-term friend and colleague of Adam and is currently the Director of Youth Spiritual Formation at Myers Park UMC, Charlotte and staff consultant with Youth Ministry Architects.

Student Small Group

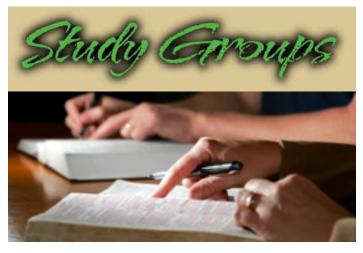
For many of us we can point to an important group of friends who have deeply encouraged our faith formation. For many of us that group is currently meeting as a small group. In these gatherings the Bible is studied, friendships are strengthened, and accountability is extended. These groups and the time together often becomes a vital part of our faith formation. Student Ministries believe that forming small groups for students is an important endeavor to support spiritual growth and accountability. In the New Year we will establish age and gender specific groups for both middle and high school students. Our hope is to have these new groups meet in the homes of supportive parents. If you are interested in hosting a group please contact Adam Vernon at the church.

Youth Sunday – March 10

The Student Ministries will be leading the 8:45 am & 11 am worship services on March 10. Please mark your calendar as we will need many students to assist during these times.



Contact: Adam Vernon
Director for Student Ministries
812-4812
avernon@wesleymemorial.org
www.wmyouth.org



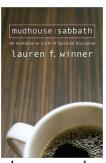
Study Groups Starting Up in January!

Here is Your Chance to Grow Closer to God and Each Other! What was your new year's resolution? Was it to grow closer to God? Was it to carve out some time for you and God to become closer? Well, here is your chance to do just that with a little help from your friends. In these classes, we will explore and grow in our faith through discussion, study, and fellowship. Here is your chance to make your resolution a reality. Mark your calendars and make that time for God and yourself.

The following classes are starting up this month. Registration information is found below. We can't wait to see you there!

On Mondays:

• Mudhouse Sabbath: Bible Study with Kathy Barba Pierce. On January 14 at 9:15 am, we will begin our journey into Jesus' world as we explore the practices of faith that Jesus and all Jews of Jesus' day practiced,

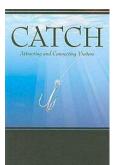


and how those practices can enhance and feed our Christian practices. We will be using Lauren Winner's book, *Mudhouse Sabbath*, in our class. This 8-week study will be held in the 7th grade youth room. Books will cost \$5.

 Bible Study with Jean Stockton. On January 7, Jean Stockton will begin her Bible study at 10:30 am in Conference Room 3. No registration required, but please bring your Bible.

On Wednesdays:

- Wednesday Lunch Bible Study with Dr. Al Ward (with Holy Communion at 11am in Chapel). They will continue exploring the book of Romans. If you wish to purchase lunch, the cost is \$5 and your registration must be called into the Front Desk (884-2204) by Mondays at 3 pm. If you want to bring your own lunch, you may. Lunch begins at noon in the Dining Hall. Please bring your Bibles!
- Catch: Invitational Evangelism-What is the



point of "church?" How can we be a place that is attractive to visitors? How can we connect them to our faith community? And how can we help them learn to know, love, and serve God? In this short 3-week study, we will be exploring what invitational evangelism is and how it will help us be a place

of welcome and community. This study, written by Adam Hamilton, will begin on January 16 in the Dining Hall, following the meal. Books cost \$10.

On Thursdays:

• WOW-Women of Wesley Study
Starting on Thursday, January
24 at 9:30 am, Susan Meisky
and Susan Weis will be teaching Beth Moore's study on
James: Mercy Triumphs. This
class is available to all women.
The cost of the workbook is
\$18. Childcare is available,
but you must preregister your

need for childcare.



Come, grow, and learn. Let us, together, grow in our faith and learn ways we can find space for God and God's Spirit to grow within! If you wish to sign-up for any of these classes, please contact Melissa Coley at 812-4806 or mcoley@wesleymemorial.org. If you have any questions about the above classes please contact Kathy Barba Pierce at 812-4815 or kathybp@wesleymemorial.org.



Contact: **Rev. Kathy Barba Pierce**Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Spiritual Formation
812-4815
kathybp@wesleymemorial.org

Christmas 2012 was awesome. From the Hanging of the Greens in early December through worship on the Sunday after Christmas Day at the end of the month, we proclaimed and celebrated the nativity of our Lord in powerful ways. Our choirs, praise team, and musicians were outstanding. The families who led the Advent candle lighting and those who wrote the Advent devotions inspired us. The staff, especially the staff, and countless others working behind the scene to decorate, clean, serve and kept everything moving.

Christmas Eve was especially beautiful and inspiring. Our first Family Christmas Eve service was an experiential celebration of Christmas and more than 80 attended. More than 1100 worshippers celebrated this season of love at our 41st annual Lovefeast. Almost 100 marked Christmas Eve in a casual service of carols, candles, and communion. We ushered in Christmas morning with 400 people singing Joy to the World on the front lawn following the 11 pm Christmas Eve Service.

I would be remiss if I didn't recognize that true to her character, Wesley Memorial – that's YOU – made Christmas brighter for many people in High Point and beyond with an outpouring of generosity. It will be next week before we have an accurate picture of the dollars raised, but it's safe to say that you gave in ways that will be transforming the world.

Miriam and I are thankful to be in ministry with you and are grateful for all the expressions of love you shared with us this Christmas and throughout the year. In the New Year – 2013 – we look forward to joining with you in making and sustaining spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world as we CONNECT, GROW, and SERVE. I'll see you on Sunday.



Contact: **Dr. Al Ward** Senior Pastor 812-4808 award@wesleymemorial.org



Jail Ministry Christmas Party~December 15, 2012



White Christmas~December 16, 2012



Moving Day at Matthew's Shelter~December, 2012

Wesley Memorial Celebrates...

Baptisms

We rejoice in the baptism of **Laney Reid Cochrane** born August 30, 2012, daughter of Matthew and Denise Cochrane of High Point, NC. Grandparents are Shelia Cochrane, Jack & Evelyn Isham and Dale & Jean Evans. Great grandparents are J.R. & Geri Sellers, Lillian Cochrane and Ruth Hayes.

We rejoice in the baptism of **Harper Elizabeth Sand-bulte** born August 15, 2012, daughter of Zachary and Jennifer Sandbulte of Durham, NC. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, III of High Point, NC and Dr. and Mrs. Wilbur Sandbulte of Seattle, WA. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walker, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, Jr. and the late Mrs. John Thomas, Jr., the late Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sachs and the late Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Sandbulte.

To submit information for the HeartBeat contact:
Russ Pierce at rpierce@
wesleymemorial.org or 8124800.

Weddings...

Congratulations to Cres Wilson and Mike Calabrese who were married November 21, 2012.

We would like to begin to announce all new babies born into our church family as well as weddings in the Heart-Beat each month. Please notify Debbie Foust, Director of Children & Family Ministry with any new arrivals or adoptions and Dr. Al Ward with wedding information to be included.

Wesley Memorial 101:

A new session of the 3-week class, Wesley Memorial 101, will be beginning January 6, 2013 during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45am) in Conference Room #3 (third floor of the Administration Building). If you are a member looking to reconnect to our church or a visitor looking to plug in for the first time this class is for you. Contact Al Ward (award@wesleymemorial.org or 812-4808) for more details or to sign up.

United Methodist Women

The **UMW Board** will meet Monday, January 7 at 10 am in the Small Dining Room.

UMW Sunday is February 17

January Circle meetings:

YUMS - Wednesday, January 2 at 6 pm

The Angel Tree Circle will not meet

The Friendship Circle will not meet

Circle # 6 - Monday, January 21, 7 pm at the home of Glenda Miller, 1416 Coventry Road, Pledge Service

Circle #8 - Monday, January 14, 10:30 am at the home of Randi Honeycutt, 412 Emerywood Drive. Speaker is Ashley Veach "Healthy Start to 2013" and Pledge Service.

Circle #9 - Tuesday, January 15, 10:30 am in the Dining Room

Circle #11 - Monday, January 28, 11:30 am in the Small Dining Room



NURSERY · PRESCHOOL · KINDERGARTEN · AFTERSCHOOL

Time To Register Your Child For 2012-13 School Year Is Here!

Nursery Day: Classes for Infants, Toddlers, Twos

9 am-12 noon; 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 days/week

Preschool: Classes for Children age 3 by Aug 31

9 am-12 noon, with "Lunch Bunch" on Weds or Thurs (T-Th groups) until 1pm

2, 3 or 5 days/week

Classes for Children age 4 by Aug 31 9 am-12 noon; "Lunch Bunch" on Weds

3 or 5 days/week

Kindergarten: Classes for Children age 5 by Aug 31

9 am-1 pm daily with lunch at school; 5

days/week only

Extend-The-Day Childcare Available! Parents may add 1 hr.

Choice of: Before-School Care, 8-9 am

or

After-School Care, 12-1 pm

The Way Station Afterschool Program for school-aged children in Kindergarten through 5th grade; 2-6 pm

Members of Wesley Memorial:

Register during 2-week priority period beginning January 22** Our spaces fill quickly ~ please take advantage of priority weeks!**

Non-Members Already In Program:

Register 2-week priority period beginning week of February 4
(Younger siblings at this time, too)

We will be accepting families on our Waiting List in mid-February. Call 884-4232 to talk with Susan Sumpter or Susan Kelley. We'll be delighted to answer questions, give you a tour, and help design a "custom plan" to meet your school and childcare needs!

Wesley Memorial School Schedule

Teacher's Workday – Wednesday, January 2 **Children return!** - Thursday, January 3 **School Epiphany Walk** – Friday, January 4

Visit Wesley Memorial School at our WINTER OPEN HOUSE! THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 7:00 pm

Extraordinary Dedication & Expertise Guiding the Healthy Development of Young Children

Kindergarten Fives (year before First Grade)

Parents of rising Kindergartners will meet our outstanding K-5 staff and learn more about the Common Core State Standards Curriculum. Teachers will detail our daily schedule; weekly Children's Chapel, Music, Media Center, & Spanish; fieldtrips, lunch at school, Creature Teacher, class programs for families, our butterfly garden, and more! Could Kindergarten be any more exciting?!

Nursery and Preschool

Come explore rooms, chat with teachers, and receive information about summer theme weeks & fall curriculum. We welcome the opportunity to tell you how we provide for physical, intellectual, social-emotional, and spiritual growth of boys & girls through planned activities that are child directed and teacher guided.

The Way Station Afterschool Program

"Home Away from Home" care for school-age children, ages 5 through 5th grade. Tour our Way Station space featuring centers for homework, creative arts, manipulatives, and gaming. Teachers will share information about meeting your needs for . . .

Summer Camp – full days, 7:30 am-6 pm. Choose select weeks or entire summer.

Fall Afterschool – 2-6 pm. Available church bus pickup at child's school.

School Closing Days – 7:30 am-6 pm school holidays, teacher workdays and snow days.

Chick-fil-A "Wesley Memorial SCHOOL SPIRIT NIGHT!" Monday, January 28, 6-8 pm

Join us at Chick-fil-A on N. Main for FUN & FELLOW-SHIP as our school families and church members eat together and play spirit games and a special craft. BIG Chick-fil-A will donate 15% of total receipts to WM School. Please come out and support our school! If you pickup your meal at the drive-thru, just let them know that you are from Wesley Memorial.



Contact: **Susan Sumpter**Director of Wesley Memorial School
884-4232
ssumpter@wesleymemorial.org

Way Station... Music Notes...



...The Way Station After School Program

Attention Working Parents!

Already stressing about your school-age child's care needs for this Summer or next Fall? Worried about missing important work time when school is closed for long holiday breaks at Christmas, New Year's & Easter? Look no further than The Way Station! We are here for your child, age 5 through 5th grade.

THE WAY STATION OPEN HOUSE! THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 7 pm

Join us in The Way Station space and meet our staff that love kids! Michele Kinley, Merri Mabe, Wendy Steiss, Christopher Hill. In addition to "Fun In the Son" Summer Camp weeks (full-days, 7:30 am - 6 pm) and our Fall Afterschool Program (2-6 pm) we are now offering something unique...

School Holidays/ Teacher Workdays/ Snow Days The Way Station is OPEN!!

Full-day fun with friends~games~movies~craft activities, 7:30 am - 6 pm. School-based afterschool programs do not operate when school is closed. We understand the challenges this creates for working parents. The Way Station is here to help!

Call us to find out more about joining our "School's Out Club" at The Way Station. Call Michele Kinley, 884-8067 or Susan Sumpter, 884-4232.

Live Alive

Tuesday, January 15

Presentation: Books to Read Over the Winter Months

Menu for January 15: Chicken Pie, Green Beans, Carrots, Cole Slaw, Bread and Dessert

Live Alive meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month: 10 am - Register for Best Time Trips, Play Bingo and get your Blood Pressure checked in the Fellowship Hall Foyer. 11:45 am - Lunch in the Dining Hall with the program following.

We ask that reservations be made by 10 am on January 11 by calling the Front Desk at 884-2204.

Student Education Through Strings (STEPS)

at Wesley Memorial has begun and we are excited to be offering several different options for musical learning. We are offering private instruction on violin or cello which will also include a weekly group class once we have enough students. We are also offering Music Together Classes which are experiential music and movement group classes for parents and their children ages six months to five years. There is a fee for all lessons and classes. If you have question or are interested in any of these offerings, please contact Michael Dougherty at 812-4816.

Our teachers for the STEPS program are Brian Carter (Cello) and Rebekah Carlson (Violin and Music Together). On Saturday, February 2 at 10:30 they will be giving recital of their current students in the Chapel. Please come and see what the STEPS program is all about!

Schedule Change for Children's Choirs. In response to requests for different choir times, the Serendipities Choir and the Carillon Choir are moving rehearsal days. Beginning on Sunday, January 13, the new schedule will be as follows:

Sunday 4:00 to 4:45 – Carillon Choir Sunday 4:15 to 4:45 – Serendipities Choir Wednesday 4:15 to 5:15 – Wesley Ringers (Third through Fifth Grade) Wednesday 4:15 to 5:15 – Youth Handbells (Sixth Grade through High School)

Come and share the gift of music!



Contact: **Dr. Michael Dougherty**Director of Music and the Arts
812-4816
mdougherty@wesleymemorial.org

Best Time Trips:

Make plans to join us!



Look for the 2013 brochure coming out in January for what trips are planned for the beginning of the year!

Contact Dwight Story at 475-6280 for more information.

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church 2013 Leadership

Effective February 1, 2013

2013 Church Council

Meets Third Tuesday, 5:30pm, Dining Hall

Church CouncilHarvey Lowd (2013)Lay LeaderGeorge & Patty McLarty (2010)Recording SecretaryAngela Antrim (2013)Nurture Ministry Area LiaisonPatsy Nash (2013)Congregational Care Ministry Area LiaisonCarol Hutchins (2013)

Missions & Community Engagement Ministry Area Liaison

Mendy Kearns (2013)

Worship Ministry Area Liaison Bob Amos (2011)

Evangelism & Involvement Ministry Area Liaison

Bud & Jane McInnis (2010)

UMM PresidentPete Thompson (elected by UMM)UMW PresidentKathy Niebauer (elected by UMW)Youth RepresentativeEmily Robbian (elected by UMY)Finance ChairKaren Odom (2011)

Leadership Development & Nominations: Vice Chair

Don Shaw (elected by LD&N)

Staff-Parish Relations ChairTom SmothersTrustee Chair(elected by Trustees)Stewardship Team ChairWhit Holbrook (2011)Weekday Ministries Board ChairSamantha Klemme (2011)Lay Members to Annual Conference (5)See BelowSenior Pastor (ex officio w/out vote)Al WardExecutive Pastor (ex officio w/out vote)Russ Pierce

Lay Members of the Annual Conference

2013 Alternates
George McLarty Ed Brooks
Havery Lowd Butch Farabow
Suzie Farabow Patty McLarty
Jim Royal

Jane Harriss

Administration Area Teams

Finance Team

Chair: Karen Odom Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets Second Tuesday, 5:30 pm, Conference Room #3

2013 2014 2015

Rufus Yates Karen Odom Dwight Steed

Dan Smoak Ann Reece TBA

Brian Bunch Rick Millen Jim Gooding **Other members:** Voting: Lay Leaders; Church Council Chair;

SPRC Rep; Lay Member Annual Conference; Stewardship

Rep; Trustees Rep

Non-Voting: Executive Pastor and Senior Pastor

Stewardship Team

Chair: Whit Holbrook Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets: TBD

2013 2014

Georgia Rasmussen Barry Kitley Charlie Rowe Ned Covington Whit Holbrook Andy Bills Keith Eichhorn Kathrine McMullan Ivey Orr

Other members: Finance Rep; Lay Leader

Trusteess

Chair: Elected by Trustees Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets Second Thursday, 5:30 pm, Conference Room #3

2013

2014

Bryant Aldridge Katherine Covington Curt Jacobs

Vann York Ed Cornwell David Pruette

Jeff Horney Stephanie Beaver Warren Lackey

Other members: Executive Pastor, Senior Pastor

Facilities Team (Sub-Team of Trustees)

Chair: George Holbrook Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets First Tuesday, 5:30pm, Conference Room #2

2013 2014 2015

Harold Martin Bill Milliken George Holbrook Jobie Redmond Richard Wood Henry McMullan Matt Miller Gretchen Owens Tim Lynch

Other members: Trustees Rep

Leadership Development and Nominations Team

Chair: Al Ward Staff Liaison: Al Ward

Meets First Tuesday in EVEN months, 7:00 pm, Conference

Room #2

201320142015Dorsay EichhornAnne BillsLiz RogersDon ShawRick AmosMark MorganLes HurrelbrinkPete WilsonMeredith Covington

Other members: Lay Leader

Staff Parish Relations Team

Chair: Tom Smothers Staff Liaison: Al Ward

Meets Second Monday, noon, Conference Room #3

201320142015Bill AndersonNan YatesStuart NunnTom SmothersKyle BrownEllen MillerLaney MorrisTravis VernonMike Flack

Other members: Lay Leader; Lay Member Annual Conference

Ministry Area Teams

Nurture Ministry Area

Liaison to Church Council: Patsy Nash

Children & Family Ministry Team

Chair: Alison Collins

Staff Liaison: Debbie Foust

Meets: 3rd Sunday in each month, 4pm

2014 2013 2015 Mary Drummond Katie Hutchens Allison Yates Kristy Dudley Judy Needham Mary Keever Dawn Miller Alison Collins

Margot Pritchett **Other members:** Patsy Nash

Adult Education and Spiritual Formation Team

Chair: Butch Farabow and Vicky Jarrett

Staff Liaison: Kathy Barba Pierce

Meets Fourth Monday every other month, 5:30 pm, Con-

ference Room #3

2014 2013 2015

Vicky Jarrett Susan Meisky Jane Kester Matthew Cochrane Cobb Atkinson **Butch Farabow** Chad Miller **Kelley Yates Patsy Surles**

Other members: Patsy Nash

Older Adult Council

Chair: TBD

Staff Liaison: Kathy Barba Pierce

Meets Third Monday every other month, 12 pm, Confer-

ence Room #3

2014 2013 2015 Bonnie Odom Barbara Beck Lucille Duncan Pat Sharrard Jane Harriss Glenda Brown Joe Gamble Bill Harriss Carolyn Watson **Sharon Thomas** Allen Beard

Other members: Patsy Nash

Congregational Care Ministry Area

Liaison to Church Council: Carol Hutchins

Missions and Community Engagement Ministry Area

Liaison to Church Council: Mendy Kearns

Culture Awareness Team

Chair: Beth Swann Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets:

2014 2015 2013 Beth Swann Mary Nifong **TBA** Jonathan Partee Molly Miller Beard **TBA Sharon Thomas** Karen Gooding **TBA Bob Rule** Carolyn Hall

Local Missions Team

Chair: Rick Lutz

Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets Second Monday, 5:30 pm, Arts and Crafts Room

(Youth Area)

Katie Erickson

2013 2014 2015

Edi Redmond Stephanie Pavik Beth Holbrook Kathy Baber **Charlie Surles** Monica Peters Mary Webster Rick Lutz Catherine Niebauer

Other members: Mendy Kearns

Global Missions Team

Chair: Sherry Sink

Pete Thompson

Staff Liaison: Russ Pierce

Meets Second Tuesday, 7:00 pm, Conference Room #3

2013 2014 2015 Jimmy Carroll Ann Mayhew Jim Holcomb Sherry Sink Ann Linthicum **Rob Blue**

Jennifer Lechner

Julie Price

Laura Amos Tambra Woods

Other members: Mendy Kearns

Evangelism and Involvement Ministry Area Liaisons to Church Council: Bud and Jane McInnis

Hospitality and Evangelism Team

Chair: Meredith Morgan Staff Liaison: Al Ward

Meets First Tuesday, 5:30 pm, Conference Room #3

2014

Barbara Coughlin Murray Catton Marcia Williams John Peeler Amanda Covington Gwen Russell Vann York Meredith Morgan Michelle Lane

Randy Niebauer

Other members: Bud and/or Jane McInnis

Worship Ministry Area

Liaison to Church Council: Bob Amos

Worship Team

Chair: Leigh Kuhnly Staff Liaison: Al Ward

Meets Third Monday, 7:00 pm

2013 2014 2015

Gaston Penry Bob Carter Leslie Culp

Cres Wilson Calabrese **Everett Grayson** Jamie Collins

Boni Broadwater Leigh Kuhnly Barbara Frye Other members: Bob Amos, Michael Dougherty, Keith Byrd

Ministry Area Teams Continued

Worship Ministry Area Continued
Liaison to Church Council: Bob Amos

Music Ministry Committee

Chair: Steve Hall

Staff Liaison: Michael Dougherty

Meets As Needed

2013 2014 2015

Katie Hutchens Carolyn Hall Brian Boger Steve Hall Sandy Howell Nancy Shaw Mike Jarrett Carolyn Shaw Anne Carroll

Other members:

Other Teams and Boards

Victoria Qubein Fund Team

Chair: Chris Dudley Staff Liaison: Al Ward

Meets On Call

2013 2014 2015

Barry Kitley Chris Dudley Grace Henley
Deena Samuel Dusty Maynard Bill McGuinn
Laura Gibson Libby Cheek Jeanette Langley

Other members: Mariana Qubein and Al Ward

Parsonage Team

Chair: Katherine Covington

Meets On Call

Nan Yates Katherine Covington Jobie Redmond Nancy McKenzie

Other members: Miriam and Al Ward

Wesley Memorial School Board

Chair: Betty Royal

Meets Fourth Tuesday, 6pm, Conference Room #3

Chair (Nominated by LD&N)Samantha KlemmeFinance Committee RepNamed by FinanceTrustees/Facilities RepNamed by TrusteesSPRC RepNamed by SPRCExecutive PastorRuss Pierce

At Large Members (nominated by LD&N)

2013 2014 2015

Sara Dyson Susan Hedrick Samantha Klemme Betty Royal Chris Dudley Robert Yates

Ex-office (voice, no vote)

Susan Sumpter (Director, School); Susan Kelley (Asst. Director, School); Debbie Foust (Director Children & Family)

From the Church Office...

2013 Budget To Be Approved in January

As our Stewardship Campaign has been progressing, our Finance Team has been working with ministry and administrative teams from across the congregation to prepare a budget/ministry plan for 2013. For the first time ever, our budgeting process has been guided by a Strategic Plan. In the early fall, each ministry area was asked to prepare a budget request. They were asked to clearly demonstrate how their ministry area's request would advance the Strategic Plan. This exercise has enabled us to sharpen our focus as we seek to put our resources of time and energy into moving toward God's Vision for Wesley Memorial.

Our 2013 Budget will be approved in January by the Church Council. We currently anticipate the Finance Team approving a final recommendation on January 8 and for the Church Council to review and approve that recommendation on January 15.

Leadership Summit 2013 Saturday, January 26 8:30 am – 12 noon

Leaders from across our congregation will be joining together for a time of praying, learning, and preparing for an exciting year of ministry at Wesley Memorial. This will be a time for ALL MEMBERS OF OUR ADMINISTRATIVE AND MINISTRY TEAMS to be oriented for the coming year. We'll focus on a variety of important topics that will ensure that we have a fruitful and productive year. If you will be serving on any of our administrative or ministry teams after February 1, please make plans to join us and e-mail Russ Pierce at rpierce@wesleymemorial.org to confirm.

Please note: The deadline for reimbursement requests and check requests is Fridays at 12 noon. Completed forms with receipts should be placed in Kim Suda's mailbox behind the Front Desk. If your check request requires sign-off by a Ministry Area Director, please have them sign off before placing in Kim's box. Completed reimbursements and requests will be completed by noon the following Wednesday.



Contact: **Rev. Russ Pierce** Executive Pastor 812-4800 rpierce@wesleymemorial.org

We Remember and Honor Our Loved Ones

Gifts given through November 2012

IN MEMORY OF:

Karen Odell Austin (Sister of Harriet Mattes):

Harold & Suzy Johnson, Lillian Kimrey, Harold & Betty Martin, Steve, Susan & Stan McInnis, Liz & Raymond Rogers

Robert Brown Cain: Jane Belo, Judy & Bob Bowser, Evelyn Davis, Dr. & Mrs. Carol Grahl, Ben Jones, Chuck & Kay Sargent, Cynthia Tobin

Sarah Tomlinson Foscue: Dr. & Mrs. H. Clifford Baggett, Jerry Bain, Dorothy Call, Elizabeth Conner, Ned & Katherine Covington, Susan & Rob Culp, James Lee Davis, Betty & Roger Dickey, Russ & Donna Goodman, Mr. & Mrs. Nat Harrison, David & Bonnie Horney, Leslie Huntley, Dorothy Ingram, Liz & Fred Jones, Sarah Kemm, Bart & Barbra Lassiter, Harold & Betty Martin, Kay & David Phillips, Sally & John Ragsdale, Mrs. Royster Tucker, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Tom Tyson, III, Dr. & Mrs. Mark Warburton, Dr. & Mrs. Ed Weller

Madge Wilson Jester (Sister of June Taylor): Lillian Kimrev

Wade H. McInnis: Steve, Susan & Stan McInnis **John Edward Sansing (Brother of Mary Sansing):** Grace & A. B. Henley

Robert Grayson Vaughn: Clarence & Maureen

Wagner, Kirk & Sherry Wilson

Don & Frances Wilson: Kirk & Sherry Wilson **James Hobart Wall, Jr.:** Mr. & Mrs. Fred Brucke, Mr. & Mrs. Carlton Clinard, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Hudgins, James F. Hunsucker Family, Isaac & Beviet Reynolds, Paul & Sarah Shelton

IN HONOR OF:

Dr. & Mrs. Howard Coble & Kathy: Mike & Teresa Flack

Dr. & Mrs. Michael Dougherty: Mike & Teresa Flack

Dr. & Mrs. Rod Fulcher: Mike & Teresa Flack

Mr. Joe Gamble: Mike & Teresa Flack

Mr. & Mrs. John Gillespie: Mike & Teresa Flack

Mrs. Carol Harris: Mike & Teresa Flack

Rev. & Mrs. Richard Howle: Mike & Teresa Flack

Mrs. Wanna McAnally (on the occasion of her 100th birthday): Nancy & Tom Beard, Harriet & Hugh Bennett, Bridge Friends (Nancy, Mim & Suzy), Dot Coggin, Betty Anne & Nat Harrison, Liz & Fred Jones, Emily Lambeth, Bart & Barbra Lassiter, Vivian Penry, Mrs. Edward Silver, Bootsy Tucker

Rev. Kathy Barba Pierce: Mike & Teresa Flack

Rev. Russ Pierce: Mike & Teresa Flack
Mr. Frank Pifferetti: Mike & Teresa Flack

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Dr. & Mrs. Al Ward: Mike & Teresa Flack Mrs. Marcia Williams: Mike & Teresa Flack Mrs. Meryle Wilson: Mike & Teresa Flack Mrs. Sarah Woollen: Mike & Teresa Flack

In Memoriam

Charlotte Anderson Clark December 16

William Martin (Bill) Blackmon December 20

Judith (Judy) Gilliam Bulla December 30

Dustin Andrews Spillers December 30

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Karen Elliott and family in the death of her father, Quinton Julius Austin on December 4.

Bob Bass and family in the death of his brother, James Alexander Bass, Jr. on December 7.

The Clark family in the death of their mother, Charlotte Anderson Clark on December 16.

Carlene Blackmon and family in the death of her husband, William Martin (Bill) Blackmon on December 20.

Sue Anderson and family in the death of her mother, Corrine King Smith Parker on December 24.

David Henry and family in the death of his father, J. B. Henry on December 29.

Richard Bulla and family in the death of his wife, Judith (Judy) Gilliam Bulla on December 30.

Steve and Jeanne Spillers and family in the death of their son, Dustin Andrews Spillers on December 30. **Suzie Farabow** and family in the death of her mother, Sarah Nellie Lorick on December 31.

Wednesday Night Dinners

Wednesdays are a perfect time for our church family to come together to dine, have fellowship, connect and grow. Dinner is served from 5:45 until 6:30 pm in the Dining Hall beginning January 9. The cost is only \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for those 14-18 years of age and free for those under 14.

Come by the Front Desk to purchase a ticket during the week or call the church office at 884-2204 to make a reservation. Mark your calendar today.

Dinner is followed by one of the following classes: *Catch: Invitational Evangelism* by Adam Hamilton, Cornerstone Kids, and Chancel Choir. Prior to dinner Confirmation Class, Children and Youth Hand Bell Classes will be held. There is something for everyone so make church a family priority each and every Wednesday night.

January 9-Meatloaf, Rice & Gravy, Green Beans, Dessert & Tea. *Children's menu is same as adult menu*.

January 16-Chicken Marsala, Pasta, Salad, Bread and Dessert. *Children's menu is same as adult menu.*

January 23-Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Bread and Dessert. *Children's menu is same as adult menu*.

January 30-Braised BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Slaw, Bread and Dessert. *Children's menu is same as adult menu with Chicken Legs.*

The Church Offices will close Monday, January 21 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

Save-The-Date All You Can Eat Pancake Supper



Tuesday, February 12

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