



WM Vacation Bible School

Weird Animals

July 21-24

9 am - 12:30 pm

For ages 3 years-5th Grade

(Must be 4 by August 31, 2014)



We are excited about this year's VBS!

Our team is working hard to make this a wonderful experience for your child.

Each day the children will be getting a little wild as we begin a unique adventure at Weird Animals VBS! Kids will worship God through songs and prayer at Sing and Play Stampede, experiment with Sciency-Fun Gizmos in Imagination Station, and discover life-changing Bible truths in fun and memorable ways at Bible Adventures. They will play with a purpose at Untamed Games and have wonderful snacks at Critter Café. Each morning the children will gather to sing songs, and meet bumbling "Dr. Paws" who will take us on wild adventures where he experiences the Bible Point for each day.

Ozzy's Preschool Park is designed just for our 3, 4 and Pre-K 5's. Preschoolers will experience all the things that the older kids are, but just in a way they can enjoy. Ozzy's preschoolers will join the older kids in Sing and Play Stampede each morning. Come meet Ozzy and all the wonderful things he has planned for your preschooler.

Register your child or volunteer at the church website, www.wesleymemorial.org. Click on the link at the scrolling Weird Animals picture on the home page.

See page 2 for more information on how you can help by volunteering and bringing a few needed donations.

Scenes from last years Kingdom Rock, VBS:





VOLUNTEER NEEDS:

All volunteers will receive training in the area they are volunteering.

Zoo Crew Leaders & Assistant Crew Leaders do not have to prepare anything, but just come each day ready to join in the VBS fun! The crew leaders and assistants guide their crew (10 kids) through each activity and station. They are to help assist as needed in each station and interact with the children engaging them in discussion about each activity and reemphasizing the main Bible Point for each day. (12 leaders and 12 assistants are needed) Training will be provided.

Untamed Games Assistant-Assist the Untamed Games Leader in each game/activity. These will be outside as weather permits. They are to help engage the children in the planned games for the day. (3 are needed)

Critter Café Snack Assistant-Assist the Critter Café leader in the preparation and serving of simple snacks to each group. (6 are needed)

Registration-Help register children the first two days of VBS that have not preregistered. (4 are needed)

Greeter-Help welcome and direct those coming to VBS in the morning and at pick up time.

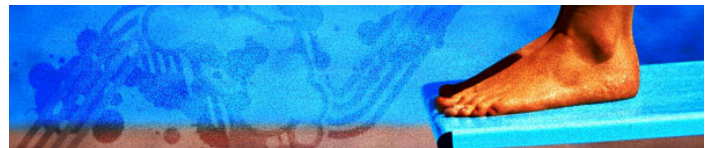
A complete list of volunteer opportunities along with volunteer sign ups are at the church website www.wesleymemorial.org. Click on the link at the scrolling "Weird Animals" picture on the home page.



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SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Paper plates-large & small
- Paper cups (5 oz. & 8 oz.)
- Plastic spoons
- Play dough (all colors)
- "Gold Fish" Crackers or Walmart brand "Penguins"
- Slice & Bake Sugar cookie dough rolls (please check allergy warning for cookies with no nuts or tree nuts or processed in plants that process items)
- Vanilla canned frosting
- M & M's
- Red Twizzler rope candy (pull apart red licorice)
- Jello-large boxes of green
- Microwave popcorn
- Pretzels (small ones)
- Mini marshmallows
- Raisins-large boxes
- Cereals-variety (please check allergy warning for cookies with no nuts or tree nuts or processed in plants that process items)
- Fruit snacks-bulk container if possible
- Small flash lights (inexpensive Dollar Store variety)
- Wet Wipes
- Jumbo washable ink pads (green, brown, orange, purple, red)
- Foam paint brushes-all sizes
- Craft paint all colors-large size for painting scenes



4th & 5th Grade Lock-in!



Friday, June 27 at 6 pm-Saturday, June 28 at 9 am
 Cost will be \$10 for pizza, breakfast, activities, games and pool time. We will load up and head to the YWCA for a couple hours of swimming, games and pizza. They return to the church for more fun, fellowship, movies and food.

To register contact Melissa Coley at 812-4806 or mcoley@wesleymemorial.org. A permission form must be completed and returned with the \$10 by Monday, June 23. Your friends are invited to come too, they also must pay the fee and have the form turned in by the deadline date of June 23!



June 1, we honored our 2014 Graduates

Our seniors processed in their cap and gowns and were honored during the 11 am Alpha & Omega Worship Service. Following the service some students had family sponsored tables in the Media Center with pictures and memorabilia from the early lives of the student.

Congratulations to:

Emily Elizabeth Adams
 Matthew Douglas Amos
 Laura Elizabeth Bunch
 Jonathan Sheppard Byles
 India Gabrielle Davis
 William Harrison Frye
 Logan Elizabeth Greene
 Erica Lynn Hartzell
 Hannah Marie Heybrock

Katharine Charlotte Hoskins
 Brian Thomas Jobe
 Maeson Alexandria Kelley
 Cannon Elder Lane
 Hadley Hollingsworth Mason
 Emma Caroline Russell
 William Samuel Utley
 Catherine Tebbs York

See our list of 2014 College Graduates on page 9

PRAYSE

New Liturgical Dance Team:

Karen Odom is interested in forming a liturgical dance team for children and youth. If you are interested please call Karen at 906-9503.

Adult Combined Sunday School Class

In June, we began a joint adult Sunday School class that meets in the Aldersgate-Miller Memorial Classroom (D208). This class starts at 9:45 am and is available for everyone – those who are a part of a Sunday School class and those who are not! This class will be taught by a wide variety of teachers who all bring great expertise and wisdom to the class. For 14 weeks, the class will study The Gospel of Luke. This study is based on Mickey Efrid's Bible Study of Luke. ***Come and grow this summer!***



**Commitment to GROW Sunday
September 7, 2014**

It is never too late to GROW!

Adult Formation Ministry Team has approved the following definition of spiritual formation:

Spiritual Formation involves a continuing journey of growth, both as individuals and as a community. It is a journey of being transformed by the Holy Spirit into the likeness of Christ, experiencing and expressing love for God and others.

They are asking everyone to read Marjorie Thompson's *Soul Feast* to prepare for our Commitment to GROW Sunday on September 7, 2014 in the hopes that it will help you continue your journey of growth. We have sold all our books at the church. If you wish to get one, you can order one through Barnes & Noble or amazon.com. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Barba Pierce.

Dear Congregation of Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church,

Ephesians 1:16 says it well: "I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers." As I leave Wesley Memorial, I give thanks to God for you and the support and love you have shown me and my family during our time here. You all have shown me encouragement and even offered childcare as we have made our way through this transition. Thank you for your kindness, your love, and support. I have grown in my gifts and abilities as a minister and as a fellow disciple while being here at Wesley Memorial.

As I get ready to leave, I want to say I will continue to hold you all in my prayers. I ask for your prayers as well as we move and get settled in South Bend, IN. While not receiving an appointment in the Indiana Conference was a disappointment (due to the lack of appointments available), it allows me to help the kids wade through this big transition and gives me a chance to set down some roots as well. That said, it is a big leap of faith as we make this move without my having a job and we ask for your prayers as we move forward.

One thing that I am launching with this move is a website about me and services that I can offer to individual persons/groups/organizations. Those services are spiritual direction, retreat leading, and preaching. The website is www.kathybarbapierce.com. I invite you to visit the site, read my new blog, and share it with others.

Thank you again for giving me the chance to serve in ministry with you. I have been blessed by your presence in my life.

God's peace be with you,
Kathy Barba Pierce



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Thank you to everyone who made Mother's Day a great day of worship and fellowship: to the Chancel Choir, Choral Scholars, Frank Pifferetti and orchestra for the beautiful music; to everyone who graciously "purchased" orchestra instruments; to those who provided refreshments; to Phillip Dixon for setting up refreshments and cleaning up afterwards; and to Andrea Cozart, Lucille Duncan and Jane Blackwell for serving.



The Chancel Choir held its annual picnic at the home of Harriet Mattes on May 16. The setting was beautiful, the food was wonderful and several former choir members were in attendance. It was especially nice to have Wanna McAnally and Rachel Garner join us. Thank you Harriet for being a gracious host each year.

Summer Rehearsals

The Chancel Choir will rehearse throughout the summer with the exception of June 4, July 2 and 9. In addition to rehearsing music for fall, we will

also begin rehearsing Christmas music. Bring your favorite dessert on June 25 and your favorite ice cream toppings on July 30 for a time of fun and fellowship after rehearsal.

We need summer singers

If you feel you do not have time to join the Chancel Choir permanently, please consider singing with the choir during the summer. We will continue rehearsals from 6:45-8:15 each Wednesday night. Join us for rehearsal on Sunday mornings at 10:30 in the choir room or, if you would like more preparation, come to the Wednesday rehearsal before the Sunday you are available to sing. This is your chance to serve the Lord and Wesley Memorial during a time when many choir members and choral scholars are out of town. We are glad to have Emily Robbian back from college for the summer.

Choral Scholars

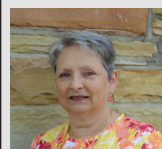
Four new choral scholars and two returning choral scholars are on board for the 2014-2015 contract period. We hope some of them will be able to join us this summer as well. We are glad to welcome back Caroline Oliveira and Matthew Arnold. Josh Conyers, a former scholar, Teresa Bonavita, Jacob Cortes and Adrienne Leggett will be joining us soon.

Father's Day music

The anthem on Father's Day is "Father, We Praise Thee" by Canadian composer Healey Willan. The beautiful tune is named "Christe Sanctorum" and is included in the United Methodist Hymnal, numbers 188, 604, and 680. The text addresses the Father, Son and Holy Spirit with praise and adoration and asks for God's healing, wholeness and salvation.

Honoring Our Service Men and Women

To acknowledge the service of our members who have served or are serving in the military, we will recognize all five branches of military service at our service on July 6.



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JUNE IS TIME TO SAY FAREWELL

Join us on June 15 at 12:00 pm to say **Farewell to Kathy Pierce**. We will have a reception for Kathy after the 11:00 service in the Narthex of the Sanctuary. You are also invited to contribute to a "love offering" for Kathy through a check to Wesley Memorial UMC and marked "Kathy" or online at www.wesleymemorial.org. Kathy has been our Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation since March 2011. Kathy's ministry has truly spiritually formed Wesley Memorial and many of us. We wish her, Russ, Claire, and Aidan all the best.

On June 29 at 12:00 pm we will say **Farewell to Adam Vernon**. Adam's reception will also be held in the Narthex as well. You are also invited to contribute to a "love offering" for Adam through a check to Wesley Memorial UMC and marked "Adam" or online at www.wesleymemorial.org. Adam has been Director of Student Ministries since June 2010. Adam's energy and Christian witness has marked not only our students but the whole congregation. Adam, Bethany, Sarah, Joshua, Jonathan, and Joseph go with our best wishes.

Staff Parish Relations Team SCORE BOARD

The count is "two safe at home, one on third base, and several in the dugout." Anne Carroll and Scott Howell, Director of Music Ministries and Director of Administration and Finance respectively, are on the job. Scott began on May 27 and Anne began "officially" on June 1. We rejoice to have both of them on our staff. Please be sure to stop in their offices and say "welcome." Erin Beall, Associate Pastor for Adult Spiritual Formation and Contemporary Worship, will be arriving in High Point around July 1, in her office on July 7, and worshipping with us on July 13. We look forward to having Erin as part of our "team." ***We will have a reception on July 13 to welcome Anne, Erin, and Scott.*** Thus far, we think we've "hit home runs."

The Staff Parish Relations Team (SPRT) has appointed a Search Team to review the applications for Director of Student Ministries and to recommend several strong applicants to the SPRT. The Search Team has some promising resumes and will be talking to applicants over the next several weeks. The

goal is to have someone employed and "at home plate" no later than September 1, 2014.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Western North Carolina Annual Conference will convene at Lake Junaluska, NC on June 19 and adjourn on June 22. In addition to our clergy, three lay members will be representing Wesley Memorial. These lay members are Suzie Farabow, Jim Royal, and Harvey Lowd. Please keep the "delegation" from Wesley Memorial and the whole Annual Conference in your prayers as they set the direction for the United Methodist churches in western North Carolina. On the last day of Conference, Bishop Goodpaster will "fix" the appointments for all Conference clergy. He will appoint Erin Beall, Jared Stine, and Al Ward as our pastoral leaders for 2014-2015.

A WORD FROM THE FINANCE TEAM

As you head down to the beach or up on the mountain, please remember that as the ministry of Wesley Memorial goes along, so do the bills. The winter storms have been especially draining on our finances and we are going into the summer months, when offerings are traditional low, with much less of a cushion. Please make certain that you are current on your giving and make an effort to see your offering gets to church on the Sundays you are away. (The Finance Office will send you a personal report on your giving for the first six months of the year at the end of June. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call.) Thank you for your faithful financial stewardship.



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United Methodist Women

Spiritual Growth Retreat-June 13-14 at Lake Junaluska. The Reverend Tiffany Thomas of South Tryon Community Church, Charlotte is the featured speaker. Special music by James Jones and Patrick Scott of Myers Park UMC, Charlotte along with its Women's Choir and The Lake Junaluska Singers. Make your reservations online at www.wnccumw.org. Room rates for 2014 are the same as 2013.

Mission u-July 17-20 at Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer, NC. Areas of study are "How Is It With Your Soul?", "The Church and People with Disabilities", and "The Roma". All registrations must be postmarked by June 25. You may attend a One-Day Overview for \$30 that includes lunch or \$20 without lunch. See www.wnccumw.org for more information.

UMW Annual Meeting-September 5-7, Lake Junaluska

Circles will not meet over the summer.

Did you know that on March 23, 2014, the United Methodist Women became 145 years old?

Divorce Support Group forming this fall

Most people will tell you that separation and divorce are the most painful and stressful experiences they've ever faced. It's a confusing time when you feel isolated and have lots of questions about issues you've never faced before. This fall a divorce and separation group will meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Each of the thirteen sessions include two elements:

A Seminar with Experts

During the first 30-40 minutes of the meeting, participants will watch a video seminar featuring top experts on divorce and recovery subjects. These videos feature expert interviews and real-life case studies.

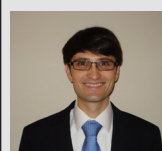
A Support Group with Focus

After viewing the video, group participants spend time as a support group, discussing what was presented in that week's video seminar and what is going on in the lives of group members. Watch for the time and location toward the end of summer. Questions? Call or email Jared Stine for more information.

New UMW Circle available this fall

Introducing a new UMW Circle starting in the fall...

The F.A.I.T.H. Circle (Faith And Inspiration Through Him) is for women on the go who enjoy being able to have somewhere to come and connect, worship, and be involved with other women just like them. If you are interested in joining, please contact Kellie Hall at (336) 708-6432 or kellie.h.hall@gmail.com



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NURSERY • PRESCHOOL • KINDERGARTEN

"Fun In The Son" Summer Camp Calling All Kids ages Kindergarten-5th Grade! Come join our Fun! 5 days \$145/week ~ 3 days \$90

We're now in "full swing" daily, 7:30 am – 6 pm! We've moved and LOVING our new Game Room & breakout activity centers in the recently-renovated Youth area! Each week is packed with high-interest projects, such as Young Rembrandts Art Program led by professional art educators. Over several weeks, we'll be working on a summer musical (set designs, costumes, drama & songs) - - then take it on-the-road to residents of local assisted-living centers. Other trips include splash parties at Sheraton Hills Swim Club (Wednesdays) and HP Gymnastics Academy (Fridays). Cooking, movies & popcorn, campus bike rodeos...we invite families to stop by the WMS Office for a tour and to pick up a FITS Activity Calendar of full details! Schedules also include an afternoon "daily special" of WISE Guys and Pearl Girls; or Music, Kid's Connection Chapel, Reading Rally, Spanish & the Arts!

We welcome new student sign-ups throughout the summer. There's absolutely no reason for boredom this summer. You can have "Fun In The Son!" Call 884-4232.

Please note! WMS Summer Programs for ages Infant-5 yrs are now Waiting Lists Only! "Summer Day" (daily 4-hr childcare) and "Summer Enrichment" (4 themed weeks)



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We celebrate our 2014 College Graduates!

Alex Beck

Son of Sharon and Andy Beck
High Point University: BA in History

Mary Cullen Bills

Daughter of Anne and Andy Bills
High Point University: Masters of Education, Literacy

Katie Lynn Catton

Daughter of Murray and Debra Catton
University of North Carolina at Greensboro: Masters in Sociology

Elizabeth Ryan Coughlin

Daughter of Paul and Barbara Coughlin
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill: BS in Business

Catherine Coughlin Hauser

Daughter of Paul and Barbara Coughlin
University of North Carolina Gillings School of Public Health
Masters in Public Health and Nutrition

Andrew Lutz

Son of Rick and Jayne Lutz
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Kenan-Flagler Business School: MBA

Hannah Pope

Daughter of David and Kacy Pope and granddaughter of Ann Linthicum
North Carolina State University: BA in Political Science

David Thomas

Grandson of Sharon Thomas
Florida Atlantic University: BFA in Graphic Arts



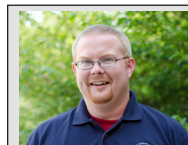
The Wesley Memorial Habitat for Humanity Workday on May 3 had 17 members "raising" three walls for the Habitat House on Brooks Drive. In addition, the fourth wall was prepared for a raising on Wednesday.

The day brought lots of talking, laughter, eating, teaching, and learning along with the construction "noise" of hammering, sawing, groaning, and sore muscles on Sunday. In other words it was a great day. Thanks to all who participated!!!! The next work date is set for August 2 so mark it on your calendar and join the fun.



Fairview Backpacks:

Thank you for your generosity. The food closet is currently fully stocked. As the need arises and our summer schedule begins, we will post items as supplies are depleted.



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Wesley Memorial Celebrates...



Special Delivery...

Andrew and Morgan Bills welcomed Mary Rush Catherine Bills into their family on May 6, 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.

Welcome, New Member!

Please extend a warm Wesley Memorial welcome to our new member who joined the church recently!

Becky Yates joined May 25 at 11 am.



Baptisms

We rejoice in the baptism of **Virginia Sherman Covington**, daughter of Chris and Sherman Covington of High Point, NC, and welcome her into the family of Christ on May 11, 2014.

Weddings...

Congratulations to Molly Chisholm and Terry Berrier who were married May 17, 2014.



The deadline for article submission for the August issue of the HeartBeat will be July 10. To submit information for the HeartBeat contact: Melissa Coley at mcoley@wesleymemorial.org or 812-4806.

We Remember and Honor Our Loved Ones

Gifts given through April 2014

IN MEMORY OF:

William M. Blackmon: Dot Coggin
Mary Clark Cole: Mrs. Dot Coggin
Carolyn Harlow (Daughter of Kathleen Killebrew): Dot Coggin
Edgar A. Hatcher (Brother of Lib Conner): Tom Kearns, Jr.
Juanita James (Sister of Kathie Clontz): Tom Kearns, Jr.
Nell Choate Machen: Donna Machen
Jane Marlowe: Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Langley
Ruth Buie McAllister (Mother of Ken McAllister): Dot Coggin
Corrine Smith Parker (Mother of Sue Anderson): Dot Coggin
Nancy Lynn Meeks Payne (Daughter of Nancy & Max Meeks): Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Langley
Bob H. Safrit: Dot Coggin
Mildred Congdon Tapp (Sister of Lois Auman): Mrs. Dot Coggin
Elizabeth Pegram Walker (Mother of Beth Thomas): Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Langley
Kathy Stout Whitt (Sister of Tom Stout): Sarah Kemm
The Umbrella Tree: Kay & Jerry Tucker

IN HONOR OF:

Bob & Sallie Amos: Bart & Barbara Lassiter
Elle Bingham Cashion: Suzanne Silver
Dwight Story: Allen & Molly Beard, Susan Kirschner
Susan Sumpter: Eleanor Lagas

Gifts given through May 2014

IN MEMORY OF:

Willie Earl Bolick (Father of Herb Bolick): Herb & Cheryl Bolick
Steven Nolan Brewer: Mary Grace Megginson
Everett C. Bryant, Jr.: Jack & Dot Byerly, Julie & Michael Delgaudio, Eleanor, Beth & Carey Ilderton, Fred & Liz Jones, Jane & Ken McAllister, Ed Price & Associates, Jim Randle, Dixie & Plato Wilson

In Memoriam

Everett C. Bryant, Jr.	May 5, 2014
Courtney Jean Freedle	May 9, 2014

Margie Clark Griffith: Mrs. Lee Wall
Maude Rains Parrish Guthrie: Liz & Raymond Rogers
Beth Thomas Mallison Patton (Sister of Jupy Stout): Mike & Susan Samuel
Nancy Lynn Meeks Payne (Daughter of Nancy & Max Meeks): Lula Hoskins
Kathy Stout Whitt (Sister of Tom Stout): Jim & Sandra Marsh, Mike & Susan Samuel

IN HONOR OF:

Mary Jane Lindsay: Jane Lindsay Barrineau
Kathy Barba Pierce: Lucille Duncan
Peggy Smith: Herb & Cheryl Bolick
Al Ward: Circle #11

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Lillian Kimrey and family in the death of her sister; Maude Rains Parrish Guthrie on April 24.
Lynn Finnegan and family in the death of her father; Everett C. Bryant, Jr. on May 5.
Jean Freedle and family in the death of her daughter; and **Chris Amos and family** in the death of her sister; Courtney Jean Freedle on May 9.
Jupy Stout and family in the death of her sister; Beth Thomas Mallison Patton on May 14.
Kitty Coble and family in the death of her sister; Geraldine "Jerry" Miller Dowdey on May 19.
Steven Spillers and family in the death of his father; William "Bill" Johnston Spillers on May 27.

Playground Update

Reverse



The excitement is building!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU to all who have supported the New Playground Initiative at Wesley Memorial! Gifts to date total \$95,620, which includes a \$40,000 MATCH from the church. Because we are SO CLOSE to our \$100,000 goal for Phase I, the Playground Visioning Team was given the go-ahead in May to meet with Madelyn Russ of Grounds4Play (designer of our younger play area) and Todd McDuffee of Carolina Parks & Play (designer of our preschool/older area). Timeline: younger play area (Level 1) will be developed first, with expected installation in August. Equipment selected for the older play area (Level 3) is a custom-made order. It will take a bit longer, with a Fall installation date.

The \$100,000 Phase I Project includes fees for demolition of old equipment, fine grading, drainage system, unload of equipment at delivery, and the project-build. (So many details to plan!) Required borders will surround "drop-zone" areas and contain mulching. Because \$100,000 includes "entire project" expenses beyond sole-purchase of new equipment, we will continue to seek gifts designated for Playground in order to add side-pieces. All side pieces have been pre-selected and will enhance our play park as the long-range vision unfolds. Side pieces will not be part of Phase I. Examples of side pieces to be added over time include picnic tables, park benches, a swing set, climbing rocks, a hillside chute slide, and a welcoming entrance archway sign with scripture. Families who may be interested in gifting any of these side pieces are invited to contact the Susans for the individual pricing.

**The Church Offices will be closed
Friday, July 4th for the holiday.**

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