

# The Heart V beat

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## Welcome New Pastors!



Captivated by our Creator, the Reverend Melissa Lowe loves the beauty to be found in the unique way God has created each one of us. Listening to the stories that form the tapestry of life and seeking to learn how the nature of God is being revealed throughout, is the passion she brings to ministry.

Melissa will be serving at Wesley Memorial as Associate Pastor of Congregational Care and Missions. She holds a Master of Divinity degree from Asbury Theological Seminary along with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems and Business Administration from Lee University. She was a computer analyst in the corporate arena for eight years prior to entering into vocational ministry as a pastor.

Encountering the living God together through the Body of Christ is the transformational journey to which she is committed. With courage and vulnerability, she seeks to inspire others daily to join in "... Christ's ministry of outreaching love."-Internationally, Melissa has engaged in short-term missions, partnering with churches in Brazil, Jamaica, Costa Rica, and Mexico, to share the love of God in ministry together within their local communities. Melissa loves to listen to music, read a good book, write reflectively, hike in nature, camp with her family, go for a run, and create art. Intentionally engaging in spiritual practices and rhythms including prayer, worship, fasting, reading of scripture, solitude, silence, and spiritual accountability are some of the intentional ways she embraces a posture of openness to the transformative work of God's love and grace in her life. Melissa wholeheartedly loves her husband, Justin, and is the proud mother of Joshua, a member of the Church Triumphant, three-year-old son Andrew, and oneyear-old daughter Esther.



The Reverend **Clark Chilton**: Ann Marie, Boone (8), Carraway (4) and I are thrilled to be joining WMUMC in this new season of ministry. We have already received a very gracious and warm welcome and we are most thankful. We have spent the past 10+ years at Clemmons UMC building up their contemporary service, preaching, ministering to families of all ages and creating outreach events. As your **Associate Pastor of Contemporary Worship and Evangelism**, I look forward to continue this good work in High Point.

While times of transition can be exciting, I acknowledge that they can also be difficult. This is one reason it is vitally important that we pray with expectation during these times of change. When we pray, God comes near and great things happen.

Starting July 1st, white boards will be in the Fellowship Hall for anyone to write prayers for WMUMC. I believe it is imperative that we begin our time together focused on God, trusting God in faith and waiting on Him. It will be exciting to see our prayers joined together as one (and to see how we expect God will answer those prayers in the future!)

Secondly, (again starting July 1st) I welcome your answers to these three questions:

What do you love about this church? Why have you stayed in this time of transition? What do you hope never changes?

(You can email your responses to me at cchilton@wesleymemorial.org or drop by my office for a conversation)

I look forward to reading your responses, engaging in conversation and growing in Christian fellowship together. Working together, I know that we can build upon the great successes of the past while also reaching a new generation for Christ.



## Welcome New Pastoral Intern!



Jacob Lancaster is currently a rising senior at High Point University where he studies Religion and Philosophy. He intends to attend seminary after finishing his undergraduate degree to attain a Master of Divinity and then become a United Methodist Pastor. Jacob is from Albemarle, North Carolina where he lives with his parents and his twin brother. His father is a United Methodist pastor at Stony Hill UMC but will be moving to Central UMC in Monroe this summer. His mother is a high school teacher. His brother studies chemistry at UNC Chapel Hill.

Jacob enjoys spending time with friends, reading, and being in creation. His friends are very important to him as he finds joy with them and has

come to know himself and understand the way God is calling him more clearly through their company. He enjoys reading everything from science fiction to leadership guidance to theological essays or books. He often finds peace by hiking or spending time in parks. Jacob is also extremely passionate about music. He has played drums and percussion instruments for 15 years and plays piano as a hobby. Music has been important with his family as they all form a band. He especially enjoys playing drums or piano with his brother who plays guitar.

Jacob is excited about ministry at Wesley Memorial this summer, bringing gifts of joy, intellect, listening, and peace. He hopes to grow in community and offer himself in worship and service. He is eager to see how God will work this summer through him and through Wesley Memorial church.

#### Prayer as a Way of Life A Joint Sunday School Class for Adults

Aldersgate-Miller Classroom Led b Jacob Lancaster, Melissa Lowe Jessica Nelson, Barry Osborne, and Jeff Patterso All Adults are Welcome

> Sunday Mornings June 16 - September 1 9:45 am - 10:40 am

June 16 What is Prayer? Barry Osborne, retired UM pastor

June 23 Prayer as Adoration Barry Osborne, retired UM pastor

June 30 Does Prayer Make a Difference? Jessica Nelson, layperson, graduate of Campbell School of Theology

July 7 Healing Prayer Jacob Lancaster, Pastoral Intern July 14 Intercessory Prayer Jessica Nelson, layperson, graduate of Campbell School of Theology

**July 21 Praying the Lord's Prayer** Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

**July 28 Praying the Lord's Prayer** Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

August 4 Praying the Lord's Prayer Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

August 11 Praying the Psalms Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor

August 18 More Varieties of Prayer Melissa Lowe, Associate Pastor of Congregational Care and Missions

August 25 Praying the Labyrinth Melissa Lowe, Associate Pastor of Congregational Care and Missions

September 1 Concluding Thoughts... Jeff Patterson, Senior Pastor



#### **Pastor Jared**

Associate Pastor of Congregational Care 336.812.4813 jstine@wesleymemorial.org

Valerie and I have been touched by the words of so many of you in our conversations over the last few weeks. Since we announced our move from Wesley Memorial to Montana this summer, you have offered loving encouragement, affirmation, and genuine care. Transitions are always difficult, but especially this one as we continue to reflect on the warmth of our shared friendships and time together. Wesley Memorial is my "first church" as a pastor, and it was among you that I cultivated my gifts, became an ordained Elder, and welcomed and baptized our daughter. Therefore, all of you will hold a special place in my heart forever. Thank you for our shared ministry together. We will continue to hold this church in our prayers, and we ask for your prayers as we begin the next chapter of our life together. We look forward to witnessing God's grace work through the mission and ministry of Wesley Memorial in the years to come!

Grace and peace,

Jared & Valerie Stine

### Welcome New Members!

In May, we welcomed **Sarah & Julian Hawes**, and **Donna & Tommy Foster** (pictured below) as members of Wesley Memorial. Please, give them a warm welcome when you see them in worship!



## Thank You

#### Jared, Val and Adelaide!

Jared's last Sunday at Wesley Memorial will be **Sunday, June 16.** Please join us at receptions at <u>9:15 am in the Bridge Café</u> and <u>following the 11:00 am service in</u> <u>the Asbury Room.</u>

We are receiving a **Love Offering** for Jared and his family. To contribute, please go to wesleymemorial.org/on-line giving/ "Jared Stine Love Offering." Or, write a check to WMUMC and write "Stine Love Offering" in the memo line.



## We Remember and Honor our Loved Ones

#### In Memory of:

Gifts received April 2019

Betty Bills (Mother of Andy Bills): Laura Amos

Eugene (Gene) Bohi: Jim & Marilyn Groome, Mary Lyon, Vivian Penry, June Safrit

Guilford Cargal: Helen & Maxie Doby, Paige Kester, David Warren, II

James (Jimmy) Caroll: Laura Amos

Robert Culp, III: Robert & Mary Charles Boyette, Wade & Lois Markham, June Safrit

Sherrill Williams Elder: Norman & Anne Andrews, Lou & Gene Bouldin, Barbara & Paul Coughlin, Libby Fisher, Corky & Judy Hustrulid, Sarah Kemm, Mary Lyon, Jim & Sandra Marsh, Harold & Betty Martin, June Safrit, Mike & Susan Samuel, Lorraine Stout, Patsy & Charlie Surles, George & Joanne Urwick

James (JimFlick): James Despain, Ralph & Deborah Hudson, Ralph & Brenda Neal, Pat Pearce, Margaret and Bill Roderick, S. Wilkins Interior Design, Southern Studio Int. Design, LLC, Frederick Starr

#### Mary Gibson: Laura Amos

C. Arthur (Art) Honeycutt, Jr.: Mary Lyles, Jim & Sandra Marsh, June Safrit

Daphne Rouse Horney: Barbara & Paul Coughlin, Brad Rouse, Walter & Patricia Rouse, June Safrit, Vincent & Mary Elise Vigil

Frances Hutchins: Vivian Penry

Frances Ann Clifton Ingram: Norman & Anne Andrews, Mary Lyon, Hilda Owen, June Safrit, Jupy Stout, Wickliff Terrace HOA

Ann Lambeth Jeffords: June Safrit

Betty Jo Snider Kellam: June Safrit, Wade & Lois Markham

Elizabeth Mewborne: June Safrit

Jean Morris (Mother of George Morris): Laura Amos

Wayne Patterson (Father of Jeff Patterson): Laura Amos, Wade & Lois Markham, Jim & Sandra Marsh, Vivian Penry, Gaston Penry, June Safrit

Gaspard H. Smoak (Father of Dan Smoak): Gaston Penry Ed Smothers (Father of Tom Smothers): June Safrit Gerald Reed Steed (Brother of Dwight Steed): Linda & Dave McCoy

Juanita Thomas (Mother of Judi Osborne): Jim & Marilyn Groome

Glen Yates: Laura Amos

W. Vann York: Laura Amos, Norman & Anne Andrews, Donald & Sandra Ayres, Lou & Gene Bouldin, Tom & Bonnie Broadwater, William Carstarphen, Bonnie Cashion, Mr. & Mrs. Carlton Clinard, Barbara & Paul Coughlin, Jennifer & David Covington, Ned & Katherine Covington, Janet Cross, Joe Cross Jr., Julie Henry, Jennifer Cross and Jason Cross, Mrs. Susan Culp, Arden, Dee & George Dowdy, David Dowdy, Jr., Mrs. Lucille Duncan, Jenny Edmondson, Al Elder, Julia Fariss, Charles Fulp, Ken Geddie, Jr., Laura & Clark Gibson and Family, Lawrence Hoeflick, Irene Honbarrier, David & Bonnie Horney, Bobby & Debbie Irvin, Ginger & Stephen Kent, Nan & Buck Kester, Bart & Barbra Lassiter, Wade & Lois Markham, Harold & Betty Martin, Bill & Caroline McGuinn, Henry & Katherine McMullan, Midweek Study Club, Laney & George Morris, Bob & Kathy Niebauer, Gloria & Dan Odom, Hilda Owen, Margaret & Everett Padgett, John Peeler, Sallie Phillips, Raymond & Liz Rogers, Dr. & Mrs. Charles Rowe, Jr., June Safrit, Mike & Susan Samuel, Paul & Elizabeth Sittenfeld, Dr. & Mrs. William Stewart, Tom Stockton, Charles & Vanessa Surles, Charlie & Patsy Surles, Bootsy Tucker, Royster & Donna Tucker, Tuck, John Austin, Sloan and Davis, Mr. & Mrs. G. Alfred Webster, Sr., Dr. & Mrs. Ed Weller, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Williams, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. James Williamson, Martha Yarborough, YMCA of High Point, Inc.

#### In Honor of:

#### Gifts received April 2019

Rev. Erin Beall: Susan & Mike Hedrick Bereavement Reception Team: Al Elder Sue Dunn (On her birthday): Courtney & Fred Best Jacob Lancaster: Susanna Wesley Class

#### In Memoriam

- Jane Blackwell May 9, 2019
- William "Bill" Blanton Jr. May 20, 2019

#### Sympathies

- Eddie Bouldin upon the death of his mother, Doris Bouldin, on April 30, 2019
- The family of **Jane Blackwell** up on her death on May 9, 2019
- Wanna Blanton and family upon the death of her husband, William "Bill" Blanton Jr. on May 20, 2019



Our Prayer Shawl Ministry has made and delivered over 2000 shawls, blankets, sweat-

ers and other items.

You are invited to join this wonderful group on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room. Contact:

Karen Sumner, 336.883.8721 Linda Dale, 336.884.5121

JULY Heart♥beat Deadline Thursday, June 20 5:00 pm showell@wesleymemorial.org



## Families Together in May



## VBS Supplies Needed

Painters Tape (blue & green) Masking Tape (wide)

#### **Duct Tape**

#### **Resealable plastic bags**

(snack, quart & gallon size)

Any Africa/safari inspired decorations to borrow - fabrics, baskets, rag rugs, masks, etc. *(please label with your name)* 

Place these donations in the labeled bin in the adult wing and Office Building lobby.

## VBS Support

**Financial donations** are always welcomed. We hope to purchase the music cd's for each family that attend. This is a wonderful way for the families to enjoy the experiences of VBS throughout the year.

Make checks to WMUMC and write "VBS support" on the memo line. Or go to wesleymemorial.org/ on-line giving/VBS Support.

Thank you in advance for your generous donations.



**Debbie Foust** 

Director of Children's Ministries 336.812.4804 dfoust@wesleymemorial.org

### Putt-Putt Family Outing

We enjoyed a beautiful night playing Putt Putt at our May family outing. *(pictures to left).* Look for more family fellowship times soon.

Thanks to Robert Yates for arranging this event and special pricing!

## Sunday school will continue for children 2 years-old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.



Children are to go to the same class they have been in all year. They will go to their new class on Move Up Sunday, August 25.

Regular child care for infants & toddlers will continue to be available during the Sunday school hour 9:45 -10:45 am.

Help is needed to teach in the K-5<sup>th</sup> grade classes during Sunday school. Right now there are a number of Sundays where there is not a teacher. Please contact **Debbie Foust** if you can lead one of the groups. Lesson and supplies will be provided.



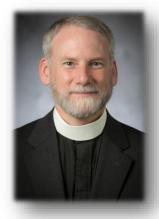
**Preschool VBS is full!** Call 336.884.2204 to be put on a waitlist

## Adult VBS Monday, July 15 – Thursday, July 18 9:30 am – 10:45 am OR 6:30 – 7:45 pm Aldersgate-Miller Classroom

## HEAVEN, HELL, PURGATORY

Led by The Reverend Dr. Jeff Patterson

All Adults are Welcome To register call 336-884-2204 or email creddick@wesleymemorial.org

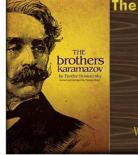


## Guest Preacher in August

Dr. Warren J. Smith, Associate Professor of Historical Theology, Duke Divinity School, will be preaching on the Lord's Prayer at our morning worship services on Sunday, August 25. Dr. Smith is the author of *The* 

Lord's Prayer: Confessing the New Covenant.





#### The Greatest Novel Ever Written?

4 Month Book Study BEGINS SEPTEMBER 12

facilitated by Bill Wheeler and Jeff Patterson

Second Thursday of the Month 2:00 - 3:15 pm Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church 1225 Chestnut Drive, High Point, 27262

Space is limited to encourage in-depth conversation. Please contact Jeff at **jpatterson@wesleymemorial.org** to reserve your space.



The choir needs you this summer. Please consider singing with the Chancel Choir for the summer if you cannot commit to all year. Contact **Anne Carroll.** 

## Prayers

Please pray for our 55+ people involved with 2019 Church Camp. Pray for students, leaders, worship, content, fellowship and all the plans that lead up to a great week at Valle Crucis Conference Center June 16-21.

## VBS: Student Help Needed

We need you the week of July 15-19 (Monday-Thursday) for Vacation Bible School at Wesley Memorial UMC. We need students to come alongside the Children's Ministries leaders to help serve, play, guide and teach all the awesome children! If your student and their friends are interested, please email Debbie Foust, Director of Children's Ministries at dfoust@wesleymemorial.org or text at 336-601-2020 by Wednesday, June 26.



**Steven Nelson** 

Director of Student Ministries 336.812.4812 snelson@wesleymemorial.org

## Save The Dates

- Carowinds (for everyone)
  Thursday, August 8
- Family Hour (for students and parents) Sunday, August 18, 9:45am
- Ward Street Outreach (for everyone) Thursday, August 22
- Welcome Lock-In (for 6th graders) Saturday, August 24 thru Sunday, August 25
- Move-Up Sunday (for everyone)
  Sunday, August 25, 9:45am

## Summer Fun

- Seven Summer Nights (for everyone)
  Wednesdays, 7:17 pm, Offsite TBD
  June 12 & 26, July 10, 17, 24, 31,
  August 7
- Guys' Ball and Bible
  Tuesdays, 2:22 pm, Fellowship Hall
- Girls' Bible Study, Wednesdays, 10:10 am, The Underground
- HYPE Nights (High School only)
  Sundays, 7:11 pm, Offsite TBD June 23, July 21, August 25

## Welcome Student Ministries Intern!



We are excited to announce that Jacob Michael Kohns will be our 2019 Summer Intern at Wesley Memorial UMC! Jacob is from Winston Salem, NC and has recently completed his first year at Anderson University, where he is majoring in Pure Mathematics. Go Trojans! He is a member of the Anderson baseball team and attends Baptist Collegiate Ministry regularly. His favorite hobbies include rounds of disc-golf at Johnson Street Park and dominating his friends in Spikeball. Jacob's hidden talent is his ability to recite the alphabet backwards and he

loves to chow down on any combination of cookout trays (the best combo in High Point). His favorite animal is the lemming and he loves munching on Twix. Jacob's favorite scripture is John 3:30 and he loves helping empower the next generation of students! We look forward to partnering with Jacob as he walks alongside middle and high school students this summer in the name of Jesus.

## Wesley Memorial School

## End of 2018-19 School Year

The end of a school year is full of mixed emotions. Some of our families are going on to other schools, as children age out of our program. Some are excited about their next step of growth in our program. What is true from year to year, is the tearful mom that expresses her gratitude for what we, the Wesley Memorial School, has meant to her family. The children and families we serve are God's good and perfect gift. We are grateful for yesterday, thank God for today, and look forward to who God sends to us tomorrow.

And look at how we celebrated the end of the year...







#### **JoAnn Clifton**

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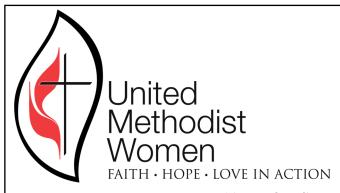
Susan Kelley

Wesley Memorial School Associate Director 336.884.4232 skelley@wesleymemorial.org









The organized unit of **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** shall be a community of women whose **PURPOSE** is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Thank you to **Angel Tree Circle** for providing and preparing lunch for the Boys and Girls Club at Ward Street Mission during Spring Break.

If you are interested in joining a circle this fall, please contact Lucille Duncan 336.882.1815 or Carolyn Steed 336.882.4829.

WNCCUMW 2019 Spiritual Growth Retreat, Lake Junaluska, June 13-15. Featured speaker is Clara Ester, retired Deaconess and VP of United Methodist Women, "Thorns and Roses". Complete info at www.wnccumw.org.

Mission u at Pfeiffer University, July 18-21. This year's theme is **Radical Discipleship: Then and Now.** Breakout sessions include **The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship** and **What About Our Money? A Faith Response.** You can sign up for one day or be a resident for this event. Complete info at www.wnccumw.org/ events/mission-u-2019.

#### June Circle Meetings:

FAITH Circle - Sunday, June 30, 3:30 pm, details

Church Council & Charge Conference Tuesday, June 18, 5:30 pm Circle View Room HEARTBEAT (USPS 327-700) Published Monthly by Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church. Mailing address P.O. Box 5289, High Point, NC 27262. Subscription \$1.00 per year payable out of regular contributions to church budget. NC 27260. Send change of address to The HeartBeat, P.O. Box 5289 High Point, NC 27262.

