

The HeartBeat

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High Point, North Carolina

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Focusing on Our Church's Future



*Do you have a dream of what Wesley Memorial could become?
Do you have a vision for achieving our purpose and better serving our congregation and local community?*

Our church leadership along with every member and friend of Wesley Memorial has an incredible opportunity to help shape and live into our church's future by engaging in a "Visioning Weekend" that will yield a revitalized strategic plan for our church. Over the weekend of **February 26, 27 and 28**, members and friends of Wesley Memorial are encouraged to attend and participate in a series of activities designed to help us articulate our hopes and dreams for our church. The specifics of this weekend are forthcoming but, for now, please mark your calendars and make plans to listen, engage and share! This article serves as a primer for outlining what strategic planning is, why it is important, and its components.

WHAT IS STRATEGIC PLANNING?

Strategic planning is a dynamic process that allows church leaders to identify and focus on specific priorities. A strategic plan articulates how our congregation, our community, and our world are better as a result of our commitments to **CONNECT**, **GROW** and **SERVE**. In other words, a strategic plan determines where our church wants to go and how we intend to get there.

WHY IS STRATEGIC PLANNING IMPORTANT?

As Benjamin Franklin said, "If you fail to plan, you are planning to fail."

- A strategic plan clarifies direction...of all the minis-

tries, programs and activities Wesley Memorial could be pursuing and documents those areas where our church is going to focus our resources.

- A strategic plan ensures we are all on the same page and share consensus on our priorities.
- It ensures that our goals and outcomes are responsive, focused, and directed at moving our church forward.
- A strategic plan is responsive to the changes occurring within our congregation and our world.
- Lastly, a strategic plan ensures that we are accountable by adhering to budgets that are built around the priorities of the plan.

WHAT ARE THE COMPONENTS OF A STRATEGIC PLAN?

A strategic plan provides not only direction, but also clarity and purpose. Here are the components that we will incorporate into our plan:

- **Mission/Purpose**
Our mission/purpose is our reason for being. At Wesley Memorial, our mission/purpose statement is "To make and sustain spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ who live in ways that transform the world."
- **Strategic Pathways**
Building on previous strategic planning work, Wesley Memorial embraces three guiding principles through which we will both express and live into our mission/purpose. **CONNECT** all persons to Jesus Christ and to the community of believers at Wesley Memorial. **GROW** spiritually healthy followers of Jesus Christ. **SERVE** as the hands and voice of Jesus Christ at Wesley Memorial, in High Point, and beyond.
- **Vision**
Our vision describes a longer-term (4-5 years) desire of what our church seeks to be or become. A vision can also be known as a big audacious goal – a goal that stretches our church beyond our comfort zone.

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- **Strategic Outcomes or Goals**

Strategic outcomes are goals that Wesley Memorial wants to achieve. Goals are usually set over a one-five year time frame, but are reviewed annually for progress and changes occurring within the church that would impact achieving the goal.

- **Objectives**

Objectives describe what we want to have happen to achieve a strategic outcome or goal and are framed in terms of what would represent achievement in measureable terms. When drafting objectives, we usually start with a word that indicates a direction, such as increase, expand, decrease, reduce, consolidate, abandon, improve, distribute, or enhance.

- **Strategies**

Just as objectives describe the “what we need to do” to accomplish our goals, “strategies” answer the “how.” Strategies describe how our church will commit its resources to accomplishing our objectives and goals. They bring focus to the allocation of resources and indicate a specific activity. Strategies start with words such as redesign, refine, create, identify, revise, develop, implement, establish. Strategies serve as a link between longer-term planning and annual planning and set priorities for volunteers groups, staff, and all other work.

- **Prioritize Strategies**

Once we have developed strategies, we will need to determine the priority for getting them accomplished and rank them as high, medium, or low.

CONCLUSION

What dreams and vision can Wesley Memorial accomplish by having a strategic plan? We have just answered that three fundamental questions that define an organization:

1. **Who are we as a church?** Wesley Memorial's identity is addressed by developing our mission/purpose and strategic pathways.
2. **Where are we going as church?** Wesley Memorial's direction will be stated in our vision, goals, and objectives.
3. **What strategies are we going to be living into?** Wesley Memorial's activities describe how we will accomplish our goals and objectives.

Over the weekend of **February 26, 27, and 28** we will embark on an exciting journey that will culminate in a strategic plan to take us through the year 2020. Although we will NOT complete the entire strategic planning process during this weekend in

February, your participation and input will provide the foundation and direction for the plan. Please join us!



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Student News...



Sunday Nights/MYF Resume

After a break for Christmas and New Year's, Sunday Night/MYF will resume on February 21. The schedule is a bit altered. We will begin at 5:30 pm with games until 6:00 pm. Small groups (high school girls and boys together and middle school girls and boys together) will go from 6:00 pm until 6:45 pm. This will be every Sunday night. Let everyone know that Sunday Nights are back and bring a friend.

Soul Food and Breakfast Club

If you are looking for some time during the week to connect with friends and deepen your spiritual life, try Soul Food and/or Breakfast Club. Soul Food is held every Wednesday from 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm in the Soul Café in the Underground. Breakfast Club is held every Friday morning from 7:15 am at Chick-fil-A on North Main Street.

Save the Date

Put these dates on your calendar and watch for details.

- March 11-13, 2016 – Confirmation Retreat at Lake Junaluska
- April 29-May 1, 2016 – Spring Workshop
- June 12-17, 2016 – Church Camp at Valle Crucis



Human Sexuality Event February 18-20

Created by God for 5th graders and their parents Thursday, February 18 through Saturday, February 20.

Cost will be \$50 per child. This will cover book, meals (Friday dinner and Saturday lunch) and leaders. A letter with complete details and registration information has been sent to all 5th grade families. This is open to anyone in the community so feel free to invite friends. For more information please contact Debbie Foust or Melissa Coley at mcoley@wesleymemorial.org.

The Greenhouse...Growing to be like Jesus

"The Greenhouse" kindergarten through fifth grader Sunday School are learning about what Worship is: "Why we Worship" and "How we Worship". They will have opportunities to experience worship and practice what they are learning.

In Sprouts Preschool Sunday School, This month three and four year olds will learn about Jesus calling helpers, and that Jesus still calls us today to help share the good news.

Join us at 9:45-10:45 for Sunday school. If you have any questions contact Debbie Foust at dfoust@wesleymemorial.org.

Save the Dates

Here is what's coming up in Children's Ministries

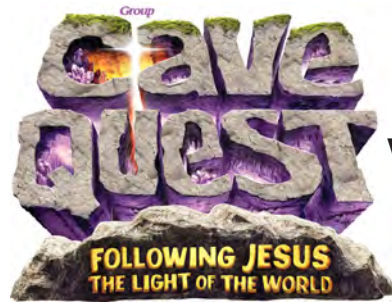
February 18-20: Created By God Human Sexuality for 5th Graders

March 18: 3rd-5th Grade-Easter Scavenger Hunt

March 20: Easter-church and community event

June 20-23: Music Arts Camp 9 am-12 pm

July 18-21: VBS



VBS~Monday-Thursday;
July 18-21
9:00 am-12:30 pm

Embark on a VBS Adventure That Will Light Their Way! Gear up for an over-the-top underground adventure! Ground kids in the rock-solid foundation of God's love, a love that takes us through life's dark times.

Mark your calendars. Registration will begin mid-May.

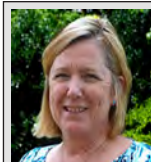
Bible Explorers/CrossTrainers Sunday afternoon programs for Kindergarteners through 5th grade

Winter Session of **Bible Explorers**-for kindergarten through second graders will begin, Sunday, February 21 from 4:45-6:00 pm. This weekly Christ-centered program helps children grow as whole persons and learn to make Christ Lord in every aspect of life. Come have fun with your friends while learning God's Word in fun and exciting ways.

CrossTrainer, Equipping Children to Change the World

For third through fifth graders will also begin Sunday, February 21 at 4:45-6:00 pm. Crosstrainer will help children build lifelong relationships and grow spiritually as follower of Jesus through interactive, hands-on learning experiences.

Registration information and brochures will be available on the Elementary Hall or you can contact Melissa Coley at mcoley@wesleymemorial.org or Debbie Foust dfoust@wesleymemorial.org.



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Women of Wesley

It's not too late to join the Women of Wesley as they study Priscilla Shirer's, *Armor of God*. This in-depth, female-oriented study of the discipline of prayer will help you combat the darkness you may face in your life or in the life of your family. Preschool moms are especially welcomed; come after you drop your little ones off! Childcare is also provided. Class meets Tuesdays at 9:30 am in the Underground (take the elevator to Level 1, turn left!), coffee is provided.

Live Alive

Our Live Alive programming (11 am every third Tuesday in the Dining Hall) is better than ever in 2016! After a hilarious routine by Tom Blount, former editor of the High Point Enterprise, in January, we are looking forward to February's program of Paul Lessard from the High Point Community Foundation and March's program, which will likely feature an amazing "God-story" from a former Prisoner of War. Meal will be Country Style Steak, White Rice, Broccoli, Bread and Dessert.



We are also excited to announce upcoming books being read by the Live Alive Book Club:

- February, *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry* by Gabrielle Charbonnet Zevin
- March, *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline (this is a city-wide read!)
- April, *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr (winner of the Pulitzer Prize!)
- May, *The Dressmaker* by Kate Alcott
- June, *Walking Across Egypt* by North Carolina writer Clyde Edgerton

Remember to sign up by the previous Friday morning at 10 am in order to reserve a plate, and don't forget Bingo and Book Club both start at 11 am, before lunch at 11:45!

Lenten Devotional

This year the Adult Education Spiritual Formation Team is proud to present a Lenten Devotional. Capitalizing on the trend of adult coloring books which is currently sweeping the nation, we will be producing a book of adult and kid-friendly coloring pages, with accompanying devotional quotes, passages, and Scriptures. Consider planning to utilize this

fun and spiritual activity in your (or your family's!) personal devotional life, or use it in your Sunday School class or Unity Group! The book will be available for free (although donations are welcome!) from the Front Desk. For more information, feel free to contact Rev. Erin Beall (812-4815 or ebeall@wesleymemorial.org).



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United Methodist Women

UMW Board Meeting-Friday, February 12, 10:30 am in the small dining room. Note: this is a new meeting day.

UMW Sunday is February 21, 11:00 am service.

Upcoming Circle Meetings:

Angel Tree Circle-Monday, February 8, 7 pm at the home of Betty Royal, 1235 Wales Court

Faith Circle-TBA

Friendship Circle-will not meet

Circle #6-Monday, February 8, 7 pm, location TBA

Circle #8-Monday, February 8, 11:00 am, in the small dining room, working on the Pillow Project

Circle #9-Tuesday, February 16, 10:30 am in the Dining Hall

Circle #11-Monday, February 15, 11:30 am in the Small Dining Hall



Children's Music, for children in kindergarten-fifth grade, is taking the months of February and March off, but you will want to hear them sing on January 31 with oboe and piano. They will be singing "Ubi Caritas" in Latin and English. Children's Music will resume rehearsals on April 17 in order to learn an anthem for Mother's Day. Looking ahead, be sure that you have Music Camp on your calendars for the third week of June, June 20-23.

Youth Handbells will resume rehearsals on February 14. They will be learning music to ring on Palm Sunday, March 20. Rehearsals are in the bell room from 4:30-5:30.

The **Wesley Handbell Choir** is for children in 3-5 grades. They rehearse on Wednesday afternoons from 4:15-5:00.

Women's Choir is singing at the 8:30 and 11 am worship services on February 14. They rehearse on Monday, February 1 and 8 from 12:30-1:15. After rehearsals they have lunch together at a local restaurant. They are singing "What Wondrous Love Is This" with violin and piano.

Chancel Bells resumed rehearsals on January 14 and is rehearsing music for Lent, Easter and spring. This bell choir is for adults and meets on Thursdays from 7-8:15 in the adult/youth bell room.

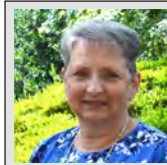
The Chancel Choir is preparing special music for Lent, Easter and beyond. You will want to be present on Good Friday, March 25, when the choir sings Requiem by Eleanor Daley. Eleanor Daley was born in 1955 in Ontario. Requiem is a hauntingly beautiful piece in 8 movements. Daley (pronounced "daily") sensitively portrays texts from the Bible, traditional Latin, the Book of Common Prayer and 20 century poets into harmonically rich music to create a work that expresses hope and comfort. For Easter the choir will sing with organ and strings one of Handel's Coronation Anthems and Psalm 150 by Cesar Franck. The Chancel Choir will have a retreat on Saturday, February 20, from 9:30-12:30.

Wesley Memorial currently has eight wonderful **Choral Scholars** who sing with the Chancel Choir, provide music for chapel services each week and sometimes sing solos at 11am. We are happy to pro-

vide opportunities for these young people to learn and share repertoire that they would not necessarily have an opportunity to learn.

You will not want to miss hearing the **HPU Chamber Singers** in our Sanctuary on February 28 at 4 pm. They will be singing music from their 2016 touring repertoire.

Thank you to all of our Anthem Angels. Anthem Angels purchase music for the various choirs from a list prepared by the Director of Music Ministries. If you would like to be an Anthem Angel or need more information about any of the above choirs, contact Anne Carroll.



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Children's Music



Choir Rehearsal



Youth Handbell Choir



Women's Choir



Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church
Report of the Leadership Develop and Nominations Team
2016 NOMINATIONS

Church Council

Chair (CC) Pete Thompson (15)
Lay Leader for Administration (LLA) Meredith Morgan (16)
Lay Leader for Ministry (LLM) Jim Holcomb (16)
Recording Secretary Laura Gibson (15)
Staff Parish Relations, Chair (SPRT) Tom Smothers (13)
Finance, Chair Michael Byles (16)
Trustees, Chair (BOT) Bryant Aldridge
Leadership/Nominations Vice-Chair Mark Morgan (14)
Annual Conference Lay Members (2) (LMAC) Suzie Farabow (13), Jim Royal (13)
Reserve Members Leigh Anne Bassinger (15), George McLarty (15)
Children & Family Ministries Team Rep Carolyn Steed (14)
Congregational Care Team Rep Nancy McKenzie (16)
Adult Education Team Rep Debbie Smothers (15)
Mission Team Rep Audrey Miller (16)
Worship Team Rep Michael Amos (15)
Evangelism Team Rep Leigh Anne Bassinger (16)
Student Ministries Team Rep TBD
Weekday Ministries Board Chair Susan Hedrick (16)
UMW President/Rep (Elected by UMW) Rita Meredith
UMM President/Rep (Elected by UMM) Dan Smoak
Youth Rep Laney Henley(16)
Ex Officio (without vote) Al Ward, Scott Howell

Administrative Teams

Board of Trustees

2016: A.B. Henley, **Bryant Aldridge**, Mac Lane
2017: Jane Kester, Whit Holbrook, Mike Samuel
2018: Karen Odom, Michael Beaver, Warren Lackey(13)
Ex Officio (without vote): Meredith Morgan (LLA)
Staff: Scott Howell

Facilities Team (Sub-Team of Trustees)

2016: Teresa Johnson, Jeff Heybrock, Christi Barbour
2017: Scott Dunbar, Karen Hoffman, Jo Thompson
2018: Pete Wilson, John Thomas, Hayden McKenzie
Ex Officio: BOT
Staff: Scott Howell

Parsonage Team

Meredith Morgan, Jobie Redmond
Ex Officio: (BOT), (SPRT)
Parsonage Family: Miriam and Al Ward

Finance Team

2016: Doug Brackett, George Morris, Dan Smoak
2017: Don Shaw, Beth Swann, **Michael Byles**
2018: Tad Godwin, Barbara Frye, Ned Covington (14)
Ex Officio: Meredith Morgan (LLA), (LMAC), Pete Thompson (CC), BOT, SPRT
Staff: Scott Howell & Al Ward

Stewardship Team (Sub-Team of Finance Team)

2016: Katherine McMullan, Andy Bills
2017: Tommy Langley, Iv Culp
2018: Andy Eskew, Gene Kester
Ex Officio: Meredith Morgan (LLA), Mike Samuel (BOT)
Staff: Scott Howell & Al Ward

Leadership Development/Nominations Team

2016: Susan Samuel, Jim Royal, Grace Henley
2017: Leslie Culp, Elizabeth Lynch, Jeff Horney
2018: Mark Morgan(13), Robert Yates, Carol Hutchins
Ex Officio: Meredith Morgan (LLA)
Staff: **Al Ward**

Staff Parish Relations Team

2016: Tom Smothers (12), Ray Rogers, Ardith Pugh
2017: Matt Miller, Karen Gooding, Matt Cochrane
2018: Rick Amos, Eugenia Pruette, Lisa Cheek
Ex Officio: Jim Royal (LMAC), Meredith Morgan (LLA)
Staff: Al Ward

Ministry Teams

Chairs in bold

Lay Leader for Ministry is Ex Officio on all Ministry Teams

Adult Education and Spiritual Formation Team

2016: **Debbie Smothers**, Richard Orr, Sallie Amos
2017: Brent Womble, Betty Royal, Laney Morris
2018: Kristy Dudley, Caroline Godwin, Bill Russell
Staff: Erin Beall

Children's Ministries Team

2016: Molly Reeves (15), Patricia Nash, Alison Collins(13)
2017: Wendy Kitley, Melanie Bruton, **Carolyn Steed**
2018: Allison Yates (13), Beth Holbrook, Kandace Perryman
Staff: Debbie Foust

Congregational Care Team

2016: Libby Cheek, Rex Walser, Linda Smoak
2017: Laura Amos, Brenda Bradner, Sarah Kemm
2018: Keelah Voll, **Nancy McKenzie** (14), Susan Ravenel
Staff: Jared Stine

Evangelism and Hospitality Team

2016: **Leigh Anne Bassinger**, Mike Bruton (15), Jane McInnis
2017: Kellie Hall, Nancy Warburton, Carolyn Shaw
2018: Rob Squires, Matt Cromer, Anne Bills
Staff: Jared Stine & Al Ward

Mission and Community Impact Team

2016: Marti Holcomb, Julie Price, Richard Wood (15)
2017: **Audrey Miller**, Rita Meredith, TBD
2018: David Adams, Dwight Steed, Tina VanLandingham
Staff: Al Ward

Senior Adult Council

2016: **Bill Anderson**, Lois Markham, Joyce Stephens
 2017: Jane Blackwell, Bonnie Cashion, Bootsie Tucker
 2018: Richard Brewer, Susan Browder, Elizabeth Mewborne
 Staff: Erin Beall

Traditional Music Team

2016: **Harriet Mattes**, Alisha Boger, Teresa Flack
 2017: Harold Johnson, George McLarty, Claire Wilson
 2018: Nancy Shaw (13), Bridget Dorn, TBD
 Staff: Anne Carroll

Worship Team

2016: Barbara Coughlin, **Mike Amos**, Bob Amos
 2017: Patty McLarty, Lee Lyon, Chris Covington
 2018: Butch Farabow, Michael Campbell, Howard Regan
 Staff: Al Ward, Erin Beall, Anne Carroll, Keith Byrd

Victoria Qubein Fund Team

2016: Greg York, Joni Lackey, **Chris Dudley** (12)
 2017: Stephanie Beaver, Bert Wood, Katherine Covington
 2018: Andy Bills, Rob Davanzo, TBD
 Ex Officio: Mariana Qubein
 Staff: Al Ward

Wesley Memorial School Board

2016: Iris Sunshine, Linda Millen
 2017: **Susan Hedrick**, Bob Niebauer, Sherman Covington
 2018: Brian Bunch, Susan Culp
 Ex Officio (with vote): BOT, FT, SPRT, Scott Howell, Debbie Foust
 Ex Officio (without vote): Susan Sumpter, Susan Kelley

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

The annual LEADERSHIP SUMMIT will be held on Saturday, February 6, 2016 from 9 am until noon in the Dining Hall (a continental breakfast will be available at 8:30 am). All 160 plus leaders on these pages are urged to attend. We will use this time to orient each other to Wesley Memorial's "mission field" and the ministries through which we engage with this field.



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CAR BLESSING

Reliable transportation is a necessity for most people. Often times, people who do not have transportation find it difficult to find and keep a job. WHEELS-4-HOPE is a non-profit, faith-based organization that helps local residents secure transportation through affordable car ownership. They refurbish used cars and make them available to persons in need. These persons are recommended by a community agency and they purchase the car for a modest sum and pay for the tags and title. Over 200 families in the Triad have been put on the road to self-sufficiency through WHEEL-4-HOPE.

Wesley Memorial has provided a mission grant to W4H, so following the 8:30 worship services on February 28, everyone is invited to join us in the parking lot outside the Dining Hall where we will participate in Blessing one of the cars we refurbished and meet its new owner.

*Worship...***ASH WEDNESDAY
BEGINS LENT**

Wesley Memorial's observance of Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, **February 10**, with services at 7:00 am (Chapel), 11:00 am (Chapel), and 7:00 pm (Sanctuary).

The observance of Lent will continue through Holy Week when we will have a special presentation sponsored by the Victoria Qubein Fund on Tuesday, **March 22 at 7:00 pm**; Holy Thursday Service on Thursday, **March 24 at 7:00 pm**; and Good Friday Service on Friday, **March 25 at 7:00 pm** featuring special music by the Chancel Choir.

SPECIAL SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY

We will recognize two important ministries of Wesley Memorial during February. On February 14, we will observe Scouting Ministry Sunday and recognize the outstanding Boy and Girl Scouting programs at Wesley Memorial. During these services the Eagle and Gold Scouts will be recognized. On February 21, we will observe United Methodist Women Sunday and recognize this vital part of the ministry of Wesley Memorial.

wesley memorial school

NURSERY • PRESCHOOL • KINDERGARTEN

Top 10 Ways Wesley Memorial School is UNIQUE!

- #1 Attitudes of love and acceptance invite children to live in a Christ-like way.
- #2 Curriculum fosters the development of the WHOLE child - - social, emotional, cognitive, physical, and spiritual.
- #3 Child's learning is joyful, active, and hands-on!
- #4 Individual abilities guide how and what we teach, so child's learning is developmentally appropriate, yet challenging.
- #5 Parents and teachers partner in the on-going assessment of child's progress.
- #6 Collaborative relationships with families are established and maintained as "key" to child's school success.
- #7 Inclusive community welcomes children with special learning needs and connects with exceptional children's services in Guilford Co.
- #8 Teachers have college backgrounds plus extensive experience in early childhood. Staff are certified in CPR and First Aid. All classes have Lead Teacher AND Assistant(s).
- #9 Facilities are second to none! Classrooms are clean, attractive, and well-equipped. Beautiful outdoor campus includes playgrounds shaded by magnificent oak trees, children's garden, and nature trail.
- #10 Safe Sanctuaries policies guide campus safety.



Registration Lift-Off to 2016-17 School Year!

- 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 Wed. 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 Wed.
MWF class or 5 days
- Kgt Fives:** Classes for Children age 5 by Aug 31
9 am-1 pm daily with lunch at school;
5 days only

Extend-The-Day Care Available!

Parents may add on 1 hour. Choice of:

Before-School Care, 8-9 am or

After-School Care, 12 noon-1 pm

Members of Wesley Memorial-Register during 2-week priority beginning January 19.

Non-Members Already In Program-Register during 2-week priority beginning February 1.

Accepting families on our waiting list mid-February

Visit us during a scheduled Open House, or call the Susans at 884-4232 for your individual tour. View highlights of class activities this school year at www.wesleymemorialschool.org

OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

Friday, January 29, 9:15 am, all age-levels
Special presentation in Children's Gathering Room, followed by a walk through tour of each classroom to see children and teachers engaging in learning centers.

Friday, January 29, 6:30-8 pm, all age-levels
Presentation in Children's Gathering Room; tour of school facilities.

Event dates specific to age-level at 9:15 am, each will include special presentation in Children's Gathering Room, followed by walk through tour.

Wednesday, February 3-Kindergarten Fives

Friday, February 5-Pre-K Fours

Wednesday, February 10-Threes

Friday, February 12-Infants, Toddlers, Twos



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Administration...

2015 Operating Budget

We ended 2015 with a \$45K cash surplus! This is attributed to Revenues exceeding budgeted expectations by approximately \$41,000 and actual expenses falling below budgeted expectations by approximately \$4,000. The surplus is being held in a restricted account pending complete review and closure of 2015 income and expenses. The Finance Team is recommending that approximately \$18,000 of the 2015 surplus be used in support of the 2016 operating budget.

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	\$ Variance
Revenues	\$1,853,985	\$1,894,788	\$40,803
Expenses	<u>\$1,853,241</u>	<u>\$1,849,249</u>	\$3,992
NET	\$744	\$45,539	\$44,795

In 2015, we received approximately \$1.702M in pledge commitments. The 2015 operating budget was constructed using an assumption that we would collect 98% of these pledges (\$1.668M) in 2015. In reality, we collected \$1.705M pledge payments with some persons paying less than their 2015 pledge commitment, most persons paying 100% of their 2015 pledge commitment, and a few person paying more than their 2015 pledge commitment. We are grateful to everyone's generous financial support of Wesley Memorial's mission & ministry!

Overall, expenses were slightly below budgeted expectations:

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	\$ Variance
Connect	\$41,200	\$31,891	\$9,309
Grow	\$50,050	\$38,235	\$11,815
Serve	\$230,973	\$231,289	(\$316)
Facilities	\$309,720	\$310,979	(\$1,259)
Administration	\$121,720	\$113,180	\$8,540
Human Res.	\$1,091,653	\$1,115,301	(\$23,648)*
Food Service	<u>\$7,925</u>	<u>\$8,374</u>	(\$449)
TOTAL	\$1,853,241	\$1,849,249	\$3,992

* Because of a calendar anomaly, approximately \$24K in 2016 Human Resources expenses was paid in 2015. This is NOT an overpayment of 2015 salary expense.

Although total Facilities expenses were only \$1200 over budgeted expectations, our 2015 Utilities expense (electric, sewer, water) was approximately \$14K over budgeted expectations. The 2016 operating budget has been adjusted accordingly.

If you would like a more detailed report of the 2015 Operating Budget income and expenses, please contact Scott Howell at showell@wesleymemorial.org OR 336-812-4800.



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The deadline for article submission for the February issue of the HeartBeat will be January 29. To submit information for the HeartBeat contact: Melissa Coley at mcoley@wesleymemorial.org.

Special Sunday to Honor Healthcare Professionals - April 3

If you are a healthcare professional, we invite you to join us on Sunday, April 3 for special worship services designed to honor those who serve and work in the healthcare industry in High Point. Healthcare requires great dedication and talent, gifts we believe are given by God and used by God's people to help provide healing and peace to all. Whether you are an active or retired physician, nurse, pharmacist, dentist, or in sales, mental healthcare, or work in a medical office, the Congregational Care team wants to honor and encourage you in your vocation as a healthcare provider in our community. Invite your colleagues and fellow professionals. Interested in learning more? Contact Jared Stine at jstine@wesleymemorial.org for more information.



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Wesley Memorial Celebrates...



Welcome, New Members!

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

Charles and Vanessa Surles joined December 20 at 8:30 am.



Baptisms

We rejoice in the baptism of **Avonlea Blythe Hicks**, daughter of Robert and Alison Hicks and welcome her into the family of Christ on **November 29..**

Weddings...

*Congratulations to **Lauren Carr and Rob Bailey** who were married **November 7.***

*Congratulations to **Melanie Wooten and Doug Ross** who were married **December 5.***

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 had so many memorials November and December we had more than a page! Honorariums are on this page and memorials are on the next page.

IN HONOR OF:

Bill Anderson: Mary Locklear, Tammy Wright
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In Memoriam

Andrew Duane Coleman

December 2

Janice Page (Wells) Gill Isenhower

December 7

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IN SYMPATHY OF:

Lee Aldridge and family in the death of her mother; Ann Bernadette Druschel Reinking on November 29, 2015.

Kari Craig, Geneva Craig, Ryan & Ian Craig and families in the death of their son, grandson and step brother; Andrew Duane Coleman on December 2, 2015.

Fred Isenhower and Leslie Gill in the death of his wife and her mother; Janice Page (Wells) Gill Isenhower on December 7, 2015.

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



Bible Study Lunch, led by Dr. Al Ward, begins at 12 noon in the Dining Hall, he will be finishing up the book of Genesis and beginning something new in February. *Meal includes: Soup, Sandwich, Dessert, Tea or Water.*

Bible Study

Bring your own lunch or make a reservation by Monday at 4:30 pm for the \$5 catered lunch. All are invited!

Wednesday Dinners are prepared by our fabulous Holy Chefs from Wesley 100. Seating begins at 5:30 pm in the Dining Hall. The price is only \$6 for adults, \$3 for youth 14-18 and free for those under 14.

The menus for February are:

February 3-Pork Tenderloin, Potato Salad, Carrots, Bread and Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

February 9 (Shrove Tuesday)-No dinner February 10.

February 17-Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Salad, Bread and Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

February 24-Chicken & Dumplings, Green Beans, Apple Sauce, Bread, and Dessert. Children's menu is same as adult menu.

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