

WESLEY WINDOW

AUGUST 21, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

AUGUST 24, 2025

Traditional
8:30 & 11:00AM
Sanctuary
Greg Porterfield

Scripture
Luke 13:10-17

Modern
9:30 & 11:00AM
Celebration Space
Lindsey Solomon

Watch live at
www.wesleyumc.net

Livestream on
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY
CHURCH**

You Don't Need a Mirror

Looked in the mirror lately? Chances are you have. In fact, studies suggest we look into the mirror as many as thirty or forty times a day. That's almost as many times as we glance at our phones - almost, but thankfully not quite. Still, it's a lot, an indispensable part of our daily routine. It's one of the first things we do when we wake up and one of the last things we make sure of before we leave the house. Why so much? It was just seven or eight hours earlier that we went to bed. Did we think things were going to change so profoundly that we wouldn't recognize ourselves in the morning? And besides that, at my age whenever I look into the mirror it's kind of disappointing. For me, the routine begins after morning exercise and I've had some coffee. Before I place the razor to my face I check the topography it is about to assail. Often, I find a new line that has etched itself onto my face, and where did that gray hair come from? And then to find out that mirrors do not necessarily even accurately reflect what you look like. Did you know lighting has as much effect on what you think you see as does your mirror? It has always been thus.

Remember what the Apostle Paul said, "We see as in a mirror dimly." (1 Corinthians 13). In the time of Paul, a mirror wasn't made of glass - instead was highly polished metal that would give you a general but not perfect reflection of yourself.

That's why in scripture most people are not described by their faces. Did you know there is no physical description of what Jesus looked like in the Bible? Was his face round or linear, his hair brown or black? We don't know. We guess based on general Mideastern archetypes but we don't know. In the Bible, to describe a person you don't often look at the face but a person's traits. For instance, in our scripture for this Sunday, Luke 13:10-17, a person stands before Jesus. What do we know? That she is a woman, crippled, unable to stand straight and she has had the condition for 18 years. Nothing else. We don't know her age, the color of her hair or her complexion.

You want to know who you are? Think about how people describe you. That is a more accurate description than what you simply look like. Does what you think about yourself match the person others describe you to be?

That is the subject of the sermon Sunday.

OUR PRAYERS

Itala Azzarelli	Shannon Egan	Carol Morse
Jeannie Boerger	Amy Eubanks	Jane Moxley
John Bradley	Elton Fauber	Elliot Mumper
Nick Bravo	Irene Faucher	Jan Nelson
Delaine Brown	Dot Gleason	Judy Orosz
Paula Brown	Jeff Harris Sr.	Kline Petty
Browning Family	Meagin Hilbert	Melinda Porter
Bobby Buffkin	Don & Betty Holck	Gloria Prather
John Burnette	Ashley Holder	Alicia Reeves
Melissa Campos	Margaret Horsely	Kelli Reville
Diane Cawood	C. Eddy Ivey Jr.	Charlie Rockwell
Steve Clark	Jetter Family	Abby Roney
Francis Chandler	Kendinger Family	Sorrells Family
Kimberly D. Cliett	Olivia King	Amber South
Kaitlyn Cobbs	Kristen Laursen	Heather South
Cook Family	Pat Lee	Mowgli Stencil
Kerry Deering	Wanda Lee	Allison Thompson
Bonnie	Todd Lindley	Jimmy Vaughn
Devereaux	Barbara &	Ruth Ann Waller
Jan Devereaux	Megan Loneker	Debbie Weisz
Phoebe Dinkins	Hannah Lotz	Bonnie Wilson
Bill Dunn	Clarence Malcom	Wilson Family
Edwards Family	Audra Melon	

OUR WEEKLY BREAD

These things that were written in the Scriptures
so long ago are to teach us . . .
- Romans 15:4

WORDS OF NATURE

In the wonders of nature we see God's laws in operation. Who has not looked up at the stars on a cloudless night and marveled in silent awe at the glory of God's handiwork? Who has not felt his heart lifted in the spring of the year, as he sees all creation bursting with new life and vigor? In the beauty and abundance around us we see the magnitude of God's power and the infinite detail of His planning, but nature tells us nothing of God's love or God's grace. Conscience tells us in our innermost being of the presence of God and of the moral difference between good and evil, but this is a fragmentary message, in no way as distinct and comprehensive as the lessons of the Bible. It is only in its pages that we find the clear and unmistakable message upon which all true Christianity is based.

*As I read Your Word, almighty God, clear my mind
of needless thoughts, so that I may be aware of
Your message for me this day.
- billygraham.org*

THE BIBLE YEAR

It's not too late to join!
New Testament begins
August 31! Get the
reading schedule here
each week or use The
Bible Year by Macrey R.
Devega. Discussion
group meets on
Sundays, 6-7PM.

AUGUST 24-30

August 24: Zephaniah 1-3
August 25: Haggai 1-2
August 26: Zechariah 1-4
August 27: Zechariah 5-9
August 28: Zechariah 10-14
August 29: Malachi 1-2
August 30: Malachi 3-4

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Placed on August 17 in honor of

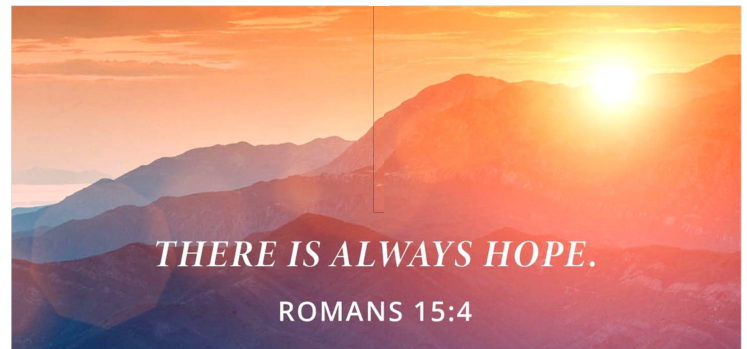
Steve & Diana Thompson
for their 45th anniversary
and for the birthday of their daughter
Paige Williams

Placed on August 24 in memory of

Galen Freeman
by his wife Rebecca Freeman,
son Porter Freeman & daughter Collette Clark.

**AND THE SCRIPTURES GIVE US
HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT AS
WE WAIT PATIENTLY FOR GOD'S
PROMISES TO BE FULFILLED.**

ROMANS 15:4



OUR PRESENCE - AUGUST 17

8:30 Traditional	110	9:30 Modern	137
11:00 Traditional	275	11:00 Modern	164
11:00 Jr. Church	27	TOTAL	713

OUR GIFTS

• Operating:	\$	38,647
• Received Through This Week:	\$	1,362,647
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	1,588,442

COLUMBIA COUNTY CARES AUGUST FOOD & SUPPLY COLLECTION



**PANCAKE MIX, BABY FOOD,
SMALL BOTTLES OF
DISHWASHING LIQUID
DOG & CAT FOOD**

If you can donate any non-perishable
foods and household staples, place them
in the Mission Cart in the Biscuit Area.

NEW MEMBER



Matthew McPhail
with fiancée Haley Alexander
August 10, 2025

**WELCOME TO
WESLEY!**

**WE COMMEND THIS PERSON
TO YOUR LOVE AND CARE. DO ALL
IN YOUR POWER TO INCREASE
HIS FAITH, CONFIRM HIS HOPE,
AND PERFECT HIM IN LOVE.**

VOLUNTEER KICK OFF TAILGATE



SCAN TO RSVP OR
VISIT WESLEYUMC.NET

AUGUST 27, 6-7:30PM

WEAR YOUR TEAM COLORS AND BRING
YOUR FAVORITE TAILGATE DISH AS WE
CHEER OUR VOLUNTEERS AND HELP
EVERYONE FIND THEIR PLACE
TO SERVE ON THE WESLEY TEAM!



Women's Ministry RISE & SHINE

September 27 9am-12pm

Women of all ages welcome!
We will focus on the different
types of prayer as we enjoy
breakfast & fellowship.
Childcare available upon request.
Cost: \$10

wesleyumc.net to register

THIS WEEK IN MODERN

Return, Restore, Require
Revive, Recover

Back to God

*Lessons on Refranchising to God
from the Minor Prophets*

We are learning from the Minor Prophets about all
of the ways God calls us back. This week's sermon: **Revive.**
"Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your
deeds, Lord. Repeat them in our day, in our time
make them known; in wrath remember mercy."
Habakkuk 2:3

WESLEY YARD SALE

**October 4
9am-12pm**

Visit www.wesleyumc.net
for more details about
pre-sale tickets and more!

DROP-OFFS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 17!

ADAPTIVE WORSHIP SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 7 AT 2PM

OCTOBER 5 AT 2PM

NOVEMBER 2 AT 2PM

ALL PEOPLE DESERVE TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD.
THIS IS A SHORTENED, LOW SENSORY SERVICE DESIGNED
FOR ALL PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF AGE, BACKGROUND,
PHYSICAL, COGNITIVE, OR EMOTIONAL ABILITY.

WWW.WESLEYUMC.NET/SPECIAL-NEEDS-MINISTRY

WESLEY
CHURCH

WESTERN NC RELIEF & RECOVERY TRIP

Help restore what was lost—both in structure and spirit—during
Hurricane Helene. Join us for a mission trip to Western NC.

JANUARY 27-31, 2026

REGISTER AT WWW.WESLEYUMC.NET/MISSIONS

COST: \$65 (REGISTRATION CLOSES JAN. 10)

CONTACT DAN AT ARMSTRONGDW@GMAIL.COM WITH QUESTIONS



women's bible study

**WEDNESDAYS @ 10AM
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10**

No registration required.
Newcomers welcome.



**10-WEEK STUDY OF 1, 2, & 3 JOHN:
"ABIDE" BY JEN WILKINS
ORDER BOOKS FROM AMAZON OR LIFEWAY**

THIS WEEK AT WESLEY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30a Traditional Worship
9:30a Modern Worship
11:00a Modern Worship
11:00a Traditional Worship
6:00p Bible Year Group
6:00p Wesley Students

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

7:00p AA Meeting
7:00p Scout Troop 615

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

8:00a Men in Mission
7:00p Scout Troop 1615

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

6:00p Volunteer Kickoff
Tailgate
7:00p Celebration Choir

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

9:15a Mom's Group
5:00p Senior Adult Supper -
Old MacDonald's Fish Camp
7:00p AA Meeting



3rd-12th Grade ACOLYTE TRAINING

Sunday, September 14
12-12:30pm in the Sanctuary

Contact Summer Rhodes at
sdbeckman@hotmail.com.

The BIBLE YEAR

The New Testament

Discussion Group Sundays at 6pm
in the Conference Room

Join our Facebook Group:

Scan code
or search
"Wesley the Bible Year."

LABOR DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

AUGUST 31

No Jr. Church (1st-5th Grade)
8:30am - Nursery
9:30am - Nursery & PreK-5th Grade
11:00am - Nursery, PreK & Kindergarten

LUNCH & LEARN

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

SEPTEMBER 14
12:15pm, Student Ministry Room

Join us to learn how to be prepared for
a natural disaster or other emergency.

Hosted by the Care Ministry

REGISTER

moms group

Together, we thrive -
don't do life alone.

JOIN US FOR
Fellowship
Bible & Book Studies
Playdates
Lunch Bunch

Thursdays
9:15 - 11:15am
Connect Room
Childcare Provided

email lindsey@wesleyumc.net
with questions

Join us for CHILDREN'S CHOIR

REHEARSALS BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

K-2nd Grade 5:30-6pm
3rd-5th Grade 6-6:30pm

Email
molly.e.furse@gmail.com

SENIOR ADULT SUPPER

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 5PM

Old MacDonald's Fish Camp

helen@wesleyumc.net to register.

WESLEY CHURCH

Luke Amerson ext 207.....	Modern Music Director
Helen Bissell.....	Senior Adult Outreach
Laura Croft ext 210.....	Preschool Director
Michelle Dodson ext 221.....	Evangelism/Program Secretary
Amanda Ellis ext 203.....	Finance Director
Leslie England.....	Connections Director
Lauren Fackler.....	Special Needs Ministry Coordinator
Ellyn Gilbert ext 224.....	Student Ministries Coordinator
Jose Gonzales.....	Custodian
Mark Haddon ext 206.....	Facilities Manager
Holly Jordan.....	Students Intern
Willey Lee.....	Music Associate
Kate Morris ext 211.....	Family Ministry Director
Greg Porterfield ext 201.....	Senior Pastor
Makayla Rittwage ext 205.....	Student Discipleship Coordinator
Carol Shikle ext 211.....	Assistant Family Ministry Director
Kelley Sleeper ext 202.....	Missions Assistant
Justin Smith.....	Custodian
Lindsey Solomon ext 223.....	Associate Pastor
Aaron Talbott ext 213.....	Pastor of Student Ministries
Jeff Wickell ext 225.....	Music Ministries Director
Hillary Williamson ext 220.....	Care Director

For a complete listing of staff contact information, visit wesleyumc.net.

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