

WESLEY WINDOW

AUGUST 7, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES **AUGUST 10, 2025**

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

Scripture
Luke 12:32-40

Modern
9:30 & 11:00AM
Celebration Space
Aaron Talbott

Watch live at
www.wesleyumc.net

Livestream on
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY
CHURCH**

Are You Ready?

I can only imagine how many times that question was asked this last week as students prepared for a return to school. The query is offered in a variety of ways: Do you know what you are going to wear? Do you know where your shoes are? Where is your book bag and does it have everything you need? We ask all those questions. Preachers are famous for asking questions like that, "Do you know how hot the fiery furnace will be?" We like to ask as congregants squirm uncomfortably in their pew. What we are really asking is, are you ready?

Seldom is a day such questions as these and many others are not asked. And if we think about it, they can never be answered as clearly as we would like. For the question, "Are you ready?", assumes we know what the future will hold. I remember thinking as a student that I was ready for a test, but sure enough there was always a question I had not anticipated. It's supposed to be that way because that's how life is. When Jesus asks the question, "Are you ready?" (the subject of the sermon for Sunday, Luke 12:32-40), he doesn't mean do you know everything. He means are you prepared for whatever the future holds. It is a bedrock of belief and will see you through anything, even the unexpected. And this is what faith provides - not the answer to every question - but to know what really matters.

I'll see you Sunday,

P.S. On the back you will see the new signage that refreshes our campus - it looks great! I am grateful to Ray Peters and Triple AAA signs for making this possible.



WESLEY STUDENTS

KICK-OFF

AUGUST 10

PICK UP YOUR T-SHIRTS SUNDAY MORNING AND JOIN US SUNDAY NIGHT @ 6PM FOR WATER ACTIVITIES, INFLATABLES AND MORE!

OUR PRAYERS

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

OUR WEEKLY BREAD

...holy men of God spake as they were moved
by the Holy Ghost.
- 2 Peter 1:21

UNITY IN SCRIPTURE

Although you can derive inspiration from any portion of the Scripture, it is better to have an understanding of the general structure of the Bible to get the most out of it. The Old Testament is an account of a nation, Israel. Out of that nation came Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. The New Testament is an account of a Man, the Son of man, the Savior. God Himself became a man, so that we might know what He is like. His appearance on the earth was the central, most important event of history. The Old Testament gives the background for this event; the New Testament tells the story of its fulfillment. You will find a unity of thought and purpose which indicates that one mind inspired the writing of the whole.

Inspire me, Lord God, as I read the Bible so that I may be able to understand more clearly Your divine teachings.
- 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 10-16

August 10: Daniel 7-12
August 11: Hosea 1-5
August 12: Hosea 6-10
August 13: Hosea 11-14
August 14: Joel 1-3
August 15: Amos 1-4
August 16: Amos 5-9

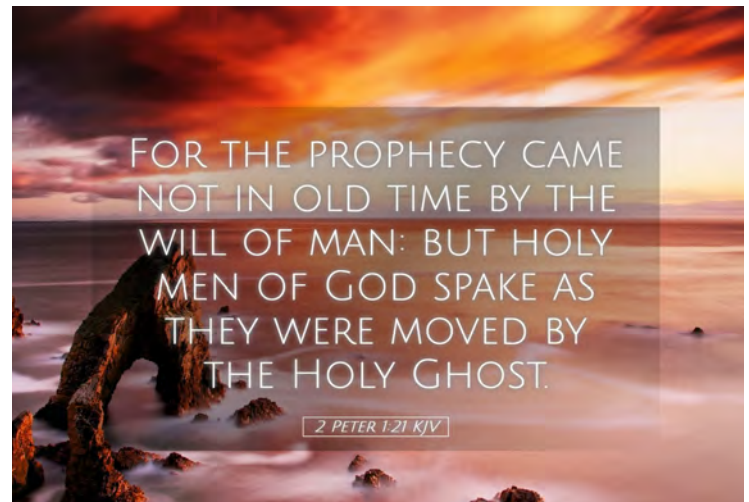
FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

Placed on August 3 in honor of
Eddie & Catherine Jordan
for their 25th anniversary.

CELEBRATING THE BIRTH OF

Clara Margaret Waters

Born July 23, 2025
Daughter of Brandon & Maggie Waters
Granddaughter of Doug & Robin Holt



OUR PRESENCE - AUGUST 3

8:30 Traditional	116	9:30 Modern	106
11:00 Traditional	318	11:00 Modern	160
11:00 Jr. Church	34	TOTAL	734

OUR GIFTS

• Operating:	\$	43,223
• Received Through This Week:	\$	1,278,671
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	1,492,173

COLUMBIA COUNTY CARES AUGUST FOOD & SUPPLY COLLECTION



**PANCAKE MIX, BABY FOOD,
SMALL BOTTLES OF
DISHWASHING LIQUID**

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

JOIN US FOR BIBLE STUDY

ME, MY SPOUSE AND GOD (MSG)
SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

NEW 8-WEEK STUDY ON PHILIPPIANS BY JOBY MARTIN
BEGINS SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 9:30AM, ROOM 26

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO JOIN!

COLLEGE CONNECTION

COLLEGE STUDENTS!

Sign up for Wesley's College Connection Ministry!
All we need is your birthdate and mailing information sent to michelle@wesleyumc.net by Monday, September 9. Regardless if you stay at home and attend a local college, go off to a campus or enlist in the military, College Connection would like to send you special goodies throughout the school year.

If you have participated in the past, please update your information again this year.

Parents - if you would like to help with this ministry, email Elaine Griswell at elainegriswell@yahoo.com. (We meet four times a year on Tuesdays at 4:30).



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."




**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



**WILD WEST
PARENT
NIGHT OUT**



REGISTER!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 5:30-8:30 PM
★ 1 YEAR - 5TH GRADE ★

SENIOR ADULT SUPPER
THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 5PM



Old MacDonald's Fish Camp
helen@wesleyumc.net to register.

WESLEY RINGERS

Need 2-3 people to join us in handbell choir. Ability to read music and understand basic rhythms is a must. We meet on Wednesday evenings at 6pm. Rehearsals begin September 3. If you would like to join us, contact Sue McManus at jasule75@yahoo.com.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

9:30 KINDERGARTEN TEACHER
9:30 2ND GRADE TEACHER
11:00 PRE K TEACHER
9:30 AND 11:00 GREETERS
SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

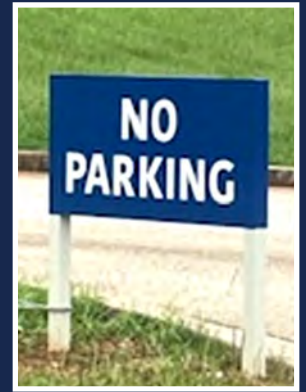


CONTACT CAROL@WESLEYUMC.NET

ALL SIGNS POINT TO WESLEY

Check out our cool new signs! Exterior campus signage got a grand update this week, thanks to Ray Peters and Triple AAA Signs. We also appreciate Leslie England and Makayla Rittwage, who coordinated and designed the signs!

An interior sign makeover will be coming soon!



THIS WEEK AT WESLEY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

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
Kick-Off

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13

10:00a Women's Bible Study
7:00p Celebration Choir

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

2:00p Brandon Wilde
Communion Service
6:00p AA Meeting

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

6:00p AA Meeting
7:00p Scout Troop 615

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

5:30p Wild West Parents
Night Out

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12

8:00a Men in Mission
5:00p Faith Care Clinic
7:00p Scout Troop 1615



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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