

# WESLEY WINDOW

OCTOBER 2, 2025

## WORSHIP SERVICES

**OCTOBER 5, 2025**  
**WORLD COMMUNION**  
**SUNDAY**

Traditional  
**8:30 & 11:00AM**

Sanctuary  
Greg Porterfield

Scripture  
Luke 16:19-31

Modern  
**9:30 & 11:00AM**

Celebration Space  
Aaron Talbott

Scripture  
James 14:7-11

Adaptive  
**2:00PM**

Celebration Space  
Greg Porterfield

Watch live at  
[www.wesleyumc.net](http://www.wesleyumc.net)

Livestream on  
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available  
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY**  
**CHURCH**

## A Busy Weekend at Wesley

It is October. Cool mornings and warm sunshine in the afternoon. It is a great time to get out and enjoy the day, and we have several things I want to invite you to at Wesley.

First, this Saturday, October 3, the Wesley Yard Sale opens at 7AM. People come from all over and arrive early so they can enjoy the sale. It is the most eclectic shopping experience you might ever have. So many people have generously donated most everything imaginable, and it's fun to peruse clothing, accessories, furniture and so much more. What is most gratifying, however, is that all the profit from the Yard Sale goes to missions and ministries beyond the walls of this church. Your purchases will add to that work. I look forward to seeing you there, it will be a great start to your weekend.

Sunday also promises to be special as we observe World Communion at all worship services. This is a Sunday designated with other denominations to acknowledge that, for all we perceive as different in us, as we share in this sacrament we are united through Christ. It is an important witness to make to a fractured world. I invite you to join us as we share in this observance and witness to the supremacy of faith in these divided times.

Later, on Sunday afternoon we will return at 2PM for our Special Needs Worship Service. This service is designed so that persons or families affected by special needs may be able to worship comfortably. The service lasts approximately 30 minutes and is accompanied by acoustic music so it can best be received by persons with auditory concerns. We are one of the few churches in the area that provide this kind of worship experience, and we have people who travel some distance to worship in this setting. It is another important witness of our congregation.

Sunday from 4:30-5:30PM we will observe the Blessing of the Animals. Quoting from the hymn, "All creatures great and small, the Lord God made them all," we will be acknowledging the profound enrichment animals bring to our daily lives. Bring your pets for a special blessing in the Pumpkin Patch!

Speaking of the Pumpkin Patch, it is now open! All profit will go to our Student Ministry and this summer's mission trip to Guatemala. How can you not like that?

A great weekend is in store, and you know the only thing that can make it better? Your presence. I look forward to seeing you.

I'll see you Sunday,

## OUR PRAYERS

Charlene	Brian Ellefson	Todd Lindley
Alexander	Amy Eubanks	Hannah Lotz
Scott & Ashley	Lauren Fackler	Clarence Malcom
Ball	Irene Faucher	Carol Morse
John Bradley	Susan Gilbert	Gloria Prather
Delaine Brown	Bob Gleason	Alicia Reeves
John Burnette	Dot Gleason	Kelli Reville
Diana Butler	Jeff Harris Sr.	Charlie Rockwell
Diane Cawood	Ross Harrison	Abby Roney
Lisa Clayton	C. Eddy Ivey Jr.	Amber South
Kimberly D. Cliett	Olivia King	Heather South
Bonnie	Kristen Laursen	Mowgli Stencel
Devereaux	Pat Lee	Ruth Ann Waller
Jan Devereaux	Wanda Lee	Bonnie Wilson
Phoebe Dinkins	Andrea LePine	

## OUR WEEKLY BREAD

Is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf.  
- 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

**Sunday is World Communion Sunday, the day where Christians all over the world are reminded that the great gift of the life and death of Jesus is for all people everywhere. This table is wider than our world, and the welcome is just as wide. Jesus calls each and every one of us to encounter the love of God that was so great that nothing, even our own sinful nature, even the ways of humanity that put him on the cross, would stand in the way of that love being offered to all. As you come to the table on Sunday, consider the love of God, not just for a select few, but for each and every one - all of us, everywhere.**

*God whose love knows no boundaries, remind us that your Word is one of communion, not division. Your gifts are gifts of abundance, peace and freedom, not scarcity, violence and oppression. We thank you that in Christ you have given us the greatest gift: your very self. We thank you for these symbols that remind us of your boundless love that we know through Jesus. As we gather, may your gifts and presence be received with joy and humility. As we leave our time of communion, may we carry that Good News into your world that cries out to hear it. In the name of Jesus, our Christ, Amen.*  
- disciplesnet.org

## M I D W E E K PRAYER

WEDNESDAYS, 12-1PM  
in the Sanctuary & Narthex

Come. Pray in this holy space.  
Spend intentional time hearing the whisper of the Holy Spirit as you give over your concerns to the Lord.

ONEBREAD.  
ONEBODY.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED TO THE  
SENIOR ADULT EMAIL LIST  
TO GET INFORMATION  
ON LUNCHEONS, SPECIAL EVENTS AND TRIPS,  
EMAIL HELEN@WESLEYUMC.NET.**

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

*Galatians*

Wednesday Nights at 6pm in Room 23

Led by Pastor Greg. Join this study at any time.

## COLUMBIA COUNTY CARES OCTOBER FOOD & SUPPLY COLLECTION



**PASTA, GRITS,  
CANNED VEGETABLES  
DOG & CAT FOOD**

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

## OUR PRESENCE - SEPTEMBER 28

8:30 Traditional	109	9:30 Modern	140
11:00 Traditional	266	11:00 Modern	152
11:00 Jr. Church	25	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>692</b>

## OUR GIFTS

• Operating:	\$	18,497
• Received Through This Week:	\$	1,587,363
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	1,877,250





# THE BIBLE YEAR

*The New Testament*

Discussion Group  
Sundays, 6pm  
Conference Room

Scan code or search Wesley the Bible Year to join our Facebook group.



**OCTOBER 5-11**  
 October 5: **Luke 15-16**  
 October 6: **Luke 17-18**  
 October 7: **Luke 19**  
 October 8: **Luke 20-21**  
 October 9: **Luke 22**  
 October 10: **Luke 23**  
 October 11: **Luke 24**



# AMBASSADORS

**3<sup>RD</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**



12 Oct Outing  
19 Oct 6:30pm  
26 Oct Fall Festival  
2 Nov 6:30pm  
9 Nov 6:30pm  
16 Nov 6:30pm

23 Nov Mission  
7 Dec 6:30pm  
13 Dec Serve  
14 Dec 6:30pm  
21 Dec Mission

REGISTER TO RECEIVE PROGRAM EMAILS.

## Me, My Spouse & God (MSG) Sunday School Class

**New 6-Session Bible Study Begins October 5**

"Unoffendable:" Author Brant Hansen shares practical ways and biblical reasons to let go of anger and your "right" to be offended.

**All adults are welcome! 9:30AM, room 26**

# MEMBERSHIP

*Sunday*

You're invited to become a member of Wesley!

**OCTOBER 19  
DURING ALL SERVICES**

Leslie@wesleyumc.net

Scan to RSVP for Membership Lunch after worship!




## THIS WEEK IN MODERN WORSHIP

### Submitting to God

True strength is found in surrender.  
Spiritual maturity means yielding our will to God's.

*"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."*  
James 14:7-11

FAITH THAT WORKS  
LESSONS FROM JAMES



# ADAPTIVE WORSHIP SERVICE



**OCTOBER 5 AT 2PM**

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

## NEW MEMBERS



**Brad & Jami Shingler  
Mary Van & Worth**  
September 21



**Vicky Vaughn**  
September 28

We commend these persons to your love and care.  
Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope and perfect them in love.

## WELCOME TO WESLEY!

# Pumpkin Patch EVENTS SCHEDULE 2025

**4 & 11 OCT**

**PUP CUPS IN THE PATCH**  
Bring your four-legged pal to the Patch for a special treat!

**18 OCT**

**SCAVENGER HUNT**  
Stop by all day for a fun scavenger hunt! This is a great activity for kids & teens!

**25 OCT**

**CIDER & HOT CHOCOLATE NIGHT**  
Join us for hot apple cider & hot chocolate with all the cozy fall vibes!

**26 OCT**

**FALL FESTIVAL**  
Giant trunk-or-treat, live music, food and festive fall fun!

**HOURS: Mon-Fri 4-8pm Sat-Sun 10am-6pm**



## THIS WEEK AT WESLEY

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

8:30a Traditional Worship  
9:30a Foundations Class  
9:30a Confirmation Class  
9:30a Modern Worship  
10:00a Pumpkin Patch  
11:00a Modern Worship  
11:00a Traditional Worship  
12:00p Yard Sale Clean-Up  
2:00p Adaptive Worship  
4:30p Blessing of the Animals  
5:30p K-2<sup>nd</sup> Children's Chor  
6:00p 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Children's Choir  
6:00p Wesley Students  
6:00p Bible Year Group  
7:30p SPR Committee

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:00p AA Meeting  
4:00p Pumpkin Patch  
7:00p Scout Troop 615

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00a Men in Mission  
4:00p Pumpkin Patch  
7:00p Scout Troop 1615

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

10:00a Women's Bible Study  
12:00p Mid-Week Prayer  
4:00p Pumpkin Patch  
6:00p Pastor's Bible Study  
6:00p Handbell Choir  
7:00p Celebration Choir

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:15a Mom's Group  
2:00p Brandon Wilde  
Communion Service  
4:00p Pumpkin Patch  
7:00p AA Meeting

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

4:00p Pumpkin Patch

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 PUP CUPS IN THE PATCH

10:00a Pumpkin Patch

## Blessing of the Animals



Sunday, October 5

4:30-5:30pm  
Wesley Front Lawn

All pets must be restrained.

During October, we are asking that our Wesley family park in the parking lot and not in the front lawn. We very much want to make sure that our pumpkin patch is safe for all, and know that Sundays after church can be an especially busy time in that area. Thank you for your thoughtful cooperation.



FRONT LAWN  
IN OCTOBER

## WE WANT CANDY!

Donations needed for  
Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat  
on October 26

Collection bins in  
Narthex & Biscuit Area



# WESLEY YARD SALE



This Saturday!

October 4  
7am-12pm

### Friday Pre-Sale

October 3, 5-7pm. \$20 tickets available while supplies last in the church office.

### After Sales

October 4, 1-3pm. Get \$10 tickets during regular sale. Cash only.

October 5, 10am. Everything is free!

### Help Us Clean Up

October 5, 12pm-until. Hours worked count toward the next sale.



## 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 ext 214.....Connections Director  
Lauren Fackler.....Special Needs Ministry Coordinator  
Molly Furse.....Children's Music Director  
Ellyn Gilbert ext 224.....Student Ministries Coordinator  
Jose Gonzales.....Custodian  
Mark Haddon ext 206.....Facilities Manager  
Greg Hatfield.....Hospital Pastor  
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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