

# WESLEY WINDOW

OCTOBER 9, 2025

## WORSHIP SERVICES

OCTOBER 12, 2025

### Traditional

8:30 & 11:00AM

Sanctuary  
Greg Porterfield

### Scripture

Luke 17:11-19

### Modern

9:30 & 11:00AM

Celebration Space  
Lindsey Solomon

### Scripture

James 5:7-11

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

Livestream on  
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available  
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY  
CHURCH**

## Artificial Intelligence

Before I write another word, I must concede that I know nothing of Artificial Intelligence. People who know me best sometimes wonder if I have familiarity with intelligence of any kind - real or imagined. What little I can glean on the subject is that AI is a computer-driven operating system that functions from the algorithms of collected data. With such information at hand, a machine can generate a response to any number of queries in writing, voice or image. Anyone get a robo call lately? This technology can be used for everything from making an appointment to offering medical advice - yikes! (In case you are wondering, this is not an AI generated musing; if it was it would be much more coherent.)

There was a business conference last week with leaders of Fortune 500 companies gathered to tackle the question of what implications AI would have on their workforce. One person even said, "What work force? Who needs people?" While that was extreme, it did get the room wondering of the future. Doug McMillon, CEO of Walmart, said, "Maybe there's a job in the world that AI won't change, but I haven't thought of it."

I wish I had been in the room. I could have come up with one. Anyone want to take a guess as to the job AI won't change? And no, it's not preaching. Apparently, they have AI generated sermons, and from advertisements I receive, they are much better than mine. No, there is a job that AI simply has not the wherewithal to replace - it is the work of the church. For the work of the church is based upon the authenticity of our witness, and artificial, no matter how well intended, will not do. I sometimes encounter the excuse, "But preacher, I don't know enough," as to the reason someone cannot serve. That honesty is what qualifies you to serve. It is the person who thinks they know it all that is most dangerous. "Who can know the mind of God?" - so says the Psalm. God does not need those who deem themselves equal to God, but those who wish to follow Him.

I'll see you Sunday. The harvest is ready, workers are needed.

ANNUAL

## Charge Conference

OCTOBER 12 AT 4PM IN ROOM 23

WE WILL REVIEW 2025 & SHARE PRAYERS & INSPIRATION FOR 2026!

## OUR PRAYERS

Charlene Alexander	Brian Ellefson	Clarence Malcom
Kara Alexander	Amy Eubanks	Carol Morse
Amelia Anderson	Lauren Fackler	Alison & Ivy Murphey
Scott & Ashley Ball	Irene Faucher	Gloria Prather
John Bradley	Susan Gilbert	Alicia Reeves
Delaine Brown	Bob Gleason	Kelli Reville
John Burnette	Dot Gleason	Charlie Rockwell
Diana Butler	Jeff Harris Sr.	Abby Roney
Barb Callon	Ross Harrison	Bud Soucie
Diane Cawood	C. Eddy Ivey Jr.	Amber South
Lisa Clayton	Jetter Family	Heather South
Kimberly D. Cliett	Olivia King	Mowgli Stencil
Bonnie Devereaux	Kristen Laursen	Mandy Tice
Jan Devereaux	Pat Lee	Ruth Ann Waller
Phoebe Dinkins	Wanda Lee	Weisz Family
Caleb Dodson	Andrea LePine	Wesley Family
	Todd Lindley	Bonnie Wilson
	Angie Livingston	
	Hannah Lotz	

## MIDWEEK 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.

## THIS SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

A rosebud will be placed on the  
altar this Sunday in honor of

**Sarah Lauren Frantom**

Born October 1, 2025  
Daughter of Sean & Jennifer Frantom

## 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 WEEKLY BREAD

Your body is the home of the Holy Spirit...  
- 1 Corinthians 6:19

Who is the Holy Spirit? He is God, just as God the Father and God the Son are also God. We speak of them as the Trinity. Our minds can but dimly grasp these great spiritual facts, because we are finite and God is infinite. It may help to remember that God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit have all existed from eternity. The work of creation was given to the Son and we are told that, "All things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made that was made." But when you read the second verse of the first chapter of Genesis, you will find that the Holy Spirit was also there, moving upon the face of His creation. In time, the Son of God came into the world as a man, to redeem the world which He had created. After His death on the cross, and His resurrection, He went back to the Father in heaven. During His earthly ministry His work and life were spent within a circumscribed area in Palestine. When He went back to heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit to exercise a worldwide ministry. Today the Holy Spirit illuminates the minds of people, makes us yearn for God and takes spiritual truth and makes it understandable to us. All over the world the Holy Spirit is wooing people to Christ, and He lives in the hearts of believers and helps us each day. To be Spirit-filled Christians is to be the kind of Christians that God wants us to be.

*The knowledge of Your Holy Spirit living in my heart  
gives me comfort and strength, Lord Jesus. Amen.*  
- billygraham.org

FOR YE ARE BOUGHT  
WITH A PRICE:  
THEREFORE GLORIFY  
GOD IN YOUR BODY,  
AND IN YOUR SPIRIT,  
WHICH ARE GOD'S.

1 CORINTHIANS 6:20 KJV

## OUR PRESENCE - OCTOBER 5

8:30 Traditional	110	9:30 Modern	131
11:00 Traditional	231	11:00 Modern	118
11:00 Jr. Church	21	2:00 Adaptive	25
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>636</b>

## OUR GIFTS

• Operating:	\$	62,398
• Received Through This Week:	\$	1,649,761
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	1,925,385



# SENIOR ADULT *Luncheon*



**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23**  
**12PM \$8 BRING A SIDE DISH**

**Tony Christie**  
 Gospel Illusionist

[helen@wesleyumc.net](mailto:helen@wesleyumc.net) to register.

# 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 12-18**  
 October 12: **John 1-2:12**  
 October 13: **John 2:13-3**  
 October 14: **John 4**  
 October 15: **John 5-6:21**  
 October 16: **John 6:22-7:9**  
 October 17: **John 7:10-8**  
 October 18: **John 9-10**

# WE WANT CANDY!

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

Collection bins in  
 Narthex & Biscuit Area



# MEMBERSHIP

*Sunday*

You're invited to become  
 a member of Wesley!

**OCTOBER 19**  
 DURING ALL SERVICES

Scan to RSVP  
 for Membership  
 Lunch after  
 worship!



[Leslie@wesleyumc.net](mailto:Leslie@wesleyumc.net)

# ALL SAINTS SERVICES

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

REMEMBRANCE AT  
 WORSHIP SERVICES

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EVENING SERVICE IN THE  
 WESLEY GARDENS, 5PM

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE




# AMBASSADORS

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

12 Oct Outing	23 Nov Mission
19 Oct 6:30pm	7 Dec 6:30pm
26 Oct Fall Festival	13 Dec Serve
2 Nov 6:30pm	14 Dec 6:30pm
9 Nov 6:30pm	21 Dec Mission
16 Nov 6:30pm	



REGISTER TO RECEIVE  
 PROGRAM EMAILS.


# THIS WEEK IN MODERN WORSHIP

**Patience in Suffering**

Faith that works also waits  
 with hope. God honors  
 endurance in trials.

*"Be patient, therefore, beloved,  
 until the coming of the Lord."*  
*James 5:7-11*

FAITH  
 THAT  
 WORKS  
 LESSONS  
 FROM JAMES



# Pumpkin Patch

# EVENTS

# SCHEDULE

# 2025

<b>4 &amp; 11 OCT</b>	<b>PUP CUPS IN THE PATCH</b> Bring your four-legged pal to the Patch for a special treat!
<b>18 OCT</b>	<b>SCAVENGER HUNT</b> Stop by all day for a fun scavenger hunt! This is a great activity for kids & teens!
<b>25 OCT</b>	<b>CIDER &amp; HOT CHOCOLATE NIGHT</b> Join us for hot apple cider & hot chocolate with all the cozy fall vibes!
<b>26 OCT</b>	<b>FALL FESTIVAL</b> Giant trunk-or-treat, live music, food and festive fall fun!


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

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT

# BIBLE STUDY

*Galatians*

**Wednesday Nights at 6pm in Room 23**  
 Led by Pastor Greg. Join this study at any time.





## THIS WEEK AT WESLEY

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:30a Traditional Worship  
9:30a Foundations Class  
9:30a Modern Worship  
10:00a Pumpkin Patch  
11:00a Modern Worship  
11:00a Traditional Worship  
4:00p Charge Conference  
5:00p Ambassadors  
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 Bible Year Group

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

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

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:00a Men in Mission  
4:00p Pumpkin Patch  
5:00p Faith Care Clinic  
7:00p Scout Troop 1615

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

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 16

9:15a Mom's Group  
2:00p Wesley Cares  
4:00p Pumpkin Patch  
7:00p AA Meeting

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

4:00p Pumpkin Patch

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

**SCAVENGER HUNT  
IN THE PATCH**  
9:00a Bluey PlayDay  
10:00a Pumpkin Patch



## BLUEY PLAY DAY



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18  
9 AM-12:30 PM  
2 YEARS-3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE

\$30  
PER  
CHILD

WESLEYUMC.NET  
OR SCAN CODE  
TO REGISTER.



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**

## WESLEY YARD SALE

**\$41,000+  
for missions!**

Thanks to all who prayed, donated, volunteered or shopped the Fall Yard Sale! If you have a mission that could benefit from the sale, request a grant application from the church office and return it by October 18. Spring Yard Sale will be March 28, 2026!



## 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  
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