

WESLEY WINDOW

SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

Traditional
8:30 & 11:00AM

Sanctuary
Bishop Frank Beard

Scripture
Luke 16:19-31

Modern
9:30 & 11:00AM
Celebration Space
Greg Porterfield

Watch live at
www.wesleyumc.net

Livestream on
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY
CHURCH**

An Antidote for Troubling Times

Recent events have sadly reminded us that we live in a divided world that feels evermore dangerous. It is troubling and most distressing; worse, there seems to be no end in sight. That's because the instinctive human response to seek revenge perpetuates conflict rather than stops it. Most surprising, it is a useless exercise that wastes energy and offers diminished return in relation to the initial transgression. How is that exactly? Because the whole notion of revenge is predicated on the past and therefore has no relationship to the present or certainly the future. It is impossible to get literal revenge because you cannot go back to that exact moment and replicate it no matter how hard you try. The motivation of revenge is to "get even." The trouble is, "getting even" is a myth. Losing something, especially life, cannot be simply replaced, and it doesn't matter how much money or resource you have. How much money is a life worth? It is a ridiculous question. There is no finite approximation for it. We are sacredly made and have no capacity for what only God can do. Worse still, studies suggest revenge is like a drug, addictive and destructive, providing at its best momentary pleasure but never addressing the real loss.

So what are we to do with this moment of helplessness and hopelessness? I know this will surprise you coming from your preacher and all, but have you considered what would Jesus do? Specifically, his instruction on forgiveness. We sometimes think of forgiveness as a nice idea but an impractical notion. In fact, the idea of revenge is what makes no sense. Forgiveness weighs the gravity of the moment and determines that the best path forward is trusting in God. Not an easy thing, this "Thy Will, not mine be done;" it just happens to be basis of what we believe. Now, if we will just do it. Hard as it is to practice, forgiveness remains our only hope.

I'll see you Sunday,

OUR PRAYERS

Charlene Alexander	Lauren Fackler	Hannah Lotz
Scott & Ashley Ball	Ada Fauber	Clarence Malcom
Jeannie Boerger	Elton Fauber	Carol Morse
John Bradley	Irene Faucher	Jane Moxley
Delaine Brown	Archie Fisher	Gloria Prather
John Burnette	Susan Gilbert	Alicia Reeves
Diana Butler	Dot Gleason	Kelli Reville
Diane Cawood	Jeff Harris Sr.	Charlie Rockwell
Lisa Clayton	Tom Harrell	Abby Roney
Kimberly D. Cliett	Ross Harrison	Amber South
Bonnie Devereaux	Ashley Holder	Heather South
Jan Devereaux	Margaret Horsely	Mowgli Stencel
Phoebe Dinkins	C. Eddy Ivey Jr.	Allison Thompson
Brian Ellefson	Olivia King	Ruth Ann Waller
Amy Eubanks	Kristen Laursen	Debbie Weisz
Martie Ewist	Pat Lee	Bonnie Wilson
	Wanda Lee	
	Andrea LePine	
	Todd Lindley	

PUMPKINS ARRIVE OCTOBER !!

Come help unload at 5pm!

Patch Hours:
Mon-Fri 4pm-8pm
Sat-Sun 10am-6pm

SCAN OR VISIT
wesleyumc.net
to sign up to work
an hour in the Patch!



WESLEY EXTENDS CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO...

Tillie and Ben McDaniel and family upon the loss of her husband/his father, Jimmy McDaniel.

For this family, Lord, hear our prayers.

COLUMBIA COUNTY CARES SEPTEMBER FOOD & SUPPLY COLLECTION



**CANNED SOUP, TISSUES,
DISINFECTING WIPES
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

It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ages ago he planned that we should spend these lives in helping others.

- Ephesians 2:10

Happiness and all of the unlimited benefits which flow from the storehouse of Heaven are contingent upon our relationship to God. Absolute dependency and yieldedness are the conditions of being His child. Only His children are entitled to receive those things that lend themselves to happiness; and in order to be His child, there must be surrender of the will to Him.

We must admit we are poor before we can be made rich. We must admit we are destitute before we can become children of adoption. When we realize that all our own goodness is as filthy rags in God's sight, and become aware of the destructive power of our stubborn wills; when we realize our absolute dependence upon the grace of God through faith and nothing more, then we have started on the road to happiness. Man does not come to know God through works - he comes to know God by faith through grace. You cannot work your way toward happiness and heaven, you cannot moralize your way, you cannot reform your way, you cannot buy your way. It comes as a gift of God through Christ.

Ever impress upon us, Lord Jesus, that it is through grace that we came to know You; that it is because of You that we stand righteous before You. Amen.

- billygraham.com

For we are God's
MASTERPIECE.

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JESUS,**

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HE PLANNED FOR US LONG AGO.

EPHESIANS 2:10 NLT

OUR PRESENCE - SEPTEMBER 21

8:30 Traditional	101	9:30 Modern	135
11:00 Traditional	233	11:00 Modern	110
11:00 Jr. Church	25	TOTAL	604

OUR GIFTS

• Operating:	\$	38,173
• Received Through This Week:	\$	1,568,866
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	1,829,115



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.



SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 4
 September 28: **Luke 4:5**
 September 29: **Luke 6**
 September 30: **Luke 7-8:39**
 October 1: **Luke 8:40-9**
 October 2: **Luke 10-11:36**
 October 3: **Luke 11:37-12**
 October 4: **Luke 13-14**



AMBASSADORS

28 Sept 6:30pm
5 Oct Serve
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

3RD-5TH GRADE



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

Listening and Doing

Discipleship requires humility, attentiveness, & inner transformation - not just outer performance.

"Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger..."
James 1:19-21

FAITH THAT WORKS
LESSONS FROM JAMES



Women's Ministry RISE & SHINE

September 27 9am-12pm

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

Maintenance Building GROUNDBREAKING

It was a beautiful day to begin another chapter of Wesley's outreach history! Thanks to all who participated and those who witnessed the ceremony!



THIS WEEK AT WESLEY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:30a Traditional Worship
9:30a Foundations Class
9:30a Confirmation Class
9:30a Modern Worship
11:00a Modern Worship
11:00a Traditional Worship
12:00p Yard Sale Drop-Off
5:30p K-2nd Children's Chor
6:00p 3rd-5th Children's Choir
6:00p Wesley Students
6:00p Bible Year Group
6:30p Ambassadors

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:00p AA Meeting
10:00a Senior Adult Outing
7:00p Scout Troop 615

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

10:00a Women's Bible Study
12:00p Mid-Week Prayer
5:00p Pumpkins Arrive
6:00p Pastor's Bible Study
6:00p Handbell Choir
7:00p Celebration Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:15a Mom's Group
7:00p AA Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

5:00p Yard Sale Pre-Sale
5:30p Lego Parent's Night Out

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:00a Yard Sale
1:00p Yard Sale After Sale

SENIOR ADULT

Special Event

AUGUSTA JEWISH MUSEUM & LUNCH
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 10AM

Includes a Holocaust exhibit
featuring Helen Bissell's father.
helen@wesleyumc.net to register

**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.**

Blessing of the Animals



Sunday, October 5

4:30-5:30pm
Wesley Front Lawn

All pets must be
restrained.

MIDWEEK PRAYER

Beginning October 1

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.

WE WANT CANDY!

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

Collection bins in
Narthex & Biscuit Area



WESLEY YARD SALE
October 4
7am-12pm
Visit www.wesleyumc.net
for volunteer details.

LAST DROP-OFF:
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 12-6pm

Friday Pre-Sale

October 3, 5-7pm.
\$20 tickets available while
supplies last at drop-off
and 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
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
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For a complete listing of staff contact information, visit wesleyumc.net.

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