

LET'S STAY IN TOUCH

Homebound/Care Facility

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Circle Meetings

Bass Beck Circle - Tuesday, 4/14/26 1:00 in the Parlor

Mary Martha Circle - Tuesday, 4/14/26 10:00 Fellowship Hall

Wesley Friendship Circle - Monday, 4/20/26 5:30 FH

WOW - Tuesday, 4/28/26, Shiki's (Broad St.), 11:30



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APRIL 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Wesley Adult Fellowship @ 12:00 FH	2 Maundy Thur. Service 6:00	3 Office closed 	4
5 	6	7	8	9 Book Study 1:30 PM	10	11
12  4 to 6	13	14 Mary Martha 10:00 FH Bass Beck 1:00 Parlor	15	16 Book Study 1:30 PM	17 Rook Night 6:30 to 9	18
19	20 Wesley Friendship 5:30 pm, FH	21	22	23 Book Study 1:30 PM	24	25
26  4 to 6	27	28 WOW 11:30 Shiki's (Broad St)	29  Hot Dog Lunch 11:30-1:30	30 Book Study 1:30 PM		



The Wesley Messenger

Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

825 Wesley Drive, Statesville, NC

Dan Money, Pastor

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*Welcome to Worship
at Wesley Memorial!*

10:55 Traditional Worship

(also find our worship service
online)

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Happy Easter, Wesley Memorial! As many of you know, I struggle with type 2 diabetes. My doctor always empathizes that exercise, specifically walking is one of the best ways to keep your blood sugar regulated. Dr. Lorenzo wants me to walk 5000 steps in per day. Sometimes that is very difficult, especially when it's cold outside. However, with the warmer Spring days we have been having lately, I've been doing pretty well. One of my favorite places to walk is at Oakwood Cemetery. I love the long connecting roads, seeing other people there walking, the old beautiful trees, the flowers, the squirrels and the clean air. I look forward to getting my steps in when I can go walking in the cemetery.

One day recently when I was probably around 2000 steps, I was thinking about Easter and the sermons that I would have to write. Specifically, I was thinking about the Easter Sunrise message where Jesus' friends would find an empty grave early in the morning. As I was thinking about the Easter story, I tried to visualize an empty grave in the graveyard I was walking in. What would it be like if I walked up on a grave that had been disturbed? Would I be scared or curious? Would I run off to try to find an employee of the cemetery? Then, I tried to imagine an entire graveyard, this graveyard on Resurrection Day. The ground crumbling open, headstones splitting, vaults and caskets bursting open and our loved rising out of their graves alive and well. Can you imagine what that glorious day will be like when the dead in Christ will rise? The Apostle Paul tries to describe this great event to the Corinthian church. He writes in 1 Corinthians 15:52, *"in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed."* The good news of Easter is that Jesus came out of the grave. The grave and death could not hold him. Because of the Resurrection of Jesus we too will live! That is the bases of every Easter message. In fact, that is the foundation of Christianity. Jesus, God's only son, even though he died rose again and so will we!

Blessings,
Pastor Dan

April



1-Lauren Whitehead
3-Terry Coleman, Jessica Owens, Hannah White
6-Haley Monheim
11-Karen Luther, Jim Gore
14-Christopher Bailey
18- Tony Waugh
19-Cornelia Lokey
20-Steve Mulrey
21-Gail Smith
22-Rhea Lamb, Keitha McDonald
27-Ashley Porter
29-Kelvin Wooten
30-Eileen Fowler

April & Ongoing Prayer Requests:

Members: Leslie Pritchard, Angela Lackey, Susan Brooks, Robert Moore, Rita Karn, Peggy Dagenhart, Deborah Cross, Bill Wilson, Phyllis Hadley, Ann Campbell, Gail Smith, Paul Blackwell, Katie Barker, Janet Acker, Patti Bass, Martha Grant, Ron Case, Kay Holshouser, Paul Blackwell, Jr., Carl Moore, Families of Amy Snoddy & Jennifer Barger (daughter of Joe & Barbara Phillips)

Non-members: Jerry Adkins, Scott Holshouser, Harold Wilson, Veronica Waters , Donna Arnett, Cheryl Moon, Michael Dyer, Shirley Cowan, George Ashley, Angie Sullins, Blanca Motta, Kay Edwards, Randy Dabbs, Tony Pendleton, Tracy Robert, Miranda Ebert, Phoenix Lee, Families of Gloria Ajose and Lonnie Diedering, (son-in-law of Jane Frederick)

Gifts given in memory of:

- **Jennifer Barger:** Danny & Nancy Campbell, Linda Lindenberg, Steve & Linda Ervin, Jason Powell, Joyce & Eshter Johnson, Kathy Welborn, Phil & Eileen Fowler, John & Linda Stikeleather, Tim & Mary Thompson
- **Edrie Knight:** Audrey Grillo, Linda Lindenberg, Edna Laver, William Wilson, Linda Lindenberg, Cheryl Howitt, Diane Pritchard, Eddy Sipe
- **Rob Reid:** Diane Pritchard
- **Breck Alexander:** Robert Foster
- **Amy Snoddy:** Phil & Eileen Fowler, Tim & Mary Thompson



Serving the Month of March

Head Usher – Bill Thompson
Greeter Coordinator - Renee Mauney
Acolyte Coordinator - Pat Snider & Linda Stikeleather
Paraments - Donna Thomas, Jim Reed, & Kathy Reed
Nursery Coordinator - Eileen Fowler
Trustee – Danny Campbell

Notes about the Newsletter

If you have anything that needs to be put in the newsletter, please notify the office no later than the 20th of the month. If you receive the newsletter in more than 1 form, please contact the office to make your choice of media. Hard copies are available at the church or can be mailed. You can also receive it by email. Email is the most efficient way to receive the newsletter, so please consider calling the office to take yourself off the mailing list.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

As of Mar. 29, 2026
Contributions Year to Date - \$80,048.70
Total Apportionments Due for 2026 - \$25,026.00
Total Apportionments Paid YTD - \$2,085.50
Expected Expenses thru Mar. 2026 - \$78,271.48

The **Ladies Book Study** will be starting a new book on April 9. We would like to invite anyone to join us. We meet every Thursday from 1:30-2:30 in the church parlor. It is a very fun and informal group. We read about 30 pages to discuss weekly. The new book is **Theo of Golden: A Novel** by [Allen Levi](#) |10/3/25
We hope you will consider joining us. Please see Cheryl Pierce if any questions.

Kitchen Korner

This is a friendly reminder that the Kitchen Committee cleans the kitchen and tables in the fellowship hall once a month. In between time, it's the responsibility of the group using these facilities to clean up after their event.



Flower Calendar 2026

Our new flower calendar has been placed in the foyer outside the sanctuary. Please take a moment to select a day to honor or memorialize a special person or event with flowers on our church altar.

Apr. 5 Worship Committee
Apr. 12 Edna Laver
Apr. 19 Available
Apr. 26 Mary Thompson



Stay Informed

Minutes from the most recent Administrative Council Meeting are now available in the commons area. Pick up a copy from the Administrative Council bulletin board. Future minutes will be posted there also. Thank you!
Joe Sinclair, Chairman

Thank you Notes

Thank you all for the beautiful flowers, cards, visits, and phone calls. So blessed to be a part of Wesley Memorial.
Robert Moore



It is time to be Sprung! Happy St. Patrick's Day!
Edna Laver



Thanks to everyone for the food, prayers, calls, and cards. I am truly blessed by your concern and friendship following my recent surgery. It was an unexpected situation but I am doing fine now.
With God's Love,
Linda Gladden

Upcoming Missions Project

Start collecting your change at home and on April 12 we will begin collecting change to give to World Vision for Clean Water in other countries. We will collect each Sunday from April 12- May 10.

The Hot Dog committee needs a few more volunteers to help set up in the fellowship hall at 2:00pm on the Tuesday before Hot Dog Wednesday. Please let Nancy Campbell know (803-361-9616) if you can be added to the volunteer set-up list.

The **Mission Committee** has decided to collect canned goods and non perishable items on a continual basis. There will be boxes available in two places to bring your items every Sunday. At the end of each month we will deliver the items to a nonprofit organization. Please start bringing your items and put in the boxes. Thanks.



We delivered with 178 lbs. of food from the March Food drive to Iredell Christian Ministries. The Mission Committee says thanks to everyone.

Boston Butt Sale

\$45 a piece
Pick up May 9th
3:00 to 5:00
Sale ends April 26th
(with Missions Bake Sale)
Sandwiches available in
Fellowship Hall
12:00 to 2:00
\$4 each



Mother's Day Booklet by Bass Beck Circle

If you wish to honor or remember your mother in our Mother's Day Booklet, please complete a form and place in the envelope provided, along with your \$1 per name listed and put in the offering plate. Only one name per line please. The deadline is April 26th.



Thank you!



Graduates

If you are graduating this year from high school or college and are a member of the church, please call the church office.

Thank you!



Youth

On Sunday, March 8th, the Youth went to Mooresville and had a great time at Fearless Trampoline Park. They even had some additional kids to join them. A great time was had by all.

Our 2 newest acolytes:
Aiden Benfield

Phoenix Lee

