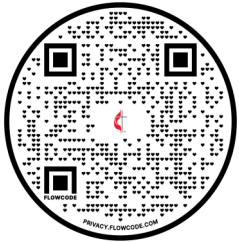


WEEK AT WESLEY	
Sunday, Nov 16th	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY after PENTECOST
	8:30 a.m. Worship Service (In Person)
	9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School, 3rd Floor
	9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School, 2nd Floor
	11:00 a.m. Worship Service (In Person & Livestreamed)
	12:30 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Bragg)
	3:00 p.m. Sanctuary Reserved (Stroupe)
	6:00 p.m. Youth Group, 3rd Floor Classroom
	6:00 p.m. College Study, 3rd Floor Classroom
	6:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Mission Church)
Monday, Nov 17th	
	7:00 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting, Haden Chapel
	7:30 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Core)
	7:30 p.m. NA Meeting (Lecture Room)
Tuesday, Nov 18th	
	6:00 p.m. Finance Team Meeting, Haden Chapel
	7:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting, Haden Chapel
	7:00 p.m. YL Bible Study (lower level)
	7:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Moore)
	7:30 p.m. Book Club (Zoom)
Wednesday, Nov 19th	
	6:00 p.m. Lectionary Study (Zoom)
	7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice, 3rd Floor
Thursday, Nov 20th	
	1:00 p.m. BSF, Choir Room (3rd Floor)
	7:30 p.m. NA Meeting, Lecture Room
Saturday, Nov 22nd	
	6:00 p.m. Davis Gym Reserved (Mission Church)

2025 Wesley UMC Attendance

Sunday, Nov 9th:

106 In Person / 171 Online



Online Offering Option!
Scan the QR code
with phone or device.
Thank You!



The Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Friday, November 28th at the Community Kitchen located in Trinity Episcopal Church 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This meal is free to everyone in our community.



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GATHER as a community for worship ~ GROW in relationship with God and others ~ GO to serve Morgantown and the world

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost November 16, 2025 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO WESLEY CHURCH

We are glad you are here. Whether you are here for the very first time or a lifelong member of Wesley Church, you are welcome. May this day be filled with God's presence and blessing. Please fill out the Connection Card and drop it in the offering plate so that we will be able to contact you.

HOLIDAY MISSION/COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS Altar Guild Happenings

SCOTT'S RUN CHRISTMAS FAMILIES

Christmas is right around the corner and traditionally Wesley helps Scott's Run with monetary donations that goes towards Scott's Run Families Christmas wish list. If you would like to make a donation please write "Scott's Run Christmas" on the memo line. Donations accepted thru Sunday, Dec. 9th. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS DAY GOODIE BAGS for the needy!

We are collecting the personal hygiene items and Christmas candies for our goodie bags. Items can be brought to the Church Office thru December 7th.



Poinsettias can be purchased for \$20 each in loving memory or in honor of someone special in your life. Members of the Altar Guild will be available after both services (Lecture Room) to place your poinsettia order/memorial dedication on Sunday November 9th, 16th & 23rd. Completed order forms with payment can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church or dropped off to the Church Office. **Deadline for orders will be Sunday, December 7th.**

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS

Would you like to dedicate flowers to someone special in your life? Sunday altar flowers can be given in loving memory of in honor of your loved ones or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, baptism, etc.). Altar Guild member Michelle Smith handles all flower arrangements. To place a dedication please contact Michelle at 304-216-8870 or email her at michelle012067@gmail.com.

OPEN DATES: Nov 30

Guatemala Scholarship Project

LeeAnn Danley will speak at
a Mission Moment on Sunday, Nov 30th



Leeann Danley is selling felt ornaments to provide scholarships for eight children in Guatemala. This is the thirteenth consecutive year of the scholarship project. The children are Daylin, Javier, Adler, Emily, Flori, Dani, Veronica, and Julia. The ornaments were made by women in Guatemala. Leeann, her mother, and two of her aunts. For a child to attend school, the tuition prices range between \$220-\$463 per year. The price depends on the level of education. The ornament sale at Wesley United Methodist Church is on Sunday, Dec. 7th. To place an order, please complete the Google form by Wednesday, Dec 3rd. Each ornament is \$5. The URL is https://tinyurl.com/ornaments2025. After filling out the form, please calculate your total. You may pay for your ornaments with a check or cash when you pick them up.

DECORATE the Church

Wesley's Altar Guild will be decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday, November 29, beginning at 9:00 AM. WE NEED YOUR HELP!! There are boxes to carry, trees to set up, ornaments and manger scenes and pine boughs to display. Plan to join in and make this joyous task easier for everyone!



Advent Season at Wesley



+ First Sunday of Advent ~ November 30th Christmas Cookie Exchange!!

Advent Sunday School for ALL ages
beginning Sunday, November 30th

Get ready now for our All Classes Advent Sunday School! Again this year, we'll all meet in the Lecture Room at 9:30 AM for a dramatic presentation, singing, crafts, and fellowship. We'll meet on November 30, December 7, and December 21 (There will be no Sunday School on December 14, as we'll enjoy our Choir Cantata at 10:30 AM on that day.) So give your teacher a break, come learn and laugh with your friends, and find out a bit about The Witnesses to Jesus!

Looking for a few good bakers for a Wesley Cookie Exchange on Sunday, Dec. 14th. Sign-ups are in the Lecture Room or email Kristi DeLeurere at intrigue329@yahoo.com. A Christmas craft and cookie exchange will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Loft. In addition to the each dozen of cookies per sign-ups, we ask all bakers that participate to bring one extra dozen of cookies for Fellowship Time directly following our Christmas Cantata—ONE SERVICE at 10:30 a.m.

+ Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ December 21st

Christmas Eve Services Wednesday, Dec. 24th

5:30 p.m. Children's Service

7:00 p.m. Communion & Candlelight

Sunday, December 28th 10:30 a.m. Outdoor Service

Hazel Ruby McQuain Park (Downtown)



Is He?

10:30 a.m.

Christmas Cantata

An event for the whole family!

The Church in Worship		
Congregational Responses and Prayers are in <i>bold italic print</i>		
† Congregation Standing (<i>as you are able</i>)		
WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
PRELUDE	“ <i>Meditation on a Bach Prelude</i> ” Ann Gore, organ and Lya Stroupe, piano	
† CALL TO WORSHIP	Surely God is my salvation: <i>I will trust and not be afraid,</i> for the Lord God is my strength and my might; <i>he has become my salvation!</i>	ISAIAH 12:2
† OPENING HYMN #126 (UMH)	“ <i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i> ”	
† OPENING PRAYER	<i>O God, our guide and guardian, grant us grace to worship you in spirit and in truth. Enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you have called us, so that we may not fear the coming of the night, when we shall resign into your hands the tasks which you have committed to us. So may we worship you not only with our lips at this hour, but in word and deed all the days of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. amen.</i>	
GATHERING MUSIC	“ <i>Welcome Song</i> ”	Mark Miller
CHILDREN’S MOMENTS	11:00 a.m. Service Only - Children age 3 through 2nd grade are welcome to attend Children’s Church immediately following the Children’s Message (located on 2nd floor behind balcony)	
SPECIAL MUSIC	8:30 a.m.	“ <i>Shall We Gather at the River</i> ” Men’s Group and Heidi Gallegly, flute Rentz
	11:00 a.m.	“ <i>Autumn Carol</i> ” Chancel Choir and Handbells arr Shulz-Widmar
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #888 (UMH)		
HYMN OF PREPARATION #171 (UMH) “ <i>There’s Something About That Name</i> ”		
SCRIPTURE READINGS	ISAIAH 65:17-25 AND 2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13	
MESSAGE	“Tedium and Glory”	Pastor Martha
PRAYER OF THE CHURCH		
THE LORD’S PRAYER		
	<i>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.</i>	
SPECIAL MUSIC (11:00 a.m.)	“ <i>Shall We Gather at the River</i> ” Men’s Group and Heidi Gallegly, flute	Rentz
† PRESENTATION OF GIFTS & OFFERINGS	DOXOLOGY #94 <i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</i> ©1989 The UM Publishing House, all rights reserved	
† CLOSING HYMN #2282 (TFWS)	“ <i>I’ll Fly Away</i> ”	
† BENEDICTION		
† POSTLUDE	“ <i>Postlude in F</i> ”	C Rinck

Isaiah 65:17-25		
¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. ¹⁸ But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. ¹⁹ I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. ²⁰ No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. ²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²² They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³ They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord— and their descendants as well. ²⁴ Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵ The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.		
2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13		
⁶ Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸ and we did not eat anyone’s bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. ⁹ This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. ¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. ¹¹ For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. ¹² Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. ¹³ Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.		
ALTAR GUILD		
The flowers on the altar are given for the glory of God and in loving memory of Arthur W. Stevenson <i>by Jim Stevenson.</i>		
PRAYER FOCUS		
Dear God, there is so much we need to accomplish for You, yet we find ourselves unable to concentrate on Your work. We understand we are Your agents here on earth. We want to accomplish our tasks. But God, sometimes we falter and fail. Guide us. Lead us. Direct us to the correct path. Amen.		
SUNDAYS AT 6:00 P.M. (3RD FLOOR CLASSROOMS) COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS WELCOME! College Study led by Lawrence DeLeurere: 304-319-7740 / semangeloph@gmail.com UMYF ALL YOUTH (6th thru 12th grade) WELCOME! Youth Leader Arielle Harvey: 304-619-9441 / simplysouthernphotographywu@gmail.com Youth are invited to bring a friend!! *Youth will not meet Sunday, November 23rd or 30th		
ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY		
Greeters Steve Stroupe (8:30) Nancy and Bill Wasson (11:00) Scripture Readers Steve Stroupe (8:30) Nancy Wasson (11:00) Ushers Frank Cox , Alan Waters, Dennis Chambers, and Karl Yagle Sound & Media Colton Davis, Scott Blosser, Kyle Swisher, Wesley Davis, Shelby Davis, Brad Davis, and Bob Beach		

Lectionary Study w/Pastor Martha

We'll be meeting weekly via Zoom on WEDNESDAYS at 6:00 PM. Everyone is invited to take part in this lively discussion of the upcoming Sunday's scripture lessons. Contact the church office to get the Zoom link.

No class on Wednesday, November 26th.

Lectionary Readings - Sunday, November 23rd

Jer 23:1-6 / Luke 1:68-79 / Col 1:11-20 / Luke 23:33-43

CELEBRATION OF NEW MEMBERS & SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

New members will be received on Sunday, December 7, If you would like to join Wesley UMC, or if you would like to receive the Sacrament of Baptism for yourself or for your child, please contact Martha.

ADULT BIBLE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join the Berean Class in celebrating 25 years of learning and fellowship on Sunday, November 30 in the Lecture Room following worship. We give thanks for Frances Van Scoy's years of scholarship, and for Brian Woerner, who has taken on the mantle of leadership for the class.