

WESLEY WINDOW

APRIL 16, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICES

APRIL 19, 2026

Traditional

8:30 & 11:00AM

Sanctuary
Greg Porterfield

Scripture

Luke 24:13-35

Modern

9:30 & 11:00AM

Celebration Space
Bishop Frank Beard

Watch live at
www.wesleyumc.net

Livestream on
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY
CHURCH**

Do You Remember?

Do you remember going to camp as a youth? The best part was when you'd sit around the campfire and in those moments of reflection, the counselor would ask you questions that spoke to your faith. One question that was usually posed in those moments was this one, "If you were arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?" Interesting question, when you think about it. For whom does the responsibility for answering the question affirmatively fall upon? The respondent or the inquisitor? In the 24th chapter of Luke, after the resurrection, Jesus is walking along with the surviving disciples on the road to Emmaus - a distance of seven miles. It takes a long time to walk seven miles, two hours easy, especially if you are conversing. Yet in all that distance, and in all that time, the disciples never recognized him. Is that Jesus' fault? It will be the subject of the sermon on Sunday, I look forward to being with you.

I want to express my appreciation to everyone who contributed to our Lenten and Easter observances at Wesley over these last weeks. The Sanctuary was beautifully appointed, and the music stirring. It was a beautiful expression of faith - thank you.

I am glad to announce that after a successful search, Katy Duncan has been selected as our new Wesley Kidz director. Though she will not start officially until June when she finishes out her teaching contract, you will probably see her around. She has worked in a variety of church settings, and we look forward to her presence at Wesley. Katy is married to Austin and they have two sons, Cole and Turner. We are glad to welcome them to Wesley. You will be hearing more about Katy as well as our newly appointed associate pastor, Neil Brooks, as we approach the summer months. I look forward to what these two talented people will bring to our church.

I'll see you Sunday,

The Bloom Room
Thursday, April 23, 6:30-8pm

Wesley Women's Ministry invites all ladies high-school age and up to join us for worship, an encouraging message, games and light refreshments.

Bring a \$10-\$15 small, empty cosmetic bag - we'll be assembling "Bloom Bags" filled with self-care items to encourage women in our community.

RSVP by April 20

Thanks to everyone who purchased items from our Amazon gift list!
We got everything we need for our Bloom Bags!
Please join us April 23!

OUR PRAYERS

Kara Alexander	Mike Fielder	Abby Roney
Charlene Alexander	Archie Fisher	Clinton Roth
Heather Beale	Kimberly Floyd	Dennis Scheyer
Amy Black	Susan Gilbert	Sandy Segrist
John Bradley	Debra Inghram	George Shealy
Betty Tanner	C. Eddy Ivey Jr.	Chuck Smith
Brady	Pat Jameson	Amber South
Delaine Brown	Anne Jeffers	Heather South
Diane Cawood	Lily Jeffers	Austin Stacey
Kimberly D. Cliett	Olivia King	Donnie Strong
Bonnie Devereaux	Wanda Lee	Lessie Thomas
Jan Devereaux	Angie Livingston	Catherine Usry
Cindy Dick	Audrey McGuire	Ruth Ann Waller
Mary Linda Doxzen	Glenda Metts	Bill Waples
Gene Draisey	Aiden & Liam	Avery Wilkinson
Dolores Eckles	Moultan	Bonnie Wilson
Brian Ellefson	Carol Morse	Josephine Workosky
Amy Eubanks	Alicia Reeves	
Sue Faircloth	Dierdre Reeves	
	Kelli Reville	
	Charlie Rockwell	

OUR DAILY BREAD

"Behold, I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest."
- Genesis 28:15

When Jesus uttered His words of comfort in the first few verses of the fourteenth chapter of John's gospel, concluding with, "And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know" (John 14:4), Thomas said unto Him, "Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?" (John 14:5). Jesus answered him with a statement which has in it the ring of eternity. It was sublimely simple and yet profoundly deep. Its surface meaning was clear to all, and yet the great theologians have never completely sounded its mighty depths: "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6). In one majestic sweep, these words silenced Thomas' questioning tongue and brought reassurance and peace to the hearts of the other disciples. Within the marvel of that authoritative sentence from the lips of the Son of God, there was enough comfort to assuage the sufferings of the tormented, enough wisdom to satisfy those who yearned for understanding, and enough power to set the great Christian movement in motion.

Knowing You are with me is all the comfort I need, Lord. Amen.

- billygraham.org

ROSEBUD IN WORSHIP

Placed on April 19 in honor of

Lucy Quinn Maloney

Born April 4, 2026

Daughter of Ansley & Oliver Maloney

Granddaughter of Tonya Luther Brisley

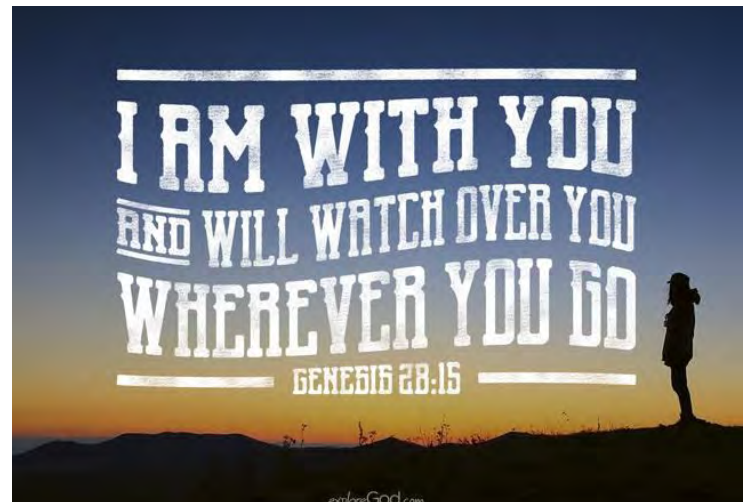
Great-granddaughter of Sondra & David Luther

OUR PRESENCE

Maunder Thursday	140	Good Friday	224
EASTER			
Sunrise	54	8:30 Traditional	164
9:30 Modern	167	9:30 Traditional	247
11:00 Modern	156	11:00 Traditional	545
		TOTAL	1,333
APRIL 12			
8:30 Traditional	78	9:30 Modern	49
11:00 Traditional	163	Jr. Church	8
		TOTAL	298

OUR GIFTS

APRIL 5			
• Operating:	\$	88,514	
• Received Through This Week:	\$	637,016	
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	689,909	
APRIL 12			
• Operating:	\$	44,549	
• Received Through This Week:	\$	681,565	
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	739,188	



COLUMBIA COUNTY CARES MARCH FOOD & SUPPLY COLLECTION



**SUGAR
DETERGENT
DOG & CAT FOOD**

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

REACHING BEYOND OUR WALLS

Sara Ministry



Wesley Cares is a group of amazing volunteers who support our members in need as well as each other. Our mission is to offer extra care through visits, calls, cards, transportation, prayer and whatever else a Wesley member may need. But recent circumstances have inspired us to expand our scope of care outside our church walls.

Longtime Wesley member Sara Irwin resided at Ann Tapley's Personal Care Facility. She suffered from dementia; still, her kind spirit and warm smile could instantly warm your heart. Wesley Cares volunteer Susan started visiting Sara at the facility, and a beautiful friendship developed. As Susan spent more time there it became blatantly obvious that the facility provided the residents a safe place, meals and a roof over their heads, but scarcely anything else.

Susan told the Wesley Cares team about the situation, and a new ministry was born. A few volunteers began visiting the residents once a month to celebrate birthdays, play Bingo, paint pumpkins, make crafts, sing Christmas carols, and generally bring smiles and sunshine to people who desperately need to feel God's love. We even visited with the Easter Bunny, and joined the residents in singing "Amazing Grace." Many of you have supported what we called "The Tapley Group," and we are extremely grateful.

Sadly, sweet Sara passed in February, but we know she loved the Lord and is rejoicing with Him now. Her passing created a concern for the Tapley residents because they knew Susan visited her as a Wesley member, and they worried that our visits would cease. But the hand of God is in all things. Could His plan have been to use Sara and Susan to lead us to a small group of people who have so little? Some have sad stories, and many have no families. So we have become their family - praying with them, sharing God's word through crafts, games and songs, and showering them with love and attention. And these volunteers will no longer be called "The Tapley Group." We will now be known as the "Sara Ministry" - a tribute to the one who first inspired our visits.

The Ann Tapley residents receive minimal care but have had no activities, trips, organized visitation or much of anything to bring them joy. Right now, Wesley is the only group to offer outreach to them. We will continue to build these relationships and trust that God will provide the resources that we need. Contact hillary@wesleyumc.net if you would like to join our ministry.



SUMMER SCHEDULE



1-5 JUNE	RAINFOREST FALLS VBS PRE K4 - 5 TH 9:30AM-12:30PM
16-18 JUNE	DINO/SCIENCE CAMP PRE K4 - 5 TH 9:00AM-1:00PM
23-25 JUNE	ART/SUPERHERO CAMP PRE K4 - 5 TH 9:00AM-1:00PM
7-9 JULY	SUMMER TIME FUN CAMP PRE K4 - 5 TH 9:00AM-1:00PM
13-17 JULY	GROW DAY CAMP ELEMENTARY 9:00AM-5:30PM

www.wesleyumc.net/summer

EARLY BIRD
SPECIAL FOR
9-1 CAMPS
MARCH 29-APRIL 4

EARLY = \$75
REGULAR = \$90



Easter Basket Silent Auction Nets Nearly \$5,000



We are so grateful to Wesley small groups, church members and the community for donating 44 baskets!

Journeys, Grounded in Faith, Mom's Group, Cornerstone, Sisters in Faith, MSG, Homebuilders, Handbells, Coffee Bar, Student Ministry, Joanie Bryant, Dan Armstrong, Kennedy Family, Cindy Crawford, Tonya Cadle, Jackie Creasy, Mia Edwards, Jenn Jetter, Paige Williams, Jessica Phillips, Deborah Vanhooser, Pam Crabtree, Leslie England, Johnson Family, Chick-Fil-A, Carolina Pottery

Thank You!

FAITH In Motion



Join us at Evans Towne Center Park
to run on Saturdays at 8:30am.

AMBASSADORS



April 26 6:30pm Program
May 3 6:30pm Party

3RD-5TH GRADES. BRING YOUR BIBLE.



AUGUSTA AUTISM
& DISABILITY
SUPPORT GROUP

Join us to share experiences with other parents & caregivers who are raising children with special needs.

NEXT MEETING:
APRIL 23
6PM

2ND & 4TH THURSDAYS
WESLEY UMC - ROOM 26

Contact Lee Schel for information
or to arrange childcare,
augustaautismanddisability@gmail.com.



COMING UP AT WESLEY

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:30a Traditional Worship
 9:30a Foundations Class
 9:30a Modern Worship
 11:00a Modern Worship
 11:00a Traditional Worship
 11:00a Junior Church
 5:00p SPR Committee
 5:30p K-2nd Children's Chor
 6:00p 3rd-5th Children's Choir
 6:00p Wesley Students

MONDAY, APRIL 20

7:00p AA Meeting
 7:00p Scout Troop 615

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

10:00a Women's Bible Study
 6:00p Pastor's Bible Study
 6:00p Wesley Ringers
 7:00p Celebration Choir

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

9:15a Moms Group
 6:00p Special Needs Support
 6:30p Bloom Room for Women
 7:00p AA Meeting

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

8:30a Faith in Motion Run Club

We are looking for great drivers and kind hearts to join our transportation ministry on Sunday mornings. Several of our members need assistance to get to church. We have a great group of volunteers, but we need more on the first Sunday of the month from 10:30AM-12:30PM to bring members to and from the 11AM services. Email hillary@wesleyumc.net for information.

**VOLUNTEER
 DRIVERS NEEDED
 CAN YOU HELP?**

Register Now!
**Rainforest Falls
 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!**
JUNE 1-5
www.wesleyumc.net/wesley-kidz

VBS Craft Supply Donations

Packing & masking tape	Foam board - DIY Insulation Kit - 14 in x 4 ft
Painter's tape (wide blue)	Great Stuff Expanding Foam Spray - cans
Plastic rectangle tablecloths - lime & dark green	Floral wire
Cardstock & tissue paper - various colors	Large Sharpie markers
Place in bins near worship areas by April 26	Hot glue gun sticks

VBS Prep Days

Wednesday, April 29, 9am - 12pm
 Wednesday, May 6, 9am - 12pm

We will make decorations - flowers, vines, backdrops and stage decorations! Get ready to cut, glue, paint and make a fun mess. No special skills needed - just willing hands!

Meet in the Biscuit Area.
 Childcare available upon request.



3rd-12th Grade ACOLYTE TRAINING

Sunday, April 26
 12-12:30pm in the Sanctuary

Contact Summer Rhodes at
sdbeckman@hotmail.com.

**MARIO BROS.
 Parent Night Out**
**MAY 1
 5:30-8:30PM**
WESLEYUMC.NET
 TO REGISTER BY APRIL 24

FOUNDATIONS

For new visitors & current members - explore the foundations of our faith & how to grow from there!

APRIL 19, APRIL 26, MAY 3
 9:30AM CONFERENCE ROOM

leslie@wesleyumc.net



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.....	Access 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
Joel Haywood.....	Organist/Pianist
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
Aaron Talbott ext 213.....	Family Pastor
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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