

WESLEY WINDOW

OCTOBER 15, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICES

OCTOBER 18, 2026

Traditional

8:30 & 11:00AM

Sanctuary
Greg Porterfield

Scripture

Matthew 22:34-40

Modern

9:30 & 11:00AM

Celebration Space
Aaron Talbott

Scripture

Matthew 22:15-22

Watch live at
www.wesleyumc.net

Livestream on
YouTube & Facebook

Video will be available
to view afterwards.



**WESLEY
CHURCH**

"The Main Thing"

A popular phrase recited in business circles is, "keep the main thing the main thing." It is a nod to the notion that we can be distracted by the vagaries of experience that obscure real purpose. It happens a lot and not just to businesses. Ever find yourself working so hard for your family that you spend no time with your family? It can even happen to a church. One of the remarkable things about Wesley is that it has never lost its focus. We have always understood that the best way to express our inward spiritual faith is in outward acts of service. Or as the theologian Emil Brunner once wrote, "the church exists by mission, as a fire exists by burning." If you don't have missions, you really can't be a church.

This Sunday at noon, immediately following our 11:00 services, we will be dedicating a building designed expressly for mission. I encourage you to stay for a few moments as we share this important moment in the life of our congregation. This 2,000 square foot building will house our mechanics and wheelchair construction ministries. Did you know that since the Mechanics Ministry's inception, our congregation has given away almost 500 (!) vehicles to people (most of whom are single moms) who otherwise would be without transportation for their families. And did you know that Wesley builds and installs over 40 wheelchair ramps a year, giving access to families who otherwise would no longer be able to live in their homes. These are life-changing ministries. We will be dedicating this building on Sunday. To a person, everyone who participates in this work will tell you what a powerful experience it is and how much better they feel once they contribute to it. And all of that is true. The real reason we do it, however, is that our mission is to proclaim Christ and to recognize that , our service is His witness.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday, *Key*



OUR PRAYERS

Charlene Alexander	Cindy Dick	George & Beverly O'Connell
John Amarello	Kessler Dixon	Cindy Orr
Itala Azzarelli	Walter Dodson	Jillian Parks
Patsy Battle	Gene Draisey	Roger Plessner
Heather Beale	Gwen Edgar	Roger Plessner
Philip & Lois Beery	Amy Eubanks	Shayne Prince
John Bock	John Fazio	Alicia Reeves
Lora Bohannon	Mike Fielder	Dierdre Reeves
John & Darlyn Bradley	Debbie Finnell	Kelli Reville
Delaine Brown	Archie Fisher	Charlie Rockwell
Donnie Burch	Brenda Goodwin	Abby Roney
Mary Beth Burrows	John & Beth Guerrerri	Dennis Scheyer
Diana Butler	Deborah Hall	George Sealey
Gilbert Caride	Mildred Hammer	James See
Francis Chandler	Thomas Hodges	Davis Shikle
Penn Clark	Linda Hughes	Chuck Smith
Kimberly D. Cliett	Debra Inghram	George Snowden
Barbara Cofer	C. Eddy Ivey Jr.	Donnie Strong
Brad Coody	Patrick & Katheryn Keene	Anna Teague
Liz Day	Nancy Leonard	Lessie Thomas
Pat Dekle	Charlie & Megan Moyer	Caleb Townley
Jane DeLoach	Gray & Campbell	Catherine Usry
Bonnie Devereaux	Moye	Ruth Ann Waller
Jan Devereaux	Marcia Myers	Terry Waller
	Mike & Patsy Nelms	Cindy Wilkes
		Avery Wilkinson
		Billy Wilson
		Bonnie Wilson
		Josephine Workosky

OUR DAILY BREAD

"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

- Matthew 22:36-39

Rules are easier than relationships. The Pharisees built their lives around hundreds of laws, believing strict obedience would make them righteous.

So when one of them asked Jesus, "Which is the greatest commandment?" it wasn't just curiosity - it was a test. Would he elevate one law over another? Would he say something controversial? Jesus didn't hesitate. He cut through all the noise and went straight to the heart of it: love. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and mind. And love your neighbor as yourself. In one statement, he shifted the focus from rule-following to relationship - from outward performance to inward transformation. Loving God with everything isn't about checking religious boxes. It's about devotion, a love that shapes our choices, our thoughts, our entire lives.

But Jesus didn't stop there - he immediately connected love for God with love for people. And that's where it gets real. It's easy to love God in theory, but loving people - especially difficult ones - can feel impossible. Yet, he calls us to love not just when it's convenient, but in the same way we love ourselves - with patience, grace and care. We can have all the right beliefs, do all the right things, but if we aren't driven by love, we're missing the point.

Dear Jesus, help me to love you with all my heart, soul and mind, and let that love overflow into how I treat others. Teach me to see people through your eyes, showing grace, patience and kindness even when it's difficult. Let my life reflect your love in both my words and actions. In your name. Amen.

- fellowshipchurch.com

OUR PRESENCE - OCTOBER 11

8:30 Traditional	68	9:30 Modern	107
11:00 Traditional	189	11:00 Modern	44
Jr. Church		TOTAL	408

OUR GIFTS

• Operating:	\$	51,856
• Received Through This Week:	\$	1,700,598
• Budgeted Through This Week:	\$	2,020,448

RUN, JOG OR WALK WITH US
AT LADY A PARK

SATURDAYS AT 9AM

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for full schedule & RSVP

Faith
In Motion

COLUMBIA COUNTY CARES OCTOBER FOOD & SUPPLY COLLECTION



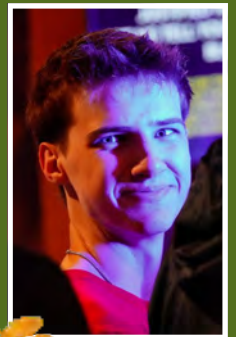
**GRITS, FEMININE PRODUCTS,
BLADDER PADS
DOG & CAT FOOD**

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

LOVE & LOVE
God & OTHERS



Students Fall Retreat



NEXT WEEK AT WESLEY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:30a Traditional Worship
9:30a Modern Worship
11:00a Modern Worship
11:00a Traditional Worship
11:00a Junior Church
12:00p Ministry Building
Grand Opening
5:00p K-2nd Children's Choir
5:45p 3rd-5th Children's Choir
6:00p Wesley Students

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

10:00a Women's Bible Study
6:00p Pastor's Bible Study
6:00p Handbell Choir
7:00p Seasonal Choir
7:00p Celebration Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00a Moms Group
7:00p AA Meeting

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:00a Faith in Motion Run Club

The Five Means of Grace

EXPERIENCE
GOD'S
LOVE THE
WESLEYAN
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BEGINS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

Four spaces are available in this spiritual formation group which meets monthly on first Tuesdays at 10:30am. Contact Mary Carolyn Thigpen, 706-829-3076 or marycarolyn1@comcast.net.



Volunteer Opportunity!

Help us install new flooring in the old Student Ministry Room as a part of our ongoing efforts to update the church.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

Email neil@wesleyumc.net.

ADAPTIVE Worship

A low-sensory service

November 8
2-2:30pm
Celebration Space



RELIEF AND RECOVERY TRIP

Week of January 24, 2027

Wesley's Relief & Recovery Team will return to Western North Carolina to assist with storm recovery. All skill levels are welcome.

Contact Dan Armstrong at armstrongdw@gmail.com.



WESLEY YARD SALE



This Saturday!

October 17
7am-12pm

After Sales

October 17, 1-3pm. Get \$10 tickets during regular sale. Cash only.

October 18, 10am. Everything is free!

Help Us Clean Up

October 18, 12pm-until. Hours worked count toward the next sale.

All proceeds benefit church and community missions!



WESLEY CHURCH

Luke Amerson ext 207.....Modern Music Director
Helen Bissell.....Senior Adult Outreach
Neil Brooks ext 223.....Associate Pastor
Laura Croft ext 210.....Preschool Director
Michelle Dodson ext 221.....Evangelism/Program Secretary
Katy Duncan ext 211.....Children's Ministries Director
Amanda Ellis ext 203.....Finance Director
Leslie England ext 214.....Connections Director
Greg Hatfield.....Hospital Pastor
Rick Massengale.....Organist/Pianist
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
Rick Massengale.....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
Aaron Talbott ext 213.....Family Pastor
Tim Taylor.....Custodian
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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