

Faith, Thanksgiving, and Cornerstones

In the life of faith, the practice of thanksgiving is one of the cornerstones. The entire house of faith is built upon the foundations of thanksgiving, grace, prayer, belief, trust, love, hope and generosity. As November dawns, and we have a National Day of Thanksgiving, it strikes me that taking each day during the month of November to pray a prayer of thanksgiving about some beautiful aspect of our lives would do us all some good. John Calvin, the reformer who inspired Presbyterianism described the life of faith as being built upon “grace and gratitude” that is, the grace of God and a life of thanksgiving in response to God’s grace. This understanding is direct. And it is true.

We live in an anxious age. Ours is an anxious moment. We all feel it. However, despite our fears, we each have blessings for which to be thankful: the love of family and friends; the gifts which others share with us; the beauty of the fall season; good health; good medicine; great songs; a good book; a kind embrace. Through devoting our thoughts, hearts, and prayers to these blessings as often as we can will lighten our souls and strengthen our faith in God who is the ultimate source of all our blessings.

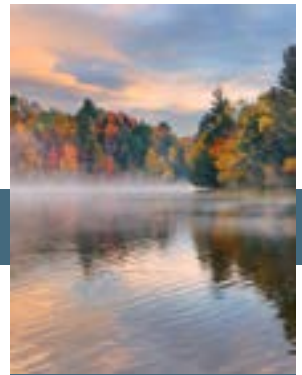
In our community of faith, White Memorial, we have so many blessings. We have a great deal of thanksgiving to do. Worship attendance continues to grow, our 2025 finances remain healthy, our youth and children’s ministries are as vibrant as ever, and our music ministry is expanding. In addition to all of this, we have just called a new Associate Pastor for Outreach and Community Engagement, Austin Vernon. Austin, his wife, and young son (along with their three dogs) will be joining us in January. For all of this and more, we have an abundance of thanksgivings to offer.

God has surrounded us with an abundance of blessings. As Paul said, “You will be enriched in every way for you great generosity...” (2 Cor. 9:11) through sharing our blessings with the church, we are able to not only bless others but also ourselves. We are at our best with regular worship attendance, when we have at least two regular ministry activities to which we are devoted, and when we support the church financially. This fall, we are asking you for two streams of financial support. The first, is the Four Pillars of Promise campaign, a vital effort to restore and renew our beloved campus. The second is our Cornerstone annual giving effort. It is from your gifts to Cornerstone that we will build our 2026 budget. You can read more about both on our website, or in the mailing you should have recently received.

We need your commitments to both. My family and many of your fellow church members have already made these commitments. And my most sincere prayer is that all of us will practice good stewardship and give joyfully to support the work of our church. After all, generous acts lead to generous hearts. Generosity is an essential part of the life of faith. It is a cornerstone. I am thankful for the generous ways you all have supported our ministry across more than seven decades, and I will be praying prayers of thanksgiving for you all.

May grace abound,

Christopher H. Edmonston, *Pastor*



SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

Sanctuary
9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

OnPoint@1704
Edinburgh Building:
Main Hall
10:45 a.m.

Live Stream,
Facebook Live
and YouTube
streaming options
available.

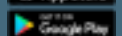
Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Nursery
9:30 a.m.
Birth to 24 months

10:45 & 11:00 a.m.
Birth to 4-year olds

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919-834-3424

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Telephone Number:
919-605-4593



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Jays & CONCERNS

PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

Flo Denny Durway on the death of her brother, Stephen Joel Denny, October 20, Roanoke, VA

BAPTISMS

James David Littleton, October 12, child of Jessie and Ben Littleton

Lang Henry MacBain, October 12, child of Lauren and Taylor MacBain

Burrus Gilbert Smith, October 12, child of Caroline and Gil Smith

David William Clodfelter, Jr. October 19, child of Mary Catherine and David Clodfelter,
grandchild of Elizabeth and Will Dodge

Stephanie Joy Daniel, October 19, child of Grace and McMillen Daniel, grandchild of Tracey and Dan Daniel

Marlowe Ann Fawcett, October 19, child of Charlotte and Curtis Fawcett, grandchild of Tracey and Dan Daniel

MARRIAGES

Molly McKay Baird and Philip Mark McClam, September 13, daughter of Nancy and Frank Baird

Elizabeth Ann Lowder and Ezra Flowers Gallo, October 17, Bar Harbor, ME, daughter of Dawn and Henry Lowder

Elizabeth Corbett Gay and Harrison Allen Rhoades, October 25, son of Mary Beth and David Rhoades

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Karen Adams Fox, on the birth of great granddaughter Cecilia Rose Noyes-Fox, August 29,
child of Rebecca Noyes Fox and Matthew Noyes, Wanstead, London, England

Judy and Tim Blount on the birth of their grandchild, Katie Jo Blount, October 10, child of Selby and Josh Blount,
Littleton, CO

If you have experienced a birth, marriage or death you want to share with the church,
email Lisa Crumpler at lcrumpler@whitememorial.org

If you have a relative or church friend who is hospitalized, call the Pastoral Care line 919-834-3425, ext. 210
or email Caroline Parker at cparker@whitememorial.org so our pastoral staff can reach out.

If you have a pastoral care need outside of regular business hours, call our after-hours pastor on call at 919-605-4593.

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**DON'T FORGET, DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS AT 2 A.M. ON NOVEMBER 2,
SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR.**

DO YOU RECEIVE OUR WEEKLY EMAIL ON THURSDAYS?

If not, would you like to? Contact Elizabeth Viohl at eviohl@whitememorial.org or Karen Haneline at khaneline@whitememorial.org to begin receiving.

CHURCH LOBBY HOURS - Ross Building

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. | Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. | Other times are by appointment.

NEED HELP WITH REALM?

Realm is our church management system. If you need assistance with Realm contact Elizabeth Viohl at eviohl@whitememorial.org or Leigh Ann Dailey at ldailey@whitememorial.org.

REGISTRATION FOR MOST EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: WHITEMEMORIAL.ORG/REGISTER.



EVENSONG

*Come to remember, give thanks,
find comfort and discover hope.*

This is a meaningful worship service for anyone who
has had a loved one die in the past year or in years past.

Sunday, November 2 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary

GIFTING APPRECIATED

Gifting appreciated stock is a great way to make your contributions to the church. If you are gifting stock as part of your contributions to the church, please write, email or phone [Jody Grayson](#) when you make the transfer so we can comply with your instructions and give you credit for your gift. We need to know the brokerage firm you are using, the number of shares, the name of the stock, and how you would like your gift allocated.

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTIONS

Please note that all year-end contributions must be received in the Finance Office by Sunday, December 28, 2025 or postmarked by December 31, 2025 to be claimed as a 2025 donation.

PASTOR'S SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Please consider making a contribution to the Pastor's Special Assistance Fund which provides support to our members in need for bills, healthcare, food and other essentials. To make a contribution to this fund visit whitememorial.org/give.

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT ADVENT

Would you and your family or group like to participate in the tradition of Advent reading and lighting of the candles this year? We are looking for families and groups that would read a short passage and light the Advent calendar at one service during the Advent season. Contact Jesse Maynard to get more info! Jesmaynard@gmail.com.

CHURCHWIDE COLLECTION NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS FOR

BACKPACK BUDDIES

Each week when school is in session, our church provides food-insecure children at Oberlin Middle and Lynn Road Elementary Schools with healthy meals and snacks.

If you would like to help, you can click on the Amazon link below to order backpack buddies non-perishable food items.

Thank you for your generosity and consideration by only donating items requested.

- Purchase items for Backpack Buddies through our [Amazon link](#).
- Please bring items for Backpack Buddies to the red bins outside of the Outreach (K100) Room.

THANK YOU



FOUR PILLARS OF PROMISE

THE CAMPAIGN FOR RESTORATION & RENEWAL

FOUR PILLARS OF PROMISE INFORMATIONAL GATHERING

Wednesday | November 19 | 6:00 p.m. | Geneva Hall

By now, you have received and read the literature on the Four Pillars of Promise, maybe you've already made a pledge, too, but there's still a couple of things you are curious about. Now is your opportunity to meet with committee chairs and others in the know to ask questions and learn more. Why not stay for dinner, too? Make a reservation at whitememorial.org/register.



GALATIANS BIBLE STUDY

**Monday | November 3
& November 10**

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Main Hall

Even if you missed the first two classes, there's still

much to be learned in the two November classes. Join Pastor Christopher Edmonston as he delves into the Epistle to the Galatians which speaks boldly about grace, freedom, and life in the Spirit. It is also the feistiest letter in the New Testament. Its teaching and truth have been revered by followers of Jesus for the last 2,000 years. We will work our way through the major theology and themes of this fascinating epistle.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

Men of all ages are invited to come for a hot breakfast, fellowship and Bible study at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday mornings in Geneva Hall. Contact for the group is Don Thompson, dthompson1ing@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST & FELLOWSHIP

Women of all ages are invited for breakfast and fellowship Tuesday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in The Hub. For more information contact Kathy Kidd, kakidd@bellsouth.net.

OUTREACH KNITTING GROUP

Tuesday | November 4 | 9:30 a.m. | R400

Gather around and enjoy fellowship and friends while knitting and crocheting the first Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in R400. Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee and lots of conversation. Any questions call Faye Senter, 919-805-0897 or fsenter@bellsouth.net.



OUTREACH SEWING GROUP

**Monday | November 17
9:30 a.m. - noon | C200**

The Outreach Sewing Group meets the third Monday of the month from 9:30 until noon in C200.

After a morning of sewing, we treat each other to a yummy homemade lunch. You don't need to be an expert seamstress to join us, only basic sewing skills are needed. Come join us for sewing and fellowship!



COME PLAY BRIDGE WITH FRIENDS

Mondays | 1:00 p.m. | The Hub

Whether you are experienced, a beginner or want to learn how to play we invite you to join us! We'll practice different bridge

hands, talk bidding, and enjoy fun and fellowship. For more information and to find out when we are gathering next contact Judy Bundy at judybundy7@gmail.com or Mary Grace White at marygrace623@yahoo.com.

MAHJONG AT 1:00 AT WMPC

Tuesday | November 4 | 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. | Offsite

We now have a group playing Mahjong on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. We'd love for you to be part of this newly formed group. Whether you're a seasoned player or brand new to the game, everyone is welcome! Don't forget your 2025 mahjong card if you have one. Registration isn't necessary but if you'd like to receive a reminder email, contact Beth Moore at bmoore@whitememorial.org to be included in the Realm group.

MAHJONG NIGHT AT WMPC

Thursday | November 6 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. | The Hub

We had a blast at our last Mahjong night, and we hope you'll join us for another evening of fun and fellowship, and friendly competition. Please bring your own card. [Registration is required.](#)

30s/40s MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Tuesday | November 4 | 7:00 p.m. | Raleigh Brewing

Looking for connection and community within our church family? A new men's group for those in their 30s/40s has recently formed, and you're invited to be part of it. We'll gather at Raleigh Brewing for a relaxed evening of fellowship and getting to know one another. Feel free to invite a friend. For more information contact Anne Galliher at agalliher@whitememorial.org.



20s + 30s(ish) ANNUAL FRIENDSGIVING FEAST

Friday | November 14 | 6:30 p.m.

All 20s + 30s are invited to our annual Friendsgiving Feast! To receive an invite to RSVP and sign-up to bring a dish contact Anne Galliher at agalliher@whitememorial.org.



20s + 30s(ish) CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Saturday | December 13
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

Join us at a members' home for a cozy campfire, s'mores, an outdoor Christmas movie, and general holiday merriment! Adults and kiddos are welcome. Pizza will be provided. Feel

free to bring a drink, salad, snack, or dessert to share. Contact Anne Galliher at agalliher@whitememorial.org to receive the invite with additional information and to RSVP.



JESUS ENCOUNTERS BOOK CLUB

**Thursday | November 20
2:30 p.m. | R400**

Join Pastoral Resident Lee Hunter and the "Jesus Encounters Book Club" as they read *Back to the Well* by Frances Taylor Gench. This group meets on the third Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. in R400. Come join us either in person or by Zoom. If you'd like to know more, contact Lee at lhunter@whitememorial.org.



ALL ARE WELCOME

**Monday | November 24 | 6:00 p.m.
Davidson Chapel**

All Are Welcome is a faith-based small group that offers worship, fellowship and emotional and spiritual support for LGBTQ+ adults. You're invited to participate in the group as we create a safe space of welcome and engagement. We'll meet on the 4th

Monday of every month. For more information, contact Kathy Hart at hartmusic1@gmail.com or Lee Hunter at lhunter@whitememorial.org.



BEYOND SUNDAY @WMPC PODCAST

If you haven't yet, we invite you to listen to our Beyond Sunday at WMPC podcast series called *...Ready For It?* where conversations about faith and Presbyterian theology meet their match in Taylor Swift's songbook. Maybe think of these six episodes as moving from the Eras Tour into a tour of the wider church classroom, where themes of reconciliation, the importance of community, Christian hope, and the power of music all take center stage? Find them on our website, Spotify or Apple Podcasts.

ADVENT PODCAST COMING SOON

Stay tuned. We are preparing to launch a new podcast series during Advent.



UPDATED INFORMATION ON SCOTLAND PILGRIMAGES

Informational Meetings:

Tuesday | November 11
2:00 p.m. Geneva Hall

Wednesday | November 12
6:30 p.m. | Geneva Hall

Journey with us to the sacred land of Scotland where we'll explore Celtic spirituality, Celtic saints and our Reformed roots. We'll travel to Edinburgh (the birthplace of our Presbyterian heritage), to the

delightful fishing village of Oban, to the island of Iona (the birthplace of Christianity in Scotland) and to other amazing places along the way. We'll learn, worship, and grow together in friendship and faith.

Because of overwhelming interest, we have added a second journey. You will have the opportunity choose between two pilgrimages.

- **July 10-21, 2026**
led by Cate Church Norman and Christopher Edmonston
- **Mid-October 2026 (dates announced soon)**
with Cate Church Norman and Tom Harris

We will hold identical informational meetings covering both trips on Tuesday, November 11 at 2:00 p.m. and Wednesday, November 12 at 6:30 p.m. in Geneva Hall. If you'd like to be placed on a list of interested participants, please reach out to Caroline Parker at cparker@whitememorial.org.



THE TIME TO GIVE BLOOD IS NOW

BE THE LIFELINE PATIENTS NEED.
White Memorial Presbyterian Church
Blood Drive

Monday, November 3, 2025
1:30–6:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall
Sign Up Today!

To make an appointment, please visit

www.redcrossblood.org

and use sponsor code WMPC.

For questions please contact

Hannah Sloan at hmcDonald@mindspring.com

To complete pre-reading and answer health history questions the day of the blood drive visit www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass.



HOLIDAY PIE SALE FOR THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS!

Need a finishing touch for your Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner? Debra, Linda, and Tabitha are busy baking homemade chocolate chess, pumpkin, pecan, and sweet potato pies and delicious pound cake.

- Pies are \$15/each; Pound Cake is \$20/each
- Order(s) must be placed between Sunday, November 2 and Friday, November 14
- Online orders only. whitememorial.org/register
- Pick-up between 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 20, Friday, November 21 and Monday, November 24 from the kitchen in the Edinburgh Building.



ANGEL FOOD MINISTRY

Looking for a way to get involved at White Memorial? Consider delivering meals or helping cook meals for our church members in times of need. Contact Blair Hughes, cbehughes@gmail.com for more information.

OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

Want to stay in the loop on all the happenings? Contact Laura Rolston to be added to the list at lrolston@whitememorial.org.

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER THIS MONTH:

- **Shepherd's Table**
Wednesday | November 5 | 10:00 a.m.
- **Note in the Pocket**
Every Wednesday & Thursday | 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Join fellow WMPC friends for a fun time sorting clothes to share with neighbors in need across Western North Carolina. Questions? Contact Sheri Miller at millerauktwo@gmail.com.

COURIERS NEEDED FOR DELIVERIES TO WNC

Are you traveling to the Western part of the State and willing to deliver supplies to those in need? We are building a database of those willing to deliver needed goods to our neighbors recovering from Helene. Interested? Please send your name, phone contact, email, and county or area you usually travel to Sherri Miller at millerauktwo@gmail.com.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SITE CONSTRUCTION VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

White Memorial is excited to join faith communities in building homes with Habitat for Humanity. While volunteers are welcome most Saturdays, the next time WMPC will serve together is:

Saturday, December 13 – A New Neighborhood, Garner

Arrive at 8:15 a.m., take water breaks as needed, enjoy lunch together, and work until about 3:00 p.m.—or as long as you are able. Questions? Contact Eric Miller at eric_miller@ncsu.edu.



SERVANT SATURDAY IN NOVEMBER
RISE AGAINST HUNGER
Saturday | November 15
10:00 a.m. | Hayes Barton United Methodist Church

This is a great family project! Join us, along with Hayes Barton UMC, as we package 10,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger on Saturday, November 15. Register: whitememorial.org/register.

A PLACE AT THE TABLE



A Place at the Table is in search of dedicated volunteers to join their café team. Volunteers will be responsible for various tasks, including greeting guests, preparing food, and even assisting with dishwashing. There is something for everyone! The primary volunteer focus is to help foster a sense of love and support. Volunteers can commit to working once a week, every other week, or any other schedule that suits their availability. Flexibility is crucial in ensuring that the café can meet its operational needs effectively. Currently, they are in urgent need of additional hands to help them thrive.



WMPC at the 2023 Crop Walk

WALK WITH US AT THE 2025 RALEIGH CROP WALK!

Get fit while getting to know fellow members!

2025 Greater Triangle Crop Walk
Saturday | November 8 | 10:00 a.m.
99 N. Salisbury Street (First Baptist)

Register: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/teams>

Sign up for the White Memorial Team

Questions? Contact Tracey Hall at traceyhall213@gmail.com

STEPUP MINISTRY COAT DRIVE

StepUp Ministry is seeking coats for 75 children/teens in various sizes, starting at 18 months through adult XL. **Items Due December 10, 2025.** For more information contact Dayna Jameson, djameson@stepupministry.org

THE MONTH OF
November
Keenagers

Keenagers is a weekly program for adults 55+, meeting Thursdays at 10:45 a.m. in Geneva Hall. Gatherings include socializing, singing, learning, and lunch prepared by the WMPC kitchen. Join us for fun, fellowship, and learning! For more information, contact Cesia Cisneros at ccisneros@whitememorial.org

NOVEMBER 6
Now Hear This

NOVEMBER 13
Classical Guitar with Associate Music Director Eric Nanz

NOVEMBER 20
Trip to the Gregg Museum

NOVEMBER 27
Happy Thanksgiving! No Keenagers Meeting.

STEPHEN MINISTRY INFORMATIONAL GATHERING

If you're interested in becoming a Stephen Minister
PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN INFORMATIONAL GATHERING



Sunday | November 2
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Geneva Hall

This is a time of great food, fellowship and fun!
Questions? Contact Laura Raynor at laurarnraynor@gmail.com.

HEALING THROUGH GRIEF

Sundays | November 9 - December 14, 2025
4:00-6:00 p.m. | R400 | [Registration required](#)
Led by Cate Church Norman and Lee Hunter

Grief touches us all at some point in our lives. No one ever has to feel alone during this difficult time. Whether you have suffered the recent loss of a loved one or are struggling with a loss in the past, you are invited to come together for a series of five sessions to help you along your journey of grief.

Each session explores different aspects of grief: from acceptance of your loss and working through its pain, to adjusting to a new way of being while honoring a very significant relationship in your life. Each session builds upon the other, so attendance is encouraged at each session. This class is led by Associate Pastor Cate Church Norman and Pastoral Resident Lee Hunter.

www.whitememorial.org/register



CAN A STEPHEN MINISTER HELP YOU WITH YOUR LIFE JOURNEY?

White Memorial has a vibrant Stephen Ministry program and trained Stephen Ministers who would welcome the opportunity to walk with you during a difficult part of your life's journey. Life experiences such as grief or loss, a personal illness or that of a loved one and relationship issues are just a few examples of times when you could use some additional support. Stephen Ministers are trained to be - and want to be - that Christian companion. Please consider a Stephen Minister as you navigate life to find the peace you need. The relationship and information exchanged is free and confidential, a safe place to say aloud your thoughts and concerns.

To learn how you can receive a Stephen Minister's confidential care, contact Laura Raynor at lauranraynor@gmail.com or Judy Yates Siker, Parish Associate, at jsiker@whitememorial.org.

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

- Galatians 6:2



stephen
MINISTRY



WOMEN'S MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

All women are cordially invited

Monday, November 10 | Main Hall | Luncheon | 12-1:00 p.m.

Come enjoy lunch with friends, new and old. We will hear from Maggie Kane, Founder and Executive Director of A Place at the Table, Raleigh's only pay-what-you-can nonprofit cafe and food truck. A Place at the Table is dedicated to their mission of providing community and good food for all, regardless of means. **Register for lunch by noon, Tuesday, November 4 at www.whitememorial.org/register.** Livestream of the presentation will be available. We thank Circle L for hosting the event.

GIVE BACK. SERVE.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S YEAR-LONG PROJECT

Throughout the 2025-26 school year, PW will support the churchwide Backpack Buddies collection to provide meals and snacks for food-insecure students in our community. Please visit Outreach's Amazon link for specific items to contribute.

All women of the church are invited to join a Circle. Please contact Judy Glover, jggdesigner@suddenlink.net, 252-908-1088 for more information.

VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR CIRCLE INFO.

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AGAPE CARE TEAMS: RECRUITING NEW VISITORS

Started in 2019, this ministry of presence creates opportunities for meaningful long-term connections between volunteers and individuals who, because of life circumstances, are seldom or never able to come to church. Trained visitors will share compassion and love through regular visits and communication with those who need the church to be brought to them. If you would like to make meaningful connections by visiting those who need the church to be brought to them, contact [Ann Rosar](mailto:AnnRosar) at earosar@gmail.com or [Caroline Parker](mailto:CarolineParker) at cparker@whitememorial.org for more information.

Beloved on the Earth: Being, Belonging, Becoming

2026 WOMEN'S RETREAT
JANUARY 23-25
WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

with Rev. Gracie Payne
Associate Pastor for Engagement
Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Registration now open!
whitememorial.org/register



CAREGIVER'S COFFEE

Tuesday | November 18
10:30 a.m. - noon

The Hub

Are you a family caregiver or would you like to fellowship with

family caregivers? Are you interested in learning about community resources available to you? If so, please join us for coffee, conversation, and connection at our next Caregiver's Coffee on Tuesday, November 18 from 10:30 a.m. – noon in the Hub. This month's gathering will feature guest specialists sharing insights on Medicare options during open enrollment and how to choose a senior living community. All are welcome; please feel free to invite a friend or neighbor to join you. For more information, please contact Martha Grove Hipskind, mghipskind@whitememorial.org.

HEALING PRAYER

Wednesday | November 12 | between 1:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Healing Prayer is a form of intercessory prayer focusing on an individual's mental, emotional, physical and spiritual needs to provide a sense of balance and facilitate self-healing. Healing Prayer sessions are held in Davidson Chapel and usually last 20 to 30 minutes. If you are interested in experiencing a healing prayer session on Wednesday, November 12 between 1:30–4:00 p.m., please contact Mary Ann Turner at maturner2.mat@gmail.com to schedule a time.

Join Us
for

LAURELYN DOSSETT: SONGS OF LIGHT AND HOPE

Sunday | November 16 | 2025
Sanctuary | 3:00 pm



Laurelyn will be playing a compilation of original songs from *The Gathering: A Winter's Tale in Six Songs* and some selections from *Beautiful Star: An Appalachian Nativity*. A reception will follow in the Jane Bell Gathering Space. Admission is free, with donations to support future concerts warmly welcomed.



SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS LUNCHEON

Sunday | November 23

12:15 p.m. | Geneva Hall

WMPC's Mental Health and Wellness Ministry invites you to a Survivors of Suicide Loss Luncheon on Sunday, November 23, at 12:15 p.m. in Geneva Hall.

This gathering offers a caring space to connect with others in our community who have walked through a similar loss. Together, we will watch a short documentary film and share reflections through guided table conversations. Pastoral staff will be present for support.

Box lunches will be provided, and childcare will be available. The event is free, but registration is encouraged to help us prepare: whitememorial.org/register. For questions, please contact Martha Grove Hipskind, mghipskind@whitememorial.org.



Here's What's Happening at the Weekday School!



CURRICULUM NIGHT AT THE WEEKDAY SCHOOL

White Memorial Presbyterian Church's Weekday School has a long-standing tradition of excellence in early childhood education. We strive to provide a nurturing, loving, and educational environment each day for every child. On Wednesday, November 12

from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in K200, directors Cynthia Baggett and Blair Miller, along with a few WDS teachers, will share the different aspects of the Weekday School's curriculum. We invite current Weekday School parents, prospective parents, and anyone else who might be interested in learning more about our program.



WEEKDAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Prospective Parents! Come join us on Tuesday, December 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the chapel for Open House. You will learn about White Memorial Presbyterian Church's Weekday School program, hear from a current Weekday School parent, tour the school, and ask current families and the Weekday School directors questions. We hope to see you there!



WEEKDAY SCHOOL 2026-2027 APPLICATION

White Memorial Presbyterian Church's Weekday School application window for the 2026-2027 school year is currently open! Priority will be given to applications completed by January 23, 2026. To register your child for the upcoming school year, [visit our website and click on 2026-27 Registration](#). We would love to welcome your family to the Weekday School!



Hey VBS Friends - Guess What's Next?

**Big and exciting things are happening
at White Memorial!**

Because of the amazing Four Pillars of Promise Capital Campaign, we're making wonderful improvements to our Sanctuary and adding important safety upgrades in Luther and Knox.

That means Vacation Bible School will take a little break in 2026—but only so we can get everything ready for **YOU**.

Don't worry—we'll be back in 2027 to sing louder, laugh harder, and celebrate bigger than ever!

**We can't wait to
welcome everyone back
with even more enthusiasm in 2027!**



CHURCH BASKETBALL LEAGUE FOR MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

**Registration closes
November 15!**
[Register today!](#)

Registration for our 2025 Church Basketball League (CO-ED Grades 6–12) is open! Students are invited to join us for another great season of teamwork, sportsmanship, and community.

Church Basketball Game Days for this Season:

Saturday, January 31
Saturday, February 7
NO GAME FEBRUARY 14
Saturday, February 28
Saturday, March 7

The league is coached by parents and volunteers.



CHAIR YOGA

Chair yoga is a practice of gentle stretches, meditation, and movement with breath. Many postures are beneficial to those who spend time sitting at a desk. This practice does incorporate some standing postures and balance but can be modified to be done entirely in a chair. A mat or towel is optional.

Wednesdays
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. | C200

YIN YOGA

Yin yoga is a mat class of deep stretches held for long periods to allow connective tissues to release and muscles to relax. It is a meditative, calming practice. Must be able to get on and off the floor. A mat and/or towel recommended. Wear comfortable clothes that allow for freedom of movement.

Wednesdays
11:15 a.m. - noon | C200

Classes through December 10
Costs for Chair Yoga and/or Yin Yoga:

Chair: \$30 per 6-week session; \$8 drop-in per class
Yin: \$25 per 6-week session; \$6 drop-in per class
\$50 for both classes per 6-week session

For questions about Yin Yoga or Chair Yoga contact Margie Mould, class instructor at mmould@bellsouth.net.



PICKLEBALL

Join the fun! We offer two opportunities to play each week, Monday and Wednesday (and the occasional Friday), 2:00-4:00 p.m. in Pickard Hall. Paddles and balls are available for use.

GENTLE YOGA

Gentle Yoga is designed for aging bodies. Movement is slow and mindful. Students must be able to get up and down on their mat. A yoga mat or blanket is required. \$10 per class. Class meets on Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. in C200. Contact Beth Robinson at elizabeth.robinson44@gmail.com for more information.

T'AI CHI FOR EXERCISE

T'ai Chi is a gentle art that is physically rewarding and mentally stimulating, and brings a feeling of well-being, as well as relaxation, improved balance, and coordination. For more information, contact Honey Music at honeyjmusic@gmail.com. Class meets on Mondays from 5:30-6:50 p.m. in Pickard Hall. Classes are \$8.00 per class.



ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS' GATHERING

Sunday | November 16
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. | C301 G

While the kids have movie nights and youth group, parents are invited to gather for dinner, fellowship, and a parenting workshop called "Raising Resilient Kids: Building Emotional Strength and Coping Skills" led by Laura Brimberry. We'll order pizza and salad from Lily's pizza for dinner (\$10 per person). Registration is required. Childcare is available for children younger than kindergarten while the older children are in Movie Night, Club 4/5 and Youth Group.

Laura is joining us from Birch Therapy where she serves as the Parent Support Specialist. As a graduate of Rhodes College and after receiving Masters of Social Work from Virginia Commonwealth University, Laura continued her career to include helping parents and families for over 30 years. She has served as a facilitator for Circle of Security Parenting® groups with SAFEChild since 2019, organizing and teaching over 40 parenting groups in the Raleigh area.

As a mother of four children who grew up at WMPC, she has been through the ins and outs of raising four distinctly unique human beings, and yes, everyone survived. Laura, and her husband Olin, can attest that you can too. Laura knows all too well that parenting is the deepest joy and greatest challenge of the human experience, one that we need to discuss and support throughout our lives.

Register at whitememorial.org/register.



Rotation Stations provided new and engaging ways for 1st - 5th graders to experience the familiar story of Noah's Ark!

MONSTERS, INC.



Children's Movie Night November 16 | 5-7 p.m.

Children in Kindergarten-3rd grade
are invited to watch Monsters, Inc.
from 5-7 p.m. | C200
Pizza \$6 per person
Pre-registration required
whitememorial.org/register

Club 4/5 Movie Night November 16 | 5-7 p.m.



4th & 5th Graders
are invited to watch Night At The Museum
from 5-7 p.m. | C100
Pizza \$6 per person
Registration required by noon
Friday, November 14
whitememorial.org/register



Christmas Share

Alternative Giving That Meets the Need

Christmas Share, an alternative giving program, has made significant contributions to our community and international partners totaling more than one million dollars since its inception. Established over three decades ago by Presbyterian Women, it remains an important Christmas outreach initiative. **The program will be available starting Sunday, November 2, 2025.**

At the completion of Christmas Share, a check will be sent to each agency for the amount of money collected on their behalf therefore, please be sure to designate on the form the dollar amount you would like given to each agency.

NAME _____

CHRISTMAS SHARE 2025

Supply location on Sundays:

During Advent a table will be set up on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the connector for you to make donations and to select your cards.

Supply location Monday-Friday:

During office hours the supplies will be located in the lobby of the Ross Building where you can leave your donation and select your cards.

If you need to mail the form and check, please mail the check to WMPC, 1704 Oberlin Rd, Raleigh, NC 27608, Attn: Laura Rolston -Christmas Share

If you have any questions, email Laura Rolston at lrolston@whitememorial.org

Community Ministry (CM)

\$_____ Distribute where needed for CM
\$_____ A Place At The Table
\$_____ Alliance Medical Ministry
\$_____ BELONG NC
\$_____ Boys and Girls Clubs
\$_____ Capital Towers
\$_____ Diaper Train
\$_____ Emmaus House
\$_____ F.I.G.S.
\$_____ Green Chair Project
\$_____ Habitat for Humanity
\$_____ Haven House
\$_____ Healing Transitions
\$_____ Interact
\$_____ InterFaith Food Shuttle
\$_____ King's Ridge
\$_____ Loaves and Fishes
\$_____ Mayview
(Communities in Schools)
\$_____ Meals on Wheels
\$_____ Milner Commons
\$_____ Neighbor 2 Neighbor
\$_____ Note in the Pocket
\$_____ Oak City Cares
\$_____ Pardoned by Christ
\$_____ Project Enlightenment
\$_____ Raleigh Rescue Mission

\$_____ SAFEchild
\$_____ Salvation Army
\$_____ Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen
\$_____ SouthLight
\$_____ StepUp Ministry
\$_____ TLC (Tammy Lynn Center)
\$_____ Transitions Life Care (Hospice)
\$_____ Triangle Family Services
\$_____ Triangle Pastoral Counseling, Inc.
\$_____ Urban Ministries of Wake County
\$_____ Wake Monarch Academy
\$_____ Wake Relief
\$_____ YMCA

International Mission (IM)

\$_____ Distribute where needed for IM
\$_____ Haiti: Ministries
Student Sponsorships
\$_____ Poland: Scholarships for
seminary students
\$_____ Middle East Partnerships

Other

\$_____ Iglesia Santuario
\$_____ Presbyterian Campus Ministry

Total: \$ _____

Advent Contemplative Retreat

Unearthing the Light

Celtic Wisdom for Advent

Thursday | December 4
9:00 - 4:00 | WMPC Campus

Join Associate Pastor Cate Church Norman and Pastoral Resident Lee Hunter as we prepare for the season of Advent with an all-day contemplative retreat. We'll spend time on our church campus engaging in scripture, prayer, spiritual practices, and fellowship. Scholarships are available. Register: whitememorial.org/register.

Advent/Christmas Memorials and Honoraria

We have a long-standing tradition of collecting contributions in memory of a loved one or in honor of family, friends, or members of the church family during Advent. Your gifts may be for any amount of \$25 or more, and the money raised enables us to provide the florals and greenery used in our Worship Spaces during Advent and Christmas, as well as throughout the year. Those honored or memorialized will be listed in the bulletin inserts on December 14 (deadline for print is December 10) and on Christmas Eve (deadline for print is December 18). If interested please complete the form below and send to Lisa Crumpler via email lcrumpler@whitememorial.org or mail to WMPC, attention Lisa Crumpler, 1704 Oberlin Rd., Raleigh, NC 27608. If you have questions, please call Lisa at 919-834-3424 ext. 222. Contributions are gladly accepted in November and up until the print deadline indicated. Thank you for your thoughtful and meaningful generosity.

Advent/Christmas Greenery Memorials and Honoraria Please Print.

Name of Contributor: _____ Phone: _____

Given: _____ in honor of or _____ in memory of

Name: _____ (first and last names only)

Name: _____ (first and last names only)

Value of Gift: _____

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WEDNESDAY
TOGETHER
DINNERS



REGISTER

Register online by 11:00 p.m. Sunday prior to Wednesday.

whitememorial.org/register

Adults: \$10.00 per meal

Child: \$6.00 per meal

On-campus dining: 5-6:30 p.m.

To Go Meals: 5-6:30 p.m.

Walk-ins: after 6:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 5

Spaghetti Supper

Meat Sauce, Marinara Sauce, Cauliflower Blend, Salad Bar, Garlic Knots & Assorted Desserts

NOVEMBER 12

Fried Chicken

Rice with Black Eyed Peas, Cabbage, Succotash, Biscuits, Salad Bar & Assorted Desserts

NOVEMBER 19

Turkey Breast with Stuffing

Sweet potato Mash, Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce, Rolls, Salad Bar & Assorted Desserts

NOVEMBER 26 -- No Dinner

Happy Thanksgiving! (Don't forget to order your holiday pies! Details on page 5.)

upcoming events

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Evensong Service
Stephen Ministry Info Gathering

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Blood Drive
Galatians Bible Study

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

Men's 30s/40s Fellowship Group

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

WMPC Mahjong Night

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Believing & Belonging @WMPC
Healing Through Grief

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

WMPC Women's Circles and Luncheon
Galatians Bible Study

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Scotland Pilgrimage Informational Gathering

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Scotland Pilgrimage Informational Gathering

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

20s + 30s Friendsgiving Party

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Servant Saturday: Rise Against Hunger

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Dedication Sunday
Believing & Belonging @WMPC Class Joins
Sounds on Oberlin Concert: Laurelyn Dossett
Elementary & Middle School Parents' Gathering
Children's Movie Night
Club 4/5 Movie Night

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Caregiver's Coffee

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Four Pillars of Promise Capital Campaign
Informational Gathering

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Survivors of Suicide Loss Luncheon

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

All Are Welcome

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Church Facilities closed

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Men's 30s/40s Fellowship Group

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 10, 17

Midweek Advent Worship Services

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

Advent Contemplative Retreat

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

Joy Gift

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

WMPC Women's Circles and Luncheon

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

Habitat for Humanity Build
20s + 30s Christmas Party

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Children's Movie Night
Club 4/5 Movie Night

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Caregiver's Coffee

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

Combined Holiday Worship in Sanctuary

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22

All Are Welcome

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Children's Christmas Eve Bell Service
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26 &

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

Church Facilities Closed

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

Combined Holiday Worship in Sanctuary