

# WMPC MONTHLY

WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | JULY 2020

## Updates and Opportunities

As I write I am happy to report that the Imagine Campaign construction project has reached its end. By the beginning of July, the Clancy and Theys team and the architects with Little Diversified will have exited our campus. Edinburgh is complete. The renovations of Luther and Geneva are complete as well. New Youth Space has arisen from our old kitchen and Geneva Hall. New meeting and fellowship space has arisen from the old Connector. Pickard Hall is updated and will function well into the foreseeable future. It is all wonderful. We are so grateful to all of you who have made commitments to this campaign and who will continue paying your pledges to this campaign. Thank you so very much.

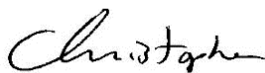
For more than a month our ReOpening Task Group has been working diligently towards a plan to welcome you back to campus. The group is comprised of medical experts, legal analysts, and those Deacons and Elders who are involved at every level of our church ministry. They have produced a thorough and comprehensive reopening plan. Our Session will review this plan on July 12. The Session will determine the date when we reopen campus for worship and other programming. Please know that before we come back, masks will be required, entrances and exits will be clearly marked, and we will implement a reservation system to both control our numbers and know who to contact should a COVID related episode occur on our campus. Much will be different. For those not comfortable returning to campus yet, we will continue to stream in similar ways as we have been streaming our services before and after the COVID crisis.

For those missing Vacation Bible School and Midsummer Celebrations, our children's ministry team will be sharing an at-home activity in the coming weeks. Please pay attention to your email for details on how to participate and how to get the materials so you may practice faith at home with your children and grandchildren. Likewise, our Youth Ministry is offering a buffet of at-home activities for our high school and middle school children. Please pay attention to emails from Youth Staff that your teenagers and tweenagers might keep their connection to church healthy and strong.

Finally, near the end of June, we offered on our website the 21-Day Race Equity Challenge. We hope that those of you who choose to participate will find it worthwhile and, in due course, challenging. God does not call us to be comfortable. God calls us to be faithful, even when it is hard, confusing, or feels like a risk. Part of the offerings is a video called, "Oberlin: A Village Rooted in Freedom." It is a production of Preservation North Carolina and I cannot recommend it highly enough as a witness to the largely unknown history of our part of the city along Oberlin Road.

More than anything, in this time of separation, we want you to know that we pray constantly. We are grateful for the amazing ways, through prayer and financial support, you have helped our ministry in this time of COVID. God bless you all. And with the help of Jesus Christ, whom alone we serve, may the path ahead be made that our blessings would be shared to help others near and far.

May grace abound,



Christopher Edmonston  
Pastor



### SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

Until further notice  
we will continue Live  
Stream and FB Live  
worship.

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

Live Stream and  
FB Live

Church Office  
Telephone Number:  
919-834-3424

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# Jays & CONCERNS

## IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

**Carol Joyner Booth** – June 18, 2020

## PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

**Susan Pittman, and Andy, Suzette, Andi and Jackson Pittman**, on the death of Susan's brother, Paul Gowdy Andes, March 26, Jacksonville, FL.

**Butch and Gail Gunnells, Jacob, Carie and Grayson Gunnells, Sam Gunnells, and Matt and Taylor Gunnells**, on the death of Butch's mother, Earline Jordan Gunnells, June 9, Raleigh, NC.

**Carol and Bill Newell**, on the death of Carol's son, Scott Richard Ward, June 10, Raleigh, NC.

## NEW PRESBYTERIANS

**Mary Millikin Fawcett**, born June 3, child of Charlotte and Curtis Fawcett, grandchild of Dan and Tracey Daniel, and Lynne Winston.

## MARRIAGES

**Mary Brent Barnard and Gordon Malone Carver, IV**, June 20, Raleigh, NC. Mary Brent is the daughter of Pat and Billy Barnard.

If you have experienced a birth, marriage or death you want to share with the church, email Rebecca Turner at [rturner@whitememorial.org](mailto:rturner@whitememorial.org). If you have a relative or church friend who is hospitalized, call the church office or email Amy Claprod at [aclaprod@whitememorial.org](mailto:aclaprod@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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**CHURCH FACILITIES CLOSED ON FRIDAY, JULY 3 IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FOURTH OF JULY.**

**UNTIL FURTHER NOTIFICATION WMPC WILL CONTINUE WORSHIP AT HOME - LIVE STREAM OR FACEBOOK LIVE**  
Sunday Mornings | 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

**WMPC CAMPUS CLOSED THROUGH JULY 15, 2020.**

**PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE OFTEN: WWW.WHITEMEMORIAL.ORG**

For updates, videos, devotionals, studies, activities and innovative ways to practice faith at home and to share faith with one another.

# Welcome, Anne!

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING OUR NEW PASTORAL RESIDENT ANNE GALLIHER WHO WILL JOIN US JULY 7, 2020



Anne was baptized, raised, and confirmed at First Presbyterian Church in Statesville. She studied social work at Appalachian State University and attended Emory University's Candler School of Theology. She married her high school sweetheart, Aaron, in 2017. Although they have loved their time in Atlanta, North Carolina has been calling them home and they are excited to begin a new chapter in Raleigh.

Anne is happiest being outdoors or when busy in the kitchen, gathering people around a crowded table. She is passionate about creating a community of support and belonging for all of God's people, one where folks can learn and grow their faith in new ways. She is excited to begin full-time ministry as a Pastoral Resident and for the ways in which God will shape her ministry through the people at WMPC.

## REOPENING TASK GROUP MEETING WEEKLY

WMPC's new task group continues to meet regularly to discuss "when we reopen" and "how" we do so. Shortly, they will present their recommendations to the Session, our governing group of Elders. The Session will take their recommendations and make any final decisions.

## AN ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

The campus continues to be closed but staff are coming in more frequently, rotating hours so there is never a large gathering, wearing face masks in public areas, and in general taking all precautions recommended by the CDC. All staff can be reached during normal office hours of 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. by calling 919-834-3425 and putting in the extension number of the staff member. (A directory is available.)



## WEDNESDAYS IN THE KITCHEN WITH MACY@4 PM RETURNING JULY 15

### Facebook Live

Join Macy Aguirre, Director of Food Services on Wednesday's at 4 p.m. on WMPC's Facebook Live. Macy will be on vacation Wednesday, July 1 and July 8 but back with all new episodes on July 15.



## BREAKING BREAD

Here's a quick and easy recipe WMPC member Nan Hannah follows to prepare Eucharistic Bread each month. As we partake in communion on Sunday, July 5, we invite you and your family to make this recipe beforehand. Makes two small loaves. You can find the recipe on our website:

[www.whitememorial.org/activities-for-everyone](http://www.whitememorial.org/activities-for-everyone)

## COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS DEADLINE

The Community Allocations Committee of White Memorial Presbyterian Church allocates funds given by the congregation to agencies in Wake County that provide for the needs of individuals and groups in the community where our church has strong commitment and involvement. While no precise definition is possible in assessing need, we consider agencies that attempt to provide basic needs, teach life coping skills, and promote self-sufficiency. The Community Allocations Application process begins in September of each year and awards are announced in February. All grant applications are due Tuesday, September 1, 2020. If you have questions contact Gloria Johnson, [gjohnson@whitememorial.org](mailto:gjohnson@whitememorial.org).

## MEANING AS MILLENNIALS: FAITHFUL CONVERSATIONS ABOUT CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE

Meaning as Millennials is a social and study group for people in their late 20s to late 30s interested in exploring their faith and today's culture. Discussions are based upon scripture, articles, current events, podcasts, or books. We are currently gathering weekly through Zoom and welcome all interested to join us. Contact Kevin Thompson at [kpthomps@ncsu.edu](mailto:kpthomps@ncsu.edu) to be added to the weekly Zoom invite. We'd love to have others join us!



# steadfast & faithful

## The 21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge

For 21 days, we invite you to do one action daily to further your understanding of power, privilege, supremacy, oppression, and equity. This plan, adapted from Dr. Eddie Moore's 21-Day Racial Equality Habit Building Challenge® includes suggestions for readings, podcasts, videos, observations, and ways to form and deepen community connections.

### About the Challenge

We think understanding white privilege and white supremacy is a powerful lens into the complexities of doing social justice work.

On our website you will find a list of resources that encourage you to watch, listen, read, explore, act, and notice.

You will also find a tracking chart to help you stay on course and accountable to our habit building attention.

Each day you will select one action from a suggested list of recommendations.

We encourage you to diversify your selections each day.

To further discussion, we will offer a series of small group Zoom calls to reflect and share.

You will find registration for these calls on our website.

Wednesday, July 1, 8 and 15

noon or 7:00 p.m.

You will find registration for small group zoom calls on our website

[www.whitememorial.org/register](http://www.whitememorial.org/register)



## WMPC Webinar Series on Mental Health

The Mental Health and Wellness Task Force at White Memorial is pleased to bring you a panel of experts to discuss Mental Health and Wellness issues through a series of Zoom webinars.

Tuesday evenings  
7:00-8:30 p.m.  
Zoom with pre-registration  
(registration details coming soon)



Date	Speaker	Topic
July 14	Emily King	Parenting Young Children During Overwhelming Times
July 21	Landy Anderton	Loss, Grief and Anxiety around Pandemic, Protest and Violence toward our Neighbors
July 29	Abby Pressel	Managing Uncertainty: Loss, Loneliness and Anxiety among Teens and College-aged Young Adults
August 4	Robert Cooke	Is God Social Distancing From Us?
August 11	Emily King	Managing Anxiety For You and Your Child as the 2020 School Year Begins
August 18	Landy Anderton	How Anxiety and Depression Affect our Relationships/ How Difficult Times Affect our Relationships
August 25	Robert Cooke	Wiley Coyote & the Roadrunner: Lessons on Managing Chronic Losses from a Cartoon Character

Save the dates. Registration details coming soon.



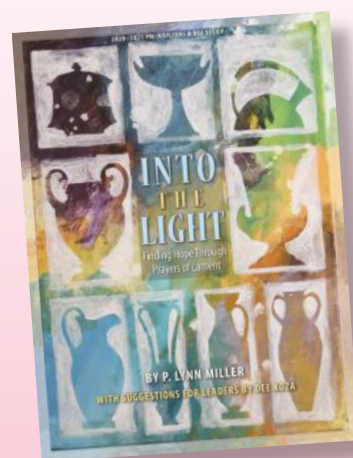


## DO YOU HAVE YOUR 2020-2021 PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN STUDY?

Pre-paid orders will start July 1 and run through August 24.  
This year's study will be *Into the Light, Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament* by P. Lynn Miller.

In this truly buzzworthy nine-lesson study, Lynn Miller revives lament as a proper theological response to the difficult situations of our world.

Books are \$10 each or \$15 for larger print and may be ordered by credit card at  
<https://wmpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/203/responses/new>.



Contact Tonya Higgins, [thiggins@whitememorial.org](mailto:thiggins@whitememorial.org) with questions.





## 9@9 A.M. BIBLE STUDY FACEBOOK LIVE

Begin the morning each weekday with a live Bible study with Grier Booker Richards, Associate Pastor for Discipleship and Chip Pope, Associate Pastor for Youth and their Families.

We hope you will tune in for **Christmas in July!** as Grier and Chip share the stories of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany in the Summer of 2020. You can find all of their studies on Facebook, Instagram and our website.



## AT-HOME VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! Registration Open!

We have enthusiastically launched our at-home Vacation Bible School program, Compassion Camp! Registration will be open all summer, and we hope your family can participate in this free program. To register visit:

<https://wmpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/232/responses/new>

After you register, we will send you the link to many resources for each of the five sessions. This fun offering can be used at any time during the summer to experience Bible stories about compassion for others, for ourselves, and for the world. Questions? Contact Lynn Springfield at [lspringfield@whitememorial.org](mailto:lspringfield@whitememorial.org) or Jennifer Eastman at [jeastman@whitememorial.org](mailto:jeastman@whitememorial.org)



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# LECTIO LIVE

## 1 PM ON THURSDAYS

A WHITE MEMORIAL FACEBOOK LIVE EVENT

Join Cate Church Norman, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care for Lectio Live on Thursday, July 9, 16 & 23 as we practice a contemplative way to read the Bible called *Lectio Divina*. It's an ancient yet simple practice that means "holy reading." In *Lectio Divina*, we slow down and listen for God's word. We take time to listen for words or phrases that stand out for us, and we listen for a call that God may be placing on us.



## WILSON TEMPLE

is serving meals each Saturday and Sunday from 12 - 1 p.m. Help is needed to pick up and deliver milk on Fridays of each week. Donations of fruit are needed each weekend as well as volunteers to pack meals and distribute them. Here is the link to the SignUp Genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4DABA82EA5FD0-wilson> or contact Michelle Jeutter at [mjeutter61@gmail.com](mailto:mjeutter61@gmail.com).

## AT HOME VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We encourage you to visit: [www.Activategood.org/](http://www.Activategood.org/) opportunity as a resource for finding "at home" volunteer opportunities.



## WMPC Red Bins

(located outside of the Witherspoon Building)

### Food Donations for Urban Ministries

Low Sugar Cereals • Canned Meats • Canned Beans  
Grocery Bags • Pasta Sauce

### Church World Service Health Kits Collections throughout July (red bins)

These little kits are jam-packed with supplies to help keep people clean and healthy. From toothbrushes to washcloths, you are making sure that someone's needs are going to be met in the wake of an emergency when even the most basic supplies can be hard to come by. All supplies will be taken to Hillyer Memorial Christian Church at the beginning of August.

**Please drop of your completed kits in the red bins in front of Witherspoon by July 31.**

### SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- One hand towel measuring approximately 15" x 28" to 16" x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel, or micro-fiber)
- One washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb removed from the package (found at discount dealers like sallybeauty.com)
- One fingernail or toenail clipper removed from the package (either one is acceptable)
- One bath size bar of soap in the original package
- One toothbrush in the original package
- Ten standard size Band-Aids

Affordable wide-tooth combs can be found at discount suppliers such as sallybeauty.com. Search for "wide-tooth pastel comb" to see an example of combs that meet the kit requirements.

All items need to fit inside a one-gallon Ziploc type bag. Please do not add any extra items or toothpaste. A tube of extended expiration date toothpaste will be added to each hygiene kit just prior to its journey.



# Congratulations 2020 College Graduates!

PLEASE JOIN US IN CONGRATULATING THIS YEAR'S COLLEGE GRADUATES!

**Grace Landon Dorsett**

Bachelor of Science in Communications from Elon University. Grace is the daughter of Wynn and Jim Dorsett.

**Lucas Kinton Jones**

Master of Divinity from Columbia Theological Seminary. Lucas is the son of Brenda and Wesley Jones.

**Sarah Grace Lasso**

Bachelor of Arts in Sport and Recreation Administration from University of Mississippi. Sarah is the daughter of Sarah Beth and Scott Lasso.

**Richard Eric Lochbaum**

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Appalachian State University. Richard is the son of Cindy and Steve Lochbaum.

**Devon Francis Martin**

Master's in Applied Math from North Carolina State University. Devon is the son of Jennifer and Chris Martin.

**Julianna Grace Millward**

Bachelor of Science in English/Professional Writing from Appalachian State University. Julianna is the daughter of Tricia and Barry Millward.

**Emily Nicole Pittman**

Bachelor of Science in Psychology from UNC-Chapel Hill. Emily is the daughter of Ellen and Tommy Pittman.

**Hazel Andes Pittman**

Bachelor of Arts in Event Management from High Point College. Hazel is the granddaughter of Susan Pittman.

**Molly Johnson Sprecher**

Bachelor of Arts in Media and Journalism and in English and Comparative Literature from UNC-Chapel Hill. Molly is daughter of Gail and Doug Sprecher.

**Jesse Franklin Tart**

Master's in Mechanical Engineering from North Carolina State University. Jesse is the son of Leslie and Frank Tart.

**Katherine Connell Tehan**

Bachelor of Science in Public Health from University of Alabama. She is the daughter of Holly Tehan.

**Amber Nicole Ward**

Bachelor of Science from UNC-Charlotte. Amber is the daughter of June Ann and Ken Ward.

**Daniel Holder Washburn**

Juris Doctorate from Campbell University. Daniel is the nephew of Kelly Washburn.