

# Wesley Way

## United Methodist Church

### McDonough, Georgia



December 14th, 2025

3rd Sunday in Advent

WESLEY WAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
150 John Wesley Way McDonough, GA 30252 770-898-3023

[www.wesleyway.org](http://www.wesleyway.org)

# *Welcome to Wesley Way United Methodist Church*

It is a blessing to worship in the Wesley Way congregation every Sunday! Whether this is your first visit or you're a charter member, I hope this is a meaningful time of worship for you and I hope you feel the presence of the Holy Spirit during today's service. Wesley Way offers two worship opportunities. The participatory, reflective service meets at 9:00am and the traditional service at 10:30am. Both services meet in the sanctuary.

If you would like me or any of the staff to contact you, please call or email the office at 770-898-3023 or [office@wesleyway.org](mailto:office@wesleyway.org). May God bless us all as we worship together this morning!

Pastor Michelle Strall

## **Wesley Way Church Staff**

Alisa Cline	Office Manager & Preschool Director
Judy Hogg	Financial Secretary
Verna Ikner	Accompanist
Kevin Lemelin	Director of Youth Ministries
Reed Lukat	Director of Music Ministries
Jana Zahn	Nursery Staff
Rev. Michelle Strall	Senior Pastor

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Church Shipping Address: 150 John Wesley Way McDonough, GA 30252

# *Morning Worship Celebration*

December 14th, 9:00 AM

\*Please stand as able

## **WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE AND WORSHIP**

Welcome, Announcements & Prayer

Kevin Lemelin

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

\*Song of Praise

Scripture Memorization

*“Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them  
that they should always pray and not give up.”*

***Luke 18:1 NIV***

## **WE WORSHIP IN GOD’S WORD**

Scripture

Matthew 28:19-20

Sermon

“The Great Commission”

Kevin Lemelin

## **WE WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SONG**

Time of Prayer

\*Benediction

Kevin Lemelin

## *Morning Worship Celebration*

December 14th, 10:30 AM

\*Please stand as able

*Nursery is available for children under two years in room 113. Don't forget to check in on Facebook while you are here at Wesley Way! (WIFI password: wwumcguest)  
Please sign the attendance card located in your chair.*

## WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE AND WORSHIP

## **\*Affirmation of Faith**      **Steve Bednarz**

\*Gloria Patri

Welcome, Announcements & Prayer  
*(please fill out pew pad located in your row)*

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Wesley Way Children

## Scripture Memorization

*"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up."*

Luke 18:1 NIV

## WE WORSHIP WITH OUR CHILDREN

## Children's Moment Susan Webb

*(Children ages 4 years– 5th grade are invited to come up front for a special message from Miss Susan. Then they are dismissed to Children’s Worship in room 125. Parents may pick up their children up in room 125 immediately after the service.)*

## WE WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer Steve Bednarz

Offertory Verna Ikner

\*Doxology Verna Ikner

## **WE WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SONG**

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer <i>(Lord's Prayer will be shown on the screen)</i>		Jeanie Enyart
*Anthem	<i>Still, Still, Still</i>	Chancel Choir
*Greet One Another		
*Hymn of Praise	<i>It Came Upon A Midnight Clear</i>	#218

## **WE WORSHIP IN GOD'S WORD**

Scripture		Luke 1:46b-55 NIV
Sermon	“Hope-Full: God Seeks Us”	Jeanie Enyart

## **WE WORSHIP THROUGH SERVICE IN THE WORLD**

*Hymn of Praise	<i>My Hope is Built</i>	#368
*Benediction		Jeanie Enyart

*Come, O Come, Messiah King  
Promised Son, sent to redeem us one by one,  
So we may tell the wonders of Your matchless love, Emmanuel*

Postlude	Verna Ikner
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## *Ministry Gatherings This Week*

### **Sunday, December 14th**

9:00am      Reflective Service  
9:30am      Sunday School  
10:30am      Traditional Service  
3:45pm      Youth Progressive Dinner

### **Thursday, December 18th**

### **Friday, December 19th**

### **Monday, December 15th**

3:30pm      Girl Scouts  
7:00pm      Cub Scouts

### **Saturday, December 20th**

### **Tuesday, December 16th**

### **Sunday, December 21st**

9:00am      Reflective Service  
9:30am      Sunday School  
10:30am      Traditional Service  
5:00pm      UMYF-Reindeer Games

### **Wednesday, December 17th**

11:00am      Preschool Chapel & Happy  
                  Birthday Jesus Party!  
5:30pm      Supper  
6:30pm      Kids for Christ  
                  K-5th grade- rm.125)  
6:30pm      Youth Bible Study  
6:30pm      Choir Practice

### **Coming Soon**

12/24– Christmas Eve Worship, 5:00pm  
12/31– Children's Noon Year's  
Eve, 10:00am  
01/07– Breakfast Potluck & Trivia,  
10:00am

## **Altar Flowers:**

The altar flowers this week are given to the glory of God an in memory of Sherry Honkanen Land as she celebrates her birthday in heaven with her Mother & Brother.

~Dave Honkanen & Kacey Land

## **This Morning's Servers:**

### **Greeters**

9:00am–

10:30am– Sharon Anderson

Jeanette Moore

### **Ushers**

Cheryl Fox

Kim McDonald

Andy Pike

Matt Settle

### **Liturgist**

Steve Bednarz

### **Sexton**



## **Stewardship**

Your contributions to Wesley Way UMC are not only vital to our mission, they are much appreciated!

Monthly Budget Needs for 2025: \$36,046

12/07- \$6,745

November Giving: \$42,307

November Expenses: \$30,328

## **Birthdays**

12/15

Phyllis Wright



*Did we miss your birthday? If so, please email us at [office@wesleyway.org](mailto:office@wesleyway.org)*

## Noon Year's Eve

For Children in ages 4 thru 5th grade  
Kick off the New Year early with a fun and festive NOON Day Celebration!

⌚ Date: December 31

⌚ Time: 10:00am – 12:00pm

⌚ NOON Countdown & Balloon Drop:  
11:45am

Join us for a morning full of:

❖ Creative crafts

🎮 Fun games

🍪 Yummy snacks

⌚ A special celebration as we ring in the  
“NOON Year” together!

Families are welcome to stay for the full event  
or return at 11:45am to count down with us  
and enjoy the balloon drop at NOON!

Let's celebrate 2025 in the most awesome  
way—before lunchtime! 🎉

Please RSVP using this QR Code:



## Thank you

I just wanted to say Thank You! to everyone at Wesley Way for your kindness and spirit of fellowship that you've shown to me over these last two years. When I lost my wife, I was in bad shape and knew that I needed to reach out. You have helped me to heal and to grow in faith. Some of you already know that I am in the process of moving to Canton to live with my oldest son and family. There will be other places of worship for me, but the Wesley Way community will always hold a special place in my heart!

~John Ellis

## **Youth Ministry**

Kevin Lemelin

[youthministry@wesleyway.org](mailto:youthministry@wesleyway.org)

### **PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

This afternoon is our annual Progressive Dinner! Please meet at the church at 3:45pm. We will return between 8- 8:30pm. Each youth needs to bring \$3.00 cash with them and a \$5.00 gag gift, (this is in the spirit of fun, be kind.) Please bring your wrapped gift for the white elephant gift exchange.

Progressive dinner is always a great time of fellowship and one of the youth ministries favorite things to do each year.

### **HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT**

The high school retreat will take place over the Christmas break on January 2–4, 2026 in Helen, Georgia for all high school students grades 9 -12. The cost for this trip is \$100 per student and payments are due by December 17th. There is a signup sheet out for this retreat.

### **REINDEER GAMES**

Normally we wouldn't meet the Sunday before Christmas, but some of the youth have requested to meet for UMYF for a night of fellowship and Reindeer Games. This is a special evening planned and will begin at 5:00pm and should be done by our normal time of 7:15pm. I need a minimum of 10 youth to attend this evening, and an adult or two help as well. To sign up or help with this evening please see Kevin.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

On Thursday December 4th the youth served with Operation Christmas Child at their Atlanta processing facility, and it was a great night! We had 18 people attend, and they all did a wonderful job serving. The day we served, OCC volunteers were able to process over 140,000 boxes, with our group processing about 1,300 boxes, to help reach and share the Gospel with children in 178 countries. What an awesome accomplishment! I am grateful that we can be a small part of making this happen each year. Thank you to the youth and adults that came this year to help spread some Christmas cheer to other parts of the world. God is Good!

# Operation Christmas Child 2025





## **Prayer List:**

Judy Bailey	Angel Jones
Ruby Bastian	Sherri Katafias
Sara Beckstrom Family	Mandy Lake
Melissa Bell	Beth Mason
Emily Binkowski	David Mason
Liz Bond	Bryant Metters
Dave Bowmaster	Charlene Mills
The Bowmaster Family	Kim Mitchell
Burma Campbell	Morgan Mitchell
Brian Cathers	Glenn Phillips
Hugo & June Coffin	Tiffany Quinones
Kelly Conrad	Denise Richardson
Jerry Day	Lewis Robinson
John Demitrus	Teresa Robinson
Jeanette & Jim Elliott	Ben Sallies
The Evans Family	Larissa Scott
Danny & Barbara Exum	Dave Scarzafava
James Farmer	Diane St.Clair
Wayne & Dianne Gillem	Michelle Strall
Mike Gilly	Stuart Updike
Kathy Going	Pat White
Lesa Goyeau	Esther Williams
Tabitha Hunsucker	Becky Woodward
Judy Hogg	Nancy Yoder
Linda & Chuck Jarrell	Durwood Youngblood
	Rev. Paul Zahn