

Wesley Way

United Methodist Church

McDonough, Georgia



January 11th, 2026

Baptism of The Lord

WESLEY WAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
150 John Wesley Way McDonough, GA 30252 770-898-3023
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. 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
Kevin Lemelin	Director of Youth Ministries
Reed Lukat	Director of Music Ministries
Verna Ikner	Accompanist
Jana Zahn	Nursery Staff
Rev. Michelle Strall	Senior Pastor

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs, 9am-4pm (*check calendar of events for changes*)

Office Phone: 770-898-3023

Email: office@wesleyway.org

Pastor Michelle's Email: pastor@wesleyway.org

Church website: www.wesleyway.org, N.GA Conference website: www.ngumc.org

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

Morning Worship Celebration

January 11th, 9:00 AM

*Please stand as able

WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE AND WORSHIP

Welcome, Announcements & Prayer

Rev. Michelle Strall

*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

Luke 3:1-6, 15-17, 21-22

Sermon

“By Water and the Spirit”

Rev. Michelle Strall

Celebration of Baptism

WE WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SONG

Time of Prayer

*Benediction

Rev. Michelle Strall

Morning Worship Celebration

January 11th, 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

*Hymn of Praise	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	#189
*Affirmation of Faith		Donna Leoni
*Gloria Patri		
Welcome, Announcements & Prayer (please fill out pew pad located in your row)		Reed Lukat

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR CHILDREN

Children's Moment	Rev. Michelle Strall
<i>(Children ages 4 years– 5th grade are invited to come up front for a special message from Pastor Michelle. Then they are dismissed to Children's Worship in room 125. Parents may pick up their children in room 125 immediately after the service.)</i>	

WE WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Offertory Prayer	Donna Leoni
Offertory	Verna Ikner
*Doxology	Verna Ikner

WE WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, AND SONG

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Michelle Strall

(Lord's Prayer will be shown on the screen)

*Anthem

This I Know

Chancel Choir

*Greet One Another

*Hymn of Preparation

This Is Sprit's Entry Now

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Scripture

Luke 3:1-6, 15-17, 21-22

Sermon

"By Water and the Spirit"

Rev. Michelle Strall

Celebration of Baptism

WE WORSHIP THROUGH SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Hymn of Praise

Wonderful Words of Life

#600

*Benediction

Rev. Michelle Strall

(After the spoken benediction, please join in the song printed below.)

May the Lord, the God of Heaven be with you throughout your days

Fill your life with grace and gladness guide you in His Heavenly ways.

Fill your life with grace and gladness, keep you in His love divine

Give you all the joy of Jesus and His life throughout all time.

-By permission of Dr. C.R. Hill, Jr.

Postlude

Verna Ikner



Prayer List:

Judy Bailey

Ruby Bastian

Melissa Bell

Emily Binkowski

Liz Bond

Dave Bowmaster

The Bowmaster Family

The Family of Bill Burch

Burma Campbell

Brian Cathers

Kelly Conrad

Jerry Day

John Demitrus

Tommy Dunn

Dianne Elkins

Jeanette & Jim Elliott

The Evans Family

Danny & Barbara Exum

Marlene Gasses

Wayne & Dianne Gillem

Kathy Going

Les Goyeau

Judy Hogg

Linda & Chuck Jarrell

Angel Jones

Peggy King

Mandy Lake

The Marshall Family

Beth Mason

Charlene Mills

Kim Mitchell

Morgan Mitchell

Jennifer Moore

Bill Murdoch

Evan Payne

Glenn Phillips

Randy Prater

Denise Richardson

Teresa Robinson

Ben Sallies

Larissa Scott

Diane St.Clair

Jim Thompson

Stuart Updike

Pat White

Esther Williams

Becky Woodward

Durwood Youngblood

Rev. Paul Zahn

Altar Flowers:

N/A

This Morning's Servers:

Greeters

9:00am–

10:30am– Sharon Anderson

Jeanette Moore

Ushers

Scott Mayo

Kim McDonald

Andy Pike

Matt Settle

Liturgist

Donna Leoni

Sexton

Wes Arnold



Stewardship

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

Monthly Budget Needs for 2026: \$36,040

01/04: \$3,085

December Giving: \$29,324

December Expenses: \$32,511

Birthdays

01/07

Nelson Fonville

01/08

Shelia Mason

01/11

Kristin Skakun

Leila White

01/14

Jeff Bird

01/15

Richard Krytus



Read the Bible in a Year

Many of you took a journey this year reading through the entire Bible. We want to recognize your commitment to God's word. Please contact the church office by January 12 (office@wesleyway.org) so that we may recognize you in worship on January 18th.

(For those who didn't, maybe you would like to set this as a personal goal for 2026? Send your name in to receive information about working on this in 2026!)

Church Admin. Planning Day-Jan. 17

All Administrative Council members are invited to a day of planning on **January 17, 9-12pm**. If you are a Team Guide or the member of a Team, a member of the Administrative Council at-large, or a staff member, we humbly request you join us for this time of planning for 2026 and beyond. We need your voice in this conversation. Other church members are also welcome to attend as we vision and plan with God for this new year.

Thank you all Church Leaders!

A large thank you to all our church leaders in 2025! The ways you serve Christ through Wesley Way UMC is a huge blessing. Thank you. Some of you will rotate off teams, while new leaders are stepping up. We look forward to what God will do with our church in 2026. Thank you for saying "yes" to God!!

Community Connections

Help us support Calvary Refuge by donating new white towels and washcloths thru the month of January. These items will provide comfort and dignity to those in need. Please deposit your items into the wooden box labeled "community connections" in the lobby.

Thank you for your kindness and support.

Youth Ministry

Kevin Lemelin
youthministry@wesleyway.org

High School Retreat

The high school youth had a wonderful retreat in Helen over the recent break. It was a great weekend; We had meaningful fellowship and devotion time, ate a lot of good food (these youth can cook) and had fun playing games together. Thank you to Andy, Claire and Tabitha for chaperoning this trip and for loving on these youth. God is good!

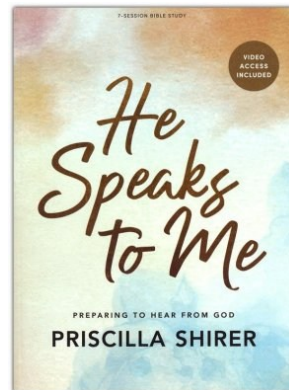


Wednesday Night Adult

Bible Study

Beginning, Wednesday, January 14th @ 6:15pm

Join us for our next Bible study! In this 7-session video-based study, Priscilla Shirer uses the account of God speaking to Samuel in 1 Samuel 3 to show how God speaks to Christians and how we can discern His voice and position ourselves to respond.



Weekday Revelation Bible Study

Join us this winter for Adult study as we take a look into the book of Revelation. This study will meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am for 1 hour for 13 weeks. Books will be ordered soon (\$15). Sign up in the Lobby or email the church office @ office@wesleyway.org

Audio Visual Help Needed

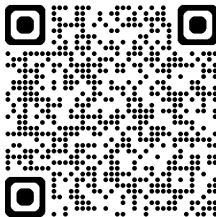
We need help in our sound booth preparing and running the weekly slides for worship.

It doesn't take a lot of time and is a great way to serve for 10:30 worship. See Pastor Michelle or Tim Strall to learn more.

Liturgist Help Needed

Each Sunday laity help lead worship through the leading of the Apostles' Creed and the offering prayer. We need your help!

You can sign up to serve regularly each month or pick a few Sundays per quarter where you can help lead. Sign up is located on the table in the Lobby or use the QR code below.



Spiritual Walks in Nature

This past Fall, we began a journey of 4 seasonal gatherings in nature. During these times, we will seek to meet with God, learn about our faith and discover how to walk with God while in his creation. Our next gathering is January 25, 1pm at Heritage Park. We will meet there at the children's playground parking lot closest to the garden. No registration is required. Wear warm clothes and comfortable shoes. If you attended the first gathering, bring your notebook. New participants will be provided a notebook.

To learn more, see Pastor Michelle.

Upcoming Walks:

--Spring--

April 26, 1pm

Alexander Park-West

110 Jonesboro Road,

McDonough, GA 30253

--Summer--

June 14, 1:30pm

Panola Mountain State Park, Stockbridge

Carpooler's should meet at the church at 1pm

Ministry Gatherings This Week

Sunday, January 11th

9:00am Reflective Service
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Traditional Service
11:30am UMW Exec. Board Mtg.
5:00pm UMYF

Thursday, January 15th

6:00pm SPR Mtg.

Friday, January 16th

Monday, January 12th

9:00am Preschool Resumes

Saturday, January 17th

9:00am Admin Planning Day

Tuesday, January 13th

12:30pm UMW Daytime Circle Mtg.
6:00pm Trustees Mtg.

Sunday, January 18th

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

Wednesday, January 14th

5:30pm Supper
6:30pm Kids for Christ
(K-5th grade- rm.125)
6:15pm Adult Bible Study
6:30pm Youth Bible Study
6:30pm Choir Practice

Coming Soon

01/19– Church Office Closed in observance of
MLK Day

01/25– Spiritual Walk– 1:00pm @ Heritage
Park

01/26– Finance Mtg.– 6:00pm

01/26– Admin Mtg.– 7:00pm