

# Wesley Way

## United Methodist Church

### McDonough, Georgia



December 21st, 2025

4th 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

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

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

# *Morning Worship Celebration*

December 21st, 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

Isaiah 9:1-7

Sermon

“Hope Full: God Saves Us”

Rev. Michelle Strall

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

Time of Prayer

\*Benediction

Rev. Michelle Strall

# *Morning Worship Celebration*

December 21st, 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>Angels We Have Heard on High</i>	#220
*Affirmation of Faith		Katelinn Parker
*Gloria Patri		
Welcome, Announcements & Prayer <i>(out pew pad located in your row)</i>		Reed Lukat( <i>please fill</i>
Lighting of the Advent Wreath		Wesley Way Youth
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	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 up in room 125 immediately after the service.)</i>	

## **WE WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING**

Offertory Prayer	Katelinn Parker
Offertory	Lila Hunsucker/ Olivia Pike
*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

*I Need a Silent Night*

Chancel Choir

\*Greet One Another

\*Hymn of Praise

*Away in a Manger*

#217

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

Scripture

Isaiah 9:1-7

Sermon

"Hope-Full: God Saves Us"

Rev. Michelle Strall

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

\*Hymn of Praise

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

#230

\*Benediction

Rev. Michelle Strall

*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

## *Ministry Gatherings This Week*

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

9:00am      Reflective Service  
9:30am      Sunday School  
10:30am      Traditional Service

### **Thursday, December 25th**

### **Friday, December 26th**

### **Monday, December 22nd**

### **Saturday, December 27th**

### **Tuesday, December 23rd**

### **Sunday, December 28th**

9:30am      Sunday School  
10:30am      Traditional Service

### **Wednesday, December 24th**

5:00pm    Christmas Eve Worship Service

*Coming Soon*

12/31– Children’s Noon Year’s  
Eve, 10:00am

01/04– Breakfast Potluck & Trivia,  
10:00am

01/17– Admin planning day

## **Altar Flowers:**

N/A

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

### **Greeters**

9:00am– Tim Strall

10:30am– Kit Hathaway

Barbara Updike

### **Ushers**

Chris Anderson

Steve Bednarz

Joe Leoni

David Wall

### **Liturgist**

Katelinn Parker

### **Sexton**

David Wall



## 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

12/14- \$

November Giving: \$42,307

November Expenses: \$30,328

## Birthdays

12/27

Amy Lemelin



*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

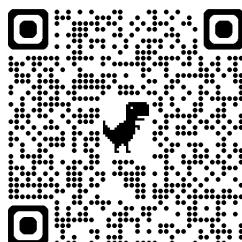
 Yummy snacks

 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!

A huge THANK YOU to Dustin Miller and his helpers of Cub Scouts pack 266. Dustin and his team stripped and waxed the kitchen floor and cleaned the tile and grout in the lobby for a very small fee, saving us hundreds of dollars!

## Church Office Closed

The church office will close on December 24th and re-open on Monday, January 5th. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

## Community Connections

Wesley Way did it again!

Thanks to your generosity, we collected 150 pairs of fuzzy socks.

60 pairs were delivered to Excel Academy, along with hot chocolate and treats.

20 pairs went to our homebound members, also with treats.

The remaining socks will be delivered to Calvary Refuge.

Thank you for sharing warmth and love with our community.

*Reminder: In January, we will be collecting white towels and washcloths for Calvary Refuge.*

## **Youth Ministry**

**Kevin Lemelin**

*youthministry@wesleyway.org*

### **THANK YOU!**

Thank you so much to the four families that hosted the youth ministry for progressive dinner this year. The youth and adults had such a great time visiting each of your beautiful homes last weekend. We are so blessed to have wonderful families that volunteer to open your homes to the youth each year for this fun tradition of Progressive Dinner, thank you. Thank you to my chaperones that came along and helped make the day special for the youth as well.

### **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE –** **LIVE NATIVITY**

This year Wesley Way will have one Christmas Eve service at 5:00pm. I am still in need of youth to participate in the Live Nativity for the Christmas Eve service. Please look at your calendar/schedule with your parents and see if that is something you can sign up for. If you are interested please see Kevin.

## **HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT**

The high school retreat will take place over the Christmas break on January 2 – 4, 2026 and is for all high school students grade 9 -12. We will be headed to Helen, GA and the cost is \$100 per student. The youth provide one meal that they will cook on this retreat. There is a signup sheet out for this retreat, and for which meal you would like to cook.

Payments are due for this retreat. Please let Kevin know if you have any questions.

## **Wesley Way Women**

Thank you Wesley Way Women, for the donations of fuzzy socks to Community Connections.



## Youth Ministry Progressive Dinner



## Preschool

A HUGE Thank you to our Preschool parents for the wonderful donations to *A Friend's House* this Christmas season. We collected donations on 12/17 during our "Happy Birthday Jesus" party, and our parents were so generous!





## **Prayer List:**

Judy Bailey	Angel Jones
Ruby Bastian	Mandy Lake
Emily Binkowski	Beth Mason
Liz Bond	David Mason
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	Teresa Robinson
John Demitrus	Ben Sallies
Dianne Elkins	Larissa Scott
Jeanette & Jim Elliott	Diane St.Clair
The Evans Family	Michelle Strall
Danny & Barbara Exum	Stuart Updike
James Farmer	Pat White
Marlene Gasses	Esther Williams
Wayne & Dianne Gillem	Becky Woodward
Mike Gilly	Nancy Yoder
Kathy Going	Durwood Youngblood
Lesa Goyeau	Rev. Paul Zahn
Tabitha Hunsucker	
Judy Hogg	
Linda & Chuck Jarrell	