## All Saints' Day

We remember today these members/friends of Wesley United Methodist Church who have entered the Church Triumphant since November 1, 2024.

Flora Melvin	11/15/2024
June Honeycutt	4/19/2025
J. Thomas Anderson	8/01/2025
Sandra Thistlewood	8/10/2025
William Moor	8/19/2025
Thomas Morrison	9/06/2025
Christopher Jones	9/11/2025

When the name of your loved one is read, you are asked to stand where you are seated. As the bell is rung, we will have a moment of silence and you may then be seated.



#### **Memorial Gifts**

#### Gifts Dedicated Today

**Computers** — Harry Baxter, Jack Willis

AV Upgrade — Richard E. Stoops, Sr.

Folding Machine — Richard Jones, Harold & Mary Lou Campbell

### Memorial gifts were received for the following:

Bradley Benson

J. Thomas Anderson

Sandra Thistlewood

William Moor

### Acknowledgement of Gifts

All gifts received are acknowledged with a card or letter.

#### **Education of Gifts**

Each year on Memorial Sunday, the memorial gifts received from November 1<sup>st</sup> until October 31<sup>st</sup> will be listed with the names of the memorialized. This is repeated each year.

# Memorial Hallway Display

#### Memorial Gifts/Memorial Hallway Display:

A wonderful way for family and friends to remember a birthday or a wedding anniversary is through a special gift. You may want to honor a servant in Wesley Church with a gift to Wesley Church in their honor is a wonderful way to honor them.

You might also consider a special gift as a way of giving thanks to the Lord. If you choose to give a special gift, you simply give it as an undesignated special gift, mark it in honor of, or memory of a person, and/or designated for a special person. These gifts will be listed in this annual All Saints Publication.

Another way for family and friends to express gratitude for a faithful member is to place a remembrance plaque in the Memorial Hallway.

#### **TRUSTEES**

John Dryda, Chair
Mary Ann Dashiell
James Ferguson, Jr.
Ann Baker Horsey
Robert Lee
Patrick Weaver
Ex-Officio Members: (without vote)
Christine Bowden, Senior Pastor
Marian Hudson, Cemetery Treasurer
Eunice Craig & Gigi Windley, Co Lay Leaders

#### Suggestions for Designating Special Gifts

If you would like to designate a special gift, or remember Wesley's endowment funds in your estate planning, please consider these suggestions. All gifts received will be placed as requested.

#### The Overall Ministry of Wesley Church

A gift to the overall ministry of the church is a big blessing. The endowment committee works together to decide the greatest need for undesignated gifts of \$5,000 and above. If you would like to designate a gift for a particular missional need, consider these needs:

Wesley Church Ministries: Pastors Discretionary Fund (for people in need);

**Endowment Funds** — If you would like to give a gift that continues to give, support the endowment fund. Funds include:

**General Endowment Fund** — Income supports the ministry of church.

**Edgell - Paradee Fund** — Supports capital needs.

Mission Endowment Fund — Positively affect the needs of the community while providing the Wesley UMC congregation the opportunity to minister and be disciples.

Education Fund — Three scholarships are awarded yearly to active members of Wesley UMC who are pursuing a career in a helping profession. You may also be led in another direction. Please let us know if you would like to discuss your special giving.

Giving and Estate Planning — We also accept stock and mutual funds. These can be a tax-advantaged way of making a gift. Have you included Wesley in your will? If you like information about creating a Charitable Gift Annuity, or Estate Planning, please contact Marian Hudson for details at 302-678-9626.

## Cemetery Information

The Old Methodist Cemetery: Located at the corners of North and Queen St. The land for the cemetery was purchased in three acquisitions beginning in 1782. The third acquisition brought the total size of the cemetery to two and one-half acres. There are no active burials at this cemetery.

Notable burials include Bishop Richard Whatcoat, Delaware Governors Cornelius P. Comegys and Gove Saulsbury, and Representative Nathaniel B. Smithers. Along with Reverends Ezekiel Cooper, William Fletcher Talbott, and John Wiltbank.

Lakeside Cemetery: Located on North State Street adjacent to Silver Lake. The land of the cemetery was purchased in 1869, with additional purchases in 1891 to bring the total to a little over eleven acres. A resolution was adopted early stating the cemetery would be "known as the Lakeside M.E. Cemetery... belonging to Wesley Episcopal Church in Dover, to be used for burial purpose only, to be controlled by the trustees of said church." Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church is now known as Wesley United Methodist Church. Care of the cemetery is in the capable hands of Cemetery Care Services, LLC.

Notable burials include Annie Jump Cannon, Scientist, U.S. Senators James H. Hughes, Harry Richardson, Eli Saulsbury, Josiah O. Wolcott, Sr., and Pastor Emeritus Dr. John A. Trader.

Lakeside Cemetery currently is the resting place for over seven thousand people with single burial plots and Columbarium niches available in the cemetery.

Costs are \$1,575 for a single adult cemetery plot, \$750 for a single baby cemetery plot and \$3,100 for a Columbarium niche with a two funeral urns capacity. For information on availability, please call Jordon Shuba 302-387-7145.

## Gifts and Memorials



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Your designated gifts assist in building a stronger ministry.

November 2, 2025