

Sunday May 27

Introduction to Methodism

This class session is normally led by our Senior Minister and is intended to cover a few basics of United Methodism, such as the United Methodist "motto" — *Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors*. You'll learn a little about the broader church structure and why we are called a Connectional Church.

More importantly, this is your chance to ask questions about United Methodism or something in particular at Memorial. Especially if you're coming from a different faith tradition, you may have some questions about differences in practices or beliefs.

Finally, we'll discuss what it means to be a United Methodist. We'll review the membership vows and answer any questions you may have.

Explore with us what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ at Memorial United Methodist Church! Get your questions about United Methodism answered and learn about the opportunities here at Memorial for ministry and Christian growth.

For more information ...

If you are interested in attending the program or have any questions about it or have a conflict with the schedule, please contact one of the ministers at the church office at 336-472-7718, or Tim Lyons at 336-476-1117.



Welcome to Memorial

May 6 - May 27, 2018



An Introduction to Memorial UMC and Methodism

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About the Class

Welcome to Memorial provides an introduction to Memorial UMC, our mission and ministries, our United Methodist heritage, and our journey as disciples of Jesus Christ. It consists of four sessions encompassing three areas:

- MUMC Mission
- MUMC Ministries
- Basics of Methodism

The program is designed to provide information about our Methodist beliefs and about the wide range of programs and ministries here at Memorial United Methodist Church (MUMC). It provides an opportunity to meet and interact with some of the church staff and lay leadership. It is especially useful to new or prospective members, although anyone who wants to learn more about discipleship at MUMC may also find it of interest and is welcome to participate.

Classes meet 10:00-10:50 a.m. in the Girl Scout Room in the Christian Education Center (CEC) on four Sundays, beginning May 6.

Sunday May 6

Orientation and Mission

We will begin the first class session by getting to know each other and discovering how each of us came to Memorial. We typically find some real diversity in these discussions and discover that many of us come from different faith traditions.

We'll discuss the Mission Statement of the church and what it means in practice. How do we accomplish the mission of our church?

We'll talk about discipleship and how it affects our lives. The church is its people, not the building, and making disciples is its business! What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

We'll finish up our time together touring the church buildings. It's useful to know where things are, and it's sometimes confusing even with signage, so we'll show you! We'll visit the sanctuary, the chapel, the offices, the library, and more.

Sundays May 13 & May 20

The Ministries of MUMC

These two Sundays will be devoted to an overview of the ministry opportunities at Memorial. This is your chance to meet and talk with several of the key church leaders.

We'll begin with our Director of Music explaining the role of the music program and opportunities for you to participate.

You'll meet the chairs of the Council on Ministries and the Administrative Board. They'll discuss the roles of these key governing bodies of the church.

You'll also meet the chairs of a few key ministries, such as Missions and Evangelism, and learn what Memorial is doing in these areas.

You'll receive a church Leadership Roster listing all church ministry areas, as well as several brochures explaining United Methodist beliefs.