

 JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN & FELLOWSHIP

PAINT NIGHT

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FRIDAY MARCH 13 @7:00PM

Wesley Memorial UMC Fellowship Hall
6100 Memorial Highway, Tampa Florida 33615
ALL SUPPLIES PROVIDED!!!

TURN A T-SHIRT INTO A BLESSING.

Support our outreach ministries and make a difference—one shirt at a time. **\$20 each or Buy One, Give One for \$30.** Your second T-shirt will be donated to someone experiencing homelessness.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

For the month of March, we are collecting games and small toys. Please place your donations in cabinet in the conference room.

HOMELESS CLOTHING DONATIONS

Donate new or gently used clothing for our Homeless Ministry—especially warm-weather items. New socks and shoes are also welcome.

WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Craft Ladies	Tues, 2pm - 5pm	Craft Room
Choir Rehearsal	Tues, 7pm - 8pm	Choir Room
Promiseland Children	Weds, 6pm-7:30pm	Promiseland Room
Bible Studies	Weds, 6:30-7:30pm	Conference Room
Needles Group	Thurs., 9am - 12pm	Craft Room
Men's Breakfast	Sat, 7am - 9am	FLC Fellowship Hall

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Donna Harris - 03/08
Joe Rocci - 03/12
Arlene Bimmi - 03/14

Debbie Cockburn - 03/14
Tim Bell - 3/27

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDIES GENESIS WITH CHARLIE DITTMAR

6:30 PM - CONFERENCE ROOM



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: MEDIA HELP

Are you looking for a way to become involved with Service? We are currently looking for technicians to learn ProPresenter, our on-screen program. No experience is needed and it's quite easy to learn. Our best techs are ready to teach and guide! No permanent commitment needed - maybe one Sunday per month. Please reply to Jean Rowe at 813.767.5264 or JKRI885@yahoo.com. Thank you.

GIVE TO WESLEY MEMORIAL UMC



THERE ARE MULTIPLE WAYS TO GIVE:

1. Online- wesleytampa.org/give/
2. Text the word "donate" to 813-548-6100
3. In Person: Drop in offering plate
4. Mail: Mail donation to:
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HOPE

For the
Thirsty

LENT 2026

JOHN 4:5 - 42

SUNDAY MARCH 8, 2026

9:00 AM | 11:00 AM

Rev. Antonio Christie, Senior Pastor
6100 Memorial Highway, Tampa FL 33615
www.wesleytampa.org

**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
ORDER OF WORSHIP
MARCH 8, 2026**

THANK YOU FOR SILENCING YOUR PHONE.
*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

GATHERING MUSIC "I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary" Jean Rowe

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENT

STAFF INTRODUCTION Kristine Johnson

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come, all who are thirsty.
People: We come seeking the water our souls need.

Leader: In the wilderness, God provided water from the rock.
People: In our dry places, God still provides.

Leader: At the well, Jesus met a woman with truth and mercy.
People: Jesus meets us too—without shame, without fear.

Leader: Let us worship the One who quenches our deepest thirst.
People: We worship the God of living water. Amen.

*** INTROIT** "Fill My Cup, Lord" (641) Chancel Choir

***OPENING PRAYER**

Gracious and loving God, We come to You carrying thirsty hearts—some parched by worry, some dry from grief, some exhausted by trying to hold it all together. Meet us in this wilderness place. Speak to us at the well. Give us the kind of water that doesn't run out—Your Spirit's strength, Your mercy that restores, Your love that makes us new. Open our eyes to see Your presence, even when we're frustrated, even when we're tired, even when our faith feels thin. Make this worship more than routine—make it an encounter with the Living Christ. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Living Water. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** "Shall We Gather at the River" UMH 723

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, You know our thirst—and still we look for life in places that cannot satisfy. We confess that when life feels hard, we complain more than we trust. When we feel empty, we reach for quick fixes instead of Your grace. When You speak truth to us, we get defensive instead of receptive. When You offer relationship, we hide behind religion, labels, and excuses. Forgive us for the times we have treated others with suspicion instead of compassion. Forgive us for the

ways we have avoided honesty—with You, with ourselves, and with one another. Forgive us for living as though Your love must be earned. Jesus, meet us at the well again. Name what is true, and heal what is broken. Give us living water. In Your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE / PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news: Jesus does not meet us with condemnation, but with compassion and truth. At the well, Christ offers living water—grace that cleanses, love that restores, and a new beginning that is real. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Glorious Things Are Thee Are Spoken" UMH 731

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

***GLORIA PATRI**

OFFERTORY "The Old Rugged Cross" Chancel Choir

***PRESENTATION OF TITHES, AND OFFERINGS**

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, Breath of God, as Scripture is read and proclaimed, open our minds to understand and our hearts to receive. Where we are dry, water us. Where we are weary, strengthen us. Where we are guarded, soften us. Lead us into truth that liberates and love that makes us whole. Speak, Lord—Your servants are listening. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 17:1-7 Danny Parker

ANTHEM "Cornerstone" Chancel Choir

***NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** John 4:5-42 Cindy Dion

SERMON Hope for the Thirsty Rev. Antonio Christie

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

***CLOSING HYMN** "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" UMH624

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Antonio Christie

CLOSING "The Solid Rock" Jean Rowe

**MODERN WORSHIP
MARCH 8, 2026 | 11:00 AM**

GATHERING MUSIC

OPENING SONG "In the River" Faniel Pradel

OPENING PRAYER

***SINGING OUR PRAISE** "10,000 Reasons"

STAFF INTRODUCTION Bryant Johnson

OFFERING "Great Are You Lord"

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rochelle Mock

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 17:1-7 Kadine Christie

***SONG OF INVITATION** "Lord I Need You"

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON John 4:5-42 Cindy Dion

SERMON Hope for the Thirsty Rev. Antonio Christie

CLOSING SONG "Come to the River"

BENEDICTION Rev. Antonio Christie

PRAYER REQUESTS

We invite you to share your prayer needs or join us in praying for others. Please scan the QR code to submit your prayer requests or visit wesleytampa.org/prayer-request



Thomas Wehr and Family
Shirley Gravlin
David Rose
Mary Lynne Fyda
Terri O'Neal
Christine & Jaymi
Linda and George Weiland

Karen Marotz
Marjorie Schramm
Christy and Steve
Sandra Dettori
Tom & Jane Cross
Faith Scheirer
Sherry and Rose Salas