



Greetings Morrisville UMC,

EPAGNJ UMC Wesley Heritage Pilgrimage 2026

For generations, Christians have participated in pilgrimages. For United Methodists, a Wesleyan Heritage Pilgrimage is a spiritual and educational journey to the United Kingdom that immerses participants in the lives of John and Charles Wesley, aiming to rekindle spiritual passion, deepen theological understanding of Methodism, and strengthen missional leadership by visiting sites such as Epworth, Oxford, and London. I recently participated in one such pilgrimage with Bishop Moore-Koikoi and members of the EPA & GNJ Annual Conferences. I was richly blessed by the journey. I am sharing a pictorial of some of the important sites we visited and learned about.

Here is a pictorial of the Wesley Heritage Pilgrimage of which Pastor K was a part in April 2026.



Epworth Manse – on the property where Samuel and Susannah Wesley raised their children. This house was built at Samuel Wesley's expense, putting him into deeper debt. The original house was

burned, most likely by locals who disliked Samuel Wesley, who was viewed as a representative of the Crown.



St Andrew's Church – One of the two congregations Samuel Wesley Pastored while in the Epworth Circuit.



The Wesley Methodist Church – Built in Epworth to commemorate Wesley's contribution to the Methodist Movement. It is still an active congregation.





Samuel Wesley's grave at St Andrews-Epworth. When John Wesley was disallowed the privilege of preaching at St Andrew's, he mounted his father's grave and preached from there, as it was the property his family owned.



St. Pancras Church at Wroot - The other church that Samuel Wesley pastored while living in Epworth. This is not the original church building.



Wesley Memorial Methodist Church in Epworth was built to memorialize the Wesley's contribution to Methodism.



The Red Lion Inn - central to Epworth during John and Charles Wesley's lives. This is where they would have stayed when visiting after their father's death and their

mother's move to London.



The Central Market Square of Epworth in Wesley's time. The King's Standard would have been atop this concrete structure.



The New Room – Bristol. Founded in 1739 by John Wesley, the New Room became the cradle of the worldwide Methodist movement. Upon invitation from George Whitefield,

John Wesley went to Bristol to preach outside of Anglican sanctuaries. When the floor of the room in which John Wesley regularly preached broke, he declared the need for a new room.





Location of John Wesley's Aldersgate conversion experience. On May 24, 1738, John Wesley experienced a pivotal moment of assurance (his "heart was strangely warmed") at a society meeting on Aldersgate Street, which is considered the birth of the Methodist movement.



Salvation Army headquarters – The Booth family was Methodists who founded the Salvation Army to bring the gospel to the poor, hungry, and destitute who were not

welcomed in traditional churches. It was created to meet both spiritual and physical needs (often referred to as "soup, soap, and salvation"), providing food, shelter, and social services to the marginalized in London.

Pastor K

For pastoral concerns or emergencies, Pastor K can be reached at 281-620-9928 (cell) or emailpastorK@gmail.com. Please call the church office if you would like to set up a meeting with him during the week.

May Calendar

5/3

1:00-5:00pm – Girl Scout World Thinking Day – Fellowship Hall
7:00pm – Girl Scout Day Camp Meeting -Rooms 26, 30/31

5/5

5:00-7:00pm IFA Backpacks – Main Entrance

5/7

6:30pm – Prayer Shawls Ministry - Lounge

5/8

All Day – Mail Carriers Food Drive set up – Fellowship Hall

5/9

All Day – Mail Carriers Food Drive – Fellowship Hall

8:00am – Men's Bible Study – Lounge

9:00-11:00am – IFA Backpacks – Main Entrance

5/11

5:00pm – Christian Education Meeting – Room 10

7:00pm – Finance Committee Meeting - Library

5/13

7:00pm – Trustees Meeting - Library

5/16

9:00am-7:00pm – Latino Ministry Service – Fellowship Hall

5/17

9:00am-3:00pm – Shared Meal Prep

11:30am – Missions Committee Meeting – Library

3:00-8:30pm – AA Picnic – Fellowship Hall and Outside

5/18

1:00pm Marcia Ruth Circle - Lounge

5/19

5:30-7:00pm – Shared Meal – Fellowship Hall

1:00pm – Marcia-Ruth Circle – Lounge

5:00-7:00pm – IFA Backpacks – Main Entrance

5/21

6:30pm – Prayer Shawls Ministry - Lounge

5/23

9:00-11:00am – IFA Backpacks – Main Entrance

12:00-7:00pm – NA Speaker Jam – Fellowship Hall

5/25

Office and Food Pantry Closed for Memorial Day

5/30

9:00am-8:00pm – Private Event – Fellowship Hall

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays

9:00am – Small Group Bible Study – Youth Room

10:00am – Worship Service - Sanctuary

10:00am – Sunday School – Room 10

11:00am – Hospitality - Lounge

7:00pm – Alcoholics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall

Mondays

10:30am – ESL – Rooms 3, 10, Library

7:00pm – Boy Scouts - Fellowship Hall

7:00pm – Nar Anon - Room 10

8:00pm – Narcotics Anonymous - Room 30/31

Tuesdays

10:00am – Bible Study – Lounge

6:00pm – Girl Scout Troop 2129 – Room 23, 26, 30/31

6:30pm – Girl Scout Troop 2692 – Lounge

6:30pm – ESL – Rooms 10, 27/29, Library

Wednesdays

10:30am – ESL – Rooms 3, 10, Library

Thursdays

6:30pm – ESL – Room 10, 27/29, Library

7:00pm – Choir Practice – Choir Room

Fridays

7:30pm - NA - RM 30/31

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY TIME!

Continues on Tuesdays at 10:00am in the Lounge. We are be using Will Williman's "What we Believe."



Pastor K

SMALL GROUP SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is held every Sunday morning at 9AM in the youth room. Come join us!



SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S GROUP

Our next Men's Bible Study is Saturday, May 9th, at 8AM in the MUMC church lounge. We will continue to look at "THE MAN CODE: 12 PRIORITIES EVERY MAN NEEDS TO KNOW". Come and join a wonderful group of men who share with and encourage each other. Start your weekend off with an uplifting look into God's Word. If you have any questions, contact Dave Miller or talk to any of the men who have attended this men's fellowship.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Our church has a program where Dave Sample sells gift cards in the lounge before and after the church service. This program is often called the Scrip Program, which may be confusing for some people. We buy the gift cards at a discount and sell them for face value, which produces a profit of between 3% and 5% per card depending on the merchant. These cards include merchants such as Giant, Shop Rite, Amazon, Dunkin Donuts, Burger King, Walmart, Target, and many restaurants. By purchasing these cards you are helping fund your church's budget. Last year about \$18,500 worth of gift cards were bought which produced about \$700 of profit. This was donated to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Please visit with Dave Sample on Sunday to see what he has available on Sunday. These cards are exceptionally good for birthday and graduation gifts and are also available from the church office during office hours.

Thank you for your support.

Jim Rea, Finance Chair

E-GIVING We now have a QR Code that you can scan that links you directly to our E-Giving site. When you scan the code below with your smartphone you can send your offering to the Church's General Fund, Communion/



Pastor's Fund or Mission Fund. This is the same link that is available on our church's website. Thank you always for your faithful giving to Christ's work here in Morrisville.



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



Thank you to all the men & women who have graciously volunteered to present a children's sermon during each Sunday's service. We could always use other volunteers to lessen the teaching load in the future. If you are interested in joining this rewarding ministry for our children, please sign up on the Sign-Up Central table outside of the pastor's office. Thank you for all you do for our children who are our future church. God bless, Joyce

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS Roxanne will be on vacation from April 29th through May 12th. A few volunteers will be filling in for her while she is away so please be patient with them. Thank you!

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE We need rice (1 or 2 lb. bags), canned chicken, canned tuna, ravioli, canned beans (any color), pasta sauce, boxed pasta, cereal, peanut butter, deodorant, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. Thank you for all you do to help us help our neighbors in need.



Many thanks! Deb Price and the Missions Team



SCRIP GIFT CARDS See Dave Sample at the table located in the lounge to buy your Scrip gift cards. All Scrip proceeds benefit the general fund of the church. If we do not have what you want, we can order most vendors on our list and have them for you the following Sunday. Thanks!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School Classes for children up to age 12 take place immediately following the Children's Message each Sunday; Mr. Craig teaches the younger students and Ms. Joyce and



Mr. John alternate with the older children. We love sharing God's love with our younger ones. Helpers are always welcome! Barb Lombardo

STAMPS FOR WOUNDED VETERANS: You may have seen the blurb in the church bulletin over the last few weeks requesting that you save your stamps for our wounded veterans. One or two of you have asked me about the project, and I have told you that our wounded veterans make art from these stamps. This is what the brochure states, "Stamps can give bedridden patients, long-term treatment patients, and convalescent patients, a consuming interest. They can sort and mount stamps while in bed. If ambulatory, or even in a wheelchair, they can pass happy hours soaking stamps and mounting them in albums. Even the withdrawn, mentally disabled patient takes pleasure in using more common stamps in organized therapy sessions to make fanciful greeting cards, or to cover decorative boxes." The brochure goes on to say in another section, " Also quantities of modern common stamps are often used for art projects such as decoupage, 'painting' using bits of stamps, and other crafts." I was recently provided with a picture of such a project which you see here.

I hope this will encourage you to drop your stamps in the basket that is on the table as you come in from the big parking lot entrance. My organization will continue with this project next year, running from July 2026-June 2027. A BIG thank you to all of you who have contributed to this project!



LETTER CARRIER FOOD DRIVE

The Letter Carrier Food Drive is Saturday, May 9. We are seeking volunteers with pickups, SUVs, or vans to drive along walking routes in the 19067 zip code to collect donated food starting at 9:30AM. Students (14+) who need volunteer hours or would like to help are welcome to assist with the collection. All activities will be based at the United Methodist Church in Morrisville. We also need volunteers to unload and sort collected food between 11:00AM and around 7:00PM. Sign up to help here: [Letter Carriers' Food Drive & Sort 2026](#).



Your help matters—stop by for any amount of time, even just an hour! For questions or more info, call Frank Powell at 215-736-1053.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Dear friends, VBS is coming back to Morrisville United Methodist Church this summer! The theme is Discovery on Adventure Island: Quest for God's Great Light. This year's VBS will be held over three days in early August. To make this a success, we are seeking volunteers who can commit to Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday evenings. We are searching for people to help with snacks, arts and crafts, recreation, science, and storytelling. If you are interested, please let Faith Macwana know at 215-609-7110. More information will be available over the next few weeks.

IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

Bulletin announcements are due by noon on Wednesdays. Please include the date, time(s) and location in the announcement you send in. Thank you!

THE PURPOSE

United Women in Faith is a **community of women** whose purpose is:

To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ

To develop a creative supportive fellowship and

To expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

We welcome all women who commit themselves to our Purpose, including you. You do not have to be a member of The United Methodist Church to join. Our membership is diverse: women of many races, cultures, languages, young and old. There is no minimum age requirement.

We hope you will prayerfully consider joining this **multicultural, multilingual, and multiracial** organization of women. All women are welcome to attend!

MAY SCHEDULE

NO UWF GENERAL MEETING

May 15-17

UWF ASSEMBLY – Indianapolis, IN
Departing May 14, returning May 17

May 18

MARCIA-RUTH CIRCLE - 1:00 P.M.
Church Lounge
Hostesses and Devotions: Vera Straley
Discussion: “The Happiest Man on Earth-The Beautiful Life of an Auschwitz Survivor” by Eddie Jaku

May 20

METHODIST LADIES WHO LUNCH – 1:00 P.M.
Carraba’s
3210 Tillman Drive, Bensalem, PA 19020
Contact Deborah Chapman for details.

Attention all *Ladies of Faith* interested in the



Rose Breakfast

Saturday, June 6, 2026

9:30 AM - Noon

We are currently taking names of all ladies who would like to attend the **Annual Rose Breakfast**. All ladies of faith, whether a member of MUMC or not, are welcome to join us for this *VERY* special brunch. Place your name on the signup sheet located at “Signup Central” or contact Deb Eickhoff or Joyce Bigley, to reserve your seat. We are limited to 100 attendees, so **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!** This year you may indicate up to 2 ladies who you’d like to sit with.

Our program this year is “America’s First Ladies: From Martha to Michelle” presented by Shirley Lee Corsey.

This is a time to gather with our friends and neighbors, enjoy fellowship, and a lovely breakfast prepared individually by our hostesses. Though there is no charge for the event, your free will offering will be gratefully accepted to contribute to the wonderful work of our own United Women in Faith.

Anyone wishing to attend the breakfast should contact:

Debbie Eickhoff 609.828.6931, rdeickhoff@comcast.net

OR

Joyce Bigley 215.801.9102, jbigley819@gmail.com

Current Prayer Concerns



Prayers for Elainejoy Bramante, Marion Rea, Ike Whitter's family, Dave and Marianne Miller and the Doyle families, Tom Miller's family, John Davidson, the Dulay family, Grace Terry, Michael Pugh, Minnie Wilson, Tami Bernard, Alice South, Tyrone Frisby, Andy McCall, Carol Hughes, Pam Manners, Thomas Manners, Paul & Marian Chapman, Sue Urbano

Lynn Pierce (Mark Pierce's mother)
Tina and Danny (niece and husband of Dave and Marianne Miller)
Mr. Napoleon (community member)
Raj (neighbor of Rashni Swaroop)
Aiden (Vaa Thomson's nephew)
Erick Torres (Jennifer Koba's cousin)
Rakesh (Samson Shoukat's friend)
Luanne (Vera Straley's daughter)
Carol (Vera Straley's cousin)
Tyler (friend of Todd Whitter)
Carrie Kovalik (Vera Straley's daughter)
Donna (community member)
Alan and Sandy MacKinnon (Steve Russell's parents)
Myles (friend of Todd Whitter)
Elijah (community member)
Arlene Eberly (Cheryl Scott's mother)
Leslie Eberly (Cheryl Scott's sister)
Jill Seagrass (friend of Vera Straley)



Happy Anniversary

Steven & Rebecca Kent..... May 17
Dale & Fran Pugh May 22
Jamis Cron Lombardo & Stephen Cron..... May 29
Carin & Henry Trimble May 29
Joseph & Sue Urbano May 30



Happy Birthday

Patricia Logan May 1
Deb Price May 1
Fran Rivera..... May 1
Nicole Decker..... May 2
Craig Jackson May 5
Daniel Marks..... May 7
Susan Friend May 9
Abbigail Pugh May 10
John Jakimowicz May 11
Fran Pugh..... May 12
Meinnah Daa May 19
Flo Dugan..... May 20
Phyllis Patterson May 21
Beth Marucci May 24
Kevin Pugh May 24
Brian Long..... May 25
Pushoaben Makwana May 25
Morgan Ahne..... May 26
Ciara Logan May 29