



Preparing for worship

Just a few days ago I attended a funeral at the National Cemetery over on the west side of town. While the heat was almost beyond description, there were other forms of discomfort there as well. There was the discomfort of a grieving family and friends. There was the discomfort of the absence of one we loved so very dearly.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow told us that “into every life a little rain must fall.” And that’s certainly true. Some of us see a little rain. Some of us see a flood like a hurricane or tropical storm. But in the midst of the darkest and wettest of storms, there are glimmers of memory. Memories of light and joy and peace.

Let’s acknowledge that we are sometimes disconsolate. To be disconsolate is to be unconsolable. Pain comes. Loss comes. Rain comes.

In some Christian traditions, what we call the Lord’s Supper or Communion is referred to as a “Memorial Meal.” It’s a time of remembering. Through the bread and the cup, memories are triggered. Memories carried through a couple of millennia. Memories of a last meal, memories of a teacher and friend gone, memories of

an execution on a cross. Memories that undoubtedly led to the deepest kinds of anguish.

But there are other memories to acknowledge as well. Stories about teaching on a hillside, feeding thousands who were hungry, jokes and stories over the fire as Jesus cooked up some fish.

Among the several things we remember this morning as we take the memorial meal, let’s remember this: Until the morning comes, it’s still dark. Rain will come to us all. While Jesus might not always hold an umbrella over us to protect us from that rain, he will walk through storms alongside us, holding our hand and holding us close with his arms of love around our shoulders. And until joy returns — which it will — the presence of Christ will be enough. May we open ourselves to that presence and stay available to the one who walks our journeys at our side.

It’s the presence of Christ still here in our midst that we remember this morning as we take the bread and the cup.

Thanks be to God!

—Charlie Fuller



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On the cover: This relief sculpture at the Cathedral of Saint Lazarus in Autun, France, completed in 1146, depicts charity defeating greed (left) and patience conquering wrath (right). From *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville.

September 1, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming of the Hour

We gather in community this morning to worship God.
To help center our focus in worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Welcome to Worshipers

Dennis Smith

Prelude

Ciacona in F Minor

Johann Pachelbel

Opening Sentences

Alden Henry

God has given us a new day.
Praise be to God for this most generous gift.
God has given us the way of Jesus that we might learn ways of peace and mercy.
May this way of peace and mercy transform our lives.
Let us worship this great God of healing and restoring love.

+Congregational Song

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

1. I sing the might-y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
2. I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
3. There's not a plant or flower be-low but makes thy glo-ries known.
that spread the flow-ing seas a-broad, and built the loft-y skies.
God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them good.
And clouds a-rise, and tem-pests blow, by or-der from thy throne,
I sing the wis-dom that or-dained the sun to rule the day.
Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev-er in thy care,
The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o-bey.
if I sur-vey the ground I tread, or gaze up-on the sky!
and ev-ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

+All congregants who are able are invited to stand.
Hearing devices are available in the Narthex and South Atrium.

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders, and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash, and there are also many other traditions that they observe: the washing of cups and pots and bronze kettles and beds.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not walk according to the tradition of the elders but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.” ... Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile. ... For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, debauchery, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Prayers of the People

Jim Hancock

Silence

We pause in silence to reflect and to be attentive to the Spirit of God

The Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who sin against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offertory

Come, Ye Disconsolate
Sanctuary Choir

arr. Terre Johnson

Come, ye disconsolate, where'er ye languish.
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish,
Earth has no sorrow that heav'n cannot heal.

Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
Hope when all others die, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the comforter, tenderly saying,
“Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot cure.”

Here see the Bread of Life, see waters flowing
Forth from the throne of God, pure from above.
Come to the feast of love; come ever knowing
Earth has no sorrow but heav'n can remove.

+**Epistle Reading** — James 1:17–27

Carol Cabaniss

Every good gift, every perfect gift, comes from above. These gifts come down from the Father, the creator of the heavenly lights, in whose character there is no change at all. He chose to give us birth by his true word, and here is the result: we are like the first crop from the harvest of everything he created. Know this, my dear brothers and sisters: everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to grow angry. This is because an angry person doesn't produce God's righteousness. Therefore, with humility, set aside all moral filth and the growth of wickedness, and welcome the word planted deep inside you — the very word that is able to save you. You must be doers of the word and not only hearers who mislead themselves. Those who hear but don't do the word are like those who look at their faces in a mirror. They look at themselves, walk away, and immediately forget what they were like. But there are those who study the perfect law, the law of freedom, and continue to do it. They don't listen and then forget, but they put it into practice in their lives. They will be blessed in whatever they do. If those who claim devotion to God don't control what they say, they mislead themselves. Their devotion is worthless. True devotion, the kind that is pure and faultless before God the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their difficulties and to keep the world from contaminating us.

For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
And for the Word of God within us,
Thanks be to God!

Message

“Rhythmic Moves”

Timothy Peoples

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Maggie Morey and Timothy Peoples

All followers of Christ are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper,
whether you are a Wilshire member or not. The bread used this morning is gluten free.

Passing of the Bread

All Creatures of Our God and King
Ralph Manuel, piano

arr. Dino Kartsonakis

Passing of the Cup

There Is a Balm in Gilead
Ralph Manuel, piano

arr. Mark Hayes

Passing of the Peace

May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

+Congregational Song

Fairest Lord Jesus
No. 159

ST. ELIZABETH

Sharing of Decisions

Timothy Peoples

Benediction

Timothy Peoples

Postlude

Postlude on "ELLACOMBE"

Jason D. Payne

The flowers today are given by given by Brenda and Gwin Morris
in celebration of their 62nd wedding anniversary.



We're glad you're here. If you're a guest today and would like to let us know, please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to access our online response card. You can also scan the code to make a financial contribution or submit a prayer request. Response cards and offering envelopes are available in the pew racks and can be placed in the offering plate or offering boxes.

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Meet today's worship leaders

Carol Cabaniss joined Wilshire in 1992 and is married to Kevin. They are the parents of Peyton, a young adult living in Boston; Tanner, a graduate student at the University of Oklahoma; and Trace, a junior at Texas A&M University. Carol is a deacon, attends Journey Class and is chair of the Library Committee. She works at Wilshire as music and worship coordinator.

Jim Hancock is a retired Baptist pastor and associational missions director who joined Wilshire in 2012. He attends Discovery Class, is a member of the Library Committee and serves on the lay support team for Pastoral Resident Maggie Morey. Jim has three adult children and six grandchildren.

Alden Henry began attending Wilshire in January with his parents, Sean and Melissa, and his sister, Ananda. A seventh grader at Dallas Hybrid Prep, Alden plays baseball and takes musical theater classes at Dallas Children's Theater. He is active in Wilshire Student Ministry and sings in Youth Choir. Alden's great uncle and aunt are Wilshire members Vic Henry and Candy McComb. Alden's paternal grandparents, Scott and Kay Henry, also attend Wilshire.

Ralph Manuel and his wife, Donna, joined Wilshire in 2018. They are members of Cord of Three Class, and Ralph sings in Sanctuary Choir. A composer, former minister of music and missionary, Ralph serves as handbell coordinator at Wilshire and directs Carillon Ringers.

Dennis Smith and his wife, Laura, joined Wilshire in 2001. They have been married for 50 years and have two adult children. Dennis is a former deacon chair at Wilshire. He is co-director of Foundations of Faith Sunday School Class and is chair of the Belong Team. Dennis is the president of AgileMesh, Inc.

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Tapestry



News & Announcements
September 1, 2024

A note from the Risk Management Committee

Last Sunday there was an incident at our church before and during the Sunday School hour. An individual entered the building and verbally accosted staff and members. Our security guards and staff engaged with the individual, who refused to leave. Dallas Police were called, and the person was arrested.

The incident was handled appropriately by our staff; however, it has naturally raised concerns and fears. The safety of our members, guests, staff and volunteers is of the utmost importance. Wilshire's Risk Management Committee is tasked with ensuring appropriate procedures and systems are in place to address potentially harmful situations such as this.

The Committee has been working on a holistic plan to upgrade existing processes and technologies used for identifying, managing and communicating onsite risks. Details will be shared as the plan is finalized. Please know that the collective safety of our church family is critically important. If you have questions, concerns or need assistance, please reach out to our committee's staff liaison, Geri McKenzie, (gmckenzie@wilshirebc.org).

— Jason Woodbury, Risk Management chair



Resumes this
Wednesday, Sept. 4

11:30 a.m.–12:45 p.m.
Community Hall
First & third Wednesdays

All are invited for a buffet lunch (\$10 ea.) followed by minister-led Bible study. No RSVP necessary.

On Sept. 4 we'll pick up our journey through the Old Testament with an introduction to the books of Samuel led by Charlie Fuller, director of Pathways to Ministry. We'll also spend some time getting to know our two new pastoral residents.



Sundays: Worship at 11 a.m. Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Our service livestreams at youtube.com/wilshirebaptist and at wilshirebc.org/worship/livestream. Keep up with Wilshire by subscribing to our YouTube channel and following us on Facebook and Instagram.

Condolences to

■ **Judi Smalling** on the death of her father, Earl Martin, Aug. 23.

■ **Janice Vergez** on the death of her step-daughter, Tracy Yetter, Aug. 28

Blood Drive this Wednesday

Carter BloodCare will be at Wilshire from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 4. Walk-ins are welcome but appointments are recommended. Visit wilshirebc.org/events/blood-drive or scan the QR code in the ad on the back cover.

Bright Stars of Bethlehem gala



A virtual gala for mission partner Bright Stars of Bethlehem will be held the evening of Saturday, Sept. 7, at the home of Mary and Kenton Keller. Bright Stars raises awareness and support for Dar

al-Kalima University, the first and only university for arts, culture and design in Palestine. The evening will include stories of resilience from students and remarks from founder Mitri Raheb. RSVP to Associate Pastor Heather Mustain (hmustain@wilshirebc.org).

African American history tour



Wilshire has reservations for a few folks to join a Hidden History Tour on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The tour traces the African American experience from the Civil War to

the 1960s. Cost: \$25 per person. Register at wilshirebc.org/events/hidden-history-tour.



HOSPITALITY HINT Introduce yourself to someone you don't know.

Audition for Faith in 3D

Wilshire's Faith in 3D initiative is creating an original vignette-styled musical for its 2025 production and will hold auditions on Tuesday, Sept. 24.

In Songs and Stories will feature a compilation of songs, predominantly from Broadway musicals, that will not only entertain but also stimulate discussion with the potential to change individuals — and maybe the world.

The show will be performed at Wilshire on Wednesday, March 26, at 6 p.m. and Saturday, March 29, at 2:30 p.m. Director Nancy Poynter is returning for her 11th Faith in 3D production, and Ralph Manuel will serve as musical director. The cast will consist of soloists and storytellers, with everyone as part of the chorus.

The three Ds in Faith in 3D stand for drama, dialogue and dessert. Productions have usually featured a theatrical presentation followed by dessert and a moderated discussion of the show's themes.

■ To register your interest in auditioning, complete the form at wilshirebc.org/faith-in-3d-auditions by Monday, Sept. 16.



Faith in 3D produced Arthur Miller's *The Crucible* in 2023.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE SEPTEMBER 4

Koinonia Café

5 p.m. | Community Hall | Buffet dinner with kid-friendly options. Cash/check/credit accepted. Prices at wilshirebc.org/events/wnl. **Sept. 4:** Chicken teriyaki, rice, stir-fry vegetables, egg drop soup, salad, almond cookies, jello. **Kids:** Chicken nuggets, fries.

Preschool Music & Missions

6 p.m. | Age 3–Pre-K | Preschool choir plus fun activities and lessons focused on God’s love and caring for others.

KidConnect

6 p.m. | K–Grade 5 | A rotation of activities to help kids learn how to love God and others with every part of themselves. Activities include art, music, recreation and more. Kindergartners will have choir as part of KidConnect.

Watershed

6:30 p.m. | Grades 6–12 | Wilshire Student Ministry’s weekly time of Bible study and music in the Youth Center.

Sanctuary Choir

7 p.m. | Choral Hall | New singers are always welcome in our main adult choir. No audition.



Bible Study series begins

6 p.m. | Community Hall | Have you encountered a Bible story from childhood and thought, “This doesn’t sound the same as an adult”?

Have you wondered what the story of Jonah and the whale really means, or why there are two Noah’s ark stories? In this series, Senior Pastor Timothy Peoples and our residents will help us confront these stories with fresh eyes and see them as the cautionary tales they were intended to be, not the tamed down happily-ever-afters we were first taught.

WNL: Virtual Edition on Sept. 11

Those who engage with Wilshire primarily online are invited to a minister-led Zoom discussion on Sept. 11 at 6 p.m. Central. The link will be posted at wilshirebc.org/events/wnl-virtual by noon that day. This will be a monthly event.

Childcare is offered from 6 to 7:15 p.m. for infants to 2-year-olds with parents involved in church activities.

Fellowship Southwest Conference

Wilshire is a sponsor for Fellowship Southwest's Compassion + Justice Conference, to be held Sept. 20 and 21 at Life in Deep Ellum. Speakers will discuss topics including hunger, native issues, immigration and racial justice. Visit fellowshipsouthwest.org/conference-2024.

Democracy emphasis coming

With the election coming in November, the Christian Advocacy Committee is offering these opportunities to help us navigate the season:

- On Sunday, Sept. 8, tables at the church will offer resources for how you can engage in democracy over the coming weeks.
- On Wednesdays at 6 p.m. during October, Associate Pastor Heather Mustain and others will lead a group through a resource called "Navigating an Election Year." This series will offer a space to share concerns and create an action plan for addressing the real fears we hold and continuing to meet the needs of our neighbors.

Puerto Rico trip planned for 2025

Wilshire is planning a mission trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico, from Feb. 22 to 28, 2025. This will be our third straight year to serve in San Juan in partnership with First Baptist Church of Rio Piedras. If you're interested in going or have questions, contact Abbey Adcox at aadcox@wilshirebc.org.

Music group start-ups

- **Wilshire Winds** will start on Monday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. in Choral Hall. Brass, woodwind and percussion players are welcome. Contact: Shana Gaines (sgaines@wilshirebc.org).
- **Children's Choirs** (grades 1-5) will adopt a new approach this year. Singers can now select one, two or three sections of choir. Each section will include a few rehearsals followed by a performance. The first section runs Sept. 8 to Oct. 6. Rehearsals will be held Sundays from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. after a snack lunch.

Library needs boxes, volunteers

The Wilshire Library needs your help as it prepares for the installation of new state-of-the-art shelving donated from a Kansas seminary.

- Boxes are needed and can be brought to the Library between now and Sept. 14.
- On Saturday, Sept. 14, volunteers are needed to help box up books and move them to a classroom for temporary storage.

As of Sunday, Sept. 15, the Library's main first-floor location will be temporarily closed. The book racks on the third floor and near the Preschool Hall will remain operational during the renovations, and Librarian Barbara Peterson hopes to open a small temporary location. To learn more or volunteer, contact Barbara at bpeterson@wilshirebc.org.

Poetry workshop in September

Wilshire member and retired English professor Jerry McElveen will lead "Poetry: How to Read and Write This Stuff," a two-part workshop on Wednesdays, Sept. 11 and 18, at 6 p.m. in Room 1205-G. Come prepared to have an informative and fun time as Jerry pulls back the curtain on this sometimes mysterious and magical form of human expression. "You will learn something," Jerry says, "and there will be no tests."



Women of Wilshire Book Clubs

- **Tuesday Evening Book Club** | Sept. 10 | 6:30 p.m. | Parlor | *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier. Contact: Debby Burton (dburton@wilshirebc.org)
- **Brown Bag Book Club** | Sept. 5 | Noon | 1205-L | *The Plot* by Jean Hanff Korelitz. Contact: Carolyn Murray (cmurray@wilshirebc.org)

Men's Book Club

Wilshire's Men's Book Club will discuss "The Guest," an Albert Camus short story, on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 7 p.m. in the Parlor. The group meets the third Tuesday each month. Contact: Mike Meripolski (meripolski@att.net).



Marriage Connections is Sept. 13

In Marriage Connections, held on select Friday nights at 6:30, free childcare (infant-grade 5) is provided while parents enjoy a short program at the church and then have the rest of the night, until 9:30, to themselves. Registration for childcare is required by Sept. 8; visit wilshirebc.org/events/marriage-connections.

Single, Adoptive and Foster Care Parents Night Out, Sept. 13

Wilshire will offer free childcare (infant-grade 5) for single, adoptive and foster parents on Friday, Sept. 13, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Registration is required and closes Sept. 8; visit wilshirebc.org/events/pno.

Wilshire Welcome meets Sept. 22

Wilshire Welcome, a one-hour session to help guests and new members learn more about the church, will meet Sunday, Sept. 22, at 9:45 a.m. in the Prayer Room near the chapel. Contact: Carolyn Murray (cmurray@wilshirebc.org)

Staff update

Sarah Yodh has changed jobs on Wilshire's staff and is now serving as childcare coordinator, the role recently vacated by Staci Langley. Wilshire is accepting applications for Sarah's former position, spiritual formation coordinator. Learn more at wilshirebc.org/employment.



Joey & Billy Schewee
[@enneagramparents](https://www.instagram.com/enneagramparents)

Children and the Enneagram

Saturday, Nov. 2
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Wilshire Baptist Church



Registration is open for Children and the Enneagram

Parents, grandparents, teachers and anyone else who works with children will benefit from a special event at Wilshire on Saturday, Nov. 2. Guest speakers Joey and Billy Schewee of the @enneagramparents Instagram account will lead us in exploring how your Enneagram type and that of children in your care inform your engagement and relationships. Prior Enneagram knowledge is not required. The event will be held in Community Hall from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A \$10 per-person cost will cover lunch and snacks. Learn more and register at wilshirebc.org/events/children-enneagram.

Front desk volunteers needed

We are looking for a few volunteers to help in the main office weekly or on a rotational basis. Sunday morning volunteers are needed from 9 to 11 a.m. to greet and assist people and connect them to the appropriate staff member when needed. Volunteers are also needed on Tuesdays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Contact Geri McKenzie (gmckenzie@wilshirebc.org) to volunteer or learn more.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING

Your gifts are changing lives inside and outside our walls. Here are some ways to make a financial contribution to Wilshire.

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AUTOMATIC BANK PAY. Visit your bank's website and set up Wilshire as a payee. The bank will send the church a check.

MAIL. Send to Finance Director Lori Gooden's attention at Wilshire.

TEXT. Text WILSHIRE and a dollar amount (ex: WILSHIRE 50) to 73256.

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Scan code with your smartphone camera to make an electronic contribution.

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At Wilshire, we use a one-fund approach to giving called the Unified Budget. Your gifts support the basic mission, ministry and operations of the church. Once the Unified Budget is fulfilled, gifts overflow into visionary aspects of our mission.

This Week

Sunday, Sept. 1

- WSM Book Club, Youth Center, 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
- Worship Service, Sanctuary, 11 a.m.
- Youth Choir Snack Lunch, Youth Center, noon
- Youth Choir, Choral Hall, 12:30 p.m.
- Shekinah, Choral Hall, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 2

- Church closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, Sept. 3

- Stephen Ministry Supervision/CE, 1205-G & 1205-L, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 4

- Blood Drive, North Parking Lot, 10 a.m.
- Lunch & Learn, Community Hall, 11:30 a.m.
- Koinonia Café, Community Hall, 5 p.m.
- Preschool Music & Missions, 6 p.m.
- KidConnect, 6 p.m.
- Bible Study, Community Hall, 6 p.m.
- Risk Management Committee, 1205-G, 6 p.m.
- WSM Watershed, Youth Center, 6:30 p.m.
- Sanctuary Choir, Choral Hall, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 5

- WOW Brown Bag Book Club, 1205-L, noon
- Knit Unto Others, Parlor, 1:30 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 6

- MomCo, James Gallery, 9 a.m.
- Mahjong, 1205-L, 10 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 7

- Memorial Service for Harriett Mason, McIver Chapel, 1 p.m.
- Bright Stars of Bethlehem Virtual Gala, Keller home, 6:30 p.m.

Jan Cox

Hometown: Philadelphia. I moved to Texas when I was 8, so I claim to be a Texan!

Present City: Royse City

Education: B.S. in dental hygiene, Baylor College of Dentistry

Profession: Dental hygienist

Tell us about your family.

I have been married to Fred Cox for 27 years. I have three children. Christopher Bugbee lives in Austin with his wife, Heidii, and two sons, Braden and Brant. Christopher is CEO of One Star Foundation, a job similar to one he held in the White House for a year! My daughter, Katie Koshkin, is married to Jay and attends Wilshire along with my grandchildren Riley and Jace. Katie is a business and marketing teacher at J.J. Pearce High School. She is the DECA sponsor, and her students have been very successful at competitions. My third is Dr. Andrew Bugbee, who moved back to Texas last summer with his family. He is a professor of internal medicine at Texas A&M School of Veterinary Medicine. He is married to Scott, and they have three boys, Ty, Adrian and Reese. I'm so glad to have all my babies back in Texas! A very proud mama!

How about your work or volunteer life?

I worked as a hygienist for 42 years and loved my job. I loved educating my patients and getting to know them! I still have lunch with several patients 10 years after I retired.

What are your favorite places to travel?

I lived in Germany for three years and loved Europe. We traveled as much as possible and



the beauty took my breath away everywhere we went. I saw most of the U.S.A. as a child and hope to see several places again. Our country is amazing!

What brought you to Wilshire and when?

Katie and I decided to look for a church together before Riley was born in 2008. We visited several churches, and when we came to Wilshire, we felt we were home.

Where are you engaged at Wilshire?

I am a member of Women's Bible Class. I worked with Children's Choirs for years, and now I sing in New Song Community Choir.

What do you think God is up to in your life right now?

I am so thankful to be learning so much about the Bible in my Sunday School class. It has helped me with some questions that I have. I know God will lead me in the right path to find the answers I need.

Something interesting most people would not know about you?

I would love to have a business where I go into homes and organize!

What adjectives best describe you?

Loyal, honest and happy!



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Breonna B.

Blood Recipient
Dallas, Texas



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