



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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Happy Father's Day

"Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4

Today is Father's Day and in a church like ours blessed with so many children and young families, it is in large part a day of celebration. For others of us, it is a day of remembrance and gratitude for the gift of a father now gone whose love and example made us who we are. We must acknowledge however, for some it is a painful day that confronts us with the frailty and faults of a father who did not fulfill the role God intended. The day also reminds us that being a father is a gift and a responsibility. Paul speaks to it in his letter to the Ephesians and the importance of the teaching role of a father. It is also interesting that this verse follows on the heels of some instruction to husbands about how to love and serve our wives. Maybe nothing fathers do is more important than modeling what a husband should be for our children.

We cannot underestimate the generational impact of a father's example. Maybe God captured it most powerfully when He said in Exodus, "the sins of fathers are visited upon their children to the third and fourth generations of those who reject me, but steadfast love of the Lord to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commands." Today we pray for all our fathers and the weight of responsibility you bear. Our future depends upon you.

Speaking of families, Susan and I are blessed to begin our sixth year with you our family at Wesley Monumental UMC. God has blessed us with the opportunity to serve with you in this great church. Our hearts are tied to you and we celebrate your blessings and grieve your pain and losses. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you and for the incredible generosity and encouragement you show us. We look forward to a new year together and seeing what God will do here.

150th Anniversary Historical Fact: In 1962 Mrs. Rotan gifted Folly Marsh to Wesley Monumental and it was renamed Wesley Gardens. It consisted of 100 acres of marsh, 30 acres of high land and eight buildings. The caretaker's house was used over the years as a home for youth ministers and associate pastors.

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2018 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering and Announcements

Ben Martin

Welcome to worship this morning. Thank you for joining us. If needed, the nursery for infants to 3 years old is located on the first floor. Hearing assistance devices, several seat cushions, large print bulletins, and large print hymnals are available in the narthex, and an usher will be happy to help you with them. Please fill out the attendance registration pad found in the pew, and remember to silence your cell phones and refrain from flash photography during the service. We pray this hour will be a meaningful and grace-filled encounter with God through music, word, and fellowship.

Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

Opening Anthems

Vacation Bible School choristers

* **Hymn No. 144** This Is My Father's World TERRA BEATA

* **Affirmation of Faith No. 881** The Apostles' Creed
James P. Owens

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

* **Gloria Patri No. 71** GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Baptismal Covenant (11:00)

Ann Stevens Rhodes

daughter of Randon and Caroline Rhodes

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Ann as a member of
God's family and Wesley Monumental United Methodist
Church. By God's grace we will do all in our power to increase her
faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love that she may grow
into a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ who walks in the way that
leads to life.

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory;
For ever. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Charli Weeks

*8:45 Children ages 3 - 2nd Grade line up at the door on the right side of
the sanctuary to go to Children's Church, held in Room 103.*

*11:00 Children ages 3 - PreK leave through the door on the right side of the
sanctuary to go to Preschool Children's Worship in Room 205. Children in
grades K - 4th leave through the door on the left side of the sanctuary to go
to Elementary Children's Worship in Room 303.*

* **Hymn No. 110** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God EIN' FESTE BURG

* **Offertory Prayer** Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Deux Arabesques Claude Debussy

Offertory Anthem (11:00) arr. Mack Wilberg

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

Join the great throng, psaltery, organ, and song,

Sounding in glad adoration!

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*During the 11:00 a.m. service, please remove the attendance sheets from the
book and give to the acolytes as a symbolic offering of our presence in worship.*

* **Doxology No. 95** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* **Scripture** (Pew Bible, pgs. 131) Numbers 13:25-33

Sermon "The Promise Land Part 3: External Obstacles" Ben Martin

* **Hymn Insert** In the Sweet By and By

* **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) Ninefold Amen John Rutter

Closing Voluntary Antonio Soler/E. Power Biggs
The Emperor's Fanfare

* *Please stand as you are able.
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you a brief history of this sanctuary and congregation.
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Monica Harper Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

In the Sweet By and By

Words: Sanford F. Bennett, 1868

Music: Joseph P. Webster, 1868

This hymn shares the same birthday as Wesley Monumental—1868. The hymn was composed when Mr. Webster walked into Mr. Bennett's business in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Mr. Webster walked over to the stove and turned his back on Mr. Bennett without speaking. Mr. Bennett turned to him and said, "Webster, what is the matter now?" "It's no matter," he replied, "it will be all right by and by." The idea of the hymn came to Mr. Bennett in a flash, and he replied, "The Sweet By and By!" Mr. Bennett wrote the words at his desk as fast as he could write and gave them to Mr. Webster who then took up his violin and played a melody to it. He played it again, and Mr. Bennett sang it. A hymn was born.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Congregational Care

Effingham Camp Meeting—Everyone is Invited

On July 16, Merry Makers will attend the Effingham Camp Meeting in Springfield. Dr. Ben Martin will be the preacher. EVERYONE is invited to join the Merry Makers for this evening of outdoor worship with our pastor. Dinner will be served in the camp dining hall. Reservations will be required for dinner, and the cost is \$6.00. You will pay on site.

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Make Your Dad Proud . . .

. . . Come to a Bible study! Hope to see you on Tuesday, June 19 from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for Bible Buddies and the Young Mothers' Bible Study (mothers and children all welcome), or on Thursday, June 21 from noon-1:00 p.m. at Ruth's Chris, 111 West Bay Street (no charge for the meal; donations taken for the waiters). Questions, please speak with Nelle, 912-234-9245.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

VBS 2018—Thank You!

The Bible tells us that the greatest people in God's kingdom are those who serve others and it has been a privilege to serve alongside the center leaders and crew guides at VBS this past week. These men and women were kind, patient and prepared every day for the excited bundles of enthusiasm that raced into the chapel and bounded through the Main House doors. Wesley Gardens welcomed 180 children who learned how Jesus rescues us when we are worried, lonely, struggling, make a mistake or feel powerless. The elementary children ran around the island for different activities at the Boat House, the Pavilion, the Gazebo and the Chapel, and the preschoolers took over the Main House. It was a wonderful experience for everyone involved. Thank you to everyone who helped in any way.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Youth Group Today at Wesley Gardens

Join us this afternoon for youth group at 3:00 p.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center, followed by worship and dinner. Youth Choir will not meet this evening.

Promotion Sunday and Confirmation

Attention Parents of Rising 6th Graders! We're excited that your children are almost ready for youth group! We will "promote" on August 19, when they will be able to attend Youth Sunday School (4th Floor) and Youth Group at Wesley Gardens that afternoon. We also encourage all 6th graders to participate in Confirmation, and there will be an informational parents meeting to discuss Confirmation and Youth Group on September 5, from 5:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. at Wesley Monumental.

Fall Retreat at Wesley Gardens, August 24-26

We're having a Fall Retreat! All 6th-12th graders are invited to the 2nd Annual Fall Retreat at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center. We'll start Friday afternoon, stay overnight Friday and Saturday and be done Sunday afternoon. There will be tubing, swimming, games, and lots of time enjoying the Gardens! Sign up with James P. Owens, james@wesleymonumental.org.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (06/10/18)

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| 8:45 A.M. Worship | 80 |
| 11:00 A.M. Worship | 298 |
| Total Worship | 378 |
| 9:45 A.M. Sunday School | 124 |
| Nursery (8:45 & 11:00) | 27 |

Finances: (06/10/18)

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| Total Budget for the Year | \$1,868,620.10 |
| Actual Revenues Year-to-Date | \$828,269.67 |
| Actual Expenses Year-to-Date..... | \$837,452.85 |
| Construction Loan Balance | \$503,235.45 |

CHURCH STAFF

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|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Rev. Ben Martin..... | Senior Pastor | Daphne Burrows..... | Administrative |
| Rev. Nelle Bordeaux..... | Outreach and New | | Assistant, Reception |
| | Members | Jennifer Brookins..... | Administrative Assistant to |
| Rev. Carolyn Hale Cubbedge..... | Congregational | | Pastoral Staff, Media Communications |
| | Care | Suzanna King..... | Director of Hospitality |
| Monica Harper Dekle..... | Director of Music | Nathaniel Legree..... | Custodian |
| | and Organist | Betty Dudley..... | Housekeeper |
| James P. Owens..... | Director of Student Ministries | Micah Sprünger..... | Wesley Gardens |
| Charli Weeks..... | Director of Children's Ministry | | Property Manager |
| Jimmy Flowers..... | Church Administrator | Kenneth Hayes..... | Wesley Gardens |
| Tom Anderson..... | Financial Manager | | Groundskeeper/Maintenance |

Usher Roses

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God by Alan Campbell for the life of M'Liss Williams, who through her walk of faith affected the lives of all who knew her for the better.

New Member Class Starts Today, Sunday, June 17

Join us from 10:00 a.m.-10:40 a.m. in the church library, 2nd floor of Oliver Hall. (Oliver Hall is located directly north of the sanctuary, across Wayne Street). The class will join next Sunday, June 24.

Messenger Brigade

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, June 21 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall Room 205. Extra hands are always needed to fold, seal and label the newsletters in preparation for mailing.

UMM June Meeting

The United Methodist Men's Meeting for June will be held this Thursday, June 21, at 6:00 p.m. (SHARP) in the Fellowship Hall. Guest speaker will be Doug Weathers, former #1 newscaster and VP at WTOG News (known as the Walter Cronkite of The Coastal Empire). He will talk about his first love, The 200 Club of the Coastal Empire. Come and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by our Suzanna King; cost is \$6.00. As always, spouses and friends and ALL church members are welcome to enjoy a great evening!

Feeding the Homeless

Help Wanted – We need your help in feeding the homeless. On Saturday, June 30, there is a mission to feed the homeless on Rothwell Street. Please visit perfectpotluck.com and sign in with Wesley Monumental (as the Coordinator Last Name) and password 7385 to sign up for breakfast. Jerry Benson will meet anyone on the Gordon Street side of the church at 7:45 a.m. to pack the foods.

Summer Sunday School Teachers Needed

All throughout this year, our Elementary-age children's Sunday School teachers have been hard at work teaching. We'd love to give them the summer off so that they will return refreshed and ready-to-go in the fall. We will need four volunteers each week to teach two Elementary-age summer Sunday school classes: Kindergarten through 2nd Grade, and 3rd through 5th Grade. If you would like to teach one or more weeks out of the summer, please contact James P. Owens, james@wesleymonumental.org.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Britt Griffin **Docents:** Shirley & Peter Roberts

Offering Steward: Jerry Benson

Ushers: Britt Griffin, Ed Poenicke

Greeters: Donna Benson, Marion Thomas

Children's Church: Melinda Sortor

11:00 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Sue Ellis **Docent:** TBD

Acolytes: Harris Glidewell, Anna Livingood

Greeters: Mehmet & Kim Ergul, David & Dorie Gaskin

Offering Steward: Chris Donegan, Justin Dunn, Bill Lovett, Jake Maxwell, Robert McCorkle, Jim Willis, Jeff O'Connor

Nursery: Infants: Emily Vance Toddler: Cassie Beckwith

Children's Worship 3's & PreK: Marvee McKenzie, Shazi Edmonds

Children's Worship K-4th: Hattie Thomas, Neilie Dunn

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church

June 17, 2018

The Sermon Extended:

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| Monday | I Peter 2:1, Colossians 3:8 | Are there things in my life I choose to live with because it is too hard to get rid of them? |
| Tuesday | Luke 11:24-28 | Did you ever get rid of a stronghold only to have it come back? |
| Wednesday | Matthew 6:24 | Are there things in my life there is nothing inherently wrong with but still need to remove? |
| Thursday | Mark 3:23-27 | Do I believe Satan is a real spiritual enemy working against me? |
| Friday | Ephesians 6:10-18 | Prayerfully put on the "armor of God" today. |

Sermon Notes

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, June 17

Father's Day

8:45 A.M. Worship Service, SNC
9:30 A.M. Coffee & Donuts, FH
9:45 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Worship Service, SNC
3:00 P.M. Youth Group, WG
5:30 P.M. Worship Service, WG Chapel
6:15 P.M. Dinner, WG Pavilion

Monday, June 18

Eli's Place Summer Camp

Tuesday, June 19

Eli's Place Summer Camp

7:00 A.M. Men's Bible Study, Holland Hse
9:00 A.M. Young Mothers' Bible Study, FH
11:00 A.M. Staff Mtg, OH 205

Wednesday, June 20

Eli's Place Summer Camp

11:00 A.M. Ben's Bible Study, OH 310
7:15 P.M. Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, June 21

Eli's Place Summer Camp

10:00 A.M. Messenger Brigade, OH 205
12:00 P.M. Bible Study at Ruth's Chris
4:30 P.M. Refugee Dinner
6:00 P.M. UMM Dinner Mtg, FH

Friday, June 22

10:00 A.M. Docent Tours, SNC
5:30 P.M. Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, June 23

5:30 P.M. Wedding

OH = Oliver Hall EB = Education Building
SNC = Sanctuary FH = Fellowship Hall
WG = Wesley Gardens Retreat Center

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin..... 912-547-1835

**Sunday Night Supper at
Wesley Gardens Retreat Center**

6/17/18

Hosts: Epworth (sides)
Harbor (desserts)
Preaching: Carolyn Cubbedge

6/24/18

Hosts: Pastor's (sides)
Journey (desserts)
Preaching: Nelle Bordeaux

In Sympathy....

Cass Thomasson
wife of Bill Thomasson
great-grandmother of
Michael Cooler

The Widmer Family
on the death of Karen's mother



In Our Prayers.....

Pat Beasley, Melissa Krawitz,
Margaret Willey, Danny Wendt,
John Martin, Sr., Debbie Call
(mother of Richard Call), Andy
Cheshire (brother of Clay
Cheshire), George LeMay, Bates
Lovett, Charles Holley, Todd and
Lauren Martin, Bill Roberts (uncle
of Anna Ivey), Sid Boone, Martha
and Erv Sloan, Lou Abarr, George
Wickham (father of Kelly Hagan),
Chad Jacobs Family, Ellie Tardif,
Sherry Ingram, Vickie Coley (aunt
of Will Coley), Randy Warner, Jim
Gietzen, Fritz Scarborough (brother
of Camille O'Neill), Janice Dukeman
(daughter of Erv Sloan), Harley
Anderson (infant son of David and
Elizabeth Anderson), Chuck Brown
(brother of Gail Rountree), Denise
LeMay, Grace Crosby Utomo
(friend of Jean Remley), Ann Lott,
John Randall Futch, Patty James,
Melinda Lanier, Steve Stewart
(brother of Sandra McGowen),
Mark Thomas, Toni Olds, Judy
Freeman, Debra Chapman
(daughter-in-law of Ruth and Elton
Stuenkel), Dick Wallace, Will
Ronning, Sandra McCorkle, Vivian
Wilson, Cheryl Richardson and
Family, Lois Wooten, Nancy
Beckmann, Mandy Hawkins and
Family, Richard Bartels, Susan
Clingman (cousin of Deanne
Rimes), Sammy Reesman

At Home/Extended Care

Georgia Dickerson, Betty Murray,
Bella Grace Bartels, Grace Bockes,
Anne Chase, Becky Heckard,
Michael Mamalakis, Hal Griner,
Bobbie Mattox, Linda McKibben,
Jack Miller (father of Jeff Miller),
Lillian O'Donovan, Ryan Sailors,
Dylan VanOrmer, Betty Weeks

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

Matt Hepinstall, Justin Geen,
Matthew Allen, Matt and Melinda
Allen, Evan Townsend, Yates
Holleman, Dan Barton, Daniel Ealy,
Justin Koenig, Joshua Laws, Rob
Harless, Shea Murray, Charles
Smock, Chris Watson, Whit Watts

The Cowart Family
on the death of Alan's sister

The Gattis Family
on the death of Grace's husband,
James Gattis