



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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2019 Leadership Team

Each fall, the Lay Leadership and Nominations Committee is responsible for identifying, recommending, and training our leadership team for the coming year. It helps the work of our committee if we know people have particular interests in certain areas of leadership. Keep in mind that while our Leadership Team consists only of the committee members, the work of those ministry areas takes many more people than those who do the planning and preparation for the area. Some of the committees and areas of ministry in which there is opportunity to serve are:

- Administrative Board**- our governing body that approves the work of all committees
- Ministry Council**- the chairs of program committees who meet bi-annually to do assessment and visioning work
- Staff Parish Relations Committee**- oversees the church staff
- Board of Trustees**- oversees all property and assets
- Wesley Gardens Committee**- oversees our Retreat Center located on Moon River
- Finance Committee**- plans our budget and oversees our finances
- Stewardship Committee**- plans our stewardship education
- Endowment Committee**- oversees our church endowments and planned giving
- Communications Committee**- works in internal and external communication
- Evangelism/Hospitality**- works on our church's outreach to guests and new members
- Worship Committee**- helps coordinate our worship
- Altar Guild**- prepares our sanctuary for worship including flower arrangements
- Communion Stewards**- prepares communion for worship
- Prayer Committee**- coordinates the prayer ministry of our church
- Early Childhood Committee**- plans our children's ministry (birth-pre-k)
- Elementary Children's Ministry Team**- plans children's ministry (K-5th grade)
- Eli's Place Committee**- oversees our Early Child Development Center
- Missions Committee**- plans our missions budget and work
- Youth Ministry Committee**- oversees our youth ministry
- Senior Adults Committee**- plans and works on our ministry to senior adults
- Music Committee**- guides our music programs
- Office Volunteer Group**- fills in for our office staff, helps with large mailings, etc.

As you can see, it takes lots of people to plan and implement our ministry. Email me today if there is a particular area in which you are willing to offer your time and talent. (ben@wesleymonumental.org)

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Seventeenth 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.

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Harrison Perry

Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

Opening Voluntary Fugue on Old 100th John Knowles Paine

Introit (11:00)

Stephen Paulus

After wind, after rain, when the dark is done,
As I wake from a dream in the gold of day,
Through the air there's a calling from far away,
There's a voice I can hear that will lead me home.

* **Hymn No. 88** Maker, In Whom We Live BEECHER

* **Affirmation of Faith No. 881** The Apostles' Creed
Nelle Bordeaux

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** GREATORIX

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)

Wesley Irwin Walker
son of Brian and Amanda Walker

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Wesley 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 his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love that he may grow into a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ who walks in the way that leads to life.

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

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 Nelle Bordeaux

8:45 Children ages 3 - 2nd Grade line up at the door on the right side of the sanctuary to go to Children's Worship, 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 201. Children in grades K - 3rd leave through the door on the left side of the sanctuary to go to Elementary Children's Worship in Room 303. Children in grades 4th & 5th are invited to follow James P. Owens to Room 305 for Worship Education.

* **Hymn** No. 318 Christ Is Alive TRURO

* **Offertory Prayer** Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Allegro from "First Viennese Sonata"
W. A. Mozart

Offertory Anthem (11:00) Paul Halley

Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee

Jesu, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills the breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the memory find
A sweeter sound than Jesus' name the Savior of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,
To those who ask how kind thou art, how good to those who seek.

But what to those who find? Ah! this nor tongue nor pen can show;
The love of Jesus, what it is none but his loved ones know,

Jesu, our joy be thou; as thou our prize wilt be;
In thee be all our glory now, and through eternity. Amen

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. 200-201) Colossians 2:1-23

Sermon "Orthodoxy" Ben Martin

* **Hymn** No. 384 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling BEECHER

* **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) Stephen Paulus

Rise up, follow me, come away, is the call,
With love in your heart as the only song;
There is no such beauty as where you belong;
Rise up, follow me, I will lead you home.

Closing Voluntary Prelude in G Major, BWV 568
Johann Sebastian Bach

* *Please stand as you are able.
Immediately following each service a docent is available by the grand piano to share with you a brief history of this sanctuary and congregation.
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Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Claudine Hutchins Hill by her family.

Just Born

Congratulations to Dan and Lily Brown on the birth of a daughter, Mila Evelyn Brown, on September 8, 2018. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Mila.

The Living Vine Fundraiser at Sweet Potatoes Restaurant

Tomorrow, Monday, September 17 from 4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., The Living Vine Christian Maternity Home is celebrating their 22nd birthday by holding a fundraiser at Sweet Potatoes restaurant, 531 Stephenson Avenue. Half of the night's profits will be donated to help The Living Vine's ministry. For more information, please visit thelivingvine.org.

Messenger Brigade

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, September 20 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall Room 205.

UMM September Meeting

The United Methodist Men's meeting for September will be held this Thursday, September 20, at 6:00 p.m. (SHARP) in the Fellowship Hall. Guest speaker will be William D. Cannady, Sr., CPA, who will talk about today's taxes. Come and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Suzanna King; cost is \$6. 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, September 29, 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 or meet at Rothwell Street at 8:00 a.m. Warm clothing (socks, woolen hats, etc.) is also needed.

Progressive Dinner

In honor of Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church's 150th anniversary, several members of our congregation have organized a Progressive Dinner to raise funds for the Wesley Gardens Playground Fund. Please join us for an evening of fellowship on Sunday, October 14 at 6:00 p.m. The evening event will consist of two courses at private residences, within close proximity to the church, and the main dinner course will be served under the stars on the portico of Oliver Hall. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be secured by contacting Daphne Burrows at 912-232-0191. There is a limited number of tickets available so please secure your spot to enjoy a beautiful evening for a wonderful cause.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:

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

Offering Steward: Britt Griffin

Ushers: Johnny Smith, Jerry Benson

Greeters: Susan Griffin, Donna Benson

Children's Church: TBD

11:00 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Sue Ellis **Docent:** Bebe Cole

Acolytes: Hollis Greer, Julianna Jones

Greeters: Kim & Mehmet Ergul, Jan Harman

Offering Steward: Chris Donegan

Ushers: Steve Cass, Matt West, Mark Wilcox, Drew Wilkes,
Glen Willard, Allen Williams, Richard Zehl,

Nursery: Volunteers Needed

Children's Worship 3's & PreK: TBD

Children's Worship K-4th: TBD

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Sunday, November 11

November 11 is Veteran's Day and also the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day. Please join us that Sunday during 11:00 worship and invite your friends and neighbors. A 23-piece orchestra will accompany the choir and congregation as we sing hymns of faith that both honor God and thank God for our country and our veterans.

The orchestra is made possible by interest from the Music Endowment. Thank you for your generosity.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Congregational Care

Merry Makers Program is Available

The 2018-2019 Merry Makers program is all set. Copies are available at the entrances to the sanctuary and in Sunday School classes.

Merry Makers Fall Trip

All details and cost for the Merry Makers fall trip, October 28 – November 4, are complete. Copies of the itinerary are available in Sunday School Classes, at the entrances to the sanctuary, and from the church office. If we have forty participants, we will take a tour bus. Please make your reservation ASAP so we can move forward with executing the plan. For more information, please see Carolyn Hale Cubbedge.

Christmas at Wesley

Part of this year's Christmas celebration at Wesley will include a large tree in the Parlor of Oliver Hall. We are looking for decorations for the tree that are religious in nature—angels, crosses, stars, churches, nativities, bells, etc. If you have ornaments you would be willing to donate, please give them to Carolyn Hale Cubbedge or leave them in the church office. Ornaments are needed by November 4.

Christmas Bazaar

Wesley will host a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 10, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. If you have a small business or craft interest and would like to participate in the bazaar, please see Carolyn Hale Cubbedge. Items do not have to be Christmas related. Interest is strong, and we have a few more tables available. Questions? See Carolyn.

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Next New Member Class

The next class will take place Sundays, September 23 and 30 from 10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. in Oliver Hall room 205 with the class joining September 30. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Bible Presentation Sunday—September 23

If you have a rising 2nd grader, please mark your calendar for Bible Presentation Sunday on September 23.

150th Anniversary Historical Fact: Three of our stained glass windows honor men who had colleges named for them: McKendree University (Illinois); Andrew College (Georgia); and Paine College (now part of Regents University, Georgia). Six served as college presidents: Olin, Wightman, Pierce, Simpson, Bunting, and Bascom.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Preteens (4th & 5th Grade)

Worship Education

The preteen years are a time when children can begin to engage in worship in a deeper way, as they understand more about our worship service. To help them along, we will begin offering Worship Education during the 11:00 service. When the children are dismissed for Children's Worship, 4th-5th graders are invited to follow James P. Owens to room 305 for a time of learning more about why we worship the way that we do.

4th-5th Grade Bible Study

All 4th-5th Graders are invited to join us for Bible Study on Wednesday afternoons from 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. at Wesley Monumental, right before church supper. Through games and drills, your kids will learn how to use their Bibles and learn skills like locating passages by book, chapter, and verse, and distinguishing different types of books of the Bible.

Youth (6th—12th Grade)

Youth Group Tonight!

Join us tonight for Youth Choir and Youth Group. Youth Choir starts at 4:00 p.m. Youth Group begins at 5:00 p.m. with supper, followed by games and Bible study. All 6th-12th graders are invited!

Ski Retreat

Our annual ski retreat is February 7-10. We're going to Snowshoe, WV. The cost is \$350 per person and that includes ski rentals, lift tickets, meals at Snowshoe, and lodging.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (09/09/18)

8:45 A.M. Worship	114
11:00 A.M. Worship	384
Total Worship	498
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	155
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	35

Finances: (09/09/18)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,868,620.10
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,205,047.91
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,248,765.22
Construction Loan Balance.....	\$497,200.02

CHURCH STAFF

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

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The Sermon Extended:

Monday	Colossians 2:1-10	What are some "plausible arguments" that undermine the truth of Christ?
Tuesday	Acts 17:16-28	Am I vulnerable to "new" ideas as better than established ones?
Wednesday	2 Timothy 4:1-4	Would I rather be challenged on what I believe or be told what I want to hear?
Thursday	Colossians 2:20-23	What religious practices do I question?
Friday	John 14:1-6, 18:35-38	Do I believe Jesus is the "truth"? About God? About life and its meaning and purpose?

Sermon Notes

From the Prayer Committee

The Prayer Committee exists to provide prayer support for the members, staff, and ministries of Wesley Monumental. The Committee offers several ways that you can be engaged, and everyone is welcome to participate.

Call to Prayer - Each Wednesday afternoon, participants meet in the sanctuary from 4:45 p.m.-5:15 p.m. for a time of prayer. All are welcome.

As a Praying Church - The Prayer Committee chooses one specific ministry as its prayer focus for the week. This focus is printed on the bulletin insert on Sunday morning. Members are encouraged to pray for this ministry throughout the week.

Partner in Prayer - Each Sunday a Partner in Prayer volunteers to be in prayer for morning services while they are in progress. Volunteers are needed for the 8:45 and 11:00 services. At home members can volunteer to pray from home. Participants are assigned specific weeks.



As a Praying Church...

We focus our prayers on KidzQuest at Epworth by the Sea. Twenty-three of our children and their leaders will participate in KidzQuest September 21-23.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, September 16

- 8:45 A.M. Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 A.M. Coffee & Donuts, FH
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School
- 10:00 A.M. Acolyte Training/Refresher, SNC
- 11:00 A.M. Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 P.M. Youth Group, FH/EB 4th Flr

Monday, September 17

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 2:00 P.M. Courtney Gaines Cir, FH
- 5:30 P.M. Board of Trustees Mtg, OH 205

Tuesday, September 18

- 7:00 A.M. Men's Bible Study, Holland Hse
- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 9:00 A.M. Young Mothers' Bible Study, FH
- 5:30 P.M. Finance Comm. Mtg, OH 310
- 6:00 P.M. Pacesetters, FH

Wednesday, September 19

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 4:45 P.M. Call to Prayer, SNC
- 5:00 P.M. 4th/5th Grade Bible Study, EB 304
- 5:30 P.M. Supper, FH
- 6:00 P.M. Bible Study, FH
- 6:00 P.M. Christianity 101
- 6:00 P.M. Susanna Wesley Circle
- 6:00 P.M. Joyful Noise, EB 202,203,205
- 6:00 P.M. Children's Choirs, EB 301,303,305, 4th Flr
- 6:00 P.M. Youth Girls Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 P.M. Youth Guys Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 7:15 P.M. Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, September 20

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 9:30 A.M. Sewing Class, OH 310
- 10:00 A.M. Messenger Brigade, OH 205
- 12:00 P.M. Bible Study at Ruth's Chris
- 6:00 P.M. UMM Dinner Mtg, FH

Friday, September 21

- KidzQuest Event at Epworth Thru 9/23
- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 10:00 A.M. Docent Tours

Pastors on Call This Week

Sunday (9/16) - Thursday (9/20)
 Ben Martin 912-547-1835
 Friday (9/21) & Saturday (9/22)
 Nelle Bordeaux 912-234-9245

Wednesday Night Supper: 9/19/18
 Program: I John 3
 Teaching: Nelle Bordeaux
 Menu: Chicken Pot Pie,
 Broccoli, Salad Bar
 Children: Chicken & Rice

In Sympathy...

Patrick Graham
 on the death of his mother,
Jean Hutchinson Graham



In Our Prayers.....

Virginia Davis, Peggy Murphy, Jerry Palmer (father of Hattie Thomas), Cindy Murphy (daughter-in-law of Peggy Murphy), Alison White (niece of Linda Sapp), Les Wilkes, Jim Davis, Steve Aldrich, Carla Thomas, George Vail, Archie Davis, Spencer Davis, Deanne Rimes, Caroline Moore, John Martin, Sr., John McKissick (grandfather of Richard Call), Scott Hunter (son-in-law of Art and Sandra McGowen), Fenton McEvoy (son of Kate and Brian and grandson of Ron and Judy Freeman), Pat Beasley, Melissa Krawitz, Sid Boone, Margaret Willey, George LeMay, Debbie Call (mother of Richard Call), Charles Holley, Andy Cheshire (brother of Clay Cheshire), Todd and Lauren Martin, Bill Roberts (uncle of Anna Ivey), Martha and Erv Sloan, George Wickham (father of Kelly Hagan), Chad Jacobs Family, Sherry Ingram, Vickie Coley (aunt of Will Coley), Randy Warner, Jim Gietzen, 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, Mark Thomas, Dick Wallace, Toni Olds, Judy Freeman, Will Ronning, Debra Chapman (daughter-in-law of Ruth and Elton Stuenckel), Sandrae 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, Betty Weeks

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

Ryan Davis, 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