



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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The End of the Year

Today is the last Sunday of the Christian year. It is traditionally known as "Christ the King" Sunday. The irony of Jesus as King is that he came as a shepherd, a servant, and a crucified king, and called his followers to model his life of humility and servanthood. This theme of Christ as King "in the end" connects us back to the beginning of the Christian year and the Advent season of expectation. Like Israel of old waiting on a King who was promised by the prophets, we live in a posture of waiting, hoping, expecting, and praying "Come Lord Jesus." Next Sunday we will start the year over again with the beginning of Advent. During the Advent/Christmas season, we have numerous opportunities to serve.

Today we begin our week of hosting some families who are circumstantially homeless and participating in the ministry of Family Promise. We will host them at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center and are still in need of volunteers to be overnight hosts. Please let us know if you could give a gift of time and compassion this week to share the love of Christ with these families.

This Saturday, December 1 from 9:00 a.m.-noon the Altar Guild will be decorating our Sanctuary for the Advent/Christmas season. They can always use some extra hands if you are available. If you ordered Christmas greenery, it will be available for pickup in the Oliver Hall courtyard this Friday, November 30 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, December 1 from 9:00 a.m. to noon, and next week during the church's normal business hours. Thank you for your orders!

During December we will be collecting toys to be delivered on Christmas day to children who are in the hospital. There will be boxes around the church in which you can place your donations. We will also be "adopting" children from the ministry of Urban Hope. The Christmas gift needs will be on a tree in the Fellowship Hall.

Finally, we will be mailing out our "Rethink Christmas" offering letter. Each year we take a Christmas offering for missions and this year the offering will be used for the "Tiny House Project" for homeless Veterans and for the abandoned and orphaned children being served by Mission on the Move in Tapachula, Mexico.

Thank you for the many ways you serve and give to share the love of Christ during the Advent-Christmas season.

150th Anniversary Historical Fact: In 1985 the New Organ Committee began work to select an instrument and raise funds. The selection criteria included an instrument that would help glorify God with worship and praise, whose design was worthy of our sanctuary, whose quality would accompany a great choir, and whose usage would be an asset to the wider Savannah musical community.

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2018 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Christ the King Sunday

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)

Cullen Dunn

Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

Opening Voluntary

Processional in G Major

John Stanley

Introit (11:00)

Let Us Rejoice

arr. John Yarrington

* **Hymn No. 731** Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken AUSTRIA

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

Ben Martin

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)

Steven Jackson Timmons, III
son of Jackson and Erica Timmons

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Jack 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

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**

James P. Owens

*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.*

- * **Hymn No. 131** We Gather Together KREMSER

Offertory Prayer

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing**Offertory Anthem (11:00)** arr. Mack Wilberg
All Creatures of Our God and King**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. 97, 233-234) John 6:1-15, I Peter 2:21-25

Sermon "He's Not What We Asked For " Ben Martin

- * **Hymn No. 138** The King of Love My Shepherd Is ST. COLUMBA

- * **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) A Choral Irish Blessing Nicholas Palmer**Closing Voluntary** Now Thank We All Our God Sigfried Karg-Elert

- * *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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**Congratulations**

Wesley Monumental congratulates Corey Stack and Hailey Dominy on their marriage which took place November 17 in the sanctuary.

Family Promise Volunteers at Wesley Gardens, 11/25—12/2

Tonight and all week, several homeless families with children will be sleeping at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center. Supper will be served at 6 p.m.; greeters will be there from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; overnight hosts will be there 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Thank you to all of our volunteers. If you would like to learn more about Family Promise, please see Nelle Bordeaux or visit familypromisesavannah.org.

Sunday, November 25

Overnight, Scott Cleaveland and Walker Gaultney
Meal, Amy Daniel
Greeters, Ellen Atkins and Judi Painter

Monday, November 26

Overnight, Adam Hess and Peter Roberts
Meal, Neilie Dunn and Courtney West
Greeters, Sue Ellis and Shelia Jackson

Tuesday, November 27

Overnight, Ash and Kim Grimmatt
Meal, Karen Washburn
Greeters, Carmine Cowart and Jo Anne Garcia-Melendez

Wednesday, November 28

Overnight, John Beasley and Fred Bozeman
Meal, Nancy Brown
Greeters, Sandra McGowen and Diana Turner

Thursday, November 29

Overnight, Melvin and Ann Croft
Meal, Matt and Melinda Hepinstall and Louise Morrison
Greeters, Rick Barron and Mary Esposito

Friday, November 30

Overnight, Derek Llamas and Will Weeks
Meal, Holly Conger
Greeters, Chad and Carol Ebel and Nicole Ebel

Saturday, December 1

Overnight, Nelle Bordeaux and Sharlene Monahan
Meal, Karen Payne
Greeters, Pat and Sharlene Monahan and Carmine Cowart

Set-up: Scott Cleaveland
Nightly Devotional Leader (5:45 p.m.): Shelia Jackson
Take-down: Nelle Bordeaux and Scott Cleaveland
Linens: Caroline Livingood
Alternate Overnight Volunteer: Richard Davis

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Henry Whitfield **Docent:** Jeanne Poenicke
Offering Steward: Britt Griffin
Ushers: David Butler, Jerry Benson
Greeters: Susan Griffin, Linda Butler
Children's Church: Volunteer Needed

11:00 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen **Docent:** Need Volunteer
Acolytes: Greer Hollis, Lincoln Kraeuter
Greeters: Madge & Joe Edwards, Linda Sapp
Offering Steward: John Beasley
Ushers: Brian West, Jim Willis, Richard Zehl, Joe Zichettella, Brad Aiken,
Randal Robinson, John Boothe, Randy Blessett, Tom Bordeaux
Nursery: Infants: Laura MacGregor Toddlers: Laura Blake
Children's Worship 3's & PreK: Hattie Thomas, JJ Haire
Children's Worship K-3rd: Susan Shinall, Jo Anne Garcia-Melendez

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist
Festival of Lessons and Carols

Please join us as we celebrate the coming and birth of our Lord at the Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 9 at 11:00 a.m. This is an annual Wesley tradition that extends back over 30 years. Children and adults will read Scriptures from the King James Version of the Bible and sing Nativity hymns accompanied by the pipe organ and a small orchestral ensemble. The congregation will join in enthusiastic singing of beloved carols.

Cabaret for Craig

Date: Saturday, January 12, 2019. 6:30 PM. Tickets: \$100 donation.

Location: St. Paul's Lutheran Church. 10 W. 31st St. Savannah, GA

Grab your flapper dresses and fedoras and join the Wesley Choir for a roaring 20s Dinner Cabaret benefiting Wesley member Craig Hanson. While dining, feast your ears upon music from choir members including songs by Ella Fitzgerald and Nina Simone, as well as music from Carmen, Cabaret, and more!

Craig had a life-saving liver transplant on October 15 and has yet to return home. For 18 years he has taught 5th grade science at Isle of Hope Elementary where he has been teacher-of-the-year 3 times. For 11 years he has sung with the Wesley Choir.

Menu: Steak House Chopped Salad. Roast Filet of Beef with Marchand Sauce, Escalloped Potatoes, Haricots Verts, and Broiled Tomato. Home-made Chocolate Mousse with Cake Slice. Red and White Wine.

Tickets available at Craig.eventbrite.com, from Choir Members, or the Church Office.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Congregational Care

Merry Makers Open House

The Merry Makers Thanksgiving/Advent/Christmas Open House at the home of James and Carolyn Hale Cubbedge is this afternoon from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. They live in the Fairways at Savannah Quarters. All are welcome. If you need directions, please see Carolyn following this morning's service.

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Christmas for Children in Hospital

Next month there will be boxes by the doors for stuffed animals (new or gently used) for children in the hospital. African-American baby dolls are especially needed. Also needed are volunteers to deliver items on Christmas morning from 6:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Please sign up with Nelle.

Refugee Ministry

Interested in helping welcome refugees? Talk with Holly McCormick or Nelle.

Tiny Houses

Part of our Christmas Offering will help children in Tapachula, Mexico, and part will build 20 houses and a medical clinic for homeless veterans in Savannah. If you want to help construct houses or help with landscaping, please tell Nelle.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Nativity Pageant & Christmas Celebration Programs

Mark your calendars today for our children's Christmas presentations. The Elementary children will present the Nativity Pageant on Wednesday, December 12 at 6:15 p.m., and the Joyful Noise choir will present their Christmas Celebration program on Sunday, December 16 at 4:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries
Preteens (4th & 5th Grade)

Bible Study, Wednesdays 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

All 4th and 5th graders are invited to join us for Bible Study on Wednesday afternoons from 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m., prior to church supper and choir.

Youth (6th—12th Grade)

No Youth Group Tonight

There will be no youth group tonight, but there is Youth Choir practice at 4:00 p.m. with dinner following at Mellow Mushroom.

Youth Christmas Party, December 9

Mark your calendars for our annual Youth Group Christmas Party for all 6th-12th graders! It's December 9, from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Wesley Monumental. Students are asked to bring a side dish or dessert, and a white elephant gift for our infamous white elephant gift exchange. You are also encouraged to dress in your best tacky Christmas sweater or outfit! There will be prizes for the best dressed.

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.



Greenery Order & Pick Up

See front of bulletin for details.

The Gift of Song—Youth Choirs Sing for Greenbriar Children's Center

Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Trustees Theatre. This holiday-themed choral fundraiser will benefit Greenbriar Children's Center, a local nonprofit that provides and cares for Savannah's abused, neglected, and runaway children. Bring your families and enjoy a holiday-themed evening of beautiful music and youthful voices, joined together in support of Greenbriar and Savannah's in-need children. Tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at the Savannah Box Office.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (11/18/18)

8:45 A.M. Worship	116
11:00 A.M. Worship	321
Total Worship	437
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	143
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	31

Finances: (11/18/18)

Total Budget for the Year.....	\$1,868,620.10
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,529,391.17
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,604,671.95
Construction Loan Balance.....	\$493,132.00

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	Mark 8:27-33	What do I expect from Jesus?
Tuesday	John 11:1-21	Has Jesus ever disappointed me?
Wednesday	John 18:33-38	Am I expecting Jesus to come establish a Kingdom on earth?
Thursday	John 16:1-15	Why didn't Jesus want to be made a king?
Friday	I Peter 2:21-25, Psalm 23	What is the difference in Jesus as a shepherd and as a king?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

This week we focus our prayers on our preparation for Christmas. Please pray for our Advent observance on the four Sundays prior to Christmas.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, November 25

- 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
- 12:15 P.M. Nativity Pageant Rehearsal, SNC
- 2:00 P.M. Merry Makers Open House,
Fairways of Savannah Qtrs
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Choir, 4th Flr
- 5:00 P.M. Youth Choir Dinner

Monday, November 26

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place

Tuesday, November 27

- 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
- 11:00 A.M. Staff Mtg, OH 205
- 6:00 P.M. Pacesetters, FH

Wednesday, November 28

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 10:30 A.M. Jane Shirah Circle
- 11:00 A.M. Bible Study w/Ben, OH 310
- 4:45 P.M. Call to Prayer, SNC
- 5:00 P.M. 4th/5th Grade Bible Study, 304
- 5:30 P.M. Supper, FH
- 6:00 P.M. Bible Study, FH
- 6:00 P.M. Christianity 101, OH 205
- 6:00 P.M. Financial Peace/Legacy, OH 407
- 6:00 P.M. Joyful Noise Choir,
- 6:00 P.M. Children's Choirs,
- 6:00 P.M. Youth Girls Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 P.M. Youth Guys Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 P.M. Missions Comm. Mtg, OH 205
- 7:15 P.M. Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, November 29

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 9:30 A.M. Sewing Class, OH Rm 310
- 6:00 P.M. Bible Study Fellowship, OH

Friday, November 30

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 2:00 P.M. Greenery Pickup until 4 p.m.,
Oliver Hall Courtyard

Saturday, December 1

- 9:00 A.M. Hanging of the Green, SNC
- 9:00 A.M. Greenery Pickup until noon,
Oliver Hall Courtyard

Pastor on Call This Week

Sunday (11/25) - Thursday (11/29)
Ben Martin912-547-1835

Friday (11/30) & Saturday (12/1)
Carolyn Cubbedge ...912-308-3385

Wednesday Night Supper (11/28)

Program: Advent
Teaching: Ben Martin
Menu: Chicken or Steak Fajitas,
Black Beans & Rice, Mixed Veggies
Children: Cheese Quesadillas

In Sympathy...

Ann Lytle
on the death of her son,
Johnny Lytle



In Our Prayers.....

Janet Thompson, Betty Roberts (aunt of Anna Ivey), Ann Ernst, Ana Molero-Pullin, Sara Ryan (sister of Becky Pullin), Linda Sapp, Earl Goodwin (brother of Beth Aldrich), Kathy Delaigle, Diane Wells, Chad Kelly (friend of Robert McCorkle), Joel Williams, Lily Marler, Nicole Geen, Harriet Bland, Betty Miller (mother of Jeff Miller), Peggy Murphy, Gail Brannen, Mary Burnsed (mother of Marilyn Hitt), Craig Hanson, Les Wilkes, Cindy Murphy (daughter-in-law of Peggy Murphy), Alison White (niece of Linda Sapp), Jim Davis, George Vail, Carla Thomas, Spencer Davis, John Martin, Sr., Caroline Moore, John McKissick (grandfather of Richard Call), Scott Hunter (son-in-law of Art and Sandra McGowen), Sid Boone, Fenton McEvoy (son of Kate and Brian and grandson of Ron and Judy Freeman), Melissa Krawitz, George LeMay, Todd and Lauren Martin, 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, Patty James, Melinda Lanier, Toni Olds, Mark Thomas, Dick Wallace, 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

Jerred Pyles, Max Jackson, 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