



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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**A CONGREGATIONAL REAFFIRMATION OF
OUR BAPTISMAL COVENANT**

At the beginning of each year during the season of Epiphany, we remember the baptism of Jesus and at the same time we reaffirm our own baptismal covenant. Baptism is a symbol of our identity, in it we affirm God's claim upon our lives and acknowledge who we are as children of God. As a part of God's family, we reflect the image of God in which we are created. The question we ask today is what does it mean for us to be baptized children of God? How does that shape my own view of myself? How does it shape my view of others? How does it affect the values I hold and the way I live in the world? How does it affect my commitment to serve the church or "body of Christ"?

In our church tradition we baptize infants, children, youth, and adults. While we traditionally baptize by "sprinkling" at the altar of the church, we do not believe the method of baptism is as important as the symbol and the covenant that is made in it. So we also are willing to immerse youth or adults who haven't been baptized. Some of you have been present at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center when we conducted such baptisms. Today we are reaffirming our own baptismal covenant, but if you are here and have never been baptized and feel God's call and claim upon your life and desire to make a commitment to Christ and be baptized, please come up and ask this morning, and we would be overjoyed to baptize you today.

Baptism also represents God's call upon our lives to serve through His Church. The beginning of the year is also when we put in place our new Church Leadership Team for 2019. Our leadership team consists of over 200 people who serve on various committees that give leadership to all the ministry areas in our church. This morning we are going to briefly recognize and consecrate the new Leadership Team. If you would like to see who is serving in each area, the Team can be found on our website, wesleymonumental.org, under "Get Involved-Adults-2019 Leadership Team." I would also remind you that you don't have to be on the Leadership team to serve. In fact, the Leadership Team only plans and organizes the ministries in which we all together give our time, talent, gifts, and service. If you haven't yet found a place to use your time and talent to serve God at Wesley, please see one of our staff members and let us help you find the place for you.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

First Sunday after the Epiphany

Opening Voluntary Andante from Symphony No. 1 Louis Vierne

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) Emmeline Kobek

Lighting of the Candles The Acolytes

Introit (11:00) Sanctus Lindsay Norden

* **Hymn** No. 117 O God Our Help in Ages Past ST. ANNE

* **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 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)

Cecilia Elizabeth Croft

daughter of Abigail and Peter Croft

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Cecilia Elizabeth 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 James P. Owens

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 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. 252** When Jesus Came to Jordan COMPLAINER

Consecration of 2019 Leadership Team**Offertory Prayer**

Ben Martin

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Allegro Vivace from Symphony No. 1
Louis Vierne

Offertory Anthem (11:00) This Is the Day John Rutter

This is the day, the day which the Lord hath made.
We will rejoice and be glad in it.

O praise the Lord of heav'n: praise him in the height.
Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.
Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light.
Let them praise the Name of the Lord.
For he shall give his angels charge over thee:
to keep thee in all thy ways.

The Lord himself is thy keeper.
The Lord is thy defense upon thy right hand;
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day,
neither the moon by night.
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in:
From this time forth for evermore.
He shall defend thee under his wings.
Be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart,
and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

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, pg. 60) Luke 3:1-23

Sermon "An Epiphany for Jesus" TBD

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant Hymnal pg. 50

- * **Hymn No. 383** This Is a Day of New Beginnings BEGINNINGS
(stanzas 1-4)

- * **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) Peter Lukin
The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Closing Voluntary Final from Symphony No. 1 Louis Vierne

- * *Please stand as you are able.
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The Choir's Anthem

Today's anthem, "This Is The Day," was written for the marriage of Prince William and Kate Middleton at Westminster Abbey in 2001. The words are taken from Psalms 118, 148, 91, 121 and 27.

Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the baptism of Cecilia Elizabeth Croft by Gail and Mickey Rountree.

Usher Roses

The roses worn by the ushers today are given in loving memory of Bob Farrow by his children and grandchildren.

Bible Study Fellowship—Monday Night Meetings

A young women's group of Bible Study Fellowship meets at Wesley Monumental on Monday nights at 6:30 p.m. All young women are invited to be a part of this group. For more information, please email Rozanne Aimone, aimone@aol.com.

Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit items for the February Monumental Messenger (Wesley's monthly newsletter) is tomorrow, Monday, January 14. If you have an article or announcement you would like to submit, please email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

UMM January Meeting—New Meeting Day and Time!

The United Methodist Men's first meeting of 2019 will be held on Wednesday, January 16 with supper at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and the meeting will follow at 6:00 p.m. in Oliver Hall, Rm 310. The speaker will be Kelly Hendricks from the Savannah Alzheimer's Association. Please note, if you are having supper and have a standing reservation for Wednesday night church suppers, you do not need to make a new reservation. If you do not have a standing reservation, you will need to call the church office no later than noon tomorrow, Monday, January 14.

Feeding the Homeless

Help Wanted – On Saturday, January 26, 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.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Ellie Tardif **Docent:** Shirley & Peter Roberts

Offering Steward: Jerry Benson

Ushers: Bill Tedder, David Butler

Greeters: Donna Benson, Linda Butler

Children's Church: TBD

11:00 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Toni Olds **Docent:** Karen Nickles

Acolytes: Anna Livingood, Caroline Kraeuter

Greeters: Jerolyn & Walt Carroll, Patricia Jacobs

Offering Steward: Tim Mooney

Ushers: Brian West, Ted Moore, Bruce O'Bannon, Jeff O'Connor, Allen Williams, Jon Pannell, Jason Pedigo, Johnny Phelps, Bart Rhodes

Nursery: Infants: TBD Toddlers: TBD

Children's Worship 3's & PreK: TBD

Children's Worship K-3rd: TBD

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Thank You from Choir Member Craig Hanson

I am in awe as I think about all those who have offered their support to me during my transplant journey. Your gifts of financial support, prayers, and attending the Cabaret have filled me with feelings of love and gratitude. Thank you. - Craig Hanson

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Refugee Ministry

School uniforms (white shirt, khaki pants) are needed for children: two children, size 7; one child, size 8; one child, size 10; one child, size 14; one child, size 16. All are girls. Also needed are diapers, size 4. Please speak with Nelle before buying items, 912-234-9245.

New Member Class

Sundays, January 20 and 27, 10:00 a.m., class will join January 27. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Congregational Care

Merry Makers

Merry Makers, our senior adult fellowship group, will meet tomorrow, Monday, January 14 at 11:00 a.m. at the church in the Fellowship Hall. Karen and Dale Kilhefner will present their program about Chautauqua. Lunch will follow the program. Cost is \$7.00. If you plan to attend and have not made your reservation, please see Carolyn Hale Cubbedge today.

Game Day

Game Day is scheduled for Friday, January 25, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center. Gather your foursome, bring a card table and join us for a day of fun. Please let Cindy Lupton or Carolyn Hale Cubbedge know that you plan to participate. Lunch will be served. Cost is \$7.00. This is a great opportunity to bring non-Wesley friends so they can get to know us better.

China Display

Our next Parlor Display will feature china. Members who would like to display a place setting of their china are invited to do so (no silverware, please). The display will be on February 3, 10 and 17 in the parlor of Oliver Hall. Please see Carolyn Hale Cubbedge if you would like to participate.



2019 Altar Flowers—Openings in February and March

If you would like to give Sunday altar flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact Jennifer in the church office, 912-232-0191 or jennifer@wesleymonumental.org. Request forms are also located at all Sanctuary entrances. The cost is \$85, and the Altar Guild will purchase and arrange the flowers for you. All four Sundays in February and all five Sundays in March are still available.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Preteens (4th & 5th Grade)

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. This semester, we will begin reading the book of James together.

Mission & Fellowship Event Today!

All 4th and 5th graders are invited to join us for a Mission & Fellowship gathering today, following the 11:00 service. We will be making Valentines for our church's shut-ins. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall.

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!

Wednesday Night Youth Bible Studies

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us on Wednesday nights for Bible Study from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. following church supper.

Confirmation

If your child is in our Confirmation class and they missed our January 9 meeting, the January alternate date will be January 20, following the 11:00 worship service. Our next Wednesday meeting will be February 6. We are also planning a Confirmation class retreat for March 1-3 at Epworth by the Sea.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (1/6/19)

8:45 A.M. Worship	112
11:00 A.M. Worship	413
Total Worship	525
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	148
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	XX

Finances: (12/31/18)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,868,620.10
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,900,052.58
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,809,334.52
Construction Loan Balance	\$491,066.53

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 Sprünger.....Wesley Gardens Property Manager
Jimmy Flowers.....Church Administrator	Kenneth Hayes.....Wesley Gardens Groundskeeper/Maintenance
Tom Anderson.....Financial Manager	

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church

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The Sermon Extended:

Monday	Luke 3:21-22	What did Jesus' baptism mean to him?
Tuesday	Matthew 28:18-20	What does my baptism mean to me?
Wednesday	John 1:10-13	Are we born children of God or adopted?
Thursday	I John 3:1-3	How do I know God loves me?
Friday	I John 5:1-5	What is my response to my baptism and identity as a child of God?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

This week we lift our prayers on behalf of our support staff members whose daily efforts enhance the work of all that we are called to do at Wesley. We are so grateful for Daphne Burrows, Jennifer Brookins, Nat Legree and Betty Dudley.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, January 13

- 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
- 12:00 P.M. Mission & Fellowship Event for Preteens, FH
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 P.M. Youth Group, FH/EB 4th Flr

Monday, January 14

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 11:00 A.M. Merry Makers, FH
- 5:30 P.M. Eli's Place Comm. Mtg, FH
- 6:30 P.M. Bible Study Fellowship, OH

Tuesday, January 15

- 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
- 2:00 P.M. Prayer Group Mtg, OH 207
- 5:30 P.M. Finance Comm. Mtg, OH 310
- 6:00 P.M. Pacesetters, FH

Wednesday, January 16

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 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, EB 304
- 5:30 P.M. Supper, FH
- 6:00 P.M. Bible Study, FH
- 6:00 P.M. Joyful Noise Choir, 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
- 6:00 P.M. Susanna Wesley Circle, OH 207
- 6:00 P.M. United Methodist Men, OH 310
- 7:15 P.M. Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, January 17

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 9:30 A.M. Sewing Class, OH 310
- 12:00 P.M. Bible Study at Ruth's Chris

Friday, January 18

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place & Drop In Care
- 10:00 A.M. Docent Tours

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

Pastors on Call This Week

Sunday (1/13) - Thursday, (1/17)
 Ben Martin912-547-1835
 Friday (1/18) & Saturday (1/19)
 Nelle Bordeaux912-234-9245

Wednesday Night Supper: 1/16/19

Program: Chapter 1 of
 Max Lucado's "Unshakable Hope"
 Teaching: Nelle Bordeaux
 Menu: Mexican Lasagna,
 Black Beans & Rice, Mixed Veggies
 Children: Taquitos (fried burritos)



In Our Prayers.....

Robin Brinkley, Daniel Royal, Rita Gietzen (sister of Joyce Cole), Ana Molero-Pullin, Jane Weldy, Kathy Delaigle, Stephanie Painter (daughter-in-law of Judi Painter), Anne Thompson, Betty Roberts (aunt of Anna Ivey), Sara Ryan (sister of Becky Pullin), Diane Wells, Earl Goodwin (brother of Beth Aldrich), Lily Marler, Nicole Geen, Joel Williams, Harriet Bland, Jim Davis, Mary Burnsed (mother of Marilyn Hitt), Les Wilkes, Craig Hanson, Cindy Murphy (daughter-in-law of Peggy Murphy), Alison White (niece of Linda Sapp), George Vail, Carla Thomas, John Martin, Sr., Spencer Davis, Sid Boone, Caroline Moore, Melissa Krawitz, George LeMay, John McKissick (grandfather of Richard Call), Fenton McEvoy (son of Kate and Brian and grandson of Ron and Judy Freeman), Martha and Erv Sloan, Todd and Lauren Martin, Chad Jacobs Family, Sherry Ingram, Vickie Coley (aunt of Will Coley), Jim Gietzen, Randy Warner, Denise LeMay, Janice Dukeman (daughter of Erv Sloan), Chuck Brown (brother of Gail Rountree), Ann Lott, Grace Crosby Utomo (friend of Jean Remley), Patty James, Melinda Lanier, Toni Olds, Mark Thomas, Dick Wallace, Will Ronning, Debra Chapman (daughter-in-law of Ruth and Elton Stuenckel), Vivian Wilson, Cheryl Richardson and Family, Richard Bartels, Nancy Beckmann, Mandy Hawkins and Family, Sammy Reesman Susan Clingman (cousin of Deanne Rimes)

At Home/Extended Care

Ann Ernst, Peggy Murphy, Bella Grace Bartels, Betty Murray, Anne Chase, Georgia Dickerson, Grace Bockes, Becky Heckard, Hal Griner, Michael Mamalakis, Betty Weeks, Ryan Sailors, Linda McKibben, Bobbie Mattox, Lois Wooten, Lillian O'Donovan

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

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