



**Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018**

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**A COMPASSIONATE, GENEROUS GOD MAKES A  
COMPASSIONATE GENEROUS CHURCH**

*"6 The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. 9 As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." 10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; 12 for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."*

*2 Corinthians 9:6-12*

This week our Finance Committee had its first meeting of 2019 and in it was a review of our 2018 Financial Report. Once again, thanks to your commitment to Christ and His Church and your great generosity, we were able to meet our budget. Through that budget we gave just over \$65,000 to missions, which does not include our apportionments that have \$35,000 more in direct mission giving. So that is \$100,000 to missions through the budget supporting such great ministries as Family Promise, Urban Hope, Wesley Community Center, The Living Vine, Mission on the Move, etc., but what was truly moving was what happened outside our budget giving. In addition to what you gave to Missions through budget, you gave \$33,000 to the Sailors van, \$35,000 to the Tiny House project, over \$25,000 to Craig Hanson's liver transplant fund, \$12,000 to emergency assistance through the Pastor's Discretionary fund. In addition to that, we gave significantly to Hurricane relief in North Carolina and South Georgia, the Methodist Home for Children and Youth. All together you gave nearly \$250,000 to missions this year. And outside of our church, many of you support great ministries throughout our city, supporting our care for refugees, children, and the homeless. In addition to your financial generosity, what can I say about the gift of your time and service? You visited hospitalized children, scrubbed cabinets for immigrants, fed the homeless, built beds for homeless veterans, and more.

What I am saying is the love of Christ was extended in incredibly generous acts from all of you and lives were impacted through it. Thank you for recognizing you have been "blessed to be a blessing" and that whatever we do for the "least of these we do for Christ." It is an honor to serve such a generous and compassionate church. Remember Jesus' promise, *"give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap."* And when it is, we can give again and again and again to make a difference in the name of Jesus.

## MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

*Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

**Opening Voluntary** Prelude in D Major, BWV 532  
Johann Sebastian Bach

**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) Hayden Hoffman

**Lighting of the Candles** The Acolytes

**Introit** (11:00) THAXTED

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,  
at blessings without number and mercies without end:  
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,  
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

\* **Hymn** No. 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  
CWM RHONDDA

\* **Affirmation of Faith** No. 881 The Apostles' Creed  
Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

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.

**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 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. 121     There's a Wideness in God's Mercy     WELLESLEY

**Offertory Prayer**

James P. Owens

**Offertory Voluntary** (8:45)     Fairest Lord Jesus     Franklin Ashdown

**Offertory Anthem** (11:00)     The Shepherd Psalm     Gilbert Martin

**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. 66-67)     Luke 7:36-50

**Sermon**     "An Epiphany: The One Who Forgives Sin"

- \* **Hymn** No. 365     Grace Greater than Our Sin     MOODY

- \* **Benediction**     Ben Martin

**Closing Response** (11:00)     THAXTED

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring,

that we who know your favor may serve you as our king;

and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,

we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:

to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,

and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

**Closing Voluntary**

Fugue in D Major, BWV 532

Johann Sebastian Bach

- \* *Please stand as you are able.  
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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 memory of James Preston Herrin by Holly, John, Britt, and Thax McCormick.

### **Congratulations**

Wesley Monumental congratulates J.J. Clark and Chrissy LaPaglia on their marriage which took place January 12, 2019.

### **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.

### **Church Office & Eli's Place Closed**

The church office and Eli's Place will be closed tomorrow, Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

### **Messenger Brigade**

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, January 24 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall Room 205.

### **Feeding the Homeless**

Help Wanted – This Saturday, January 26, there is a mission to feed the homeless on Rothwell Street. Please visit [perfectpotluck.com](http://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.

### **Wesley Community Center's Love Walk—Saturday, February 9**

Wesley Community Center of Savannah is gearing up for its most important fundraiser of the year, The Love Walk. The 3.6 mile walk begins at 9:00 a.m. at Wesley Community Center, 1601 Drayton Street. With the help of the Jim Walker family, our church is one of the major financial sponsors of the event. As we walk in memory of Jim Walker and in honor of Mildred, we would love to have as many members (of all ages) sign up to walk and help celebrate this great ministry. Additional information and registration forms are available in the church office.

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### **Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:**

**Partners in Prayer:** Britt Griffin

**Docent:** Jeanne Poenicke

**Offering Steward:** Ed Poenicke

**Ushers:** Phillip Carter, Josh Hayes

**Greeters:** Jeanne Poenicke, Pat Killewald

**Children's Worship:** Melinda Sorter

### **11:00 Service:**

**Partners in Prayer:** Constance Campbell

**Docent:** Linda Sapp

**Acolytes:** Harris Glidewell, Lincoln Kraeuter

**Greeters:** Peggy Jolley, Madge & Joe Edwards

**Offering Steward:** Chris Donegan

**Ushers:** Mickey Rountree, Don Riddle, Jacob Sigmon, Riley Smith, Travis Thomas, Vin Thomas, Matt West, Mark Wilcox, Drew Wilkes

**Nursery:** Infants: Emily Vance    Toddlers: Amy Daniel

**Children's Worship 3's & PreK:** Jenny Byrd, Jen Marler

**Children's Worship K-3rd:** Marvee McKenzie, Lisa Goodman

## **Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members**

### **New Member Class**

Starts today, 10:00 a.m. in room 205 (second floor) of Oliver Hall (building directly across Wayne Street). The class will join next Sunday, January 27.

### **Be a Cut-Up**

Help preschool children learn Scripture by cutting out Bible memory verse shapes at home (paper and patterns provided). See Nelle.

### **Pencils Worn to Nubs? Erasers Looking a Little Sad?**

Urban Hope children need school supplies. Boxes inside all church entrances until February 14. Especially needed are colored markers, Clorox wipes, construction paper (all colors), dry erase markers, pencils, staples, hand sanitizer, clear and masking tape, glue sticks, white glue, and erasers.

### **New Year's Resolution-Join a Bible Study**

Not in a Bible study? Join us on Thursdays from noon to 1:00 p.m. at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, 111 West Bay Street. We are currently studying 2 Chronicles.

## **Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Congregational Care**

### **Game Day**

Game Day is scheduled for this 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.

## **Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry**

### **Healthy Family Communication Course**

Beginning on January 26, Wesley will be offering a four-session course focusing on healthy communication in families. The sessions are scheduled for the last Saturday of the month and will begin at 4:30 p.m. and end at 6:00 p.m. Childcare and dinner will be provided for children up to 8th grade from 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. so parents can have time to go to dinner and talk about what they have heard. The cost is \$15 per family per session or \$40 per family for all four.

- ◆ January 26 Let's Give Them Something to Talk About  
- the basics of communication
- ◆ February 23 A Little Less Talk and a Lot More Action  
- communicating with the opposite sex
- ◆ March 30 Love is a Battlefield  
- communication for couples
- ◆ April 27 Please Don't Let Me be Misunderstood  
- communicating with children

More information and registration forms are available in Sunday School classrooms, at the side entrances and in the church office.

**James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries**

***Preteens (4th & 5th Grade)***

**4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Study**

All 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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. Remember to bring your 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 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited!

**St. Patrick's Day**

Our annual St. Patrick's Day Pancake Breakfast (to raise money for youth trips and missions) is coming up soon! You can help by donating pancake mix, bacon, or a number of other items. Since the parade is on Saturday, March 16 this year, our lock-in will begin on Friday and the breakfast will be on Saturday.

**Summer Mission Trip**

If you've been on one of our Youthworks Mission Trips over the past three years, you know how fun and meaningful these weeks of service are! This summer we will be serving in Chattanooga, TN, partnering with local organizations to do kids ministry, serve local non-profits, and/or care for parks. The dates are July 14-19.



**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

**Attendance: (1/13/19)**

8:45 A.M. Worship	107
11:00 A.M. Worship	390
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>497</b>
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	XXX
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	XX

**Finances: (01/13/19)**

Total Budget for the Year .....	\$1,931,779.07
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date .....	\$95,939.53
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date .....	\$88,601.60
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**  
**January 20, 2019**

**The Sermon Extended:**

Monday	Luke 7:36-39, Romans 3:21-24	By what criteria do we judge people as sinners?
Tuesday	Luke 7:40-43, James 2:8-13	Are some "worse sins and sinners" than others?
Wednesday	Luke 7:44-47, Luke 18:9-14	How does forgiveness affect me?
Thursday	Luke 7:48-50, Mark 2:1-12	What gives Jesus the authority to forgive sins?
Friday	Luke 7:48-50	What is the connection between faith and forgiveness?

**Sermon Notes**

**As a Praying Church...**

This week we focus our prayers on the work of the Care and Share Committee. Members of Care and Share make monthly visits to our members who are no longer able to attend church regularly. Be in prayer for others who would be called to become a part of this vital church ministry. Please see Carolyn Hale Cubbedge if you would like to learn more about Care and Share.

**This Week at Wesley**

**Sunday, January 20**

- 8:45 A.M. Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 A.M. Coffee & Donuts, FH
- 9:45 A.M. Sunday School
- 10:00 A.M. New Member Class, OH 205
- 11:00 A.M. Worship Service, SNC
- 12:00 P.M. Confirmation Make Up Class
- 4:00 P.M. Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 P.M. Youth Group, FH/EB 4th Flr

**Monday, January 21**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Church Office & Eli's Place Closed

**Tuesday, January 22**

- 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. Care & Share, OH 310
- 6:00 P.M. Cub Scout Troop Pack, EB 3rd Flr

**Wednesday, January 23**

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 10:30 A.M. Jane Shirah Circle,  
Hm of Gloria Eitel
- 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
- 7:15 P.M. Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

**Thursday, January 24**

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place
- 10:00 A.M. Messenger Brigade, OH 205
- 12:00 P.M. Bible Study at Ruth's Chris

**Friday, January 25**

- 9:00 A.M. Eli's Place & Drop In Care
- 10:00 A.M. Docent Tours
- 10:00 A.M. Game Day, WG
- 5:30 P.M. Wedding Rehearsal

**Saturday, January 26**

- 8:00 A.M. Homeless Breakfast, Rothwell St.
- 4:30 P.M. Healthy Family Communication  
& Date Night
- 5:00 P.M. Wedding, SNC

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

**Pastors on Call This Week**

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

**Wednesday Night Supper: 1/23/19**

Program: Chapter 2 of  
Max Lucado's "Unshakable Hope"  
Teaching: Carolyn Cubbedge  
Menu: Thai Curry w/Chicken or Shrimp  
Fried Rice, Stir Fry Vegetables  
Children: Chicken Tenders



**In Our Prayers.....**

Nele Ewaldsen (mother of Ginna Carroll), 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), Diane Wells, Anne Thompson, Betty Roberts (aunt of Anna Ivey), Sara Ryan (sister of Becky Pullin), 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 Stuenkel), 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/Stateride

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

*In Sympathy....*

Margo Shoemaker,  
on the death of her son,  
*Albert Lee Cox*

The Hodges Family  
on the death of Jennifer's mother,  
*Elizabeth Spires Kendrick*