



Membership

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Welcome New Members!

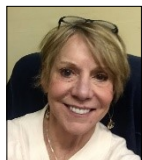
We are thankful the following joined Wesley during February and March. Our next New Member Course will be Sundays, April 7 and 14, both at 10:00 a.m. with the class joining April 14. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.



Susan and Tom Colgrove

Already Susan is in the church sewing class, and Tom has been constructing Tiny Houses with his shepherd, John Beasley. The Colgroves enjoy living in the Historic District.

Shepherds: Pam and John Beasley



Pat Duffy

Her shepherd is her daughter. Pat is a native Savannahian who enjoys piano and her three grandchildren, not in that order! Grandchildren come first!

Shepherd: Mary Ann Dewberry



David Edwards

David has already joined the Chancel Choir and has sung the Lord's Prayer in worship. He likes Wesley's traditional music, and he enjoys fishing.

Shepherd: Kenneth Rimes



Mary Esposito

As the second-grade teacher and girls' lacrosse coach at Savannah Country Day School, Mary has taught the Pannell and Rhodes children. She is in the Bible Study Fellowship for young women at Wesley.

Shepherd: Rick Barron



Rachel and Clint Guild & children, Emmy and Whitaker Guild

Emmy asked to come to her "school church," as she and Whitaker are Eli's Place students! Rachel is a substitute teacher at Eli's Place, and Clint is in the military and will be deployed for four months this summer.

Shepherds: Dr. Ellen and Dr. Josh Williams

Children's shepherds: Madelyn and Bennett Williams



Pam and Jeff Laws & daughter, Katy Laws

Pam and Jeff moved to Savannah from their hometown of Swansboro, North Carolina, and Katy will have an internship with an ENT practice in Savannah after completing her doctor of audiology degree this month. They felt welcome at Wesley because they sat near the Wilkses on the first Sunday they visited, and the Wilkses welcomed them so warmly that they wanted to join!

Shepherds: Ge-Juan and Dr. Les Wilkes



Austin New

Austin serves in the military and is in the Chancel Choir. He has already helped to frame doors for Tiny Houses. He likes running and cooking.

Shepherd: Jerome Elder



Leslie Ann Parkman & daughters, Morgan Hardesty, Amelia Ruth, and Lizzie Ruth

Deanna Sorrells brought Morgan and her family to Wesley. They especially like the Youth Choir.

Shepherd: Pat Parkman



Leslie W. Parkman

Leslie particularly likes Wednesday night Bible study and fellowship. He owned Chick-Fil-A franchises in Savannah until his retirement.

Shepherd: Pat Parkman



Chandler Schexnayder

Chandler has worked in youth ministry, so he and his shepherd have that calling in common. He likes Bible study.

Shepherd: James P. Owens



Mac Sims

Mac is an alumnus of West Point, and he intends to run for the state House of Representatives. He works in Midway and often travels for work, but he has already served as a Tiny House construction volunteer.

Shepherd: Scott Cleaveland



Joel Williams, Jr.

His family and his love for strong choral music drew Joel, an attorney, to Wesley. Joel is a member of the Chancel Choir, and his daughter, Laurel, and her family are Wesley members.

Shepherd: Laurel McCorkle

Bible Studies



- ◆ New "More Better, Less Worse: Improving Christian Marriage" in Young Mothers' Bible Study, Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall
- ◆ New "Luke's Gospel" in Evangelism Bible Study, Thursdays, noon to 1:00 p.m., Ruth's Chris
- ◆ New "Gentleness" in Eli's Place chapels, "Fruit of the Spirit" series. April Bible memory verse, "A gentle tongue is a tree of life," Proverbs 15:4a



Missions

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What is our Mission?

The Missions Committee has been actively reflecting on the years of good work of this church. Urban Hope is just one of a myriad of examples. It is the mission of the church to make disciples. As disciples, our mission is to be a witness for Christ. Not to sound redundant, but the mission of the missions committee is as follows:

In the name of Jesus Christ, the Mission Committee guides the church in determining appropriate levels of mission funding and types of mission outreach opportunities that could be adopted by the church. It also identifies individual and community (local and international) needs and approves disbursements from the Mission Fund to address these needs.

In striving for the above, we make support of families and children, and efforts rooted in the Good News of the Gospel a priority. Committee members are working with our funded agencies to gain a clear understanding of their work. By the end of May, we will have a revamped missions page on the website (plus a brochure) so you will know fully what Wesley is doing in our community, and how you can get involved to strengthen your Christian witness.



Tiny House Update

Huge thanks to all who have completed the wooden cabinets and beds for the Tiny Houses. Now we are working at the construction site, 76 Dundee Street, on Tuesdays and Fridays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please sign up in advance with Scott Cleaveland, 912-598-8278, so we can assign volunteer tasks. Our gratitude to leaders Nick Hitt of the overall construction; Carl Pedigo of the cabinet-building; Scott Cleaveland, Mission chairman; Woody Brown, weekly email update editor; and John Beasley, volunteer coordinator. The veterans are currently taking "Living Small" classes to get ready to move into their homes!

Habitat for Humanity Summer 2019 Faith Build

Interested in joining with other congregations as Tiny Houses are completed? More info to come in the May Messenger.



Books and Berries April 11, Wesley Community Center

If you enjoyed the Love Walk and want to read a Bible story aloud at the Wesley Community Center to children, please sign up with Nelle, 912-234-9245. Readers will visit in the morning (from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.) on April 11. Storybooks available or choose your own favorite Bible storybook. Berries will be the snack after we read!

Refugee Night

Thanks to all who helped with the February 27 Refugee Night, including our 17 table hosts, and especially our speaker, Dr. Edwin Chase, and our refugee guests from Sudan, Iran, and Syria, and our guests from Mickve Israel. If you want to help haul furniture for newly arrived refugees, please speak with Nelle or Holly McCormick. Thank you for all the Kroger gift cards (any amount).

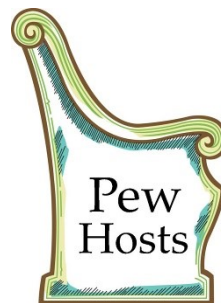


Urban Hope

We are grateful to the Wesley Chancel Choir for its gorgeous concert of sacred music, including "Ride On, King Jesus," "Jesus Loves the Little Children," a beautiful sung blessing, "Jesus Loves Me," and even the Hallelujah Chorus with all the children standing! The Bible Buddies children were the waitresses and waiters to serve the Urban Hope children and choir, and all 23 small servers did not drop a single plate! What a joy for children to serve other children! Thank you to the choir and Dr. Monica Dekle. The Young Mothers' Bible Study enjoyed cooking the supper. Plan now to help Urban Hope with gardening this summer alongside the Bible Buddies!



Evangelism "Pew Hosts"



Know someone who is friendly? The Evangelism Committee is looking for a few good Pew Hosts! We need church members who want to help welcome guests in worship. Please speak with Evangelism chairman, Chris Donegan, or with Nelle Bordeaux.

April At-A-Glance

Please refer to "This Week at Wesley" in the Sunday Order of Worship, or visit our website for a detailed list of worship times, additional events, and information.

Wednesday Night Supper (WNS) Schedule
4:45 Call to Prayer, SNC
5:00 4th/5th Grade Bible Study, EB 304
5:30 Supper, FH
6:00 Joyful Noise, EB Rms 202, 203, 205
6:00 Children's Choirs, EB Rms 301, 303, 305, 4th Flr
6:00 Youth Girls' Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
6:00 Youth Guys' Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
6:00 Bible Study, FH
7:15 Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr
*WNS times and events are subject to change.

Monday, April 1
May Messenger Deadline
5:30 Administrative Board Mtg, FH

Wednesday, April 3
See WNS Schedule
6:30 UMW Board Mtg, OH 310

Sunday, April 7
Children's Art Show
10:00 New Member Class, OH 205

Monday, April 8
11:00 Merry Makers, FH

Tuesday, April 9
2:00 Prayer Group, OH

Wednesday, April 10
See WNS Schedule
6:00 Confirmation Class, OH 205
6:00 Susanna Wesley Circle, OH Pergola
6:00 UMM Mtg, OH 310

Thursday, April 11
10:00 Messenger Brigade, OH 205
5:30 Endowment Comm. Mtg, OH 310

Sunday, April 14
Palm Sunday
10:00 New Member Class, OH 205
4:00 Easter Egg Hunt, WG

Monday, April 15
11:30 Holy Week Svc & Lunch, FH
2:00 Courtney Gaines Circle, Hm of Ellene Anderson

Tuesday, April 16
11:30 Holy Week Svc & Lunch, FH
6:00 Pacesetters, FH

Wednesday, April 17
No WNS
11:30 Holy Week Svc & Lunch, FH

Thursday, April 18
Maundy Thursday
5:30 Supper
6:15 Maundy Thursday Svc, SNC

Friday, April 19
12:00 Good Friday Service with Lunch Following, FH

Sunday, April 21
Easter Sunday

Monday, April 22
Joy Circle

Tuesday, April 23
2:00 Care & Share, OH 310

Wednesday, April 24
10:30 Jane Shirah Circle, WG Boat Hse
6:15 Children's Easter Program, SNC

Saturday, April 27
4:30 Healthy Family Communications Course & Date Night

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

Memorials

THE ENDOWMENT FUND

Gifts have been received in memory of
Mary Pedigo
From
Care and Share

THE MUSIC ENDOWMENT FUND

Gifts have been received in memory of
Mary P. Meeks
From
The Kevin Beckwith Family

THE MONUMENTAL MUSIC FUND

Gifts have been received in memory of
Patricia Dixon
From
Anne Shirah

THE ELEMENTARY YOUTH FUND

Gifts have been received in memory of
Cass Thomasson
From
Kennette Youmans
(Cass' Sister)

CARE AND SHARE

Gifts have been received in memory of
Mary Pedigo
From
Randal and Patsy Robinson

As of March 19, 2019



Children's Ministry

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry
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Children's Art Show



On Sunday, April 7, the children of our church will be hosting a sidewalk exhibit of the work they have done in Sunday School, Children's Worship, and Bible Buddies. They are excited to tell you what they have learned and show you what they have created. The children will be serving lemonade and cookies they have made.

Easter Egg-stravaganza and New Playground Dedication

Thanks to the generosity of one of our families, we have a new playground at Wesley Gardens! We will dedicate the playground on Palm Sunday afternoon, April 14 at 4:00 p.m. Our annual Easter Festival and Egg Hunt will follow the playground dedication.

Our youngest children will be hunting for eggs and playing in the Main House and our elementary children will gather at the pavilion for crafts and games, and they will have a separate area for egg hunting. Cookies and lemonade will be available for everyone. Be sure to bring your Easter basket, bug spray and a camera. Directions to Wesley Gardens can be found on our website.

Infant Recognition Sunday

Each year, on Mother's Day, we look forward to recognizing the babies born into our congregation and this year is no exception! On Sunday, May 12 we will be honoring more than 20 families who welcomed babies into the world this past year. The families are invited to a brunch reception at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor on the second floor of Oliver Hall with time for family photographs before moving to the Sanctuary for the 11:00 service. If you are a member of Wesley Monumental or attend regularly, please contact charli@wesleymonumental.org to confirm we have your child on our listing.



Summer Fun Daze at Wesley Gardens

Wesley children who have completed kindergarten through third grade can register now for Summer Fun Daze at Wesley Gardens the week of July 15 - 19. It will be a fun week full of games, crafts, science, hiking, crabbing and water fun along with some time spent studying God's word and doing acts of service. Be sure to get your registration forms and payment in soon. Monday - Wednesday we'll start at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. On Thursday we'll start at 9:00 a.m., and we will be spending the night at Wesley Gardens! Our tired campers will be ready to be picked up at noon on Friday. The cost for the week is \$75. If you have not received a registration form, please email charli@wesleymonumental.org



Summer Camp

Summer Camp at Eli's Place is for children as young as 12 weeks through those who have completed Pre-K and will be starting kindergarten in the fall. It is a great opportunity for children to build friendships with other children who are members of Wesley Monumental and it is also a way to introduce friends and family members to Wesley. This summer Eli's Place will hold nine weeks of Summer Camp at the church. Camp is held Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Each week of camp has a different theme and you can register for individual weeks or for all nine weeks. Registration forms and more information are available at the church and on our website.

Vacation Bible School

Join us for a week full of smiles, laughter, love, and discovering God's goodness. Our Vacation Bible School will be held at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center June 10-14 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Registration will open April 1st for all Wesley Monumental families.

Register at
myvbs.org/wesleymonumental

If you have questions, please contact
charli@wesleymonumental.org



Mark your calendar and invite your family and friends to our first children's Easter program on Wednesday, April 24 at 6:15 p.m. Rehearsals are underway and the children are excited about their singing and speaking parts. The program is being presented during the season of Easter and it will be a joyful celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, our Savior.



THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

MAY 2, 2019

★ PRAY FOR AMERICA ★

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

LOVE ONE ANOTHER. JUST AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.
JOHN 13:34



Business Meeting on 4/10

The United Methodist Men will meet Wednesday, April 10 with supper at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, and the meeting will follow at 6:00 p.m. in Oliver Hall room 310.

From Ben's Desk

Ben Martin, Senior Pastor
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HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Easter is the pinnacle of the Christian year. We are resurrection people and our faith is grounded in the resurrection of Christ. However, this year having such an early Spring and a late Easter can make it feel a bit anticlimactic. The azaleas have bloomed and gone. Even the Masters will be over! But because you can't really celebrate Easter without going through Holy Week and the cross, maybe it will be easier to capture the somberness of those days to prepare us for the joy of Easter morning.

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday remembrance of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. But, each day of the week takes him from celebration to rejection, from the hope for a conquering messiah to the dismay of a crucified one. On Thursday night we remember the last supper, on Friday we grieve our sin and his death on the cross, but on Easter Sunday morning we celebrate that "death has been swallowed up in victory!"

This year we will again have lunch services Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday during Holy Week. A light lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., and we will have a message around the theme of the day that begins at noon. We will conclude at 12:20 p.m. to get you back to work on time. Everything will take place in the Fellowship Hall with the exception of Good Friday where we will begin with worship in the Sanctuary at noon and follow with lunch. We will move our regular Wednesday night dinner to Thursday, and our Maundy Thursday Communion service will begin immediately following dinner at 6:15 p.m. Make plans to join us for all these special times of worship. Each day our worship services will follow the passages below:

Palm/Passion Sunday	The Triumphal Entry	Mark 11:1-11	Ben Martin
Monday	The Clearing of the Temple	Matthew 21:10-17	Carolyn Hale Cubbedge
Tuesday	Day of Controversy	Luke 20:1-21:38	James P. Owens
Wednesday	Day of Anointing	Mark 14:1-11	Nelle Bordeaux
Thursday (6:15 p.m.)	The Last Supper	Luke 22:7-65	Ben Martin
Friday (noon)	The Crucifixion	Mark 15:1-47	Ben Martin
Saturday	The Tomb	I Peter 3:18-20	(no service)
Sunday	The Resurrection	Matthew 28:1-15	Ben Martin

Remember on Easter Sunday morning, both the 8:45 and 11:00 services will be identical with choir and brass ensemble. It will help with our parking for as many who can come to the 8:45 service.

Prayer Committee



Everyone is invited to join the Prayer Committee and Rev. Martin each Wednesday evening (before Wednesday Night Supper) from 4:45 p.m.—5:15 p.m. in the sanctuary for a time of prayer. The committee members pray for the church, staff, and needs of the congregation. This is a very meaningful time with the Lord, and we welcome anyone who would like to attend.

Congregational Care

Rev. Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Congregational Care
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Merry Makers

Merry Makers, our senior adult fellowship group, will meet on Monday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Jim and Melissa Emery will present the program about their trip to Antarctica. Lunch will follow the program. Cost is \$7.00. Please make your reservation through your Sunday school class or by calling the church office. (Please note that this program was previously scheduled to meet at Wesley Gardens.)



Music

Monica Dekle, Director of Music & Organist
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Announcing Handel's *Messiah* at Wesley Monumental

On Saturday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m., Wesley Monumental Choirs will sing Handel's magnificent masterpiece, *Messiah*, with orchestra. Soloists are soprano Tina Zenker Williams, mezzo-soprano Claire Watts, tenor Reid Robertson, and bass Robert Cantrell.

Part I: Prophecy of the Coming of a Messiah and Christ's Nativity

Part II: Christ's Suffering, Death, and Resurrection

Part III: Affirmation of Christian Faith and Glimpses of Revelation

Tickets: \$35 tax deductible donation. \$15 students with I.D.

Available at [MessiahSavannah.eventbrite.com](https://www.messiahsavannah.eventbrite.com), from the church office, or from any choir member. We expect to sell out, so get your tickets early.

Thank you for supporting the tradition of beautiful, sacred music in our historic church.



Preteens

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries
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Attention all rising 4th through 12th graders!!!
Read below for more information regarding
Camp Connect at Epworth by the Sea.

Camp Connect at Epworth by the Sea

Attention Parents! We'd like to let you know about a special Summer Camp opportunity for kids from 4th grade through High School. Each year, the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church offers week-long summer camps at Epworth by the Sea in St. Simons.

Many of the children and youth from our congregation have attended Camp Connect in past years, and everyone has had a blast! We encourage you to look into the following weeks:

- ♦ High School (entering grades 9-12): June 10-14
- ♦ Middle School (entering grades 6-8): June 17-21
- ♦ Elementary School (entering grades 4-5): July 15-19

For more information, please visit <https://www.campconnectumc.org>.

In order to attend, you must register your child(ren) through the Camp Connect site. They do not accept group registrations. However, please let James P. Owens know if your students are attending, and we will try to arrange a van or carpool to get everyone down there and back.



Youth

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries
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On March 16, our annual tradition of hosting a Pancake Breakfast before the St. Patrick's Day parade was renewed with great results! With St. Patrick's Day being on a Sunday, the breakfast was on Saturday. Our youth and adult volunteers did an awesome job decorating the fellowship hall and serving breakfast to hundreds of folks who came to eat.

It is a joy and a privilege to be involved in this iconic aspect of our church's ministry in the community. During this year's breakfast, I loved talking to the many people who have been attending the breakfast year after year.

We served almost 550 people and raised around \$3000. So, thanks to you - if you donated, helped out, prayed for us, or just showed up and ate! You helped us raise a lot of money for youth missions and summer trips.





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Life at Wesley



The Chancel Choir sang for Urban Hope Children and their families, and a meal was served by Wesley's Bible Buddies children.



Savannah Classical Academy students receive an organ demonstration and tour.



Spring Tea honoring Shepherds & New Members.



Passing out blankets during the monthly homeless breakfast.



The youth served almost 550 people and raised around \$3000. So, thanks to you - if you donated, helped out, prayed for us, or just showed up and ate!



Several members of the local Stroller Strong Moms group stopped by Eli's Place to share healthy habits.

Messenger Monthly Spotlight



Dancing & Desserts

Thank you to everyone who attended our first Dancing & Desserts and to the volunteers for making it happen! Donations will send a child to Urban Hope or Fresh Air Home Summer Camp!

