



**Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018**

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**THANK YOU NATHANIEL LEGREE FOR 40 YEARS OF SERVICE**

This morning we want to say thank you to Mr. Nathaniel "Nat" Legree for 40 years of service at Wesley Monumental. Nat has made Wesley more than a place to work, he has made it his calling. Nat does so many things behind the scenes that many of us do not know, but from which we benefit. Every week we come to Wesley and the building and grounds are prepared to welcome us and guests from all over the world. One of the things we do see and enjoy each week is the beautiful garden area at Oliver Hall that has become Nat's "baby." Nat has seen many congregants, pastors, and staff members come and go at Wesley, but he has been a mainstay. We are so grateful for his humble, tireless spirit. Please take time to say thanks to Nat for all he does to bless God and our church.

**2020 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

Each fall we begin to look towards and plan for the next year and that means it is time for our 2020 Stewardship Campaign. Once again we are entitling it **"EARN. SAVE. GIVE."** The name is based on John Wesley's theology of wealth and strategy for the use of money. This week you should be receiving a letter and "Estimate of Giving" Commitment card in the mail. If you are not yet a member of the church, but think of Wesley Monumental as your church "home," we will have the copies of the letter and card in the narthex and by each door. Over the next week, we are asking you to prayerfully consider what you "Earn and Save" and then what God would have you "Give" for 2020. Then fill out the estimate of giving card and bring it back to church on October 27 as a personal commitment and an offering to God. While we build our budget more on the basis of the current year's budget and giving trends, filling out a card is important as a personal commitment for each of us. We believe giving is not a function of the church budget, but a part of discipleship as followers of Jesus. We are constantly amazed and grateful for your great generosity in enabling our ministry to continue to touch lives here in downtown Savannah and beyond. To help put your generosity in perspective, our 2019 budget is \$1,931,779. That does not include the countless mission offerings that you make throughout the year that touch the lives of people in need in our community and around the world.

*Ben*

## MORNING WORSHIP

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

*Nineteenth 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)

Cole Valdez

### Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

### Opening Voluntary (8:45)

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

arr. Mark Hayes

### Opening Voluntary (11:00)

Come, Thou Almighty King

Madelyn Williams, pianist

### Opening Anthem (11:00)

America Folk Song

There's a Little Wheel a Turnin' In My Heart

\* **Hymn No. 130**

God Will Take Care of You

MARTIN

\* **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.

### Special Recognition for Nathaniel "Nat" Legree (11:00)

### Children's Sermon

Ben Martin

*8:45 Children ages 3 - 3rd Grade line up at the door on the right side of the sanctuary to go to Children's Worship, held in Room 201.*

*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.*

**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.

- \* **Hymn No. 432** Jesu, Jesu CHEREPONI  
Stanza 1: Congregation and Choir  
Stanza 2: Georgi Wilson  
Stanza 3: Jordan Hess  
Stanza 4: Madeleine Hall  
Stanza 5: Congregation and Choir

**Offertory Prayer** Jennifer Thompson

**Offertory Voluntary (8:45)** It Is Well With My Soul  
arr. Mark Hayes

**Offertory Anthem (11:00)** Spiritual  
I'm Going to Sing When the Spirit Says Sing  
Addison Conger, Sallie Beckwith, Helen Hoffman, Ava Herndon, soloists

**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. 7) Matthew 7:6

**Sermon** "Sermon on the Mount Part 18: Pearls or Purina?"  
Ben Martin

- \* **Hymn No. 593** Here I Am, Lord Dan Schutte

- \* **Benediction** Ben Martin

**Closing Response (11:00)** God Will Take Care of You MARTIN

**Closing Voluntary** Johann Sebastian Bach  
Fugue in C Minor, BWV 575

- \* *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 memory of Anne Mooney from Tim Mooney.

The flowers in the narthex today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the wedding of Sarah Yates and Kevin Finley.

### **Weekly Events at Wesley Gardens Retreat**

- Mondays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - Christian Yoga on the dock with Blair Kawa with Twofold Wellness - YogaFaith Savannah
  - Tuesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - Bible Study in the Main House with theologian, Scott Hafemann.
  - Any Day - Come enjoy the grounds, try the new (free) Prayer Walk resource, meet with a spiritual director, or enneagram counselor.
- For more information email [micah@wesleygardensretreat.com](mailto:micah@wesleygardensretreat.com).

### **2019 Charge Conference**

Today, Sunday, October 20 at 3:00 p.m. at White Bluff UMC. Everyone is invited to attend. Our voting members are the members of the Administrative Board and retired clergy.

### **Messenger Brigade**

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

### **Advent Devotional**

Our congregation has been blessed each year with the gift of our annual Advent Devotional booklet. Your contributions to this effort are what make it unique and meaningful. The Susanna Wesley Circle has begun work on this year's devotional. Anyone interested in writing a short devotion based on the daily scripture, please contact Caroline Livingood ([calivingood@comcast.net](mailto:calivingood@comcast.net)) for a list of available dates and scriptures. You may wish to write individually, as a couple, or as a family. Last year we were blessed with several children's submissions. The deadline to submit your devotion is Thursday, November 7.

### **Communion Stewards Needed**

Additional Communion Stewards are needed to help prepare communion for our 2019 Christmas Eve services, and for several of our 2020 monthly Communion Sunday services. This is a great way to serve our church from behind-the-scenes, and training is provided. If you would like to learn more, please contact Amelia Wells (Communion Team Leader) at 912-665-2902 or [amelia.wells@gulfstream.com](mailto:amelia.wells@gulfstream.com).

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

**Partners in Prayer:** Britt Griffin

**Docent:** Jeanne Poenicke

**Offering Steward:** Ed Poenicke

**Ushers:** Jimmy Hill, Volunteer Needed

**Greeters:** Jeanne Poenicke, Phillip Carter

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks

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

**Partners in Prayer:** Gaye Reese

**Docent:** Bebe Cole

**Acolytes:** Julia Grabowski, Greta Stubbs

**Greeters:** Florence & Frank Anderson, Linda Sapp

**Offering Steward:** Chris Donegan

**Ushers:** Jason Pedigo, Ryan McKenzie, Clark McKinney, Franklin McKinney, Matt Merritt, Matthew Mobley, Richard Moore, Ted Moore, Dustin Hamilton

**Nursery:** Volunteers Needed

**Children's Worship 3's & PreK:** Leslie Shor, Nikki Parks

**Children's Worship K-3rd:** Shazi Edmonds, JoAnne Garcia-Melendez

### **Monica Harper Dekle, Director of Music and Organist**

The children are so excited to lead Worship today at the 11:00 Service. Thank you to their parents for committing to bring their children to rehearsals every week. Thank you to their teachers for investing time and talent into teaching the children every week: Anna Ivey, Ash Grimmett, Craig Hanson, Ella Hayes, JoAnna Hayes, Ken Rimes, Kim Grimmett, Raymond Patricio, and Skip Watts. The offertory anthem that the children are singing today is one that the children themselves requested. They also requested one of their favorite hymns, "Here I Am, Lord," for the closing hymn. Psalm 104 says, "I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being." Thank you, God, for these children who love to sing praise to Thee!

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

#### **Next New Member Course**

Sundays, November 3 and 10 at 10:00 a.m. both days. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191. Nursery provided. Class will join as a group November 10.

#### **Next Picnic with a Purpose Will Serve Homeless Veterans**

Please come Thursday, October 24 at 3:30 p.m. to the Fellowship Hall. A formerly homeless man and the Homeless Authority director will both speak, and we'll have a Tiny House floor plan on the carpet that children can walk on to see it. Bring small first-aid kits and flashlights with batteries for homeless people. If you can't come to the party, boxes are located by all church doors. This event is for adults and children.

#### **Y'All Haul**

Kroger gift cards (any amount) needed for refugee families. Please leave in the church office.

#### **Pew Hosts**

If you want to greet guests, please speak with Nelle or Evangelism Committee chairman, Chris Donegan.

#### **Join a Bible Study**

Downtown Bible Study on Luke's gospel, Thursdays, noon to 1 p.m., Ruth's Chris, 111 West Bay Street, please bring a donation for the waiters. Young Mothers' Bible Study on "How to Talk with Your Child about Tough Stuff in the Bible," Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall.

### **Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life**

#### **Veterans Day Breakfast**

Monday, November 11 from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Wesley's Annual Veterans Day Breakfast is a must! Archie and Sally Davis and Ted and Linda Moore have graciously agreed to share with us about their trip to Normandy. We will then enjoy a wonderful breakfast prepared by Suzanna. Cost is \$7.00. Following the meal and the program, we will dismiss in time to enjoy Savannah's Veterans Day parade. Don't miss this inspirational day!

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

#### **Fall Festival—Next Sunday, October 27**

Be sure to join us next Sunday at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center. Lots of fun things are planned for toddlers to teenagers! The festival is from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. We'll have crafts, games, bouncy houses, a giant slide, and food! It's a great opportunity for the children to wear their costumes one more time. Everyone is welcome.

**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. Through skits, games, and drills, your kids will learn how to read 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)**

**Fall Youth Group Schedule**

- Wednesday Evenings – Youth Bible Studies will meet every Wednesday night from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. following church supper.
- Sunday Evenings – We are back to our normal Sunday evening schedule of Youth Choir at 4:00 p.m., followed by Youth Group from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

**Fall Festival, October 27**

Our annual Fall Festival is Sunday, October 27 (4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.), and all youth (grades 6-12) are encouraged to volunteer to help out! Let's make this event fun and special for our church's youngest members and their families. After the Fall Festival, all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us or stick around for another annual tradition, the now-famous Youth Group Fall Festival After-Party!

**Ski Retreat**

Our annual ski retreat is February 6-9, 2020. We're going to Snowshoe, WV. The cost is \$350 per person and that includes ski rentals, lift tickets, meals at Snowshoe, and lodging. Sign-ups will begin soon!



**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

**Attendance: (10/13/19)**

8:45 A.M. Worship	94
11:00 A.M. Worship	341
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>435</b>
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	20
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	XX

**Finances: (10/13/19)**

Total Budget for the Year.....	\$1,931,779.07
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,432,748.01
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,507,129.41
Construction Loan Balance.....	\$385,802.50

**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Ben Martin.....Senior Pastor	Tom Anderson.....Financial Manager
Rev. Nelle Bordeaux.....Outreach and New Members	Daphne Burrows.....Administrative Assistant, Reception
Rev. Jennifer Thompson.....Congregational Life	Jennifer Brookins.....Administrative Assistant to Pastoral Staff, Media Communications
Monica Dekle.....Director of Music and Organist	Suzanna King.....Director of Hospitality
Skip Watts.....Music Assistant	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
Haley Herrington.....Children's Ministry Assistant	Kenneth Hayes.....Wesley Gardens Groundskeeper/Maintenance
Jimmy Flowers.....Church Administrator	



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To assist with our website, publications and social media; please email your Wesley photos to [wesleymonumentalphotos@gmail.com](mailto:wesleymonumentalphotos@gmail.com). All photos are appreciated and do not need to be recent, "throwback" pictures encouraged!"

**Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church**  
**October 20, 2019**

**The Sermon Extended:**

Monday	Matthew 15:21-28	Does Jesus learn something from this woman?
Tuesday	Matthew 10:5-14	Why does Jesus start his Disciples off only among the Jews?
Wednesday	Mark 10:46-52	What does this story teach us about our encounters with people?
Thursday	Matthew 21:28-32	Why are non-believers attracted to Jesus but not the Pharisees?
Friday	Matthew 7:6, 28:16-20	How do we reconcile these two passages?

**Sermon Notes**

**As a Praying Church...**

We ask that you would communicate with our hearts how we may share generously with our church knowing that whatever we give is used for the good of others and for your glory.

**This Week at Wesley**

**Sunday, October 20**

**Bring a Friend to Church Sunday**

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 AM Coffee and Donuts, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 3:00 PM Charge Conference, White Bluff UMC
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, FH/EB 4th Flr

**Monday, October 21**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 2:00 PM Courtney Gaines Circle, Home of Jeanette Cason

**Tuesday, October 22**

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Holland Hse
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, FH
- 9:00 AM Bible Buddies, FH
- 11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 205
- 2:00 PM Care & Share, OH 310

**Wednesday, October 23**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 310
- 4:45 PM Call to Prayer, SNC
- 5:00 PM 4th/5th Grade Bible Study, EB 405
- 5:30 PM Supper, FH
- 6:00 PM Long Story Short Study, FH
- 6:00 PM Every Good Endeavor Study, OH 310
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir, EB 202/203/205
- 6:00 PM Children's Choirs, EB 303/304/305
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

**Thursday, October 24**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:30 AM Sewing Class, OH 310
- 10:00 AM Messenger Brigade, OH 205
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Ruth's Chris
- 3:30 PM Picnic with a Purpose, FH

**Friday, October 25**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:00 AM Docent Tours, SNC

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

**Pastor on Call This Week**

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

<p><b>Wednesday Night Supper:</b>  <b>10/23/19</b></p>
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<p>Menu: BBQ Pork, Mashed Potatoes,          Corn Casserole, Mixed Vegetables          Children: Corn Dogs</p>
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*In Sympathy...*

The Justice Family  
 on the death of  
*John William Justice, III*  
 father of John Justice, IV

The Ronning Family  
 on the death of Patty's son,  
*Will Ronning*

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

Jennifer Brookins, Ann Lott, Bill Taylor, Keith Ellis, Ryan Davis, Wesley Hudson (nephew of Leigh Connor), Betty Collins (mother of Becky Ike), Andrew Brown (great nephew of Gaye Reese), Leigh Conner, Sandi Dixon, Debby Warner, Chad Ebel, Louise Page, Gene Herrington (mother of Will Herrington), Joe Stubbs (father of Joe T Stubbs), Danny Wright (son of Betty Dudley), Norma Day (mother of Dorie Gaskin), Hendrick Smock (grandson of Judy Smock), Mary Williams, Patty Ronning, Shirley Vaughn, Bob Franz, Harriet and Bill Bland, David Burke, Abby (granddaughter of Toni Olds), Joe Clark (father of Maureen Culbreath), Adam Corey, Joe Gold, Jan Nyborg, Bourke Cannon, Diane Wells, Rev. Matt Hearn, Lauren and Yates Parker (daughter and son-in-law of Susan and Tom Colgrove), Les Wilkes, Patsy Robinson, Rita Gietzen (sister of Joyce Cole), Kathy Delaigle, Betty Roberts (aunt of Anna Ivey), Earl Goodwin (brother of Beth Aldrich), Alison White (niece of Linda Sapp), George Vail, Carla Thomas, Rev. John Martin, Sr., Spencer Davis, Caroline Moore, George LeMay, Martha and Erv Sloan, Fenton McEvoy (son of Kate and Brian and grandson of Ron and Judy Freeman), Jim Gietzen, Denise LeMay, Randy Warner, Toni Olds, Janice Dukeman (daughter of Erv Sloan), Dick Wallace, Chuck Brown (brother of Gail Rountree), Grace Crosby Utomo (friend of Jean Remley), Patty James, Mark Thomas, Sammy Reesman, Vivian Wilson, Richard Bartels, Mandy Hawkins and Family, Debra Chapman (daughter-in-law of Ruth and Elton Stuenkel), Cheryl Richardson and Family

**At Home/Extended Care**

Carolyn White (mother of Jennifer Thompson), Ann Ernst, Bella Grace Bartels, Peggy Murphy, Grace Bockes, Becky Heckard, Georgia Dickerson, Betty Weeks, Michael Mamalakis, Linda McKibben, Lois Wooten, Bobbie Mattox

**Military Serving Abroad/Stateride**

Jason Childers, Austin New, Jerred Pyles, Justin Geen, Matt and Melinda Allen, Yates Holleman, Daniel Ealy, Dan Barton, Joshua Laws, Shea Murray, Charles Smock, Chris Watson, Clint Guild