



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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2020 Stewardship Campaign

The world in which the Bible was written was in large part agrarian. Life revolved around, planting, tending, and harvesting. This is why many of the Jewish festivals were "harvest" related. The season of harvest was always a time for worship and giving back to God a portion of the blessing God had provided. The same was true with the origin of our Thanksgiving celebration in America. The season of harvest was a time to give thanks to God and celebrate God's provision. The "tithe" was a Biblical concept related to harvest. It was literally the "first fruits" or the first ten percent of the harvest that would be given back to God through an offering.

Few of us any longer have lives tied to the season of harvest, and yet because of our history and tradition, fall has remained the time of year churches do "stewardship" campaigns. It is the season in which we ask ourselves to consider how God has blessed me and what is the commitment I will make to give back to God through the work of my church. While in an agrarian world families would do the bulk of their giving or "tithing" to the church right after harvest, many of us have more predictable incomes or salaries that are paid incrementally through the year, while others have businesses that determine their profits at the end of the year.

Regardless, we need a time to think about how God has blessed us and how or what we will commit to give back to God to support God's work in the world through the ministry of the church. This is why each year we ask you to prayerfully consider making a personal commitment to your giving for next year, to record that as an "estimate of giving", and turn it in to the church. This not only gives us a personal commitment and accountability, but it also helps our church have some predictability of giving around which to plan a responsible church budget.

You should have received this week a letter and estimate of giving card. We are asking you as a part of your life of discipleship and your commitment to being a member of the church to participate in this spiritual discipline. Today you may turn in your card by placing in the offering plate during the offering or by coming down during the closing hymn and leaving it on the altar rail. If you don't have a card they are available in the narthex or by each door. You can also make this estimate of giving commitment online through our website or mail it in or drop it by the church office.

We are grateful for the great blessings of God and the incredible generosity of our congregation. Because of you, we continue to see our church grow and our ministry touch the lives of children, youth, and adults, both in our congregation, our community, and around our world.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Twentieth 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)

Lilly Marler

Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

Opening Voluntary

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Johann Pachelbel

Introit (11:00)

Warren Angell

Glorious is Thy Church, O Lord—greatly to be praised.

We come to Thee in adoration for the Church's one foundation.

* **Hymn** No. 110 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God EIN' FESTE BURG

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

James P. Owens

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

GRETOREX

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.

Children's Sermon

Charli Weeks

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.

Children in 4th Grade are invited to follow James P. Owens to Room 405 for Worship Education.

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.

* **Hymn Insert** Hymn of Praise Patsy Robinson

Stewardship Moment Ted Moore

Offertory Prayer Jennifer Thompson

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
arr. Mark Hayes

Offertory Anthem (11:00) Consider the Lilies Hoffman/Lyon

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow.
Consider the birds in the sky, how they fly.
He clothes the lilies of the field. He feeds the birds in the sky.
And He will feed those who trust Him, and guide them with His eye.

Consider the sheep of His fold, how they follow where He leads.
Though the path may wind across the mountains,
He knows the meadows where they feed.
He clothes the lilies of the field. He feeds the birds in the sky.
And He will feed those who trust Him, and guide them with His eye.

Consider the sweet, tender children who must suffer on this earth.
The pains of all of them He carried from the day of His birth.
He clothes the lilies of the field, He feeds the lambs of His fold,
and He will heal those who trust Him, and make their hearts as gold

- Matthew 6:25-34

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. 6-7) Matthew 7:7-11

Sermon "Sermon on the Mount Part 19: The Power of Asking"
Ben Martin

* **Hymn** No. 405 Seek Ye First GRAND ISLE

* **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) The Lord Bless You and Keep You
John Rutter

Closing Voluntary Toccata and Fugue in D Minor J. S. Bach

* *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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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@wesleygardentreat.com.

Communion Offering Next Week

Next Sunday, our Communion Offering will be for the Gideons, a non-profit ministry that provides Bibles for hotels, motels, Tiny Houses, prisons, and fire and police stations. Please make checks out to Wesley earmarked "Gideons."

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) 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.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Henry Whitfield **Docent:** Shirley & Peter Roberts

Offering Steward: Paul Cleveland

Ushers: Josh Hayes, Bill Tedder

Greeters: Judy Cleveland, Pat Killewald

Children's Worship: Laura Blake

11:00 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Harriet Bland **Docent:** Gretchen Patricio

Acolytes: Harris Glidewell, James Pannell

Greeters: Barbara & Johnny Phelps, Pat Jacobs

Offering Steward: John Beasley

Ushers: Brian West, Bruce O'Bannon, Jeff O'Connor, Jim Pannell, Jon Pannell, Johnny Phelps, Bart Rhodes, Fred Bozeman, Jacob Sigmon

Nursery: TBD

Children's Worship 3's & PreK: Hattie Thomas, Allison Willis

Children's Worship K-3rd: Lindsay Thomas, Karen Washburn

Monica Harper Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Patsy Robinson wrote today's middle hymn. Patsy has been a member of Wesley since 1968, when she married Randal. In the decades since, it's hard to find an area of this church where Patsy hasn't served. She was in the choir for several years in the 1970s. She has consistently volunteered as a Sunday school teacher for the Alpha Class, other adult classes, her daughters' classes and more recently, with Godly Play. Patsy has also been a familiar face in Children's Church. Through the years, Patsy has been a faithful part of the UMW, serving as president twice, but always as a member of a circle. Her servant's heart has led her to be part of the Care and Share group for many years: sending cards, making visits and checking in on our own members when they could no longer come to church, including taking them communion. She and Randal volunteered with Family Promise for years and can typically be found at Wednesday night supper, music ministry events, Bible studies, trips with Merry Makers, and anything else that helps support Wesley.

Sunday, December 8. 11:00 AM. Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols with Choirs, Brass Quintet, and Timpani. Scripture readings on Christ's Nativity from the King James Version of the Bible, and carols sung by choir and congregation.

Saturday, December 14. 7:30 PM.

Handel's Messiah with Choir and Orchestra

Tickets: \$35

MessiahSavannah.eventbrite.com, choir members, or church office

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

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—Today!

Be sure to join us this afternoon 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.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (10/20/19)

8:45 A.M. Worship	72
11:00 A.M. Worship	404
Total Worship	476
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	192
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	20

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. 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 Today

Our annual Fall Festival is this afternoon (4-6pm), 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 6th-12th 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 Feb. 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!



Finances: (10/20/19)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,931,779.07
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,461,134.01
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,519,478.66
Construction Loan Balance.....	\$385,802.50

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Ben Martin.....Senior Pastor
Rev. Nelle Bordeaux.....Outreach and New Members
Rev. Jennifer Thompson.....Congregational Life
Monica Dekle.....Director of Music and Organist
Skip Watts.....Music Assistant
James P. Owens.....Director of Student Ministries
Charli Weeks.....Director of Children's Ministry
Haley Herrington.....Children's Ministry Assistant
Jimmy Flowers.....Church Administrator

Tom Anderson.....Financial Manager
Daphne Burrows.....Administrative Assistant, Reception
Jennifer Brookins.....Administrative Assistant to Pastoral Staff, Media Communications
Suzanna King.....Director of Hospitality
Nathaniel Legree.....Custodian
Betty Dudley..... Housekeeper
Micah Sprünger.....Wesley Gardens Property Manager
Kenneth Hayes.....Wesley Gardens Groundskeeper/Maintenance



Follow us on social media @wesleymonumental and use our hashtag #wesleymonumental when sharing your Wesley moments!

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

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church
October 27, 2019

The Sermon Extended:

Monday	Matthew 7:7-11	What does this teach us about how we relate to each other and to God?
Tuesday	Luke 11:5-8 Luke 18:1-8	What does this teach us about prayer?
Wednesday	Genesis 18:16-33 Exodus 32:1-4	Will God change his plans in response to our asking?
Thursday	2 Kings 20:1-7	Is it ok to pray for myself?
Friday	Matthew 5:42	How do I determine the living of my giving in response to being asked?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

TBD

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, October 27

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
9:30 AM Coffee and Donuts, FH
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
4:00 PM Fall Festival, WG
6:00 PM Youth Group, WG

Monday, October 28

9:00 AM Eli's Place
1:30 PM Joy Circle Mtg, OH 310

Tuesday, October 29

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

Wednesday, October 30

9:00 AM Eli's Place
10:30 AM Jane Shirah Circle, WG Boat Hse
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 31

9:00 AM Eli's Place
12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Ruth's Chris

Friday, November 1

9:00 AM Eli's Place
10:00 AM Docent Tours, SNC
6:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, November 2

4:00 PM Wedding, SNC

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

**Wednesday Night Supper:
10/30/19**
Menu: Chinese Style Beef,
Stir-fry Vegetables, Fried Rice
Children: Cheese Ravioli

In Sympathy....

The Eberman Family
on the death of Desdie's father,
Dr. Frank Withrow

The Frazier Family
on the death of
Claire's daughter-in-law,
Alyssa Frazier

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

In Our Prayers.....

Ann Lott, Bill Taylor, 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, 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), Louise Page, 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 Stuenckel), 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/Stateside

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

“Hymn of Praise”

Thank You, God, for Your assurance;
For Your love and for Your care.
Human lives are so much simpler
When our thoughts with You we share.

Thank You, God.
Thank You, God.
For Your love.
And for Your care.
(repeat)

Praise we bring in joy and sorrow;
Night forgotten with each day.
All is bright with God’s assurance
When on bended knee we pray.

Thank You, God.
Thank You, God.
For Your love.
And for Your care.
(repeat)

Words: Patsy Robinson

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; arr. By Edward Hodges, 1864

HYMN TO JOY
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