



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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THANK YOU TO OUR VETERANS

Tomorrow our nation will celebrate Veterans Day. It is a day for us to be particularly mindful of and thankful for all the courageous men and women who have and still do serve in our nation's armed forces. With the severe injuries recently suffered by our church member Ryan Davis in the Global War on Terror, we have had our attention more closely drawn to sacrifices that are made on our behalf every day. We are here today with the freedom to worship without fear because of them. While Ryan's injuries are great and our prayers are daily with him and his wife, Asia, and son, Knox, we also remember the cost that every person and their family pays in deployment in to war. I hope you pay particular attention to the section of our prayer list for those who are currently in service both abroad and stateside. If you know of others that need to be added, please send them to us.

Tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m. we will have a breakfast to honor our Veterans. Ted Moore and Archie Davis will share the program about Normandy. The breakfast and program will end in time for the parade. We hope you will join us for this special time of saying thank you. If you have not made a reservation yet, please let Jennifer Thompson know this morning.

There is a prayer I read several years ago that is always appropriate for this day. I offer it again on behalf of all those who serve.

"God of all nations, you are our Strength and Shield. We give you thanks today for the devotion and courage of all those who have offered military service for this country. For those who have fought for freedom; For those who have laid down their lives for others; For those who have borne suffering of mind or of body; For those who have brought their best gifts to times of need. God, in your mercy and love, we thank you for their lives. On our behalf, oh God, many have entered into danger, endured separation from those they love, labored long hours and born hardship in war and in peacetime.

God, in your mercy and love, we thank you for their lives. We ask today that you would lift up by your Spirit those who are now at war; encourage and heal those in hospitals or mending their wounds at home; guard those in any need or trouble; hold safely in your hands all military families and bring the returning troops to joyful reunion and tranquil life at home. Give to us, your people, grateful hearts and a united will to honor these men and women and hold them always in our love and our prayers until your world is perfected in peace and all wars cease. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior, Amen." (Rev. Dr. Jennifer Phillips)

Ben

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.

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. 437** This Is My Song FINLANDIA

Recognizing our Veterans**Offertory Prayer**

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Solo (8:45) It Is Well With My Soul

Maureen Culbreath, mezzo-soprano

Offertory Anthem (11:00) George Frideric Handel

He Trusted in God
from *Messiah*

Youth Choir and Chancel Choir

He trusted in God that He would deliver Him:

Let Him deliver Him, if he delight in Him.

(*Psalm 22:8*)

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 7:13-14

Sermon "Sermon on the Mount Part 21: Ben Martin
The Path of Least Resistance"

- * **Hymn** No. 368 My Hope Is Built THE SOLID ROCK

- * **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) Youth Choir

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!

Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, praise, adoration,

Now and forevermore be thine.

Closing Voluntary Fugue in E Major, BWV 566

Johann Sebastian 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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Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and provided by Ted and Linda Moore in honor of all Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces in sincere appreciation for their service and sacrifice.

Usher Roses

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

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.

2020 Stewardship Campaign

Just a reminder to prayerfully consider completing an estimate of giving card for 2020. We continue to be grateful for your generosity which enables our ministry to serve in Savannah and beyond. If you don't have a pledge card, they can be found at each entrance to the sanctuary. Mail or drop it off at the office.

Messenger Deadline

Please email announcements for the December Monumental Messenger to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org by tomorrow, Monday, November 11.

Urban Hope's 6th Annual Pee Wee Rodeo

Saturday, November 16 from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m., 2500 Tennessee Avenue. For more information, visit urbanhopesavannah.org

Eli's Place CPR Class

Eli's Place is offering a CPR/First Aid Class on Tuesday, November 19 at 5:00 p.m. The class is two hours long and will meet in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to join us, call the church office or email charli@wesleymonumental.org. There is no charge for the class and upon completion you will be certified for two years.

UMM Dinner Meeting

The Wesley United Methodist Men will meet Thursday, November 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Ellie Tardif

Docent: Lori Miller

Offering Steward: Ed Poenicke

Ushers: Johnny Smith, Phillip Carter

Greeters: Jeanne Poenicke, Marion Thomas

Children's Worship: Kim Watson

11:00 Service:

Partners in Prayer: Gail Brannen

Docent: Ellene Anderson

Acolytes: TBD, Palmer Thomas

Greeters: Frank & Florence Anderson, Mildred Walker

Offering Steward: Art McGowen

Ushers: Brian West, Riley Smith, Doug Carroll, Jake Maxwell, Christian Valdez, Matt West, Patrick West, Mark Wilcox, Drew Wilkes

Nursery: TBD

Children's Worship 3's & PreK: Emily Jones, Courtney West

Children's Worship K-3rd: Kristy Valdez, Phillip Green

Monica Harper Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 8. 11:00 AM.

Choirs, Brass Quintet, Organ, and Timpani

Scripture readings on Christ's Nativity from the King James Version of the Bible, and carols sung by choir and congregation

Handel's Messiah with Choir and Orchestra

Saturday, December 14. 7:30 PM.

Tickets: \$35. Students with I. D.: \$15

MessiahSavannah.eventbrite.com, choir members, or church office. The first performance of *Messiah* was in Dublin in April of 1742. Charles Wesley, who saw one of the first performances, wrote in his journal: "There were some parts that were affecting, but I doubt it has staying power." However, he must have changed his mind, because another source states that he wrote in his journal on August 17, 1758 that Handel's *Messiah* "exceeded my expectation."

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Urban Hope Thanksgiving Feast—Monday, November 18

Please help serve 75 Urban Hope children and families supper on Monday, November 18 at 5:30 p.m. at Independent Presbyterian Church. Sign up with Nelle.

Homeless Breakfast

Please sign up in advance with Nelle or Perfect Potluck, coordinator last name, Wesley Monumental, password 7385, for breakfast on Saturday, November 23. Plan to meet at Wesley Monumental (Gordon Street side) at 7:45 a.m., and we will travel as a group to Rothwell Street.

Save the Dates, December 1-7

Family Promise Downtown. Please sign up with Nelle to help overnight, greet, or cook supper for circumstantially homeless families.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Parent's Night Out

Parent's Night Out is this Saturday, November 16! The nursery will be open from 4:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. We will welcome children 4 years old and younger and will take older siblings on a first come basis as long as we have space. We will be having breakfast for supper - eggs, bacon, pancakes and fruit. For babies please bring bottles and diapers. Everyone should bring pajamas so we can have them ready for bed when you pick them up. To sign up, send an email to charli@wesleymonumental.org.

Save the Dates!

Be sure to put these dates on your calendar:

- Elementary Children's Nativity Pageant, Wednesday, December 11 at 6:15 p.m.
- Early Childhood Christmas Celebration, Sunday, December 15 at 4:30 p.m.
- Early Childhood Christmas Fun Day, Saturday, December 14 from 9:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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.

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: (11/3/19)

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| 8:45 A.M. Worship | 138 |
| 11:00 A.M. Worship | 383 |
| Total Worship | 521 |
| 9:45 A.M. Sunday School | 46 |
| Nursery (8:45 & 11:00) | 20 |

Finances: (11/03/19)

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| Total Budget for the Year | \$1,931,779.07 |
| Actual Revenues Year-to-Date | \$1,495,192.01 |
| Actual Expenses Year-to-Date..... | \$1,549,630.58 |
| Construction Loan Balance | \$385,802.50 |

CHURCH STAFF

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| 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. All photos are appreciated and do not need to be recent, "throwback" pictures encouraged!"

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church
November 10, 2019

Sermon Extended

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| Monday | Matthew 7:13-14 | What do I find difficult in the path of discipleship? |
| Tuesday | Numbers 14:1-10 | Where do I feel tempted to take the path of least resistance? |
| Wednesday | Deuteronomy 30:15-20 | Is there a choice for life I need to make today? |
| Thursday | 2 Samuel 22:1-20 | When has God brought me through a difficult time into a place of blessing? |
| Friday | Matthew 16:24-26 | Do I need to lose my life in some way in order to truly save it? |

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We recognize and ask Your blessing on those who have served, or are currently serving, in our armed forces. Protect them, heal them, and allow them to know that they are greatly appreciated.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, November 10

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 AM Coffee and Donuts, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM Confirmation Class EB 406
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir, 4th Flr
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, FH/4th Flr

Monday, November 11

Veterans Day

- 8:00 AM Veteran's Breakfast/Program FH
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Tuesday, November 12

- 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 Prayer Partners Mtg, OH 308
- 5:30 PM Board of Trustees Mtg, OH 205

Wednesday, November 13

- 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
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir, EB 202/203/205
- 6:00 PM Children's Choirs, EB 303/304/305
- 6:00 PM Susanna Wesley Circle, OH 207
- 6:00 PM Confirmation Class, OH 205
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, November 14

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Ruth Chris
- 7:00 PM Georgia Historical Society Book Event with Rick Atkinson, SNC

Friday, November 15

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:00 AM Docent Tours, SNC
- 5:30 PM Wedding Rehearsal, SNC

Saturday, November 16

- 4:30 PM Parents Night Out
- 5:30 PM Wedding, SNC

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

Wednesday Night Supper:

11/13/19

Menu: Pork Tenderloin,
Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes,
Mixed Veggies
Children: Pizza

In Sympathy....

The Wendt & Roth Families
on the death of
Danny Wendt
husband of Carolyn Roth

Becky Pullin
on the death of her sister,
Sara Ryan

In Our Prayers.....

Ashley Ball (Linda Sapp's step-grandson's wife), Mark Case, Katie Bennett (cousin of Meb Ryan), 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, 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