



**Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018**

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### **GETTING READY FOR HOLY-DAYS**

With Thanksgiving right around the corner, we are all about to be in the frenzied season of the holidays. We all know that when Thanksgiving arrives, Christmas is right around the corner. This is the season of preparation. We are preparing our homes, meals, gifts, and schedules. In a consumer-driven culture, we need the right spiritual events or worship and service mixed in to keep us grounded. Below are a few things to put on your calendar that can help.

**Monday, November 18, 5:30 p.m.- Urban Hope Thanksgiving Feast** at Independent Presbyterian- Help serve the Urban Hope children and families- see Nelle to help.

**Saturday, November 23, 7:45 a.m.- Homeless Camp Breakfast** Sign up with Nelle or online at Perfect Potluck, coordinator name is Wesley Monumental, password 7385

**Tuesday, November 26, 6:00 p.m.- Community Thanksgiving Service** with the downtown historical churches at Christ Episcopal Church.

**December 1-7 Family Promise-** help us minister to several homeless families who will receive shelter and meals at our church for a week. Contact Nelle to sign up for meals, overnights, or welcome hosts.

**Sunday, December 8, 11:00 a.m.- Service of Lessons and Carols** with Brass Quintet, Organ, and Timpani

**Wednesday, December 11, 6:15 p.m.- The Elementary Children's Nativity Pageant**

**Saturday, December 14, 7:30 p.m.- Handel's *Messiah* with Choir and Orchestra.** Tickets \$35. Come experience Handel's complete *Messiah* with our choir. Proceeds support the choir's 2021 Choir Tour.

**Sunday, December 15, 4:30 p.m.- Early Childhood Christmas Celebration**

**Tuesday, December 24, 10:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m.- Christmas Eve Communion Services**

**Wednesday, December 25, 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.-** Visit hospitalized children and adults in nursing homes. Sign up with Nelle.

**DON'T FORGET, PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER WITH THANKFUL HEARTS HOW GOD HAS BLESSED YOU AND HOW YOU WANT TO BLESS GOD, THEN TURN IN YOUR 2020 ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE, WESLEYMONUMENTAL.ORG TO FILL ONE OUT.**

## MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2019 — 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

*Twenty-Third 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)

Ridge Montgomery

### Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

### Opening Voluntary (8:45)

Ludwig van Beethoven

Allegro from Sonata Op. 7

### Opening Anthem (11:00)

Judy Bradley

Just Like Me  
Joyful Noise Choir

\* **Hymn** No. 102      Now Thank We All Our God      NUN DANKET

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

Jennifer Thompson

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.

### 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** 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 No. 400** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

**Offertory Prayer** James P. Owens

**Offertory Solo** (8:45) Panis Angelicus  
Jerome Elder, tenor

**Offertory Anthem** (11:00) Be Still, My Soul Heather Sorenson

**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 7:15-23

**Sermon** "Sermon on the Mount Part 22: Healthy Skepticism" Ben Martin

- \* **Hymn** No. 731 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken AUSTRIA

**Reception into Church Membership** (11:00) Hymnal pg. 38  
Mary Kathryn and Chris Smith

- \* **Benediction** Ben Martin

**Closing Response** (11:00) Herbert/Hampton  
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!  
The Church with psalm must shout, no door can keep them out;  
but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.

**Closing Voluntary** Fugue No. 1 in C Minor Felix Mendelssohn

- \* *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 Georgia Youngblood on what would have been her 100th birthday by her family.

The flowers in the narthex are placed for the glory of God and in honor of the wedding of Ashley Lynn Autry and Tyler Jennings Browning who were married on Saturday, November 16, 2019

### **Administrative Board Meeting**

The Administrative Board will meet tomorrow, Monday, November 18 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

### **Eli's Place CPR Class**

Eli's Place is offering a CPR/First Aid Class this 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](mailto:charli@wesleymonumental.org). There is no charge for the class and upon completion you will be certified for two years.

### **Messenger Brigade**

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, November 21 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall room 205.

### **UMM Dinner Meeting**

The Wesley United Methodist Men will meet this Thursday, November 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with Rev. Ben Martin speaking.

### **Poinsettia Orders**

Poinsettias will be placed in the Sanctuary on Friday, December 20 and may be taken home following the last Christmas Eve service. Please place your orders for plants in memory or in honor of loved ones by Sunday, December 8. Order forms may be found at all sanctuary entrances. Checks should be made payable to Wesley Monumental UMC in the amount of \$13 per plant, marked "Altar Guild Poinsettias."

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

**Partners in Prayer:** Britt Griffin      **Docent:** Shirley & Peter Roberts

**Offering Steward:** Paul Cleveland

**Ushers:** Bill Tedder, Jeff Miller

**Greeters:** Judy Cleveland, Pat Killewald

**Children's Worship:** Melinda Sortor

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

**Partners in Prayer:** Constance Campbell      **Docent:** Bebe Cole

**Acolytes:** James Pannell, Anna Livingood

**Greeters:** Linda Sapp, Janet Wist, Gail Brannen

**Offering Steward:** Chris Donegan

**Ushers:** Jim Willis, Glen Willard, Allen Williams, Richard Zehl, Joe Zichettella, Brad Aiken, Randy Blessett, Jon Boothe, Tom Bordeaux

**Nursery:** Volunteers Needed

**Children's Worship 3's & PreK:** Adeline Glidewell, Neilie Dunn

**Children's Worship K-3rd:** Jenny Byrd, Laura Harris

**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.

*Messiah* is not liturgical and was not composed for the church (unlike the great passions of Handel's contemporary, Bach), but was known at the time as a "Sacred Entertainment." By the 1740s Handel was a naturalized English citizen who worshiped at St. George's, Hanover Square in London, and he certainly knew that he was onto something powerful with this "entertainment." Late in his life, when asked just how entertaining *Messiah* was, Handel is rumored to have replied, "I should be sorry if I only entertained them. I wished to make them better."

**Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members**

**Urban Hope Thanksgiving Feast—Tomorrow, Monday, November 18**

Please help serve 75 Urban Hope children and families supper tomorrow, 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.

**Spark Joy! Picnic with a Purpose**

Thursday, December 5, 3:30 p.m., Oliver Hall lobby, organize Mission closet. Children and adults welcome.

**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.

**Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life**

**Merry Makers**

Merry Christmas! Put on your red and green and join us at Wesley Gardens on Monday, December 9 from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. for our annual Christmas party! Members of the barbershop chorus of Savannah, 13th Colony Sound, will be sharing their talent with us through a special presentation of Christmas Music. We will also enjoy a meal and hear the Christmas story in a special way. Cost is \$7.00.

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

**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.

**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)*

**Youth Christmas Party, December 1**

Mark your calendars for our annual Youth Group Christmas Party for all 6th-12th graders! It's December 1, from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. at Wesley Monumental. Students are asked to bring a white elephant gift for our infamous white elephant gift exchange. You are also encouraged to dress in your best tacky Christmas sweater or outfit! There will be prizes for the best dressed.

**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: (11/10/19)	
8:45 A.M. Worship	106
11:00 A.M. Worship	353
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>459</b>
9:45 A.M. Sunday School	185
Nursery (8:45 & 11:00)	16

**Finances: (11/10/19)**

Total Budget for the Year .....	\$1,931,779.07
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date .....	\$1,575,123.16
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,629,298.26
Construction Loan Balance .....	\$383,474.07

**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**

**November 17, 2019**

**Sermon Extended**

Monday	Matthew 7:15-20	How do I know what teachers and teaching I can trust?
Tuesday	Galatians 5:19-25	What fruit is my life bearing?
Wednesday	Matthew 7:21-23	Am I focused as much on knowing Christ as serving in his name?
Thursday	Philippians 3:7-14	What is the connection between knowing Christ and being known by him?
Friday	Psalms 139	Invite God to know my heart and show me what I might be blind to.

**Sermon Notes**

**As a Praying Church...**

We ask that You watch over the children of Urban Hope, its board and teachers. Bless their Thanksgiving meal and those who serve and provide. Allow it to be a special bonding experience for all.

**This Week at Wesley**

**Sunday, November 17**

- 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 Youth Choir, 4th Flr
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, FH/4th Flr

**Monday, November 18**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:30 AM Joy Circle Tree Decorating, OH Parlor
- 2:00 PM Courtney Gaines Circle, FH
- 5:30 PM Administrative Board Mtg, FH

**Tuesday, November 19**

- 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
- 5:30 PM Finance Comm. Mtg, OH 310

**Wednesday, November 20**

- 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
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir, EB 4th Flr

**Thursday, November 21**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:00 AM Messenger Brigade, OH 205
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Ruth's Chris
- 6:00 PM UMM Dinner Mtg, FH

**Friday, November 22**

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:00 AM Eli's Place Thanksgiving Program & Pie Party, SNC/FH

**Saturday, November 23**

- 7:45 AM Homeless Breakfast, (Meet at Wesley, Gordon St. Door)

**Pastor on Call This Week**

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

**Wednesday Night Supper:  
11/20/19**

Menu: Taco Night with Beef and Chicken, Toppings Bar  
Children: Cheese Quesadillas

*In Sympathy....*

The Gemelli Family  
on the death of Michael's mother,  
*Paula R. Gemelli*

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