



***Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018***

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July 12, 2020

### **LESSONS LEARNED**

Today brings us to our third week of gathering for in-person worship in the sanctuary and our fourth week of outdoor services at Wesley Gardens. I was thinking this week about what we have learned in the first couple of weeks. Our attendance has been around 150 people between all three services. While we began during what is typically a couple of vacation weeks around the fourth of July (and we expect those numbers to be a little higher over the next few weeks), our numbers tell us we can manage services with social distancing. We have learned that offering indoor, outdoor, and online services enable almost everyone to engage in a setting they feel comfortable. We have also learned the sanctuary services are going to be a different experience than what we have become accustomed to. I've often said I loved the "buzz" of the sanctuary before the beginning of each Service with all the worshipers gathering (excited to see each other and anticipating the service), the excited laughter of our children running down for the children's sermon, and the inspiration of our choir offering a soaring anthem. Small crowds, social distancing, wearing masks, having children go straight to children's worship (instead of the sanctuary), and not having congregational singing and our magnificent choir all combine to make it a much quieter, less energetic service. We do however still get to have our hearts soar when Monica is glorifying God with those incredible opening and closing voluntaries.

But while I easily can slip into the "I miss worship at Wesley like it used to be" mindset, I also think it is an opportunity for us to think about what really is the heart of worship. Have I found it easy to be a spectator who is inspired by incredible music and entertained by beautiful children? What does it mean now for me to participate in honoring God with my heart and mind focused on Him absent some of the trappings of worship that meant so much to me? Worship for a while will be a little quieter, more contemplative, as the Psalmist put it, a time to "be still and know that I am God," or like Elijah on the mountain to hide my face in awe when I hear the "still small voice" and not the rushing of a mighty wind or the rumbling of an earthquake. I may just be giving myself a pep talk here, but I do think these are days of opportunity. If you read the Bible rarely does God take people into the temple for their moments of encounter; He takes them to the wilderness. I'm praying that will be true for us. Speaking of the wilderness, if you attend the Wesley Gardens service, I would encourage you to come early or stay after for a prayerful walk around the grounds, to sit for a while on a bench looking over the marsh or river, or to walk the prayer labyrinth. You may find the silence as meaningful as the joyful noise of worship.

## MORNING & AFTERNOON WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2020

8:45 & 11:00 A.M. Sanctuary

5:30 P.M. Wesley Gardens Retreat

*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

### Welcome and Announcements

Ben Martin

*Welcome to worship. Thank you for joining us. Please 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.*

**Nursery & Children's Worship:** *If needed, the nursery for infants to 3 years old is located on the first floor, and Children's Worship for ages 3 to 3rd Grade is located on the second floor. At Wesley Gardens Retreat, the nursery is located in the Grey Cottage and Children's Worship is held in the Main House.*

**Please register your attendance:** *If you are a Wesley member or regular attendee, text @wm316 to phone number 81010 to join the Worship Service Attendance thread. If you have already joined, you will receive a text message each Sunday morning reminding you to text the total number of household members worshipping and the service you are attending or if viewing online. If this is your first time using Remind, you may be asked to complete your name, phone number, and select "parent." If you are visiting, please text your name and total number of attendees to Rev. Ben Martin, 912-547-1835.*

**Offering:** *To tithe, text wesleymumc to 77977 or place your offering in the offering/tithe box located at the main Sanctuary entrance or at Wesley Gardens Retreat, under the Pavilion. Online giving is also available on our website, wesleymonumental.org*

**Prayer Requests:** *Please email your prayer requests to Rev. Ben Martin, ben@wesleymonumental.org*

**Chiming of the Hour (11:00)**

Haley Hess

**Lighting of the Candles (11:00)**

The Acolytes

**Opening Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)**

Bre Hewitt, harpist

O Perfect Love

**Opening Hymn** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

Camille Russo, soprano

Stephanie Hess, mezzo-soprano

David Edwards, tenor

Ken Rimes, bass

*"Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord." Ephesians 5:19 (KJV)*

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;

and I hope, by Thy good pleasures, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;

He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

\* **Affirmation of Faith**                      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** (11:00)              GRETOREX              Camille Wilkes, chorister  
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.

**Baptismal Covenant** (11:00)  
Brooks Walton Kornegay  
son of Parker and Ansley Kornegay

*Congregational Response:*  
With love and thanksgiving we welcome Brooks as a member of  
God's family and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church.  
By God's grace we will do all in our power to increase his faith,  
confirm his hope, and perfect him in love that he may grow into a  
faithful disciple of Jesus Christ who walks in the way that leads to life.

**Pastoral 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.

**Anthem**                      Deep River                      arr. Victor Johnson  
Camille Russo, soprano              Stephanie Hess, mezzo-soprano  
David Edwards, tenor              Ken Rimes, bass

**Doxology** (11:00)              OLD HUNDREDTH              Andrew Wilkes, chorister  
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**    Philippians 3:12-16

**Sermon**                      "Philippians Series 9:  
Remembering to Forget"                      Ben Martin

**Closing Hymn**    I Stand Amazed in the Presence    MY SAVIOR'S LOVE  
Camille Russo, soprano              Stephanie Hess, mezzo-soprano  
David Edwards, tenor              Ken Rimes, bass

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene,  
and wonder how He could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean.  
How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me!

When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see,  
'twill be my joy through the ages to sing of His love for me.  
How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous! How wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me!

\* **Benediction** Ben Martin

**Closing Voluntary** (8:45 & 11:00) arr. Diane Bish  
O God, Our Help in Ages Past

\* *Please stand as you are able.*  
*Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you.*  
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### **Altar Flowers**

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John W. Crisp by his wife, Judy, and their family.

### **Usher Roses**

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

If you would like to give Sunday altar flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Brookins in the church office, 912-232-0191 or [jennifer@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:jennifer@wesleymonumental.org). The cost is \$85, and the Altar Guild will purchase and arrange the flowers for you. The following dates in August and September are available: August 2 and September 6 and 27.

### **Help Needed at Wesley Gardens**

Each Sunday evening at 4:30 p.m., we need a few volunteers to help with moving the sound system, setting up several small tents, etc. before the 5:30 service begins. If you can help, please email [ben@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:ben@wesleymonumental.org).

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

**Partners in Prayer:** Ellie Tardif

**Greeters:** TBD

**Ushers:** TBD

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

### **11:00 Service**

**Partners in Prayer:** Harriet Bland **Acolyte:** Anna Livingood

**Greeters:** TBD

**Ushers:** Brian West, Fred Bozeman, Chandler Brannen, Doug Carroll,  
Walton Carroll, Jake Coakley

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

### **5:30 Service**

**Service Set Up:** TBD

**Partners in Prayer:** Sandra McGowen

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

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

### **Groceries Needed**

Please drop off cereal, pasta, rice, oatmeal, canned milk, canned fruits, canned vegetables for Wesley Community Center in the Oliver Hall box or in the Wesley Gardens porte cochere. Kroger gift cards needed for refugee families. The only clothing needed is size 3T and 5T girls and size 6 boys. Please no furniture now.

### **New Member Course**

Sundays, July 19 and 26, 10:00 a.m. Class will join as a group on July 26. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

### **Meal for Missionaries**

Can't travel but love to cook? Please sign up with Nelle to help cook supper for Monday, July 20 for 15 World Team missionaries in town for training in presenting the gospel. We'll meet at 4:45 p.m. and will complete clean-up by 6:00 p.m.

### **Please Bring a School Uniform for a Refugee Child**

Choose a specific child for whom you want to purchase a school uniform (white shirt and khaki pants, skirt, shorts, jumper, or dress) and bring the uniform labelled with the child's name to Oliver Hall by July 25. Please sign up for the child you want with Nelle, [tbordeaux@prodigy.net](mailto:tbordeaux@prodigy.net) or 912-234-9245. What a wonderful way to bless a child in need!

**James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries**

*Youth (6th-12th Grade)*

**Youth Bible Study via Zoom**

All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us for a Wednesday night Bible study via Zoom (video conferencing platform), each Wednesday night at 8:00 p.m. Please contact James P. Owens for more info and for the Zoom link.

**Local Missions Week**

The week of July 20-24, the youth group will hold a Local Missions Week. Each day, we will serve in our community right here in Savannah! Our projects will include painting, light construction, organizing donations, and assisting local ministries in their work.



**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

Attendance: (7/5/20)	
8:45 AM Worship	37
11:00 AM Worship	56
5:30 PM Worship at WG	36
Online Worship Views	133
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>262</b>
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	2
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	5

**Finances: (7/5/20)**

Total Budget for the Year.....	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date .....	\$910,424,64
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date .....	\$961,176.55

**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
Dr. 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**

**July 12, 2020**

**Sermon Extended**

Monday	Philippians 3:12-14, Exodus 16:1-3	Is there anything in my past that keeps me from focusing on Christ in the present?
Tuesday	Philippians 3:12-14, John 14:1-7	What promises of God keep me pushing towards the future?
Wednesday	Philippians 3:15-16, Hebrews 6:13-20	What do I hold onto when I don't feel like I can make it another day?
Thursday	Matthew 11:28-30	Am I "yoked" to a religion or rules or a graceful relationship with Christ?
Friday	2 Timothy 4:6-8	What do I need to do to "finish well"?

**Sermon Notes**

**As a Praying Church...**

Lord, we ask for Your guidance for all of those who work in the field of education. Help them make wise decisions as they prepare to return to their schools and their classrooms. Please give peace to these servants as well as to the students and parents.

**This Week at Wesley**

**Sunday, July 12**

- 8:45 AM   Worship Service, SNC
- 10:00 AM   Sunday School Classes, Zoom
- 11:00 AM   Worship Service SNC/Online
- 5:30 PM    Worship Service, WG

**Monday, July 13**

- 9:00 AM   Eli's Place Summer Camp

**Tuesday, July 14**

- 7:00 AM   Men's Bible Study, Zoom
- 9:00 AM   Eli's Place Summer Camp
- 9:00 AM   Young Mothers' Bible Study, Zoom
- 11:00 AM   Staff Mtg, OH 310

**Wednesday, July 15**

- 9:00 AM   Eli's Place Summer Camp
- 11:00 AM   Bible Study w/Ben, Zoom
- 7:00 PM   Small Group Choir Rehearsal, SNC
- 8:00 PM   Youth Bible Study, Zoom

**Thursday, July 16**

- 9:00 AM   Eli's Place Summer Camp
- 12:00 PM   Downtown Bible Study, Zoom

**Friday, July 17**

**No Scheduled Activities**

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

**Pastor on Call This Week**

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

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

Theresa Fields Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Carla Thomas, Michael Grabowski, Edwin Chase, Robert Green (father of Elizabeth Delaney), Robert Wylie (father of Meaghan Wylie), Nancy Barnwell, Peggy Murphy, Joyce English (aunt of Officer Ricky Wiggins), Joel Williams, Cecil Abarr, Ellen Atkins, Barbie Lientz, Stephen Oden (nephew of Cameron Schmitz), The Dekle Family (Andrew, Monica, and Remy), Ann Lytle, Rosemary Beasley, Sara Pitts, Claire Hayes, Vera Mobley (mother of Christina Varnedoe), Bryan Bost, Roz Evans, Sherree Luke (cousin of Dan Kurtz), Mark Case, Karen Nickles, Dean Muenckler (son of Jim and Libby Muenckler), Katie Bennett (cousin of Meb Ryan), Ryan Davis, Wesley Hudson (nephew of Leigh Connor), Betty Collins (mother of Becky Ike), Andrew Brown (great nephew of Gaye Reese), Debby Warner, Norma Day (mother of Dorie Gaskin), Louise Page, Hendrick Smock (grandson of Judy Smock), Bob Franz, David Burke, Abby (granddaughter of Toni Olds), Joe Clark (father of Maureen Culbreath), Adam Corey, Jan Nyborg, Bourke Cannon, Diane Wells, Rev. Matt Hearn, Patsy Robinson, Rita Gietzen (sister of Joyce Cole), Kathy Delaigle, Betty Roberts (aunt of Anna Ivey), Earl Goodwin (brother of Beth Adrich), Alison White (niece of Linda Sapp), George Vail, Rev. John Martin, Sr., Spencer Davis, Caroline Moore, Martha and Erv Sloan, Fenton McEvoy (son of Kate and Brian and grandson of Ron and Judy Freeman), Jim Gietzen, Randy Warner, Janice Dukeman (daughter of Erv Sloan), Chuck Brown (brother of Gail Rountree), Grace Crosby Utomo (friend of Jean Remley), Patty James, Sammy Reesman, Vivian Wilson, Richard Bartels, Mandy Hawkins and Family, Cheryl Richardson and Family, Debra Chapman (daughter-in-law of Ruth and Elton Stuenckel)

**At Home/Extended Care**

Harriet Bland, Ann Lott, Bill Taylor, Ann Ernst, Bella Grace Bartels, Grace Bockes, Georgia Dickerson, Michael Mamalakis, Lois Wooten

**Military Serving Abroad/Stateside**

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

*In Sympathy....*

The McKibben Family  
on the death of  
*Valinda McKibben*