



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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TRADITION AND TECHNOLOGY

Some of you might remember, a number of years ago, when Jim Emery took our leadership through a workshop on understanding our identity or "brand" as a church. When it was all over, we boiled it down to a statement with a few descriptive words: "Wesley Monumental is Savannah's historic, friendly, traditional, multi-generational downtown church." Historic and traditional are words that might imply change come slowly around here, that we value things that have stood the test of time in terms of meaningfulness to us. A couple of "brand differentiators" were that this "historic, traditional" church was "friendly" (as opposed to cold and irresponsive), and "loved by young families" (as opposed to just loved by older people who connect to historic and traditional space, music, and worship style). There are other very effective churches whose brands might be described with different words like modern, flexible, contemporary, casual, or relevant.

One thing this pandemic shutdown has challenged this historic, traditional church with is adapting quickly to the use of more "modern" technology. We thrived on being an "in-person" church where worshiping in a sacred, historic, space, in a beautiful downtown area, with a friendly welcoming atmosphere were our drawing cards. Online video-based worship and Bible studies, and electronic giving for instance, were not things we focused on, but in a few short weeks, we began to adapt to this strange new world. Obviously we are learning on the fly and there are occasional hiccups in the process (like our online service last week). You know the old saying "technology is great until it doesn't work." In our historic, traditional, downtown church we aren't claiming to be prepared for a slick, polished online presentation, but we are striving to learn new things for a new world without losing the identity that makes us who we are. So that being said, please be patient with us when things break unexpectedly.

We hope our offering for in-person worship in the sanctuary, outdoor worship at the retreat center, and online worship can serve the needs of all of our worshiping community. But I can tell you that "friendly" and "socially distant, mask requested worship, or online worship" are sure hard to put together. It will be important for us to maintain our connection and identity over these many months of worshiping differently while waiting to be back together in this historic, traditional, friendly, downtown church.

Ben

MORNING & AFTERNOON WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020

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

5:30 P.M. Wesley Gardens Retreat

Seventh 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)

Sallie Beckwith

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Opening Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)

Felix Mendelssohn

Andante religioso from Sonata No. 4

Annie Lillian Bordeaux, organist

Opening Hymn

We Gather Together

KREMSE

(8:45 & 11:00) Ella Hayes, soprano Lydia Gross, soprano

(5:30) Claire Frazier, mezzo-soprano

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

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens His will to make known.
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
Thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

- * **Affirmation of Faith** 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 (11:00) GREATOR EX Addison Conger, 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 (8:45)

Aubrey June Marinich
daughter of Laney and Jared Marinich

Haley Jane Robinson
daughter of Emily and Andrew Robinson

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Aubrey and Haley as members of God's family and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church. By God's grace we will do all in our power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love that they may grow into faithful disciples of Jesus Christ who walk in the way that leads to life.

Baptismal Covenant (11:00)

Saige Elizabeth Bentley Walker Pierce Bentley
children of Kelsey and Jesse Bentley

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Saige and Walker as members of God's family and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church. By God's grace we will do all in our power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love that they may grow into faithful disciples of Jesus Christ who walk in the way that leads to life.

Doxology (11:00) OLD HUNDREDTH Addison Conger, 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.

Pastoral 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.

Anthem (8:45 & 11:00) Luther B. Bridgers

Laudamus Te - Antonio Vivaldi

Ella Hayes, soprano Lydia Gross, soprano

Laudamus te. We praise you. Benedicimus te. We bless you.
Adoramus te. We adore you. Glorificamus te. We glorify you.

Anthem (5:30) Come Sunday
Claire Frazier, mezzo-soprano

* **Scripture** Philippians 3:17-4:3

Sermon "Philippians Series 10: When in Rome..." Ben Martin

Closing Hymn Blessed Assurance ASSURANCE
(8:45 & 11:00) Ella Hayes, soprano Lydia Gross, soprano
(5:30) Claire Frazier, mezzo-soprano

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, wash in His blood.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

* **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00) Felix Mendelssohn
Allegro con moto from Sonata No. 4
Annie Lillian Bordeaux, organist

* *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 honor of Patsy and Randal Robinson's 52nd anniversary (July 13) and daughter, Katy's birthday (July 15).

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.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: TBD

Ushers: TBD

Partners in Prayer: Britt Griffin

11:00 Service

Acolyte: TBD

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: TBD

Ushers: Mickey Rountree, Bob Cole, Bobby Lee, Peter Delters
Chris Donegan, Bobo Mullens

Partners in Prayer: Gail Brannen

5:30 Service

Before Service Setup: Newman Smith

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Partners in Prayer: Adam Kobek

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Meal with Missionaries

World Team missionaries in training and on furlough will have supper provided tomorrow, Monday, July 20. If you want to help serve, please tell Nelle in advance, 912-234-9245. Please meet on East Wayne Street at 4:30 p.m. to drive to Garrison Elementary; we'll finish clean-up by 6:00 p.m.

New Member Course

Today, Sunday, July 19 and next Sunday, July 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.

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 or 912-234-9245. What a wonderful way to bless a child in need!

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.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

Merry Makers Soon To Be "Making Merry" Once Again!

Join us under the tent (at the pavilion) at Wesley Gardens on Monday, August 10 at 9:00 a.m. for breakfast and a real treat! Our own Claire Frazier is going to be using her beautiful voice to share with us some of the hymns we have missed so much over the past few months. Please wear your mask. We will keep masks on except to eat. The meal - prepared by Susanna - will be brought to us in carry-out containers. If you would rather not eat under the tent, please feel free to take your meal home with you. If you wish to have a meal, the cost is \$7. Reservations are required so that we can set up enough tables to appropriately space everyone. To make reservations, please call the church office and tell Daphne or email Jennifer Thompson at jennifert@wesleymonumental.org by Friday, August 7 at noon. When you make your reservation, please let us know if you plan to eat or not.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Youth (6th-12th Grade)

Youth Bible Study via Zoom

All 6th-12th 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

This week, 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: (7/12/20)

8:45 AM Worship	49
11:00 AM Worship	91
5:30 PM Worship at WG	40
Online Worship Views	115
Total Worship	295
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	1
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	12

Finances: (7/12/20)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$929,751.20
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$992,093.34

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	



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

July 19, 2020

Sermon Extended

Monday	Philippians 3:17, I Corinthians 4:16	Am I living the faith in such a way that I would be comfortable with people "imitating" me?
Tuesday	Philippians 3:18-19, Matthew 16:24-26	Is my life a reflection of an "ally" or "enemy" of the cross?
Wednesday	Philippians 3:20-21,	What does it mean for me to be a "citizen of heaven" living in America?
Thursday	Philippians 4:1-3	What divides us in the church? Should it?
Friday	Galatians 5:1-6, 13-16	Do I live my faith more "when in Jerusalem" or "when in Rome"?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask you, Lord, to be with our youth as they do mission work around Savannah this week. Protect them, and at the same time, let them be a light and encouragement to others. Please give them great joy as they serve You in this way.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, July 19

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

Monday, July 20

Youth Local Mission Week Thru 7/23

Summer Fun Daze, WG Thru 7/24

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place Summer Camp

Tuesday, July 21

- 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 22

- 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 23

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

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

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

In Our Prayers.....

Craig Butler (father of Michael Butler), Esther Addis (grandmother of Leslie Shor), Theresa Fields, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Carla Thomas, Edwin Chase, Robert Wylie (father of Meaghan Wylie), Nancy Barnwell, Peggy Murphy, Joyce English (aunt of Officer Ricky Wiggins), Ellen Atkins, Barbie Lientz, Stephen Oden (nephew of Cameron Schmitz), Rosemary Beasley, 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), 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 & Family, Cheryl Richardson & 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 Harman Family
on the death of Bob's mother,
Joanne Harman

The McKibben Family
on the death of
Valinda McKibben

The Hasselle Family
on the death of Michael's father,
Henry Hasselle
Grandfather of Lucy Mac, Walker,
and Holden Hasselle