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August 16, 2020

BACK TO SCHOOL (SORT OF)

This week most of our children will return to school in some form (in-person, online, or some of both). Normally (though I'm starting to forget what normal was like) this is a big time of transition in our church from summer programming to school-year programming. Families are back in place after busy summers and our attendance begins to go back up. There is lots of excitement about new Sunday school classes and Bible studies, and Wesley Gardens summer evening services begin wrapping up. However, obviously these are not normal times. But, in spite of all that is going on, school is starting back, the summer is winding down, and people are moving back into school-year schedules, and today is Promotion Sunday as we relaunch our children's Sunday school program. We hope this will be a time for some of you to try in-person worship again. We are working hard to keep our services as risk-free as possible, and we are going to keep the 5:30 p.m. outdoor service at Wesley Gardens going for the next few months. We are also busy planning for our Wednesday night programming which will begin on September 16. We do plan on having children's choir, adult Bible studies, and a Wednesday night meal (though all of these will take a little different form to provide for social distancing and low-risk gathering). We hope you will make plans to participate at whatever level you are comfortable.

Just a reminder that we have not been taking an offering in any of our in-person services. While our giving has held up pretty well during the shut-down, and we are grateful for your generosity, I do want to remind you of several ways you can give: our online giving option at wesleymonumental.org, there are several offering containers by the doors in the sanctuary, or you can always mail in or drop off your offering at the office. As we move toward the fall and start thinking about the planning process for 2021, having a good idea about how our giving will look going into next year is really important in planning a responsible budget for our church. We hope you will remember the ministry of our church in your giving as you are able.

Ben

MORNING & AFTERNOON WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2020

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

5:30 P.M. Wesley Gardens Retreat

Eleventh 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*

Opening Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)

Joe Utterback

This Little Light of Mine

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Will Haire

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Opening Anthem (5:30)

arr. Sheldon Curry

Down to the River to Pray

Wesley Chamber Singers

Opening Hymn

How Great Thou Art

Stuart Hine

Ken Rimes, bass (8:45)

James Butler, chorister Christopher Butler, chorister (11:00)

Wesley Chamber Singers (5:30)

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

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee; how great Thou art!

- * **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed
 James P. Owens (8:45 & 11:00)
 Jennifer Thompson (5:30)

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) GREATOREX
 Charlotte Williams, chorister
 Annie Lillian Bordeaux, organist

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.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

James P. Owens (8:45 & 11:00)
 Jennifer Thompson (5:30)

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) Ave Maria Franz Schubert
 Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano

Rejoice Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
 Blessed are you among women,
 and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners,
 now and at the hour of our death.
 Amen.

- Anthems** (5:30) Ain'a that Good News William Dawson
 My Eternal King Jane Marshall
 Wesley Chamber Singers

- * **Scripture** Jonah 1:17-2:10

- Sermon** "Jonah Series 2: Rock Bottom" Ben Martin

Closing Hymn	How Great Thou Art	Stuart Hine
Ken Rimes, bass (8:45)		
James Butler, chorister	Christopher Butler, chorister (11:00)	
Wesley Chamber Singers (5:30)		

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Benediction

Ben Martin

Closing Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)

Carillon-Sortie

Henri Mulet

Closing Anthem (5:30)

It Is Well With My Soul

Wesley Chamber Singers

* 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 Dwaine L. Willett by his wife Cynthia Willett.

Messenger Brigade

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, August 20 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall.

Administrative Board Meeting

The next Administrative Board Meeting will take place Monday, August 24 at 5:30 via Zoom. The Zoom link will be emailed to the Administrative Board members the morning of the 24th.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Partners in Prayer: Britt Griffin

11:00 Service

Acolyte: TBD

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Ushers: Jason Pedigo, Forrest Lott, Bates Lovett, Pratt Mathews, Bill Mattocks, Jake Maxwell

Partners in Prayer: Harriet Bland

5:30 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members**New Member Course**

Sundays, August 16 and 23, at 10:00 a.m. Class will join August 23. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Urban Hope School Supplies

Please bring school supplies for Urban Hope children to boxes at doors. Even with online school, children will need supplies--more than ever, as many parents and grandparents are now unemployed. Needed are crayons, wide-rule and college-rule notebook paper, and first-and second-grade lined writing tablets.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life**A Note from Claire Frazier...**

Merry Makers,

My heart is so emotionally full right now; how can I say thank you for the many blessings bestowed upon me Monday at Wesley Gardens. Songs of praise are given out to a much deserved persons as all of you are. I'm more than grateful that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ have brought us together. God bless and keep all of you!!!!

Sincerely, Claire Frazier

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry**Where are the Children?**

You may be wondering "why" in the time of COVID-19 our service does not include a children's sermon and the children are not in worship. One of the ways COVID-19 is spread is when people are close together in common spaces. Remember how it looked in our sanctuary, before COVID-19, when 50-60 children would come forward and sit by the altar rail for the children's sermon and then squeeze through the narrow doors at the front of the sanctuary when they were leaving. We identified it as a "Danger Zone" and developed a plan to eliminate that risk to the children.

Now our procedure is for the children to be brought to the Wayne Street door when they arrive. We will check their temperatures, ask a few screening questions, and then take them to their classroom. On the way to the classroom, we'll stop at the bathroom and wash our hands. Keeping our children and leaders healthy is very important to us.

If you have any questions regarding Children's Worship or Sunday School, please email charli@wesleymonumental.org

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Youth (6th-12th Grade)

Youth Sunday School In-person or via Zoom

You can join us for youth Sunday school in person or via Zoom. Today we resume meeting in our usual spot, 4th floor youth room, but you can also join via Zoom.

Youth Group at Wesley Gardens

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us for Youth Group at Wesley Gardens, Sunday afternoons from 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (8/9/20)

8:45 AM Worship	51
11:00 AM Worship	75
5:30 PM Worship at WG	28
Online Worship Views	135
Total Worship	289
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	3
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	12
9:45 AM Sunday School	14

Finances: (8/9/20)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,062,144.96
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,156,570.77

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

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church

August 16, 2020

Sermon Extended

Monday	Jonah 1:17, Galatians 5:13-21	Have I ever felt "consumed" by anything?
Tuesday	Jonah 1:17, Genesis 22:1-14	How has God provided for me in my times of need?
Wednesday	Jonah 2:1-9, Luke 15:11-19	What is the lowest place I've ever been? How did it affect my faith?
Thursday	Jonah 2:1-9, Psalm 51:1-17	How do I pray when I'm desperate? Can you negotiate with God?
Friday	Jonah 2:1-9, Psalm 40:1-8	Has God ever rescued me? How did it change my life?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We pray for all students returning to school, whether online or in person, and for their teachers. Please encourage families balancing online school with work. Watch over school bus drivers, custodians, administrators, and all for whom the new school year will be very different. Protect all from the virus.

Also we pray for the Cumming Street home renovations that all volunteer workers will be safe at the construction site. Especially please bless the Family Promise children and parents for whom these houses will be their first real home.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, August 16

Promotion Sunday

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
9:45 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM New Member Class, OH Parlor
11:00 AM Worship Service SNC/Online
5:30 PM Worship Service, WG

Monday, August 17

No Scheduled Activities

Tuesday, August 18

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Zoom
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study,
Zoom
11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 310
2:00 PM Care & Share, FH

Wednesday, August 19

10:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, Zoom
7:00 PM Small Group Choir Rehearsal,
SNC
8:00 PM Youth Bible Study, Zoom

Thursday, August 20

10:00 AM Messenger Brigade, OH
12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Zoom
5:30 PM Wedding Rehearsal

Friday, August 21

5:00 PM Wedding

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 Sympathy....

The Family of
Battey Coffield

In Our Prayers.....

Derek Fleiner, Peggy Murphy, Craig Hanson, Theresa Fields, Grace Bockes, Esther Addis (grandmother of Leslie Shor), Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Carla Thomas, Robert Wylie (father of Meaghan Wylie), Nancy Barnwell, 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, Sherree Luke (cousin of Dan Kurtz), Mark Case, Karen Nickles, 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, 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

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

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



Sunday School Classes

The Nursery, Children's, Preteen, and Youth Ministries are held in the Education Building, located behind the Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall. Many Adult Ministries are held in Oliver Hall, located across Wayne Street.

(Photos shown are from 2019 through February 2020)

Children (9:45 - 10:45 AM)

◆ Under 3

We are never too young to know God's love for us! We begin teaching our youngest children when they are babies in arms. The babies are held on the laps of the nursery staff and join the toddlers for the lesson. They sing songs, hear stories, and look for Jesus in the pages of their little Bibles. It is a fun time for everyone.



◆ 3 Year Olds & Pre-K

In our Early Childhood Sunday School classes, we use a method of storytelling that engages a child's sense of sight, hearing, and touch as a way to encounter God, so God is experienced, not just learned about. Our time is patterned in a way that allows the children to come to recognize sacred time and space and be comfortable using this time to worship and praise God.

◆ Kindergarten - 3rd Grade

This year we will continue our study of the lives of God's people in the Old Testament who lived close to God and are great examples of faith. We will use a multi-sensory approach to engage the children and allow them to see, feel, hear, and retell the stories of David, Solomon, Elijah, Daniel, and many others. Our goal is to extend and deepen the children's understanding of the relationship between God and his people in Old Testament times.



Preteens & Youth (9:45 - 10:45 AM)

4th & 5th Grade (Room 305)

Spark: Activate Faith is a traditional style curriculum with time to read the Bible and reinforce its teachings through crafts, games, and activities.

6th-12th Grade (Room 405 or Zoom)

Our 6th-12th graders meet in Room 405 or via Zoom for fellowship and age-appropriate Bible studies.



Adults (9:45 - 10:45 A.M.)

Questions? Please contact Jennifer Thompson,
jennifert@wesleymonumental.org

Alpha (Zoom and exploring hybrid* option)

Class members serve in many leadership roles in the church and are faithful supporters of the missions and ministries of the church. They use the Adult Bible studies series, a Bible-based, Christ-focused, UM approved curriculum. Occasionally, they use topical or video-based studies. Class members enjoy fellowship events and are faithful in their support of each other in time of illness or crisis. Contact Evonne Mobley at evonne.mobley@gmail.com for Zoom invite.

Compass (Oliver Hall Room 408 - Meeting this Sunday!)

This class welcomes couples and individuals. Many members have children, from toddlers to tweens. Classes are discussion-oriented around topical studies used to strengthen faith. Members support each other and enjoy time together in social gatherings.

Connect (Zoom and exploring hybrid* option)

Our newest adult Sunday School class, Connect, is made of people of all ages and all stations of life who enjoy being together and learning God's Word! The members of Connect are welcoming and would love to include more people. If you have never been in Sunday School or just haven't found one at Wesley, give Connect a try! Email Rev. Jennifer Thompson at jennifert@wesleymonumental.org for a Zoom invite.

Epworth (Zoom and exploring hybrid* option)

Epworth is an eclectic class: some married, some single, some grandparents, some parents, and some without children. They enjoy quarterly Social Sundays and other gatherings during the year. Their studies include Scriptural and topical lessons. They are currently studying the book of James. A special service focus is fundraising for Urban Hope, an after-school ministry to children and youth. Contact Ken Spriggs at kspriggs@spriggsgroup.com for a Zoom invite.

Harbor Class (Meeting this Sunday!)

This class is for parents of young children, although all are welcome! This class enjoys discussing and practically applying Scripture. Because all are busy people, lessons are chosen that require no advanced reading. The class enjoys participating in service projects and social gatherings with childcare included.

Ivy (Zoom every other week)

A lively group of "empty nesters," parents of college-age children, new grandparents, couples, and singles. They hold social events frequently. They generally use the Adult Bible Studies series, but they also engage in occasional topical studies. For a Zoom invite to Ivy Class, contact Marion Thomas at MarionThomas@BrasselerUSA.com.

Journey (Zoom)

The members of this class seek to broaden their knowledge and understanding of the Holy Word. The class is for those who like to explore diverse opinions, accept the conflict of ideas, and want to nurture their spirituality and understanding of the Bible. Contact Kathy Horne, KHorne@bouhan.com for the Zoom invite.

Pastor's Class (Hybrid*)

Taught by the senior pastor, this is our most diverse class, with singles and young parents to retirees. They examine Christian themes for daily living. Their location in the Fellowship Hall makes it a great class to drop in on! Contact Rev. Ben Martin at ben@wesleymonumental.org for a Zoom invite to the Pastor's Class.

***Hybrid = Some people meeting on Zoom and some in person at the church at the same time**