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Infant Recognition Sunday

Each year on Mother's Day, we look forward to recognizing the babies who have joined or been born into our congregation at Wesley Monumental. We know all too well how different this year has been, but our love for our babies and young families has not changed. While it might not be Mother's Day, we are blessed to recognize 29 babies and their families in worship today. At their baptism, we promise to love and nurture these babies so that they may grow into faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. What a wonderful opportunity and responsibility God has given us.

Walker Pierce Bentley
Mary Alan Sydney Cowart
Emerson Ray Craddock
Remington James Dekle
Harriet McArthur Freeman
Aiden Mitchell Gallegos
Pierce Thrasher Hamilton
Esen Silas Harper
Millie Lee Haubein
Ella Mae Hitt
Emma Louise Hitt
Emily Caroline Hoey
Pearson Joy Hunt
Nora Louise Ingalsbe
Brooks Walton Kornegay
Charles Westfield Kuykendall
Henry Mills Lane
Aubrey June Marinich
Hudson Pratt Mathews
Tatum Ellen McGinley
Alice Mackenzie O'Connor
Matthaus Victor Prather
Anne Katherine Rabe
Haley Jane Robinson
Lorelei Josephine Shoop
Jonathan Lloyd Smith, Jr.
Penny Stuckey
Ellen Ruth Timmons
Wyatt Chisolm Townsend

Ben

MORNING & AFTERNOON WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

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

5:30 P.M. Wesley Gardens Retreat

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00) Johann Sebastian Bach
Prelude in G Major, BWV 541

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) Cole Valdez

Lighting of the Candles (11:00) The Acolytes

Opening Hymn Christopher Tye

O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord

Katherine Grimmett, soprano Kim Grimmett, alto
Harry Leaf, tenor Ash Grimmett, 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)

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise His holy name.
From early morn to setting sun, His might on earth proclaim.
His laws are just, and glad the heart; He makes His mercies known;
Ye princes come, ye people too, And bow before His throne.

- Psalm 112:1,3

* **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;

Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Harper and in honor of Dot Harper by Penny Harper.

Just Born

Congratulations to Donessa and Clayton Gattis on the birth of a son, Thomas Monroe Gattis, on September 8, 2020. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Monroe.

Altar Flowers

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. The cost is \$85, and the Altar Guild will purchase and arrange the flowers for you. The following dates are available: September 27, October 4 & 25, November 8, 15, & 29.

Christmas Greenery 2020

The Altar Guild of Wesley Monumental is excited to offer fresh balsam greenery from Vermont for the Christmas season. Your pre-paid order will be shipped the Monday after Thanksgiving, and orders will be available for pickup in the Oliver Hall courtyard on Friday, December 4 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Saturday, December 5 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and the next week during the Church's normal business hours. The funds from this project are used to offset the cost of decorating the church during the Advent season. Payment is due with your order, and all orders are due by Sunday, October 11. Please make your check payable to Wesley Monumental UMC and mark it for greenery order. Drop off your form and check at the church office or mail to WMUMC, 429 Abercorn Street, Savannah, GA 31401.

Are You Receiving the Wesley Weekly Email?

If you are not receiving our weekly email on Wednesday evenings, please email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org or call the church office, 912-232-0191. The Wesley Weekly is a great way to learn about upcoming events, preview Sunday's bulletin, and see photos from previous events!

Worshiping from Home and Would Like to View the Bulletin?

Our Sunday bulletin can be viewed online at wesleymonumental.org, under "News & Events" then "Bulletins & Messenger," but if you would like to receive a printed copy in the mail, please email daphne@wesleymonumental.org. Bulletins are typically mailed on Thursday mornings and should arrive before Sunday.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: Lori Miller

Ushers: Jeff Miller

Partners in Prayer: Britt Griffin

11:00 Service

Acolyte: Christopher Butler

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: TBD

Ushers: Brian West, Matt West, Mark Wilcox, Drew Wilkes, Glen Willard, Allen Williams

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

Y'All Haul Needs Strong Backs, Small End Tables, and a Floor Lamp

Right now we only need specific furniture items, a floor lamp and two small end tables. We need strong helpers to lift a sleeper sofa for a refugee mother who fled from Kabul, Afghanistan, with her children. Please tell Nelle, 912-234-9245, or Mission Committee chairman, Scott Cleaveland, 912-598-8278, if you can help haul furniture tomorrow, Monday, September 21, meeting on East Wayne Street at 2:30 p.m. to set up a young formerly homeless woman in her first apartment.

New Member Course at 10:00 a.m. September 20 and 27

Today, Sunday, September 20, and next, with the class joining as a group September 27. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Get Your Mow Jo On

Trim the lawn and bushes at The Living Vine Christian Maternity Home, 8:00 a.m., this Wednesday, September 23. Please sign up, Nelle, 912-234-9245. Don Riddle leads this effort.

What's for Supper? Cereal!

Please bring groceries for Wesley Community Center children. Most needed are cereal, pasta, rice, grits, oatmeal, and canned fruits, canned vegetables, and canned meats. Boxes by all doors.

If You Build It, They Will Come

Construct a nursery classroom for Wesley Community Center and houses for Family Promise homeless families. Please sign up, Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net or Mission Committee chairman, Scott Cleaveland, 912-598-8278.

Read the Entire Bible Starting in January

Have you always wanted to read the entire Bible? Do you want to read the Bible chronologically to see how the stories fit together? Sign up with Nelle to read the whole Bible during 2021. Children, youth, and adults all are welcome.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

October Merry Makers—*Willkommen zum Oktoberfest!*

Monday, October 12 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at Wesley Gardens, Lunch \$7. We are honored to have Margarete Froelicher-Grundmann, retired Professor of German at Armstrong Atlantic State University, as our Merry Makers speaker. Margarete is a native of Germany, but has lived in the south for 41 years. She will be sharing with us about Germans and their contributions to Georgia's coastal area. We will then enjoy grilled bratwursts and German side dishes complements of Suzanna and Jimmy.

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)

Confirmation

All 6th graders are invited to join us for Confirmation! The Confirmation class will meet once a month beginning in September and continue through next Spring. Classes cover the basics of the Christian faith and our Methodist heritage, leading up to students making a profession of faith in front of the church. Each month, we're offering a Sunday and a Wednesday option to attend Confirmation class. In September, those are 9/20 and 9/23. See James P. Owens for more information.

Youth Sunday School In-person or via Zoom

Join us each Sunday morning for youth Sunday school in person or via Zoom. Email james@wesleymonumental.org for the Zoom details.

Youth Group at Wesley Gardens

All 6th-12th graders are invited to join us for Youth Group at Wesley Gardens, Sunday afternoons from 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (9/13/20)	
8:45 AM Worship	58
11:00 AM Worship	100
5:30 PM Worship at WG	25
Online Worship Views	110
Total Worship	288
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	X
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	XX
9:45 AM Sunday School	XX

Finances: (9/13/20)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,250,347.24
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,294,536.52

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

September 20, 2020

Sermon Extended

Monday	Acts 8:1-3, Matthew 5:11-12	Why are people persecuted for what they believe? Have I persecuted or been persecuted?
Tuesday	Acts 8:4-8, John 4:1-42	Who do we think of as "Samaritans"? Why?
Wednesday	Acts 8:9-24, Matthew 7:16-23	Can we know a person's heart by their actions?
Thursday	Acts 8:26-40, Romans 10:13-17	Who do I need to be helping come to faith or grow in faith?
Friday	Acts 1:8, Matthew 28:16-20	Where do we (our church) need to be going with the good news?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

Please pray for the Construction Ministry, led by Nick Hitt, and the two interior nursery classrooms at Wesley Community Center, and Family Promise homeless ministry houses now being renovated on Cumming Street. Dear Lord, bless the builders and the children they serve.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, September 20

Infant Recognition Sunday

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM New Member Class, OH 205
- 10:00 AM Confirmation Class, EB 4th Flr
- 11:00 AM Worship Service SNC/Online
- 3:30 PM Youth Group, WG
- 5:00 PM Youth Choir, WG Chapel
- 5:30 PM Worship Service, WG

Monday, September 21

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Tuesday, September 22

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

Wednesday, September 23

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:30 AM Jane Shirah Circle Mtg, WG Main House
- 4:45 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 5:00 PM 4th/5th Grade Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 5:15 PM WNS To-Go Meals, Pick up at Wayne Street Door
- 5:30 PM WNS Take-Out Meals, Pick up at Wayne Street Door or window in Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Confirmation Class, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir
- 6:00 PM Youth Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 PM "Spiritual Formation" Study, Led by Ben Martin
- 6:00 PM "The Book of Isaiah" Study, Led by Jennifer Thompson
- 7:15 PM Wesley Chamber Singers Rehearsal, SNC

Thursday, September 24

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

Friday, September 25

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin 912-547-1835

**Wednesday Night Supper:
9/23/20**

Menu: Pork Teriyaki,
Ramen Noodles, Stir Fry Veggies
Children: Spaghetti / Meatballs

In Our Prayers.....

Kim Rahn, Melissa Emery, Carol Ebel, Emily Davis, Bob Harman, Beth Aldrich, Liane Willard, 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 and Jane Wylie (parents 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 Stuenkel)

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

In Sympathy...

Heather Riley,
daughter of Linda Ferguson

Ellen Lynn Olson,
mother of Hillary Edwards

Lois Whitfield Palmer,
mother of Henry Whitfield