



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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TIME, TALENT, GIFTS, SERVICE, AND WITNESS

When we joined Wesley, all of us made a commitment to “faithfully participate in the church with our time, talent, gifts, service, and witness.” October is normally the month we focus on stewardship and are reminded of the commitment we make as a part of the church. This year we are moving our annual “stewardship campaign” to November. We are, however, in the process of creating our 2021 Leadership Team, so some of you may be getting calls this week about serving on a committee next year. Even if you aren’t on a committee, countless volunteers are needed to carry out the ministries of our church that the committees plan. During this year of COVID, everyone has been challenged in deciding what level of in-person involvement with which we are comfortable. As the bulletin cover two weeks ago reflected, we feel we have done everything possible to create a safe environment to worship and serve together. Our ministry goes on and we still need those who are able to volunteer to serve.

We also very much understand the challenges in our ability to give when finances for so many have been impacted. We are grateful for the sacrificial generosity you have shown. While we are no longer passing an offering plate in church, and miss the literal and symbolic act of placing our offering in a plate before God or leaving it in the chancel rail at communion, the offering boxes and online giving are still ways to carry out the important spiritual discipline of giving back to God a portion of what God gives to us.

Thank you for all the ways you continue to serve and give. You enable our church to continue blessing God and our community.

SUNDAY EVENINGS AT WESLEY GARDENS

Since June 21st we have been holding a Sunday evening worship service at Wesley Gardens. The outdoor worship option has been good for a portion of our church. As we get ready for the time change and cooler weather, we are about to bring those services to a close. October 18 will be our final evening worship service at Wesley Gardens for this year. On October 25 we will be there for our annual Fall Festival. We are grateful for all who have volunteered to help with the weekly set up and take down and provide music for the services. We still have plenty of room in the morning services and feel it is a very safe environment for worship. The 8:45 service especially has plenty of extra room for those who need an even lower risk option.

Ben

MORNING & AFTERNOON WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020

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

5:30 P.M. Wesley Gardens Retreat

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Opening Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)

arr. Joe Utterback

Deep River

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)

Michael Cooler

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Opening Hymn (8:45 & 11:00)

FOUNDATION

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

Jerome Elder, tenor

Derek Llamas, tenor

Blair Beasley, baritone

Kenneth Rimes, bass

(5:30) Skip Watts, bass

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

- 1 Peter 1:23, Isaiah 41:10

* **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) GREATOREX Madeleine Hall, 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.

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) Soon-Ah Will Be Done arr. William Dawson

Jerome Elder, tenor Derek Llamas, tenor
Blair Beasley, baritone Kenneth Rimes, bass

Soon ah will be done-a with the troubles of the world.
Goin' home to live with God.
I want to meet my Jesus.
I'm goin' to live with God.
No more weeping and a-wailing.
I'm going to live with God.

(5:30) Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho arr. Mark Hayes
Skip Watts, bass

* **Scripture** Acts 4:32-37, 11:19-30

Sermon Ben Martin

"When the Church is Scattered Series Part 4:
Encouragement in Discouraging Times"

Closing Hymn (8:45 & 11:00) FOUNDATION

Jerome Elder, tenor Derek Llamas, tenor
Blair Beasley, baritone Kenneth Rimes, bass

(5:30) Skip Watts

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!

Benediction

Ben Martin

Closing Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)

Grimoaldo Macchia

Toccata on Amazing Grace

* *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 L. Michael Donovan, Jr. from Carolyn, Catherine, and Michael Donovan.

The flowers in the Narthex today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the wedding of Robin Boone and Cody Wyatt who were married on October 10, 2020.

Usher Roses

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

Christmas Greenery 2020—Orders Due Today!

The Altar Guild of Wesley Monumental is excited to offer fresh balsam greenery from Vermont for the Christmas season. Order forms are located at all sanctuary entrances and payment is due with your order.

An Invitation From the Journey Sunday School Class

Today, Sunday, October 11, The Journey Class will begin a 14-week study of the book *Falling Upward* by Richard Rohr. The class would like to invite everyone, whether members of Journey class or not, to join us via Zoom for part or all of the study. (If you haven't used Zoom, we will help ease you into this 2020 experience.)

Offering a new view of how spiritual growth happens, this important book attempts to explain why the second half of life can and should be full of spiritual richness. According to the author, "loss is gain." The book explores the counterintuitive message that we grow spiritually much more by what we have done wrong than what we have done right.

We think the experience of reading the book, followed by meaningful discussion, may add a new dimension to our spirituality. Please join us on The Journey through this book starting at 10:00 on Sundays. If you want to be included for part or all of the discussion email David Butler at davidbutler@hargray.com and he will include you on the list with a Zoom link so you can join us. No obligation, no pressure. (And you do not have to show your face!) See if this book or any of the comments have meaning for you. [It will be necessary for you to order your own book. Again, if you let David Butler know, he will forward to you information on the various options for ordering your book.]

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: Lori Miller

Ushers: Jeff Miller

Partners in Prayer: Ellie Tardif

11:00 Service

Acolyte: Hannah Green

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: Jan Harman

Ushers: Chris Donegan, Doug Carroll, Walton Carroll, Jake Coakley

Partners in Prayer: Sue Ellis

5:30 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Partners in Prayer: Grace & Art Greene

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist
Soon-Ah Will Be Done

Today's anthem is an arrangement of a prayer that African slaves would sing for hope for a better day. For anyone going through hard times today, the song is reminder of hope found in Jesus.

"In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." – John 16:33

"And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away." – Revelation 21:4

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members
Get Your Mow-Jo On

Please help cut the grass and prune the bushes at The Living Vine this Wednesday, October 14, 8:00 a.m. Sign up with Nelle.

New Member Course Starts Next Week

Sundays, October 18 and 25, at 10:00 a.m. Class will join October 25. Call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Refugee Family Needs Cooking Pans

Small set of pots and pans needed for refugee family from Kabul, Afghanistan. No other furniture needed currently.

Taters for Tots

Please bring peanut butter; canned meats, fruits, and vegetables; rice; cereal; pasta; and grits just inside Oliver Hall door for Wesley Community Center.

Build for Babies

Help construct a nursery classroom for Wesley Community Center. Sign up with Nelle or Scott Cleaveland, 912-598-8278.

Bible Cover to Cover During 2021

Have you always wanted to read the entire Bible? Do you want to read the Bible chronologically to see how the stories fit? Sign up, Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry
Second Grade Bible Presentation & Lunch

On Sunday, October 18 during all three services, we will present Bibles to our children who are in the second grade. It is a joyful day for our congregation as we continue to shepherd these children on their faith journey. The children will enjoy lunch and activities that will help them learn to use their Bibles at 12:15 p.m. If you have a rising 2nd grader, please mark your calendar and let us know which service you plan to attend.

Fall Festival

This year's Fall Festival will be on October 25 at the Wesley Gardens Retreat Center from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. We will have pony and horse rides, farm animals, a climbing wall, a hayride with Ms. Nelle driving, and lots of fun games for our little children. Ms. Susanna will have a Nacho Bar set up in the Main House, and Mr. James will have the fire pit set up for S'mores. Plan now to join us.



Messenger Deadline

Please submit announcements for the November Monumental Messenger to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org by Monday, October 12.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

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. 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 & Youth Choir 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.-5:00 p.m. and Youth Choir from 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.



Advent Devotional

Our congregation has been blessed each year with the gift of our annual Advent Devotional booklet. Your contributions to this effort are what make it unique and meaningful. The Susanna Wesley Circle has begun work on this year's devotional which will be centered around the theme of "Hope." Anyone interested in writing a short devotion based on a scripture, please contact Caroline Livingood (calivingood@comcast.net) or a member of the Susanna Wesley Circle. You may wish to write individually, as a couple, or as a family. Last year we were blessed with several children's submissions. The deadline to submit your devotion is Sunday, November 1.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (10/4/20)	
8:45 AM Worship	72
11:00 AM Worship	125
5:30 PM Worship at WG	21
Online Worship Views	124
Total Worship	342
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	XX
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	XX
9:45 AM Sunday School	X

Finances: (10/04/20)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,309,919.37
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,403,807.84

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

October 11, 2020

Sermon Extended

Monday	Mark 10:17-22, Acts 4:32-37	What am I willing or not willing to give up for Christ?
Tuesday	Acts 9:23-27	Has anyone ever spoken up for me? Is there anyone I can do that for now?
Wednesday	Acts 11:19-30	Do I have a friend or partner who helps me live out my faith?
Thursday	Acts 15:36-41	Do I have any disagreements that are threatening important relationships?
Friday	Acts 4:37, Hebrews 10:24-25	To whom and how can I be an encourager today?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

Lord, we pray for The Living Vine Christian Maternity Home. Bless the young mothers-to-be and their children and the board and staff, and watch over them as they grow in faith. Thank You for the Grassy Guys and Gals lawn care ministry of this church in maintaining the lawn for The Living Vine. Thank You that they stand outside to pray together in the morning for the residents of the home. Especially bless the leader of the Grassy Guys and Gals, Don Riddle, for his faithful leadership as Your servant. Amen.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, October 11

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 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, October 12

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Merry Makers, WG
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir, OH Parlor

Tuesday, October 13

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, Zoom
- 11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 310
- 5:30 PM Finance Mtg, Zoom

Wednesday, October 14

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben
- 4:30 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 Susanna Wesley Circle, OH 310
- 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, October 15

- 8:30 AM Call to Prayer—Our Country, OH Parlor
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Zoom
- 5:30 PM Missions Committee Mtg, Fresh Air Home

Friday, October 16

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 5:30 PM Wedding Rehearsal, SNC

Saturday, October 17

- 11:00 AM Wedding, SNC

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin 912-547-1835

**Wednesday Night Supper:
10/14/20**

Menu: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes,
Green Bean Casserole
Children: Pizza

In Our Prayers.....

Dave Fleiner (father of Derek Fleiner), Becky West, Virginia Davis, Rebecca Johnson (daughter of Dan and Lynn Kurtz), Kim Rahn, Melissa Emery, Carol Ebel, Emily Davis, Bob Harman, Beth Aldrich, Liane Willard, Peggy Murphy, Craig Hanson, Theresa Fields, Grace Bockes, Esther Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Carla Thomas, The Family of Meaghan Wylie, Joyce English (aunt of Officer Ricky Wiggins), Ellen Atkins, 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

In Sympathy...

*Wattie Hays,
mother of Harriet Bland*

*Avis Cheney,
sister of Jeanette Cason*