



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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November 1, 2020

ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints Day is always November 1st, the day after "All Hallows Eve" (more often recognized in our culture as Halloween). All Saints Day is a day to remember our "saints," the garden-variety, as opposed to those who have been officially recognized by the Church (particularly the Roman Catholic Church) as saints. As Protestants who have long held onto the idea of the "priesthood of all believers," we also cherish the idea that Paul puts forth in several of his letters when he addresses the church family as those "called to be saints." In other words, we are all called to live lives that are "holy" or set apart for Christ. On the Sunday closest to November 1st, we remember all of the members of our church family who have died in the last year. They are our "saints." Those we have loved and with whom we have shared the journey of faith here at Wesley Monumental.

This year, however, is unlike any other in our memory. When we are a part of the church we mark time with rites of passage. Baptism, confirmation, marriage, and death are all significant moments in life we share together. When death comes to one of our saints, we gather to remember their lives, to support their family, and share our grief. But this year, COVID-19 has limited our ability to be together to share those times of grief. For some of our saints, this will be the first time we collectively have called their names, remembered and given thanks for their lives in our church. Please hold the families in your prayers as the season of grief lingers.

The words of Charles Wesley's great hymn are always appropriate for us to remember today.

One family we dwell in him, on church above, beneath,
though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death;
one army of the living God, to his command we bow;
part of his host have crossed the flood, and part are crossing now.

Ten thousand to their endless home this solemn moment fly,
and we are to the margin come, and we expect to die.
E'en now by faith we join our hands with those who went before,
and greet the blood-be-sprinkled bands on that celestial shore.

Today we remember the following "Saints" who lived their faith among the Body of Christ at Wesley Monumental UMC:

Danny Wendt
Rebecca Heckard
Bobbie Mattox
Lucy Exley
Bill Bland
David Fritts
Les Wilkes

Betty Weeks
Kate Vaughn
Margaret Willey
Valinda McKibben
Battley Coffield
Judy Riddle
Patty James

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020

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

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

Opening Voluntary (8:45 & 11:00)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prelude in C Minor, BWV 546

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.*

Please register your attendance: *If you are a Wesley member or regular attendee, text @wmumc316 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. 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)

Harris Glidewell

Lighting of the Candles

The Acolytes

Opening Hymn

SINE NOMINEE

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

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

- William H. How (1864)

- Hebrews 12: 1

Jerome Elder, tenor

All: Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done Your will,
we have broken Your law,
we have rebelled against Your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
All pray in silence.

Pastor: Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
That proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Congregation: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

All: Glory to God. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to our Lord and God.

Congregation: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

Pastor: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every
where to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, creator of heaven
and earth...

And so, with Your people on earth, and all the company of heaven
we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are You, and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ...

On the night in which He gave himself up for us, He took bread,
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to His disciples,
and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over He took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so,
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
That we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by His blood.

By Your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory,
and we feast at His heavenly banquet.

Through Your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in Your holy church,
All honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

All: Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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 that 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.

Breaking the Bread and Cup

We will all take communion in our pew. If you did not receive a cup on your way in, please raise your hand and an usher or staff member will bring one to you. Following the service, please place your cup in the trash receptacle located in the Narthex.

Today's communion offering is designated for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. If you would like to give a donation, please place in the communion baskets located in the sanctuary.

Prayer After Receiving

All: Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery
in which You have given Yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of Your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Closing Hymn

SINE NOMINEE

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, Alleluia!

- William H. How (1864)

- Hebrews 12:1

Jerome Elder, tenor

Benediction

Ben Martin

Closing Voluntary

Olivier Messiaen

Vision of the Eternal Church

* 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 memory of Danny Wendt from Carolyn Roth.

2020 Virtual District-Wide Charge Conference

Sunday, November 8 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Lessons and Carols

Due to limited seating because of COVID restrictions and the popularity of this service, both services are full, and we are no longer taking reservations. However, both services will be livestreamed and can be enjoyed online.

While we are not happy about having to limit attendance to a Sunday worship service, we feel it is important to do everything we can to make the event as safe as possible. We ask your understanding for our commitment to your health and some of the restrictions that brings on our activities.

As we look towards Christmas Eve, we are planning to have five services that day instead of our normal three to accommodate all the people we can. We will send out more details soon.

Everyone is Invited to Pray

The Prayer Committee invites everyone to come and pray for our community, nation, and world in the Parlor on the second floor of Oliver Hall on Monday, November 2, 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Fence Fest—Saturday, Nov. 7, 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Help build and stain a fence for Family Promise formerly homeless families; please sign up with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Merry Makers November Event Veterans Day Program

Monday, November 9 from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Main House at Wesley Gardens Retreat. Our speaker will be military spouse and Wesley church member, Rachel Guild. Lunch (\$7.00) will follow and the same social distancing/mask wearing practices will be observed. To make a reservation, please call the church office or email Jennifer Thompson by noon Friday, November 6. jennifert@wesleymonumental.org

A Record of Our Faithfulness

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| Attendance: (10/25/20) | |
| 8:45 AM Worship | 62 |
| 11:00 AM Worship | 143 |
| Online Worship Views | 102 |
| Total Worship | 307 |
| Nursery (All 3 Svcs) | X |
| Children’s Worship (All 3 Svcs) | XX |
| Sunday School | XX |

Finances: (10-25-20)

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| Total Budget for the Year | \$1,983,419.00 |
| Actual Revenues Year-to-Date | \$1,399,452.35 |
| Actual Expenses Year-to-Date..... | \$1,498,988.37 |

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| <u>Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service</u> | |
| Acolyte: Sarah Jean Yost | Banner: Hayden Yost |
| Children’s Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington | |
| Greeter: Lori Miller | |
| Ushers: Jeff Miller | |
| Partners in Prayer: Carmine Cowart | |
| <u>11:00 Service</u> | |
| Acolyte: Addison Conger | Banner: TBD |
| Children’s Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington | |
| Greeters: Barbara & Johnny Phelps | |
| Ushers: Brian West, David Gaskin, Mark Glidewell, Ken Griner | |
| Partners in Prayer: Gail Brannen | |

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church

November 1, 2020

Sermon Extended

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| Monday | Ecclesiastes 3:1-6 | What losses am I grieving right now? |
| Tuesday | Psalms 90 | What does Moses teach us about life and death? |
| Wednesday | Matthew 5:4 | How does mourning lead to comfort? |
| Thursday | I Thessalonians 4:13-14 | How do faith and hope affect our grief? |
| Friday | Revelation 21:1-6 | Until "death is no more," how can I grieve and share the grief of others? |

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask you, Lord, to bless those who have lost loved ones or friends. Please be close to them and comfort them in their grief. Allow us the privilege of walking with them as the Body of Christ.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, November 1

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service SNC/Online
- 3:30 PM Youth Group, EB 4th Floor
- 5:00 PM Youth Choir, SNC

Monday, November 2

- 8:00 AM Call to Prayer—For Our Country, OH Parlor
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir, OH Parlor

Tuesday, November 3

- 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

Wednesday, November 4

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben
- 4:30 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 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 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, November 5

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

Friday, November 6

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Saturday, November 7

- 9:00 AM Fence Fest, Family Promise Homes

Pastor on Call This Week

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

Wednesday Night Supper:

11/4/20

Menu: Beef Stroganoff,
 Mixed Veggies, Mashed Potatoes
 Children: Hotdogs and Fries

In Sympathy....

Jackie Durden,
 sister of Gary Kornegay

In Our Prayers.....

Carol Ebel, Dallas Hunter, George Durden (brother-in-law of Gary Kornegay), Will Hamilton, Ceil Waters, Bill Gardner, Richard Wallace (son of Susan and Dick Wallace), Dave Fleiner (father of Derek Fleiner), Becky West, Virginia Davis, Rebecca Johnson (daughter of Dan and Lynn Kurtz), Kim Rahn, Melissa Emery, Emily Davis, Bob Harman, Beth Aldrich, Liane Willard, Peggy Murphy, Craig Hanson, Theresa Fields, Grace Bockes, 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), 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