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FALL FESTIVAL

Over the last several months, we have been enjoying Wesley Gardens Retreat Center with youth group and worship every Sunday afternoon. This past Sunday, we had our last outdoor Sunday evening worship service, but today from 4:00-6:00 p.m., we are headed back to Wesley Gardens for our annual Fall Festival. There will be lots of fun and games, hay rides, animals for the children, and a time for us to enjoy a nice fall afternoon on Moon River. We hope you will come and join us, bring your children, grandchildren, and neighbor's children for an afternoon of fellowship and fun.

I want to offer another word of thanks to everyone who worked so hard to put together our Sunday evening services each week. Ryan Kelly and Ray McClain set up our sound, Monica, Skip Watts and many others led our music, and Charli and her team took care of our children. It is easy to forget, when we show up for some event at our church, how much work goes into preparation and follow up. The COVID protocols create a lot of extra attention and work, but we have been blessed to now have had four months of in-person worship and activities that have gone safely and well.

James P. Owens Preaching

Today our Director of Student Ministries, James P. Owens, is preaching both morning services. He will be recording the sermon as a part of his ordination process. The journey into ordained ministry in the United Methodist Church is a long one with many expectations, requirements, and examinations. This fall in addition to the sermon, James will be answering many pages of questions about theology, doctrine, and polity, as well as preparing a Bible study or other act of ministry. In the spring, he will be examined by our Conference Board of Ordained Ministry for approval as a provisional elder. When approved, he will then have a three year provisional period before his final work and examination for ordination as an elder in the UMC. We are blessed to have James on our staff. He effectively discipled our students as followers of Jesus. Please pray for James as he continues this process. I know you will be blessed by his preaching today.

Ben

MORNING & AFTERNOON WORSHIP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

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

Reformation Sunday

Opening Voluntary

arr. Diane Bish

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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)

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Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Opening Hymn

African-American Spiritual

There Is a Balm in Gilead

(8:45) Skip Watts, bass

(11:00) Youth Choir

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

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain.
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.

(11:00) Sara Livingood, treble chorister

Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend,
and if you look for knowledge He'll ne'er refuse to lend.

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Ben Martin

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 Lilly Marler
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 Ben Martin

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) Amazing Grace arr. Mark Hayes
Skip Watts, bass

(11:00) If You Search With All Your Heart Mark Miller
Youth Choir

When you search for me you will find me,
if you search with all your heart.
And when you call upon my name, come and pray, I will hear you.

"Surely I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord.
Surely plans for welfare, not for harm, give you a future with hope.
- Jeremiah 29: 11-13

- * **Scripture** Matthew 14:22-33

Sermon James P. Owens
There is No Room for Growth Without Room for Error

Closing Hymn African-American Spiritual
There Is a Balm in Gilead
(8:45) Skip Watts, bass (11:00) Youth Choir

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

If you can't preach like Peter, if you can't pray like Paul,
just tell the love of Jesus, and say He died for all.

(11:00) Christopher Butler, treble chorister

Reception into Church Membership

(8:45) Jeanne Poenicke
(11:00) Alex and Whit Campbell
Savannah and Scott Rogers

Benediction James P. Owens

Closing Voluntary Johann Sebastian Bach
Toccata and Fugue in D Minor

- * *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 Edward A. Boulier, step-parent of Donna M. Hart, and step-grandparent to Evan and Emily Hart. He was laid to rest September 30th at Bonaventure Cemetery.

Congratulations

Wesley Monumental congratulates Alex Lee and Whit Campbell on their marriage which took place October 17 in the sanctuary.

Alpha-Fellowship Class Invitation

You are invited to join the members of the Alpha-Fellowship Sunday School Class by participating in a one minute prayer for our country at 9:00 p.m. each night.

Christmas Greenery 2020—Final Deadline is Today!!!

The deadline to purchase Christmas Greenery has been extended to today, Sunday, October 25. Order forms may be found in the sanctuary and you can now pay online. To pay online, visit:

<https://pushpay.com/g/wesleymonumental> then enter the total amount, select "Give one time," and "Greenery" as the fund. Once you've paid online, please email the completed greenery form to daphne@wesleymonumental.org or deliver to the church office by Sunday, October 25. If you need any assistance, please call the church office, 912-232-0191.

Administrative Board Meeting

The next Administrative Board Meeting will take place tomorrow, Monday, October 26 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom.

2020 Virtual District-Wide Charge Conference

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

DAR Flag Pole Dedication

The Cove at Dundee/Veterans Tiny Houses

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

Our Wesley Monumental construction ministry volunteers along with the congregation are invited to join together with congressman Buddy Carter for the dedication of the flagpole funded by the Daughters of the American Revolution, flying a flag from the US Capitol. Church member Nick Hitt provided for the flagpoles installation. Phase 2 of the project is starting soon with church volunteers constructing furnishings funded through the homeless authority. All are invited to celebrate our veterans on the 10th.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: Lori Miller

Ushers: Jeff Miller

Partners in Prayer: Henry Whitfield

11:00 Service

Acolyte: Andrew Wilkes

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: TBD

Ushers: Mehmet Ergul, Greg Dotson, Tim Edwards

Partners in Prayer: Annelle McDuffee

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

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.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

Everyone is invited to Pray for Our Community, Nation, and World

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 Thursday mornings October 22 and 29, 8:30 a.m - 9:00 a.m. and Monday, November 2, 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Merry Makers November Event - Veterans Day Program

Monday, November 9 from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Wesley Gardens Retreat—Main House

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 912-232-0191 or email Jennifer Thompson by noon Friday, November 6. jennifert@wesleymonumental.org

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Fall Festival Today!

Join us this afternoon, Sunday, October 25 at Wesley Gardens Retreat 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. Please join us!



Care and Share Needs Your Help

Wesley has a group of people we call our VSP's (Very Special Persons). These are folks who are precious to our congregation but unable to attend church at this time, or at all. In our COVID world, there are more people on this list than usual, and we are looking for people who can call or visit a VSP. Would you be willing to share a little of your time with one of our folks? If so, contact Bonnie Delters at 912-351-0814.

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 next Sunday, November 1.

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

Starting November 1, all 6th-12th graders are invited to join us for Youth Group Sunday afternoons from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. and Youth Choir from 5:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (10/18/20)	
8:45 AM Worship	62
11:00 AM Worship	167
5:30 PM Worship at WG	31
Online Worship Views	130
Total Worship	390
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	XX
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	XX
9:45 AM Sunday School	X

Finances: (10/18/20)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,362,966.50
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,469,329.40

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 25, 2020

Sermon Extended

Monday	Mark 8:27-33	Where did Peter's boldness to answer come from?
Tuesday	Matthew 10:1-33	What might Jesus be sending me out to do?
Wednesday	Matthew 28:16-20	How might I be a part of Jesus' mission to make disciples?
Thursday	Acts 3:1-10	How has Peter's faith grown since the Gospels? Why?
Friday	Acts 4:8-20	How can we have the courage and faith of Peter and John here?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask you, Lord, to be especially close to our friends and loved ones who live in extended care facilities. Help them to feel your presence and to know that You will never leave or forsake them.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, October 25

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM New Member Class, OH
- 11:00 AM Worship Service SNC/Online
- 3:30 PM Youth Group, WG
- 4:00 PM Fall Festival, WG

Monday, October 26

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 2:00 PM Joy Circle, Zoom
- 5:00 PM Board of Trustees Mtg, Zoom
- 5:30 PM Administrative Board Mtg, Zoom
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir, OH Parlor

Tuesday, October 27

- 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, October 28

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:30 AM Jane Shirah Circle, WG
- 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, October 29

- 8:30 AM Call to Prayer—Our Country, OH Parlor
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Zoom

Friday, October 30

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

Wednesday Night Supper:

10/28/20

Menu: Lemon Chicken
 Rice Pilaf, Mixed Veggies
 Children: Fish Sticks

In Our Prayers.....

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, Carol Ebel, 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/Stateride

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...

*Patty James,
 wife of Neal James*