



Celebrating 150 Years 1868 - 2018

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January 10, 2021

OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW

After all the special events and time off during the Christmas season, we are now ready to start back with our regular spiritual growth events.

Epiphany Sermon Series: A Moment of Clarity

January 10	Part 1- Overcoming Shame	Genesis 2:25-3:8
January 17	Part 2- Overcoming Hurt	Genesis 45:4-8, 50:15-21
January 24	Part 3- Overcoming Bias	John 1:43-51
January 31	Part 4- Overcoming Doubt	John 11:17-27, 20:24-29
February 7	Part 5- Overcoming Foolishness	Luke 13:13-34
February 14	Part 6- Living With a Clouded View	I Corinthians 13

Sunday School Classes for All Ages- Sunday 9:45-10:45

Including new Chronological Reading of the Bible in a year, led by Nelle Bordeaux in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom

Wednesday Night Adult Studies

Bible and Book Studies In Person & Via Zoom (6:00—7:00 PM)

This semester we will have 2 study options for adults.

- 1) "Answers to the Big Questions: A study of Genesis 1-3, Job 1-3, Ecclesiastes 1-3, Matthew 5-7" led by Ben Martin
- 2) "The Epic of Eden: Understanding the Old Testament"
A 12-week study led by Jennifer Thompson

Weekday Bible Studies

Tuesday, 7:00 a.m.- Men's Bible Study with Ben Martin
Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.- Young Mothers' Bible Study led by Nelle Bordeaux
Wednesday, 11:00 a.m.- Mid-Week Bible Study led by Ben Martin
Thursday, 12:00 noon- Lunchtime Bible Study led by Nelle Bordeaux

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021

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

First Sunday after the Epiphany

Opening Voluntary How Firm a Foundation arr. Diane Bish

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) Caden Valdez

Lighting of the Candles (11:00) The Acolytes

Opening Hymn HOLY MANNA

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

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God.
Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?
All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down.
Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Sisters, will you join and help me? Moses' sister aided him.
Will you help the trembling mourners
who are struggling hard with sin?
Tell them all about the Savior. Tell them that He will be found.
Sisters, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

Let us love our God supremely. Let us love each other, too.
Let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new.
Then He'll call us home to heaven. At His table we'll sit down.
Christ will gird Himself and serve us with sweet manna all around.

Diane Davis, mezzo-soprano Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano
Scott Cleaveland, tenor Skip Watts, bass

* **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed James P. Owens
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)** GREATOR EX Cole Valdez
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
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 BEACH SPRING
What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev'rything to God in prayer.

 Diane Davis, mezzo-soprano Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano
 Scott Cleaveland, tenor Skip Watts, bass

* **Scripture** Genesis 2:25-3:8

Sermon "A Moment of Clarity Part 1:
 Overcoming Shame" Ben Martin

Closing Hymn arr. John Rutter
The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face to shine upon you
and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon you
and give you peace.
Amen.

 Diane Davis, mezzo-soprano Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano
 Scott Cleaveland, tenor Skip Watts, bass

Benediction Ben Martin

Closing Voluntary Toccata Joseph Jongen

* *Please stand as you are able.*
Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you.
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Usher Roses

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

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 in January and February are available: January 17, 24 and February 7, 28.

New Member Course

Today, January 10 and Sunday, January 24 at 10:00 a.m.; class will join January 24. Call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit announcements for the February Messenger is tomorrow, January 11. Email items to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Attention All Adults.....Don't Miss Out on Wednesday Nights!

Have you ever wanted to understand the Old Testament better? Come join Jennifer Thompson on the second floor of Oliver Hall (or via Zoom) from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. on Wednesday nights beginning January 13 as she leads the *Epic of Eden: Understanding the Old Testament* study by Dr. Sandra Richter. This study will help you:

- Gain a rich understanding of the context in which the Old Testament was written
- Learn to make sense of all the Old Testament parts, pieces, and stories
- Discover the present-day implications of Scripture's big story.

This will be a hybrid class (both in person and on Zoom). **If you would like for Jennifer to send you a Zoom "invite" for this class, please email her at jennifert@wesleymonumental.org.** Jennifer will be passing out copies of the study book to those meeting in person, or she can email a copy of the PDF of the book to those planning to meet via Zoom.

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: Addison Conger

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington

Greeters: Kim & Mehmet Ergul

Ushers: Brian West, Jacob Sigmon, Ken Spriggs, Travis Thomas

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

"Sonic Spectacle"

Sunday, January 17 at 5:00 p.m.

Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist in Savannah.

Four of Savannah's Best Organists put the Cathedral's Noack Organ Through its Paces. The directors of music from Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church (Monica Dekle), St. John's Church (Stephen Branyon), Christ Church (Timothy Hall), and the Cathedral (Paul Thornock) are joined by the Cathedral Brass for an evening of very big music! The four organists will take turns putting the Noack organ through its paces and conducting the full ensemble in works of Strauss, Gigout, and others.

Tickets: free

Reservation required due to social-distancing requirements. For tickets, call the Cathedral office at 912-233-4709 or visit www.eventbrite.com, search for "Sonic Spectacle," and enter code WMSS20

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Family Mission Project - Desks for Urban Hope Children

Come assemble wood desks to help children learn! Saturday, January 23 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. All ages welcome. Sign up with Nelle Bordeaux. See the prototype built by Woody Brown in the Fellowship Hall.

Amen, Handymen-Need a Minor Home Repair?

Teams of members assist seniors with a to-do list. To give or receive help, call Nelle, 912-234-9245

Read the Bible

All are welcome, even if you're not yet sure whether you want to read the entire Bible, 9:45 a.m. Sundays, Fellowship Hall or Zoom. Sign up with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

Merry Makers - Cooking with the Stars!

Monday, January 11, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Cost \$7.00. Please let Jennifer know TODAY (Sunday) if you have not made reservations and would like to attend. We ask that you **ENTER IN THE WAYNE STREET DOOR THAT IS CLOSEST TO ABERCORN** (toward the Sanctuary) so that we can avoid congestion with the Eli's Place teachers and children. We will be able to use the restrooms in the area outside of the Fellowship Hall.

Grief Share

Grief can present itself in many ways for many reasons. It can catch us off guard, and it can affect our lives. Jennifer Thompson will be starting a 13 week Grief Share group for anyone who wants to obtain practical and spiritual tools to help with grief management while, at the same time, being with others who are in similar situations. Please contact Jennifer at jennifert@wesleymonumental.org if you, or someone you know, are interested in joining this group. She will then work with scheduling the group meetings which will begin on Zoom but have the potential of changing to an in-person format as the COVID numbers become safer.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Preteen (4th & 5th Grade)

4th and 5th Grade Sunday School Room Change

Attention 4th and 5th grade parents! Our Sunday school classroom has moved down the hall to Room 304.

Youth (6th-12th Grade)

Youth Group and Youth Choir Time Change

Attention youth and youth parents. Youth Choir resumes today at **4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.** Youth Group will follow from **4:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m.**

Youth Group – Zombies vs. Humans

Today, Sunday, January 10, Youth Group will resume with a bang! Back by popular demand, it's Zombies vs. Humans. Please bring a non-perishable food item (such as pasta, rice, canned goods, cereal, or peanut butter) to donate to Wesley Community Center.

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.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (1/3/20)

8:45 AM Worship	68
11:00 AM Worship	121
Online Worship Views	145
Total Worship	334
Nursery (All 3 Svcs)	6
Children's Worship (All 3 Svcs)	19
9:45 AM Sunday School	115

Christmas Eve Communion Services

Attendance: (12/24/20)

10:00 A.M. Worship	117
11:30 A.M. Worship	120
4:00 P.M. Worship	118
5:30 P.M. Worship	120
7:00 P.M. Worship	129
Online Worship Views	360
Total Worship	964

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

January 10, 2021

Sermon Extended

Monday	Genesis 1:27-31, 2:25	Why does Genesis emphasize humanity "unashamed"?
Tuesday	Genesis 3:1-5	What is at the heart of this temptation and how is it common to all temptation?
Wednesday	Genesis 3:5-7	What did God not want us to know and why?
Thursday	Genesis 3:8, Luke 15:11-19	What is the effect of shame?
Friday	Genesis 3:21, Romans 8:1-6	How did Jesus free us from shame?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask you, Lord, to bless our teachers, students, and parents as classes begin again.

Daily Chronological Bible Readings for 2021

Please sign up with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net, to read the entire Bible; all are welcome.

Sunday, January 10	Genesis 17-19
Monday, January 11	Genesis 20-23
Tuesday, January 12	Genesis 24-26
Wednesday, January 13	Genesis 27-29
Thursday, January 14	Catch-Up Day
Friday, January 15	Genesis 30-33
Saturday, January 16	Genesis 34-37
Sunday, January 17	Genesis 38-40

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, January 10

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir, SNC
- 4:30 PM Youth Group, EB 4th Flr

Monday, January 11

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Merry Makers Event, FH
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir

Tuesday, January 12

- 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
- 2:00 PM Prayer Comm. Mtg, OH
- 5:30 PM Mission Comm. Mtg
- 5:30 PM Finance Comm. Mtg, Zoom

Wednesday, January 13

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben
- 4:30 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 5:00 PM WNS To-Go Meals, WS Door
- 5:30 PM WNS Take-Out Meals, Pick up WS Door or FH
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir
- 6:00 PM Youth Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 PM "Answers to the Big Questions" Study, Led by Ben Martin
- 6:00 PM "The Epic of Eden" Study, Led by Jennifer Thompson
- 7:15 PM Wesley Chamber Singers Rehearsal, SNC

Thursday, January 14

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

Friday, January 15

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin 912-547-1835

Wednesday Night Supper

January 13, 2021

Menu: BBQ Chicken,
 Broccoli & Cheese Casserole,
 Loaded Mashed Potatoes
 Children: Chicken Nuggets & Fries

In Sympathy....

Roney Fred Allen,
grandfather of Laura Johnson Lee

Janice Johnson,
sister of Patricia Jacobs

In Our Prayers.....

Grover Bell, Mario Delfiaccio (brother of Cynthia Willet), Joyce Cole, Lamar Allen, Jennifer Hodges, The Family of Oscar and Donna Cook, Rodney Powers, Jack Coakley (infant son of Alice Ann and John Coakley and grandson of Anne and Jake Coakley), Jared Holt (son of Rusty Holt), Lucy Driscoll, Wesley Woods, Dean Muenckler, Barbara Burnett, Ken McDuffee (son of Annelle McDuffee), Joe Cain, Joel Williams, George Durden (brother-in-law of Gary Kornegay), Will Hamilton, Ceil Waters, Bill Gardner, Dave Fleiner (father of Derek Fleiner), Virginia Davis, Kim Rahn, Bob Harman, Beth Aldrich, Liane Willard, Craig Hanson, Theresa Fields, Grace Bockes, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Carla Thomas, The Family of Meaghan Wylie, Ellen Atkins, Stephen Oden (nephew of Cameron Schmitz), Rosemary Beasley, Claire Hayes, Vera Mobley (mother of Christina Varnedoe), Bryan Bost, Katie Bennett (cousin of Meb Ryan), Ryan Davis, Andrew Brown (great nephew of Gaye Reese), Debby Warner, Norma Day (mother of Dorie Gaskin), Louise Page, Bob Franz, David Burke, 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 and Family, Cheryl Richardson and Family

At Home/Extended Care

Peggy Murphy, 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

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS!

Wednesday Night Supper

Starts January 13

Payment:	Weekly	Semester	Semester (pay for 16 in advance & receive 1 Wednesday free)
Nursery (Ages 0 to 3)	Free	Free	Free
Nursery (Ages 4 to K)	\$3.00	\$51.00	\$48.00
Children (1st to 5th Grade)	\$3.00	\$51.00	\$48.00
Youth (6th to 12th Grade) & Adults	\$6.00	\$102.00	\$96.00
Family Maximum	\$18.00	\$306.00	\$288.00
College Students	Free	Free	Free

WNS To-Go Meals (5:00 PM)

If you plan to pick up your meal to eat at home, to-go plates will be ready for pick up at 5:00 p.m. at the Wayne Street door.

WNS Take-Out Meals (5:30 PM)

If you plan to stay and eat, meals will be ready for pick up at 5:30 p.m. at the Wayne Street door or the window in the Fellowship Hall. Seating will be available indoors and out. Families are encouraged to eat together.

Other than while eating, please wear your mask to keep everyone healthy.

Payment Options:

- (1) Pay in advance online, wesleymonumental.org, select "online giving" at top of page & "Wednesday Night Dinner" as the fund.
- (2) At door, cash or checks only

To make your reservation, email the following information to daphne@wesleymonumental.org or call the church office, 912-232-0191

- (1) Names of family members attending
- (2) Specify if you would like to be added to the Weekly List or Permanent Reservation List
 - Permanent Reservation List means you will attend in person or pick up a "to-go" plate every Wednesday for the semester.
 - Reservations for a particular week may be canceled by 5 p.m. on Mondays.
 - If you were on the Permanent Reservation List for Fall, you will automatically be enrolled for the Winter/Spring Semester
 - Weekly List means you will notify us each week if you will attend in person or pick up a "to-go" plate.
- (3) How many meals will you need?
If your child will be in the nursery, please specify their age, and if they will or will not be eating. (This helps us provide enough caregivers)
- (4) If you plan to attend an Adult Bible Study (details on back), please let us know which one and if it will be in person or Zoom.

WNS Winter/Spring Programming Details →

WNS Winter/Spring Programming

Call to Prayer (4:30—5:00 PM)

Join the Prayer Committee each Wednesday evening for a time of prayer in the Oliver Hall Parlor.

4th/5th Grade Bible Study (5:00—5:30 PM)

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.

Joyful Noise & Children's Choirs (6:00—7:00 PM)

Children's Music for ages three years old through fifth grade

We joyfully look forward to choir this semester including the annual Easter pageant! All are welcome! We have a lot of fun learning about God through music and seeing friends.

For more details, contact Monica (monica@wesleymonumental.org) for 1st through 5th grade choir, and Charli (charli@wesleymonumental.org) for 3 years old through Kindergarten.

Youth Bible Studies (6:00—7:00 PM)

Youth Bible Studies will meet every Wednesday night following church supper.

Adult Bible Studies In Person & Via Zoom (6:00—7:00 PM)

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- (1) "Answers to the Big Questions: A study of Genesis 1-3, Job 1-3, Ecclesiastes 1-3, Matthew 5-7" Led by Ben Martin.

What are the questions about life that shape our world view? Who am I? Where did I come from and where am I going? Who is God? What is my purpose? Where do I belong? Etc. How do some of the foundational Biblical stories like the creation story or story of Job or wisdom teachings like Ecclesiastes or the Sermon on the Mount answer those questions. You can attend in person or on Zoom. Email ben@wesleymonumental.org for the Zoom link or attend in person.

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