



Celebrating 153 Years 1868 - 2021

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May 2, 2021

CONFIRMATION

This morning three more members of our Confirmation Class will be confirmed. This year's class had 24 students. Over the last year, these students learned about the basics of the Christian faith, as well as what it means to be a United Methodist and an active member of the church. This morning we are blessed to have the following three students make a profession of their faith in Christ and join the church:

Leighton Dolle Allen
Joseph Turner Hayes
Ava Kathryn Herndon

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Because of the faith of many of our founding fathers, public prayer and national days of prayer have a long-standing and significant history in American tradition. Since the first call to prayer in 1775, when the Continental Congress asked the colonies to pray for wisdom in forming a nation, the call to prayer has continued through our history, including President Lincoln's proclamation of a day of "*humiliation, fasting, and prayer*" in 1863. In 1952, a joint resolution by Congress, signed by President Truman, declared an annual national day of prayer. In 1988, the law was amended and signed by President Reagan, permanently setting the day as the first Thursday of every May. Each year, the president signs a proclamation encouraging all Americans to pray on this day.

The 70th annual National Day of Prayer, May 6, 2021, is coming up this Thursday. This year we are inviting you to be a part of a prayer vigil by signing up to pray for our nation and leaders from wherever you are that day. You can sign up online bit.ly/NDOPPrayerVigil or fill out the slip in the bulletin and drop it into one of the baskets beside the offering containers.

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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 drop off children at the Wayne Street door for temperature checks.*

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)

Lilly Marler

Opening Voluntary (8:45)

Johann Sebastian Bach

Prelude No. 6 in D Minor, BWV 851

Opening Voluntary (11:00)

Joseph Rheinberger

Pastorale (from Three Pieces, Op. 150)

Raymond Patricio, bassoonist

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Introit (11:00)

Glorious Is Thy Church

Warren Angell

Glorious is Thy church, O Lord, greatly to be praised.

We come to Thee in adoration for the church's one foundation.

* **Opening Hymn** No. 159 Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER

* **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** GREATOR EX

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.

Service of Confirmation

James P. Owens

Congregational Response:

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Leighton Dolle Allen Joseph Turner Hayes
Ava Kathryn Herndon

National Day of Prayer

Sue Ellis, Prayer Committee

Pastoral Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Voluntary (8:45)

Fugue No. 6 in D Minor, BWV 851

J. S. Bach

Anthem (11:00)

Greater Love Hath No Man

John Ireland

Many waters cannot quench love,
neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death.
Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends.
Who, His own self, bare our sins in His own body on the tree.
That we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness.
Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,
ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus.
Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation;
That ye should show forth the praises of Him
who hath call'd you out of darkness into His marvellous light.
I beseech you brethren, by the mercies of God,
that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy,
acceptable unto to God, which is your reasonable service.

* **Scripture Lesson** (Pew Bible, pg. 91)

Luke 24:44-53

Sermon

"Living Between Memory and Hope"

Ben Martin

Holy Communion**Invitation and Confession**

Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love Him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in
peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our
sin before God and one another.

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.

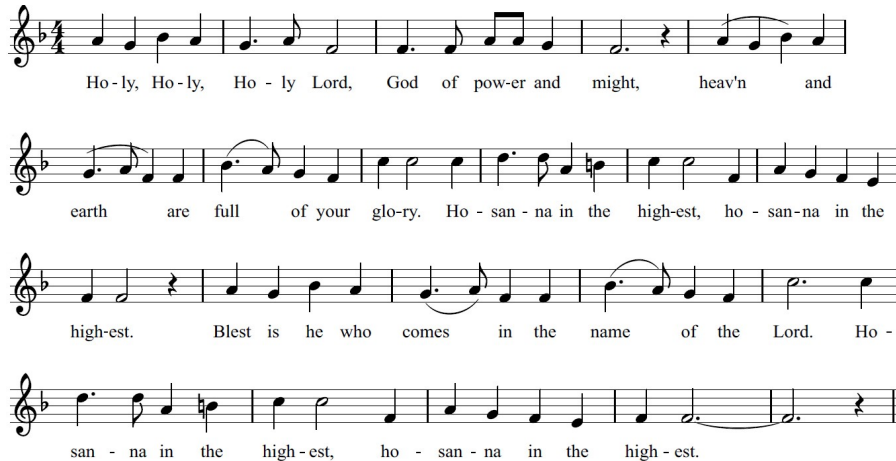
Congregation: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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:



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav'n and
earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the
high-est. Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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:



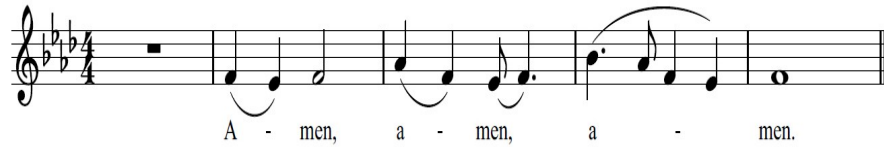
Christ has died; Christ is ri - sen; Christ will come a - gain.

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.



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 Magnolia Manor Good Samaritan Fund (financial assistance for elderly). 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** No. 165 Hallelujah! What a Savior Philip Bliss

* **Benediction** Ben Martin

* **Closing Response** DIADEM

O that with yonder sacred throng we at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown Him Lord of all!

Closing Voluntary The Beautiful Blue Danube Johann Strauss

* 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 appreciation of Rev. Ben Martin.

Attention All Senior Adults

Come join us for Merry Makers on Monday, May 10 at 11:00 am in the Parlor of Oliver Hall. Our very own Claire Watts will be our speaker. Claire is not only a gifted musician, but a local attorney whose practice, in part, focuses on immigration issues. Keeping in mind that God calls us to consider the "stranger in our land," Claire will help us to understand better the terminology and the issues surrounding immigration law and how they affect us even here in the Savannah area. Lunch will follow at noon. Please call the church office or email Jennifer Thompson at jennifert@wesleymonumental.org by this Friday, May 7 to make your reservation. Lunch is \$7.

Infant Recognition Sunday

Each year, on Mother's Day, we look forward to recognizing the babies born into our congregation and this year is no exception! Next Sunday, May 9 we will be honoring more than 20 families who welcomed babies into the world this past year. If you are a member of Wesley Monumental or attend regularly, please contact charli@wesleymonumental.org to confirm we have your child on our list.

Graduate Recognition Sunday

Graduate Recognition Sunday will be held May 16, and if anyone knows of a member (or member's child) that is graduating from high school or college, please email james@wesleymonumental.org.

Spring Tea Honoring New Members and Shepherds

Saturday, May 22 at the home of Grace and Curtis Grund, 526 East 41st Street, 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. Sign up with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net or 912-232-0191.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (4/25/21)

8:45 AM Worship	64
11:00 AM Worship	256
Online Worship Views	173
Total Worship	493
Nursery	XX
Children's Worship	XX
9:45 AM Sunday School	31

Finances: (04-25-21)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$685,238.05
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$592,560.47

<u>Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service</u>
Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington
Greeters: Lori Miller
Ushers: Jeff Miller
Partners in Prayer: Carmine Cowart
<u>11:00 Service</u>
Acolyte: Anna Livingood
Children's Worship: Charli Weeks, Haley Herrington
Greeters: Jan Harman
Ushers: Chris Donegan, Ted Moore, Bart Rhodes
Partners in Prayer: Mickey Rountree

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church

May 2, 2021

Sermon Extended

Monday	Deuteronomy 8	Why is memory so important to Israel's faith?
Tuesday	Luke 22:14-20, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26	Why is memory so important to Christian faith?
Wednesday	Luke 24:49-53, John 16:5-24	What hope has Jesus given us for the future?
Thursday	Luke 24:50-53, John 15:7-11	What is the connection between hope and joy?
Friday	Luke 24:50-53, Psalm 103	How can I bless God?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask you to bless our nation and its leaders. Lead us toward peace, justice, and love for you. Remind us to pray.

Daily Chronological Bible Readings for 2021

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

Sunday, May 2	2 Samuel 10; 1 Chronicles 19; Psalms 20; 53; 60; 75
Monday, May 3	Psalms 65-67; 69-70
Tuesday, May 4	2 Samuel 11-12; 1 Chronicles 20; Psalm 51
Wednesday, May 5	Psalms 32; 86; 102-103; 122
Thursday, May 6	Catch-Up Day
Friday, May 7	2 Samuel 13-15
Saturday, May 8	Psalms 3-4; 13; 28; 55
Sunday, May 9	2 Samuel 16-18

2021 National Day of Prayer

I will commit to praying for our country on Thursday, May 6, 2021

From _____ a.m./p.m. until _____ a.m./p.m.

Name: _____

Email: _____

(please detach and place in baskets located near the Sanctuary entrances)

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, May 2

- 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, May 3

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 1:30 PM Eli's Place Staff Mtg, FH
- 5:30 PM Eli's Place Comm. Mtg, FH

Tuesday, May 4

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

Wednesday, May 5

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 310/Zoom
- 4:30 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 5:00 PM WNS To-Go Meals, Drive Down Wayne Street
- 5:15 PM Nursery Opens and Joyful Noise Drop Off Begins
- 5:30 PM WNS Take-Out Meals, Pick Up at Wayne Street Door or Window in Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 PM Music Awards Program, SNC
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, SNC

Thursday, May 6

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

Friday, May 7

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin 912-547-1835

Wednesday Night Supper
May 5, 2021

Menu: Lime Chicken, Rice & Beans, with Fresh Salsa
Children: Cheese Quesadilla

In Our Prayers....

Michael Mamalakis, Mark Lanier (son of Ellison Lanier), Ronald Duell (father of Melinda Sorter), Louis Burnsed (brother of Marilyn Hitt), Bob Owens (father of Kim Keaton), Drew Hunt, Frances Hughes (friend of Marilyn Holleman), Mike K. Grabowski (father of Michael Grabowski), Matthew Yost, Diane Coleman (friend of Carmine Cowart), Carole Chase, Shirley Roberts, George Vail, Adrienne Tietz, Carla Corn (mother of Sarah Shelby), Doug Stutzman, Brian Allen, Clif Cooper, Katherine Burton (niece of Cindy Burton), Sara Francis Thrasher (grandmother of Reanna Hamilton), Martha Mills (grandmother of T.J. Hollis), Alyssa Jones (grand-daughter of Rusty Holt), Joe Gold, Jerry Comunate (brother-in-law of Cynthia Willett), Mario Delfiaco (brother of Cynthia Willett), Jennifer Hodges, Jared Holt (son of Rusty Holt), Barbara Burnett, Ken McDuffee (son of Annelle McDuffee), Joe Cain, Kim Rahn, Bob Harman, Liane Willard, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Carla Thomas, The family of Meaghan Wylie, Claire Hayes, Bryan Bost, Ryan Davis, Andrew Brown (great nephew of Gaye Reese), Debby Warner, Adam Corey, Rita Gietzen (sister of Joyce Cole), Earl Goodwin (brother of Beth Adrich), Alison White (niece of Linda Sapp), John Martin, Sr., Martha and Erv Sloan, Fenton McEvoy, Randy Warner, Janice Dukeman (daughter of Erv Sloan), Chuck Brown (brother of Gail Rountree), Grace Crosby Utomo (friend of Jean Remley)

At Home/Extended Care

Bella Grace Bartels, Richard Bartels, Harriet Bland, Grace Boches, Joyce Cole, Virginia Davis, Ann Ernst, Roz Evans, Ann Lott, Peggy Murphy, Patsy Robinson, Bill Taylor, Lois Wooten

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

Doug Snelling, Derek Mills, Matt and Melinda Allen, Dan Barton, Jason Childers, Daniel Ealy, Clint Guild, Yates Holleman, Joshua Laws, Austin New, Jerred Pyles, Charles Smock, Chris Watson

In Sympathy....

James Hill, Jr.
father of James Hill,
Katharine Ruse, and
Mary Anne Hill