



Celebrating 153 Years 1868 - 2021

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BIBLE PRESENTATION SUNDAY

I don't know about you, but I still remember my first Bible. I'm not sure how much I read it (the old King James was a little difficult for a 7 year old), but I wrote my name in it, and I felt a sense of responsibility for it. I kept it in my room and I would take it to church with me. If nothing else, the Bible reminded me of God's presence and God's expectations (though I obviously needed more accountability than it gave me as I grew up). I kept it into my adulthood, in fact I could probably go back and dig it out now. As I look back, it was an important symbol of God's prevenient grace (He loved me and was at work in my life before I ever knew it).

Each year we present our second graders with a Bible. A much more readable one than I received at their age. We hope they will feel a sense of belonging and a reminder that God speaks to them through His word. Like most of us, there will be parts of it that will be hard to make sense of, but it is our prayer that through it they are reminded that God loves them and invites them to know and follow Jesus into a life that is abundant and eternal. I also hope today is a reminder for all of us that it is important for followers of Jesus to spend time in His word throughout our lives. No matter how many times we have read it, it remains a living word and an instrument through which God speaks to us.

Emma Bartels
Harper Blake
Luke Butler
Victoria Childers
Knox Davis
Walker Hasselle
Millie Hunt
Ellie Blair Kobek
Elizabeth Marshall
Mae Keever Mingledorff
Ella Monjoy
Ellie Muenckler
Brantley Parker
Swayze Powers
Gavin Schwartzburt
Abbott Scoggins
Benjamin Simpson
Abbie Smith
Banks Vance
Bennett Williams

Presentation of Bibles to Second Graders

Charli Weeks

Children's Sermon

Ben Martin

8:45 Children ages 3 - 3rd grade line up at the door on the right side of the sanctuary to go to Children's Worship on the second floor. Following the service, they can be picked up from the Wayne Street entrance.

11:00 Children ages 3 - 3rd grade leave through the doors at the front of the sanctuary and go to Children's Worship on the second floor. Following the service, they can be picked up from the Fellowship Hall.

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.

* **Hymn No. 349** Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus LEMMEL

Offertory Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Amazing Grace arr. Mark Hayes

Offertory Anthem (11:00) Cornerstone Shawn Kirchner

O the stone that the builders rejected
became the cornerstone of a whole new world.

A grain of wheat may be knocked to the ground
and suffer through the winter's cold,
only to rise right up again and bear its seed a thousandfold.

Never can our journey fail;
a little child will lead the way,
whose eyes are filled with a shining light,
to whom the night is bright as day.

The love that rolls the stone away
Gives us life that we may sing:
"Grave, where is thy victory?
Death, O death, where is thy sting?"

- Psalm 118:22, Isaiah 11:6, John 12:24, 1 Corinthians 15:55

Jerome Elder, tenor

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

During the 11:00 a.m. service, please remove the attendance sheets from the book and give to the acolytes as a symbolic offering of our presence in worship.

* **Doxology No. 95** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

* **Scripture** (Pew Bible, pgs. 219-220) Hebrews 3:1-4:13

Sermon "Just Give Me Jesus Series Part 3: I Will Give You Rest" Ben Martin

* **Hymn No. 472** Near to the Heart of God McAFEE

Reception into Church Membership

Katie and Sly Knight, III with sons, Oliver and Asher (8:45)

Vernon Victor Deen (11:00)

Benediction

Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00)

arr. Mark Hayes

When we've been there ten thousand years,
 Bright shining as the glorious sun,
 We've no less days to sing God's praise
 than since the day we first begun.

Closing Voluntary

Toccata Brevis

Daniel Gawthrop

* *Please stand as you are able.**Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you.**All music reprinted under OneLicense.net No. A-719387 and CCLI No. 11046193.***Altar Flowers**

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Harper and in honor of Dot Harper by Penny Harper.

Just Born

James and Carolyn Cubbedge are proud to announce the birth of their first great-grandchild, Noa Kay Cubbedge. Noa was born on August 3, 2021, and is the daughter of Ashton and Allie Cubbedge who were married at Wesley in 2018. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Noa.

Margaret Willey Memorial Service

The Memorial Service for Wesley member Margaret Willey will take place tomorrow, Monday, September 27 at 11:00 a.m. at Greenwich Cemetery.

Christmas Greenery 2021

The Altar Guild of Wesley Monumental is excited to offer fresh balsam greenery from Vermont for the Christmas season. Your pre-paid order will be shipped the Monday after Thanksgiving, and orders will be available for pickup in the Oliver Hall courtyard on Friday, December 3 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Saturday, December 4 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and the next week during the Church's normal business hours. The funds from this project are used to offset the cost of decorating the church during the Advent season. Checks should be made payable to Wesley Monumental and earmarked Christmas Greenery. Or visit bit.ly/WMChristmasGreenery to pay online. Select "Give one time" and "Christmas Greenery & Poinsettias" as the fund. Once paid, email the order form to daphne@wesleymonumental.org or deliver to the church office by Sunday, October 24. Order forms may be found at all church entrances or on our website.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks**Greeters:** Linda Butler**Ushers:** David Butler**Partners in Prayer:** Henry Whitfield**11:00 Service****Acolyte:** Avery West, Cullen Dunn**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks**Greeters:** Florence & Frank Anderson**Offering Steward:** Jim Willis**Ushers:** Jim Willis, Glen Willard, Allen Williams, Brad Aiken, Jesse Bentley, Jon Boothe, Tom Bordeaux, Fred Bozeman**Partners in Prayer:** Adam Kobek

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Choir and Orchestra Concert

The centerpiece of the Wesley choir's May 14 concert is Ralph Vaughan Williams' masterpiece *Dona Nobis Pacem*. He wrote it in 1936 as a plea for peace amidst wars and growing fears of another war. *Dona Nobis Pacem* means Grant Us Peace. Peace is the message for all. Internationally renowned baritone, Nicholas Davis, will be joining us. You will not want to miss this!

A forty-two piece orchestra, including our Noack pipe organ, will accompany the singers. Tickets will go on sale in December.

Saturday, May 14, 2022, 7:30 PM. Thank you for supporting the choir!

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Wesley Community Center Groceries

Most needed this week is pasta.

No Bad Time to Read the Bible

It's never too late to start reading the Bible! Sign up for a weekly email of Bible encouragement, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Get Grubby!

Come plant bushes and flowers for Family Promise, 218 Cumming Street, Friday, October 15, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Please sign up in advance with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

October Merry Makers Events

On Monday, October, 11, come join us at the church for a fascinating presentation from our own Ken Rimes. Ken is coming to talk about the history of Savannah as he tells it to guests of his tour company, *Timeless Tours of Savannah*. Come hear some familiar history that "everybody" knows, (or thinks they know)! And, come hear some things that you have never heard before. A yummy lunch will be prepared by Suzanna. We will meet in the Parlor of Oliver Hall at 11:00 a.m. and lunch is \$7. Please RSVP to Jennifer Thompson or the church office by Friday, October 8.

Then on Wednesday, October 27, come eat lunch (Dutch treat) at 12:00 p.m. at Wang's II Chinese restaurant - 7601 Water's Avenue. Check out the menu at www.wangs2restaurant.com. Please RSVP to Jennifer or the church office by Sunday, October 24.

Veterans Day Breakfast

Thursday, November 11 - Come join us for our annual Veterans Day Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. If there is a parade this year, we will be done in time to join in the festivities! Our own Sheila Boone, who is the Membership and Outreach Coordinator of the Georgia Historical Society, will be our speaker. Sheila's expertise is in the area of World War I history. She will share with us about the effects of WWI on the home front.....in Georgia, and specifically in Savannah. Suzanna will have breakfast and plenty of coffee ready for us! Please RSVP to Jennifer or the church office by Monday, November 8.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Fall Festival

Mark your calendars for our Fall Festival at Wesley Gardens on October 24 at 4:00 p.m.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Preteen (4th & 5th Grade)

KidzQuest is Back! (October 15-17)

I'm happy to inform you that KidzQuest is happening this year! We will be taking a group of 4th and 5th graders to Camp Jekyll over the weekend of October 15-17 (new location - run by the same great people!). KidzQuest is a retreat organized by the South Georgia Conference of the UMC. It is a weekend of fun, worship, and meaningful time together. Please contact James P. Owens for more information.

Youth (Grades 6th-12th)

Youth Karaoke Party Tonight!

Warm up those vocal chords, pick out a good song, and join us tonight, Sunday, September 26 a Karaoke Party at youth group! Our very own Skip Watts will serve as MC for what promises to be a fun night. During our usual youth group time, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (9/19/21)	
8:45 AM Worship	85
11:00 AM Worship	175
Online Worship Views	99
Total Worship	359
Nursery	11
Children's Worship	36
Sunday School	101

Finances: (9/19/21)

Total Budget for the Year	\$1,983,419.00
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,319,786.13
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,362,371.74

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
Rev. 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
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Sermon Extended

Monday	Hebrews 3:1-6	If Moses is a servant and Jesus is a Son, what am I/we in "God's House"?
Tuesday	Hebrews 3:7-19	Why might my heart get hard and cease to believe?
Wednesday	Hebrews 4:1-11	What is the "rest" God had for them to enter? What is it for us?
Thursday	Matthew 11:28-30	Am I tired or weary? From what do I need rest?
Friday	Matthew 11:28-30	What is the "easy yoke" Jesus is offering us?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

As a praying church, we ask you, Lord, to bless the children who receive their Bibles this week. Let them fall in love with You through Your Word, and let them hide that Word in their hearts to rely upon all of their days.

Daily Chronological Bible Readings for 2021

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

Sunday, September 26	Ezra 7-10
Monday, September 27	Nehemiah 1-4
Tuesday, September 28	Nehemiah 5-7
Wednesday, September 29	Nehemiah 8-10
Thursday, September 30	Catch-Up Day
Friday, October 1	Nehemiah 11-13; Psalm 126
Saturday, October 2	Psalm 106; John 1:4-14
Sunday, October 3	Matthew 1; Luke 1:1-2:38

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, September 26

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 AM Coffee, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:00 AM New Member Class, OH 205
- 10:00 AM Confirmation Class, EB 4th Flr
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, EB 4th Flr

Monday, September 27

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Margaret Willey Memorial Svc,
Greenwich Cemetery
- 2:00 PM Joy Circle Mtg, FH
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir Rehearsal,
OH Parlor

Tuesday, September 28

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, Zoom

Wednesday, September 29

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 310
- 4:45 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 5:30 PM Dinner, FH
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir, EB
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir, EB
- 6:00 PM Youth Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
- 6:00 PM Discernment Study, Led by
Ben Martin, FH & Zoom
- 6:00 PM Epic of Eden Study, Led by
Jennifer Thompson, OH & Zoom
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,
EB 4th Flr

Thursday, September 30

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

Friday, October 1

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

OH = Oliver Hall	EB = Education Building
SNC = Sanctuary	FH = Fellowship Hall
WG = Wesley Gardens Retreat	

In Our Prayers....

Bob Harman, Keith Ellis, Mary Odom, Anita Pringle, Danielle Robertson (granddaughter of Ceil Waters), Paul White (father of Kim Pannell), Jenny Lynn Bradley, Betty Sahlie, Richard Wilson, Pat Macomber, Richard Bartels, Eleanor Shurr, Dorothy Green (mother of Gail Brannen), Clay Price (friend of Jim Willis), Laura Fleiner, Ouida Smith (mother of Edward Smith), Fritz Scarborough (brother of Camille O'Neill), Rev. Grover Bell, Bert Bell, Mario Delfiaco (brother of Cynthia Willett), David Heery, Palmer Hood (brother of Ge-Juan Wilkes), Joe Gold, Mark Lanier (son of Ellison Lanier), Louis Burnsed (brother of Marilyn Hitt), Frances Hughes (friend of Marilyn Holleman), Matthew Yost, Diane Coleman (friend of Carmine Cowart), Shirley Roberts, Carla Corn (mother of Sarah Shelby), Doug Stutzman, Sara Francis Thrasher (grandmother of Reanna Hamilton), Alyssa Jones (granddaughter of Rusty Holt), Jerry Comunale (brother-in-law of Cynthia Willett), Jennifer Hodges, Barbara Burnett, Joe Cain, Kim Rahn, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Claire Hayes, 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), 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

Olin Bockes, Nancy Birkheimer, Edith Roszkowiak, Lee Butler, Ruth & Elton Stuenkel, Cecil Abarr, Bella Grace Bartels, Harriet Bland, Grace Boches, Virginia Davis, Ann Ernst, Roz Evans, Ann Lott, Ellie Tardif, Lois Wooten

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

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

**Wednesday Night Supper:
9/29/21**

Menu: Beef Stroganoff,
Egg Noodles, Mixed Vegetables

***If you plan to eat dinner (and you are not on the permanent reservation list), please make your reservation by emailing or calling Daphne in the church office by 5:00 p.m. tomorrow, Monday, September 27. Call 912-232-0191 or email, daphne@wesleymonumental.org