



**Celebrating 154 Years 1868 - 2021**

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March 6, 2022

**"IN LIKE A LION, OUT LIKE A LAMB"**

March is here and I for one am glad. It usually means spring is on the way (or here), the time is about to change (don't forget to move your clock forward next weekend), the weather is getting warm again, and the NCAA Basketball tournament commonly known as "March Madness" is about to begin. Oh yeah, and St. Patrick's Day is right around the corner (I might have been trying to forget that one).

Most of us have heard the old saying about March, "In like a lion, out like a Lamb." It refers, of course, to the windy days of March and warmer, calmer days of April. But it also seemed an appropriate saying for today. I am beginning a new series of sermons for Lent entitled, "Follow Me." During the series, we will look at various people who followed Jesus, and at least one who didn't, to see what we can learn from them about our own life of discipleship.

We begin today with Simon Bar Jonah (Simon son of Jonah), better known as Simon Peter. He is arguably the most influential character in the New Testament after Jesus and Paul, and the most talked about of all the disciples. If you know his story he is sort of an "in like a lion, out like a lamb" character. Though referring to him as a lamb may be a stretch. You could also call him a "bull in a china shop." He is passionate and impetuous. He charges full steam ahead into just about everything when it comes to Jesus, and the intentions of his heart allow us to indulge him the roughshod way he sometimes goes about it. Our Lenten Series is as follows:

- March 6 - Simon Peter
- March 13 - The Women Who Followed
- March 20 - Judas Iscariot
- March 27 - The Ones Who Didn't
- April 3 - Simon of Cyrene
- April 10 (Palm Sunday) - The Jerusalem Crowd
- April 17 (Easter) - An Invitation to Follow

Today's communion offering is going to support Wesley Glen Ministries. Wesley Glen is a private, not for profit agency of the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church, dedicated to serving adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Wesley Glen provides comfortable, secure homes with round-the-clock care, nutritious meals, safe and reliable transportation, and support for daily living. Their Cornerstone Day Program allows participants to learn, grow, and socialize with each other.

*Ben*

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022  
8:45 & 11:00 A.M.  
*First Sunday in Lent*

**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. If needed, hearing devices and large print hymnals are available in the Narthex.*

**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. Following the 11:00 Service, children attending Children's Worship should be picked up from the Fellowship Hall.*

**Please register your attendance one of two ways:** *Complete the Attendance Roster (navy, rectangle pad) found in each pew or use the Remind app. For Remind, 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 you are visiting, please complete the Attendance Roster.*

**Offering:** *To tithe, text wesleymumc to 77977 or place your offering in the offering plate. Online giving is also available on our website.*

**Prayer Requests:** *Please email your prayer requests to Rev. Ben Martin, ben@wesleymonumental.org.*

**Chiming of the Hour** (11:00)

Madeleine Hall

**Lighting of the Candles** (11:00)

The Acolytes

**Introit** (11:00)

Sing Praise to God

\* **Hymn** No. 159

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

\* **Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

Jennifer Thompson

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**

GREATOREX

*(Dismissal for Children's Worship)*

*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.*

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.

**Baptismal Covenant (8:45)**

Oliver Michael Ennis  
son of Kayleigh Ward and Patrick Ennis

*Congregational Response:*

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Oliver as a member of God's family and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church. By God's grace we will do all in our power to increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love that he may grow into a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ who walks in the way that leads to life.

**Pastoral Prayer**

Jennifer Thompson

\* **Scripture Lesson** (Pew Bible, pgs. 62,18, 30, 31)

Luke 5:1-11, Matthew 16:13-23, Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75

**Sermon** "Follow Me Part 1: Petros - Like a Rolling Stone" 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.

**Offertory Prayer**

Jennifer Thompson

**Voluntary (8:45)**

Ludwig van Beethoven

Rondo from Sonata Op. 49, No. 1

**Anthem (11:00)**

Footsteps of Jesus

**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

## The Great Thanksgiving

**Pastor:** The Lord be with you.

**Congregation:** **And also with you.**

**Pastor:** Lift up your hearts.

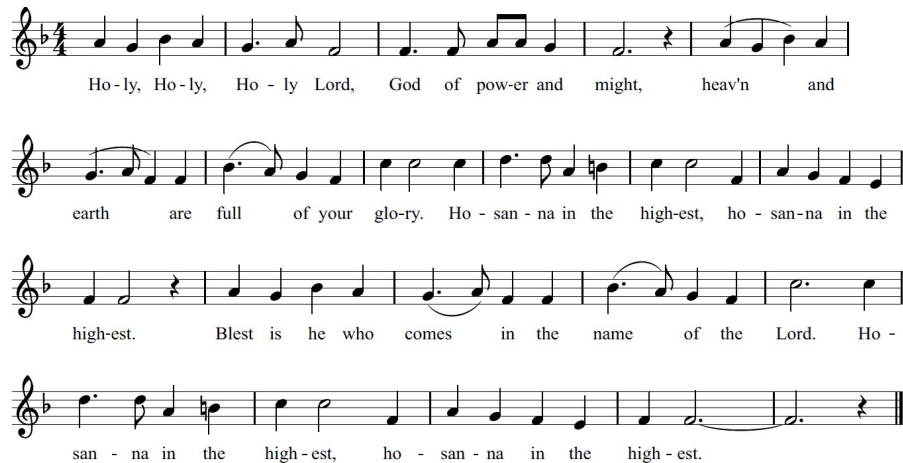
**Congregation:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**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.



**Thank You!**

Please welcome the children’s choir as they lead 11:00 worship today. Thank you to parents and children for their dedication. Thank you to Lee Green, Ash and Kim Grimmett, JoAnna Hayes, Raymond Patricio, Ken Rimes, Carolyn Roth, and Skip Watts for teaching the children every week.

**April Messenger Deadline**

Tomorrow, Monday, March 7. Email items to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

**New Study Topics**

- Wednesday Night Study  
This class is for those who want to learn to pray better – whether you have prayed for years or are just starting out. Rev. Jennifer Thompson will be leading this study using the book “How to Pray: A Simple Guide for Normal People” by Pete Greig. Meets at 6:00 p.m. in Oliver Hall, Room 207.
- Connect Sunday School Class  
Come join the Connect Sunday school class in a new study on the book of John starting Sunday, March 13. Meets 9:45 a.m. in Oliver Hall, Room 207 and via Zoom. All are welcome anytime. Questions? Email jennifert@wesleymonumental.org.

**Merry Makers March Event**

“The Women Who Helped Win WWII: Spies and Military Intelligence” presented by Kathy Horne. Monday, March 14 at 11:00 a.m. in the Oliver Hall Parlor. Email Jennifer Thompson at jennifert@wesleymonumental.org by Friday, March 11 to make your reservation (\$7.00).

**100th Birthday Celebration!**

Elton Stuenkel's 100th birthday celebration will be held this Friday, March 11 at 2:00 p.m. There will be cake, drinks, and a heartfelt singing of Happy Birthday! The address is Legacy at Savannah Quarters, 101 Shepherd Way, Pooler, GA 31322. Their room number is 210, just in case anyone would like to send a card.

**WCC Groceries for Needy Children & Seniors**

Most needed this week for Wesley Community Center are cereal and canned meat.

**St. Patrick’s Day Pancake Breakfast!**

Our annual St. Patrick’s Day Pancake Breakfast (to raise money for youth trips and missions) is coming up soon! You can help by donating pancake mix, bacon, or a number of other items. We will be serving pancakes, bacon, and green grits on the morning of the parade, Thursday, March 17, from 7:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. \$5 for adults/\$3 for children. Everyone is invited!

**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

<b>Attendance: (02/20/22)</b>	
8:45 AM Worship	93
11:00 AM Worship	332
Online Worship Views	134
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>559</b>
Nursery	19
Children’s Worship	45
9:45 AM Sunday School	188

**Finances: (02-27-22)**

Total Budget for the Year .....	\$2,022,708.12
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date .....	\$463,673.26
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date .....	\$312,800.16

<b>Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service</b>
<b>Children’s Worship:</b> Charli Weeks and Haley Herrington
<b>Greeter:</b> Lori Miller, Linda Butler
<b>Ushers:</b> Jeff Miller, David Butler
<b>Partners in Prayer:</b> Carmine Cowart
<b>11:00 Service</b>
<b>Acolyte:</b> Avery West, Sarah Cate Green
<b>Children’s Worship:</b> Charli Weeks and Haley Herrington
<b>Greeters:</b> Kim & Mehmet Ergul
<b>Offering Steward:</b> Brian West
<b>Ushers:</b> Brian West, Mehmet Ergul, Ted Moore, Jim Pannell, Jon Pannell, Johnny Phelps, Willie Roberds, Ken Spriggs
<b>Partners in Prayer:</b> Sandra McGowen

**Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church**

**March 6, 2022**

**Sermon Extended**

Monday	Luke 5:1-11	What do I learn about discipleship from Peter?
Tuesday	Matthew 14:22-34	What do I learn about discipleship from Peter?
Wednesday	Matthew 16:13-23	What do I learn about discipleship from Peter?
Thursday	Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75	What do I learn about discipleship from Peter?
Friday	John 21:1-19	What do I learn about discipleship from Peter?

**Sermon Notes**

**As a Praying Church...**

We ask you, Lord, to be with our confirmation class. Bless them as they attend the confirmation retreat and allow this time of learning and growing in faith to be a time that shapes them forever.

**This Week at Wesley**

**Sunday, March 6**

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC  
9:30 AM Coffee, FH  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC  
12:15 PM Admin Board Retreat/Lunch,  
FH

**Monday, March 7**

9:00 AM Eli's Place  
6:00 PM Trombone Choir

**Tuesday, March 8**

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Holland Hse  
9:00 AM Eli's Place  
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study,  
OH 310 or Zoom  
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH 308  
11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 310

**Wednesday, March 9**

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 Young Mothers' Small Group,  
OH Parlor  
6:00 PM Adult Study, Led by  
Ben Martin, FH  
6:00 PM Adult Study, Led by  
Jennifer Thompson, OH 207  
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,  
EB 4th Flr

**Thursday, March 10**

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

**Friday, March 11**

9:00 AM Eli's Place

**Pastor on Call This Week**

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

**In Our Prayers....**

Rev. Grover Bell, Mike White (step-father of Jennifer Thompson), Rebecca Lewis, Ken Hayes, Marilyn Holleman, Freda Hale (mother of Carolyn Cubbedge), John Burton, Pat Beasley, Jane McClain, Matthew McClain, Paul and Connie Kurtz (parents of Dan Kurtz), Banks Burgstiner (infant son of Summer and Stephen Burgstiner), Jane Bostwick (mother of Meb Ryan), Walter Thomas (brother of Mark Thomas), Dean Muenckler, Bob Franz, Jan and Bob Harman, Mel Hubbard, Shirley Turner, Darin Aldinger, Sandrae McCorkle, Raine Rude, Grant Kassinger (nephew of Peggy Jolley), Sally Polk (sister of Peggy Jolley), Mary Odom, Anita Pringle, Danielle Robertson (granddaughter of Ceil Waters), Richard Wilson, Fritz Scarborough (brother of Camille O'Neill), Bert Bell, David Heery, Palmer Hood (brother of Ge-Juan Wilkes), Louis Burnsed (brother of Marilyn Hitt), Diane Coleman (friend of Carmine Cowart), 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, Kim Rahn, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Ryan Davis, Janice Dukeman (daughter of Erv Sloan), Martha and Erv Sloan, Fenton McEvoy

**At Home/Extended Care**

Grace & Olin Bockes, Lee Butler, Edith Roszkowiak, Cecil Abarr, Ruth and Elton Stuenckel, Bella Grace Bartels, Harriet Bland, Virginia Davis, Roz Evans, Ann Lott, Ellie Tardif, Lois Wooten

**Military Serving Abroad/Stateside**

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

**In Sympathy...**

The Brannen Family  
on the death of *Dot Green*,  
mother of Gail Brannen,  
grandmother of Brooke Powell

The Family of *Ellie Tardif*

**Wednesday Night Supper  
03/9/22**

Menu: Tuscan Chicken with Pasta  
and 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, March 7. Call 912-232-0191 or email, daphne@wesleymonumental.org.