



Celebrating 154 Years 1868 - 2022

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May 1, 2022

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 71st annual National Day of Prayer, May 5, 2022, is coming up this Thursday. This year we are offering two ways to participate: (1) The sanctuary will be open from 7:30 a.m. to Noon, so members and visitors can stop by and pray. (2) Pray from anywhere! A suggested prayer schedule for Wesley Monumental groups is available this morning in the Narthex.

Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)

Join us Saturday, May 14 at 7:30 p.m. for Ralph Vaughan Williams' masterwork *Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)* featuring 42-piece orchestra, organ, and the Wesley choir.

Written in 1936 after World War I, it is a plea for peace from a world fearful of another war. Like Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, it begins in darkness and rises to light. During WWII, dozens of British ensembles performed the work to maintain morale and assure that God is triumphant over evil in the end.

Tickets are \$35 and proceeds go to Wesley member and Purple Heart veteran Ryan Davis and his wife and son, Asia and Knox.



Tickets may be purchased by one of the following:

- Visiting MonumentalMusic.eventbrite.com
- Scanning the QR code
- From any choir member or the church office

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2022

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

Third Sunday of Easter

Sinisa Ciric, violin
Marsha Krantz, violin

Yvonne Johnson, viola
William Page, cello

(11:00 string quartet)

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.*

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Hannah MacGregor

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Introit (11:00)

O Be Joyful in the Lord

John Yarrington

* Hymn No. 327

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

* 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

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 on the second floor.

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.

National Day of Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Pastoral Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

* **Scripture Lesson** (Pew Bible, pg. 116)

John 21:18-25

Sermon

“Bless This Mess”

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

Nelle Bordeaux

Voluntary (8:45)

How Great Thou Art

arr. Joel Raney

Anthem (11:00)

Jesus Paid it All

arr. Robert Sterling

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.

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

* **Doxology** No. 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

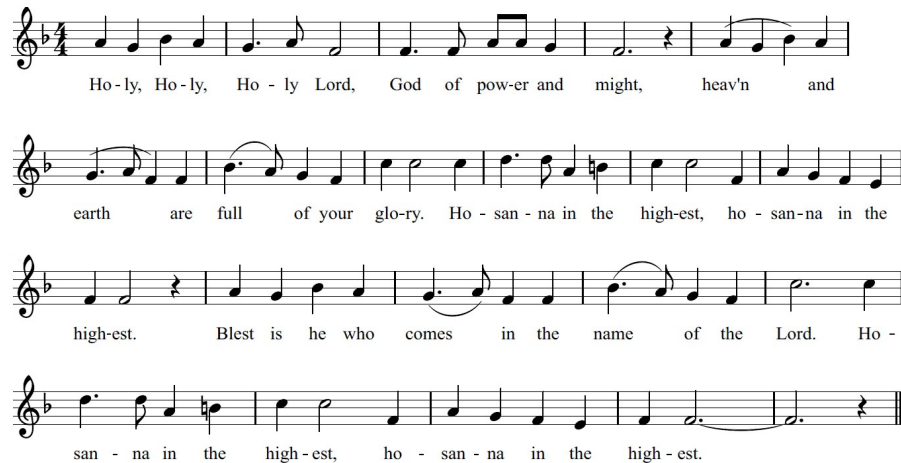
Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

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:



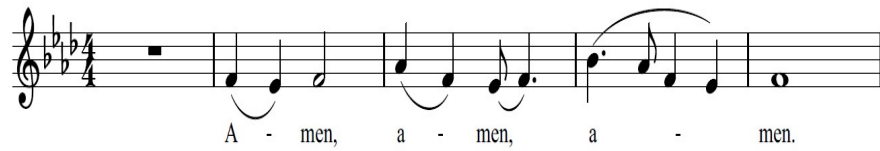
Christ has died; Christ is ri-sen; Christ will come a-gain.

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

(Gluten free bread is available. Please indicate your preference by raising your hand.)

Giving the Bread and Cup

We will take communion at the rail. If you prefer taking communion in your pew, prefilled communion cups are available. 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 Magnolia Manor. If you would like to give a donation, please place your offering in the chancel rail when you come to be served.

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.

Communion Music (11:00)

Panis Angelicus	Frack
Liebstraume	Liszt
Aria from Xerxes	Handel

* **Hymn No. 357** Just as I Am, Without One Plea WOODWORTH
Stanza One

* **Benediction** Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) Amen John Rutter

Closing Voluntary (8:45) Fanfare Jacques Lemmens

Closing Voluntary (11:00) Ode to Joy Beethoven

* *Please stand as you are able.*

*Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you.
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Today's Communion Offering

Is designated for The League of the Good Samaritan which is the charitable arm of Magnolia Manor (a nonprofit, faith-focused senior living organization in Georgia). The League provides financial assistance when residents run out of money and provides spiritual care through their chaplains. If you would like to give a donation, please place your offering in the chancel rail when you come to be served.

Massie Cookie Call

Thank you to everyone who signed up to provide cookies for this Wednesday's Massie May Day Celebration. Please place your cookies in the marked box located just inside the door on the Wayne Street side of the Fellowship Hall.

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! On Sunday, May 8 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.

Merry Makers May Event

Come and enjoy the talent of many of our Merry Makers on Monday, May 9 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Please use the front steps or the Gordon Street door (for the elevator) for the program. Afterwards, join us for lunch (\$7.00) in the Fellowship Hall. Please make your reservation by calling the Church Office, 912-232-0191.

Graduate Recognition Sunday

Graduate Recognition Sunday will be held May 15, and if anyone knows of a member (or member's child) that is graduating from high school or college, please email james@wesleymonumental.org.

WCC Groceries for Needy Children & Seniors

Most needed this week for Wesley Community Center is cereal.

VBS 2022 Enrollment

Join us for MONUMENTAL, Celebrating God's Greatness at the Wesley Gardens Retreat Center, June 13-17 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Registration is now open for all Wesley Monumental families. (At this time, registration is only open to children and extended family of Wesley members.)

All participants (3 years-5th grade) and volunteers need to register. If you have any questions at all, please email Charli Weeks, charli@wesleymonumental.org.

Register at: www.myvbs.org/wesleymonumental

It takes many, many volunteers for VBS to be a success; and, we need you! Please sign up online using the registration link above.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Attendance: (04/24/22)

8:45 AM Worship	114
11:00 AM Worship	388
Online Worship Views	137
Total Worship	639
Nursery	11
Children's Worship	38
9:45 AM Sunday School	127

Finances: (04-24-22)

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,022,708.12
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$725,419.45
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$677,550.34

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks & Haley Herrington

Communion Stewards: TBD

Greeters: Lori Miller, Pat Killewald

Ushers: Jeff Miller, TBD

Partners in Prayer: Carmine Cowart

11:00 Service

Acolyte: Ansley Pedigo, Marshall Pedigo

Children's Worship: Amy Daniel **Nursery:** Jackie P. Smith, Laura Blake

Communion Stewards: TBD

Greeters: Linda Sapp, TBD

Offering Steward: Brian West

Ushers: Brian West, Mehmet Ergul, Ted Moore, Jim Pannell, Jon Pannell, Johnny Phelps, Willie Roberds, Ken Spriggs

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church

May 1, 2022

Sermon Extended

Monday	John 21:15-19	How would I answer Jesus if he asked me, "Do you love me?" What if he told me it meant I would die?
Tuesday	John 21:20-23	Why is there a competition between Peter and John? Why is there competition in the church?
Wednesday	John 21:22, Matthew 7:1-5	What do these two passages have in common?
Thursday	Acts 6:1-7, 15:36-41	How did God redeem or bless these conflicts in the church?
Friday	John 21:22	What does it mean for our church to "follow Jesus" and not worry about what others are doing?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask You, Lord, to bless our children's choirs. As the children receive awards this week, help them to know in their hearts that You are the reason they sing. Allow them to understand what it means to truly worship You.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, May 1

Family Promise Week Thru 5/7

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 AM Coffee, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, EB 4th Flr

Monday, May 2

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Tuesday, May 3

- 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
- 5:30 PM Evangelism Comm. Mtg, Zoom

Wednesday, May 4

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 10:00 AM Massie May Day, Calhoun Sq.
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 310
- 4:45 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 5:30 PM Dinner, FH
- 6:15 PM Music Awards Program, SNC
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, May 5

National Day of Prayer

- 7:30 AM Sanctuary Open for Prayer until Noon
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Zoom

Friday, May 6

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin 912-547-1835

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

In Our Prayers....

Woody Brown, Shari and Mel Hubbard, Leon Terrell Coppage (father of Amy Carter), Dewayne Barfield (brother of Shirley Turner), Jason Black (son of Marilyn and Wayne Black), Michael Sailors, Jimmy Stephens (brother of Kathi Hodges), Camille Herring (sister of Wade Herring), Harriett Gattis (mother of Clayton Gattis), Roger LeMay, Rebecca Lewis, Ken Hayes, Marilyn Holleman, 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, Shirley Turner, Darin Aldinger, Sandrae McCorkle, Raine Rude, Grant Kassinger (nephew of Peggy Jolley), Sally Polk (sister of Peggy Jolley), 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, on), Alyssa Jones (grand-daughter 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 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, 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

**Wednesday Night Supper
5/4/22**

Menu: Chinese-Style Beef, Ramen, Broccoli

***If you plan to eat dinner (and you are not on the permanent reservation list), please email daphne@wesleymonumental.org by 5:00 p.m. tomorrow, Monday, May 2.

In Sympathy...

The Family of *Ann Lott*,
 mother of Forrest Lott,
 grandmother of Ashley Baumann,
 Jared Lott, and Alex Lott