



Celebrating 154 Years 1868 - 2021

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May 8, 2022

Mother's Day/Infant Recognition Sunday

This morning, as we celebrate Mother's Day, we are recognizing all of the babies who were born into our congregation over the last year. We are blessed to have so many young families here and want to say thank you today to all of you who are a part of our ministry to babies and children. Thank you to our staff at Eli's Place, the nursery, and our children's ministry. Thank you to our volunteers who serve children in the nursery, children's church/worship, Sunday School, choir programs, and children's ministries. Thank you to our parents who entrust your children to us. We pray that together we are raising children to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.

Mary Emma Carter
Madison Sophia Clarke
Lucy-Fair Charlotte Cowart
Oliver Michael Ennis
Everett Wilder Guild
Wade Isaac Herring
Wilson Ware Herrington
Ruby Makale Ingalsbe
Silas Cade Kerby
George Graham Kuykendall
Emma Katherine Lee
Tyler Joshua Marinich
Ashlynn Howle McGinley
Tinsley Gene McGinley
Madison Grace Parker
Matilda Scout Powers
Augustus McCrae Prather
Prince David Riley
Reynolds Jackson Sellers
Scarlett Isabelle Smith
Michaela McCrae Townsend
Weston Barrow Wells
Mollie Frances Yarbrough

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2022

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

Fourth 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. 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)

James Butler

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Opening Voluntary (8:45) Toccata in E Minor Johann Pachelbel

Introit (11:00) What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE Hannah MacGregor, Elizabeth Huff, Madeleine Hall

* **Hymn No. 310** He Lives ACKLEY

* **Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed James P. Owens (8:45)
Cole Valdez (11:00)

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

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.

Infant Recognition

Charli Weeks

Children's Sermon

James P. Owens

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.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer James P. Owens (8:45)
Pastoral Prayer, James P. Owens (11:00)
The Lord's Prayer, Madeleine Hall (11:00)

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. 657 This Is the Day Psalm 118:24

Offertory Prayer James P. Owens

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Praise Him! Praise Him! arr. Bill Wolaver

Anthem (11:00) Thine Be the Glory JUDAS MACCABEUS

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. 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. 680, 241-242)
Isaiah 49:14-16, 1 John 4:8-12,16-21 Ben Martin (8:45)
Isaiah 49:14-16 Will Haire (11:00)
1 John 4:8-12,16-21 William Blake (11:00)

Sermon "God is Love" Ben Martin

* **Hymn** No. 273 AU CLAIR DE LA LUNE
Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands

Benediction Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) My Jesus, I Love Thee
Ellie Muenckler, Abbott Scoggins, Anna Owens

* *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

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in honor of our son, Justin Burton, on his 50th birthday from Cindy and John Burton.

Just Born

Congratulations to Carrie and Matt Kuykendall on the birth of a son, George Graham Kuykendall, on March 30, 2022. A rose is by the altar today in honor of George.

Massie May Day Celebration

Thank you to everyone who provided cookies and volunteered during last week's Massie May Day celebration.

June Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit items for the June Monumental Messenger is tomorrow, Monday, May 9. Email to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Save the Date!

Summer Sunday Evenings at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center will begin Sunday, June 19! Details will be available in the June Messenger and upcoming bulletins.

Altar Flowers - Summer Dates Available

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 \$90, and the Altar Guild will purchase and arrange the flowers for you. The following summer dates are available: July 3, 10, 17, 24 and August 14.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks & Haley Herrington

Greeters: TBD

Offering Steward: TBD

Ushers: TBD

Partners in Prayer: Henry Whitfield

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Michael Cooler, Jordan Hess

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks & Haley Herrington

Greeters: TBD

Offering Steward: Jason Pedigo

Ushers: Jason Pedigo, Jeff O'Connor, Aaron Pederson, Bart Rhodes, Don Riddle, Jacob Sigmon, Travis Thomas, Vin Thomas, Matt West

Partners in Prayer: Adam Kobek

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Please welcome the 1st-5th grade 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.

On Wednesday at the Music Awards ceremony, we celebrated eighty children ages three years old through 5th completing choir for the full school term. Eighteen of the older children had perfect attendance. Glory to God!

Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)

Join us Saturday, May 14 at 7:30 PM 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

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Wesley Community Center Groceries for Needy Children & Seniors

Groceries most needed this week are rice and dry beans.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry



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. We are super excited to see everyone at Wesley Gardens this summer!

Register at: www.myvbs.org/wesleymonumental

It takes many, many volunteers for VBS to be a success; and, we need you! If you would like to help, please fill out the yellow slip in today's bulletin and place in the offering plate.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Graduate Recognition Sunday - Last Call!

Graduate Recognition Sunday will be held next Sunday, 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.

High School Mission Trip

On June 26-July 1, we will travel to the Eastern Shore region of Virginia and serve with Youthworks. All students who will have completed 8th grade by the time of the trip are eligible. Email james@wesleymonumental.org to sign up.

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

Merry Makers - Tomorrow, Monday, May 9, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Talent! Talent! Talent! Please come and enjoy the talent of our Merry Makers! Meet in the Sanctuary using the front steps or the Gordon Street door (for the elevator) for the program. Afterwards, join us for a yummy lunch (\$7.00) prepared by Suzanna in the Fellowship Hall.



A Record of Our Faithfulness



Sunday Attendance: (05/01/22)	
8:45 AM Worship	105
11:00 AM Worship	235
Online Worship Views	125
Total Worship	465
Nursery	17
Children’s Worship	38
Sunday School	130

Finances: (05/01/22)

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,022,708.12
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$775,256.15
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$715,947.59

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

May 8, 2022

Sermon Extended

Monday	Isaiah 49:14-16, Matthew 23:37	What do these images tell us about God?
Tuesday	I John 4:8-10, 16	How do I know God is love?
Wednesday	I John 4:4:16-18	What is the connection between fear and love?
Thursday	I John 4:19-21	If God is love, how does it shape how I live?
Friday	Matthew 22:34-40	How can love fulfill all God's commands?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

We ask You, Lord, to bless our Chancel Choir as its members serve You by leading us in worship. Please give them strong voices and a desire to glorify you as they sing *Dona Nobis Pacem*. Help them to feel Your presence when they sing.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, May 8

Mother's Day/Infant Recognition Sunday

- 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 Infant Recognition Brunch, OH Parlor
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, EB 4th Flr

Monday, May 9

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Merry Makers Program, SNC
Lunch Following, FH

Tuesday, May 10

- 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, May 11

- 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 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, May 12

- All Day Choir & Orchestra Rehearsals, SNC
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Downtown Bible Study, Zoom

Friday, May 13

- All Day Choir & Orchestra Rehearsals, SNC
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

Saturday, May 14

- 7:30 PM Dona Nobis Pacem, SNC

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

**Wednesday Night Supper
5/11/22**

Menu: Pork Tenderloin,
Sweet Potatoes, Stuffing

This will be the last WNS until Fall

Sunday Night Supper and Worship at Wesley Gardens Retreat Center begins Sunday, June 19. Details will be available in the June Messenger and upcoming bulletins.

In Our Prayers....

Robert Reece (friend of Philip Green), 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), 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, 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 (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 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/Statedside

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