



Celebrating 154 Years 1868 - 2022

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A LONG WAY TO SUNDAY

We are a worshipping community. Sunday is the center of what we do. Which is why next week I am going to begin a series of sermons on the subject of worship. This entire fall we will focus on the what, why, when, where, who, and how of worship with our goal of making worship a more meaningful experience for God and for us. However, it is a long way from Sunday to Sunday and discipleship is lived out every day of our lives. Acts 2 describes the life of the early church in this way,

"42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44 All who believed were together and had all things in common; 45 they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home[k] and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

Day by day they studied, prayed, worship, fellowshiped, and served together. The key to their discipleship and the success of their church was spending time together. They encouraged each other in their faith and learned from each other. In other words, Sundays weren't enough for them, and it stands to reason the same would be true for us. Which is why we have Wednesday nights at Wesley. This Wednesday we will pause in the middle of our week and gather once again to pray, study, fellowship, worship, and serve together. It is a time for our children to grow in the faith through learning to sing the faith and worship, for our youth to learn together in small groups, for us to meet to pray for our church family, community, and world, to eat together, and for adults to study together. I hope you will consider being a part of Wednesday nights. It's a long way from Sunday to Sunday. See the insert in the bulletin for information about what is offered and how to get signed up.

NEW COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

We are happy to announce we have added a new Communications Director position to our administrative staff. Ashley Higgins will begin this week. She and her husband Aaron joined Wesley in June. Ashley will be responsible for our website (a new website is in progress), social media, and other communications needs. Ashley is a freelance author with marketing, copywriting, and editing experience, and spent six years on the staff of Compassion International. Her husband Aaron is a member of the Pooler City Council. We look forward to Ashley helping us communicate the good news of what God is doing here at Wesley.

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022
8:45 & 11:00 A.M.
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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.*

Lighting of the Candles (11:00) The Acolytes

Introit (11:00) Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

* **Hymn No. 451** Be Thou My Vision SLANE

* **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.

Pastoral Prayer Nelle Bordeaux

* **Scripture Lesson** (Pew Bible, pgs. 501, 109, 247)
Psalm 23, John 14:18-23, Revelation 3:20

Sermon "A Psalm For Summer Part 12:
All the Days of My Life" 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

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Be Thou My Vision arr. Marilynn Ham

Anthem (11:00)

If Ye Love Me

Philip Wilby

If ye love me, keep my commandments.
And I will pray the Father,
and He shall give you another comforter,
that He may 'bide with you forever;
E'en the spirit of truth;
And ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you,
and shall be in you.
I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you.
- John 14: 15-18

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

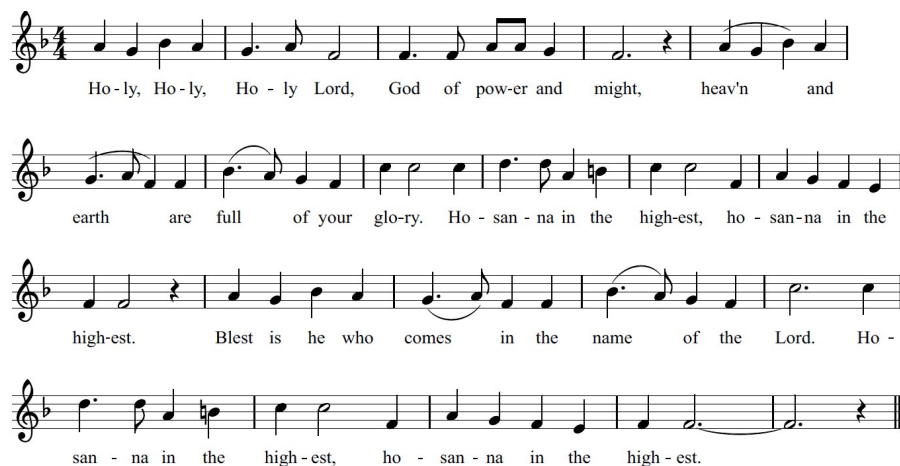
Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

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.

Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God by Carmine and Alan Cowart in celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Cowart's 60th wedding anniversary on September 7.

Groceries

Most needed this week are peel back cans of Vienna sausages. (no can opener required)

Church Office & Eli's Place Closed

The Church Office & Eli's Place will be closed tomorrow, September 5.

Children's Choirs Begin 9/7

Joyful Noise Choir - for children ages 3 to Kindergarten - For details, email Charli, charli@wesleymonumental.org

Children's Choir - for children in 1st through 5th grade. For details and to register email Monica, monica@wesleymonumental.org

Youth Choir begins 9/11

Ages 6th-12th grade. Meets on Sundays from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. w/dinner & youth group following.

New Member Course 9/18 & 9/25

Please call the Church Office to sign up, 912-232-0191. Class will join as a group September 25.

Confirmation Class

Open to any students in 6th grade or above who have not previously been confirmed. The first meeting will be Sunday morning, September 18, during the Sunday school hour. Please see James P. Owens for more information.

Finances: (08-28-22)

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,022,708.12
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,312,682.34
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,354,917.12

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Communion Stewards: Joyce & Richard Zehl

Greeters: Sharlene Monahan

Ushers: Pat Monahan

Partners in Prayer: Carmine Cowart

**Merry Makers Program -
Cooking with Suzanna**

Back by popular demand, our own Suzanna King will be the program on Monday, September 12, from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Suzanna will show us various ways to make an easy, yummy chicken pot pie, as well as other "tricks of the trade." Please call the church office or contact Jennifer Thompson by Friday, September 9 to make a reservation.

Sunday Mornings for 4th & 5th Graders

On Sunday, September 11, our 4th and 5th graders will begin meeting during the 11:00 Service for Worship Education. This class will meet for 4 weeks, September 11, 18, 25, and October 2. On the 11th, children should meet in the middle section of the balcony below the Wesley window at 10:50 a.m. We'll stay for part of the service and spend the second part of our time in Room 305 learning about the different parts of the worship service and how they fit together. Pick up from the Fellowship Hall after the service.

A Record of Our Faithfulness**Attendance: (08/28/22)**

8:45 AM Worship	84
11:00 AM Worship	337
Online Worship Views	120
Total Worship	541
Nursery	12
Children's Worship	53
9:45 AM Sunday School	174

11:00 Service

Acolyte: Ansley Pedigo, Marshall Pedigo

Children's Worship: Caroline Rhodes, Sarah Lientz

Children's Sunday School: Caroline Rhodes

Communion Stewards: Karen & Ron Washburn

Greeters: Barbara & Johnny Phelps

Offering Steward: Brian West

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

Partners in Prayer: Annelle McDuffee

Offering Steward: Jeff Miller

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Sermon Extended

Monday	Psalm 23	Prayerfully read the Psalm one more time.
Tuesday	Joshua 1:9, Matthew 28:20	What is the most consistent promise of God and how do I experience it?
Wednesday	Revelation 3:20	Imagine hearing Jesus ask to be a part of my day and inviting him to be with me.
Thursday	Genesis 5:21-24	How can I practice “walking with God” today?
Friday	John 14:18-23	What do I need to do for the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit to “make their home with me”?

Sermon Notes

As a Praying Church...

Lord, we ask you to come and be with us as we resume our Wednesday night dinners, studies, and choirs. Let these evenings be filled with joy and deeper connection with you.

This Week at Wesley

Sunday, September 4

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
9:30 AM Coffee, FH
9:45 AM Sunday School, EB & OH
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC

Monday, September 5

Church Office & Eli's Place Closed

Tuesday, September 6

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Holland Hse
9:00 AM Eli's Place
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study,
OH 310
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH 308
11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 310
5:30 PM Evangelism Comm., Zoom

Wednesday, September 7

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
6:00 PM Children's Choir
6:00 PM Youth Bible Study, EB 4th Flr
6:00 PM Making Sense of the Bible
Study, led by Ben Martin, FH
6:00 PM Colossians Study, led by
Jennifer Thompson, OH 207
6:00 PM The Enneagram Study, led by
James P. Owens, OH 408
6:00 PM Young Women's Small Group,
led by Katie Knight, OH Parlor
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,
EB 4th Flr

Thursday, September 8

9:00 AM Eli's Place
12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

Friday, September 9

9:00 AM Eli's Place
3:00 PM Wedding, SNC
3:30 PM Grocery Packing, OH Lobby

Saturday, September 10

8:00 AM Merry Makers Trip,
Alhambra Theater

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

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin 912-547-1835

**Wednesday Night Supper
Begins September 7**

See the insert in today's bulletin for
details and ways to register.

Menu: Baked Ziti, Mixed Vegetables,
Buttered Noodles

In Our Prayers....

Deanne Rimes, Diane Boyd, Mark Thomas, Janet Wist, Dale and Becki Fisher (cousins of Holly Conger), Bo Watts, Craig Hanson, Jan Pullin, Baker Crawford, Valery Hanks, Cindy Telljohann, Walter Sumner (brother of Rosanne Montjoy and uncle of Michael Montjoy), Sheila Kraeuter (mother of Scot Kraeuter), Shari and Mel Hubbard, Leon Terrell Coppage (father of Amy Carter), Dewayne Barfield (brother of Shirley Turner), Jimmy Stephens (brother of Kathi Hodges), Camille Herring (sister of Wade Herring), Harriett Gattis (mother of Clayton Gattis), Rebecca Lewis, Marilyn Holleman, John Burton, Pat Beasley, Matthew McClain, Paul and Connie Kurtz (parents of Dan Kurtz), Jane Bostwick (mother of Meb Ryan), Walter Thomas (brother of Mark Thomas), Dean Muenckler, Bob Harman, 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), 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, Alyssa Jones (granddaughter of Rusty Holt), Jerry Comunale (brother-in-law of Cynthia Willett), Jennifer Hodges, 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 Stuenkel, Bella Grace Bartels, Harriet Bland, Virginia Davis, Roz Evans, Lois Wooten

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

Danial Ealy, Michael Sailors, Dajuan Monley, Jason Childers, Clint Guild, Yates Holleman, Chris Watson

In Sympathy....

The Marbach Family
on the death of Jake's sister,
Betsy Kinne

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Join us Wednesday nights this Fall for dinner and programs!



Begins September 7 and ends with our Nativity Pageant on December 14.

(No dinner or programs the week of Thanksgiving.)

WNS Registration

If registering for supper, you will automatically be enrolled for the entire semester. If you are not able to attend a particular week, please let us know the Monday prior to dinner by calling the Church Office, 912-232-0191.

WNS Pricing	Weekly	Semester (pay in advance for the entire semester and receive 1 meal free)
Nursery (Age 0 to Prek)	Free	Free
Children (K to 5th Grade)	\$3.00	\$39.00
Youth (6th to 12th Grade) & Adults	\$6.00	\$78.00
Family Maximum	\$18.00	\$234.00
College Students	Free	Free
Children younger than 1st Grade will eat in the Nursery. Children in 1st - 5th Grade will eat in the Fellowship Hall.		

Ways To Make Your Reservation:

1. Online by scanning QR code or
2. Email the following information to bakerj@wesleymonumental.org or call the Church Office, 912-232-0191.



WNS & Small Group
Studies for Adults
Registration

- (a) Names of family members attending.
- (b) If your child will be in the nursery, please specify their age, and if they will or will not be eating. (This helps us provide enough caregivers.)

Ways To Pay:

1. Online when you register or by visiting pushpay.com/g/wesleymonumental
Select "Give one time" & "Wednesday Night Supper" as the fund.)
2. At door, cash or checks only

WNS Fall Programming

Call to Prayer (4:45 - 5:15 PM)

Join the Prayer Committee each Wednesday evening for a time of prayer in the Oliver Hall Parlor.

WNS Meal (5:30 - 6:15 PM)

To RSVP, see directions on other side.

Joyful Noise & Children's Choirs (6:00—7:00 PM)

Children's Music for ages three years old through fifth grade.

For details and to register for Joyful Noise Choir (Age 3-K), email charli@wesleymonumental.org.

For Children's Choir (1st-5th Grade), scan QR code or email monica@wesleymonumental.org.



Choir Registration

Youth Bible Studies (6:00 - 7:00 PM)

Youth Bible Studies will meet every Wednesday night following church supper. For details, email james@wesleymonumental.org.

Small Group Studies for Adults (6:00 - 7:00 PM)

This year during our fall semester, we will offer 4 studies from which to choose. To sign up, click on the QR code or contact Jennifer Baker in the Church Office, bakerj@wesleymonumental.org or 912-232-0191.



WNS & Small Group
Studies for Adults
Registration

1. Making Sense of the Bible (led by Rev. Ben Martin)

We will finish the study which we started last Spring. Followed by a Bible study on the **Gospel of Mark**. Details, email ben@wesleymonumental.org. This study will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

2. Colossians (led by Rev. Jennifer Thompson)

Colossians was written to Christians who lived in a normal town - Jews and Gentiles side-by-side. In the midst of the confusing religious and ethnic diversity of the day, Paul reminds this church that there is just one Jesus and one Church. What might this letter to people from long ago have to say to us today? Come find out! This class is based on the study by Pastor Jay Kim called *40 Days Through the Book of Colossians*, and will meet in Oliver Hall Room 207. Books will be provided on the first night of class. Questions? Email jennifert@wesleymonumental.org.

3. The Enneagram & Spiritual Formation Group

(led by Rev. James P. Owens)

Everyone is invited to join us on a journey of self-discovery and Spiritual formation through the lens of the Enneagram. The Enneagram is a personality assessment tool, which can help us to achieve greater self-awareness, Spiritual maturity, and relational wholeness. We will meet on Wednesday evenings, at 6:00 p.m., immediately following church supper in Oliver Hall Room 408. The group will include an assessment to help you discover your dominant personality type, as well as discussion on how the Enneagram can help us at work, as parents, and in marriage. Please see Rev. James P. Owens for more information.

4. Young Women's Small Group (led by Katie Knight)

This study will meet in the Oliver Hall Parlor following supper. For additional details, please email katelyn.m.knight@gmail.com.