



Celebrating 154 Years 1868 - 2022

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WORSHIP AT WESLEY

Today we gather for Sunday morning worship at Wesley. For 154 years, almost without interruption, worship has happened here. Every Sunday morning people have gathered to praise God and witness to our faith on this site. The COVID shutdown from March to June, two years ago, reminded some of us how we might take worship here for granted. We always just assume if we come down here on a Sunday morning, these doors will be open and worship will be prepared and take place no matter how many or how few are sitting in the pews. In other words, worship is what we do. At Wesley Monumental we are a worshipping community. Because we so easily take that for granted, I am going to spend this fall preaching on the subject of worship. I hope worship will take on a new or renewed sense of meaning for us all.

September 11	Part 1 - Made for Worship
September 18	Part 2 - Sacred Time and Space
September 25	Part 3 - Prepare the Way of the Lord
October 2	Part 4 - Sacrament: O Taste and See that the Lord is good.
October 9	Part 5 - Praise: Sing to the Lord All the Earth
October 16	Part 6 - Giving: What Shall I Offer
October 23	Part 7 - Unity: With One Voice
October 30	Part 8 - Gathered Around The Word
November 6	Part 9 - Worship the Work of Heaven (All Saints Sunday)
November 13	Part 10 - Living Reverently: Worship as a Way of Life
November 20	Part 11 - Thanksgiving: Worship as a Response to Grace

2023 LEADERSHIP TEAM

Our Nominations and Lay Leadership Committee are meeting to put together our 2023 Leadership Team. The total team is made up of all the different boards and committees (about 250 people) that plan and implement the ministries of our church. If there is an area you have particular interest in serving, please call or email me today or tomorrow. A list of all the committees was on this week's Wesley Weekly.

Ben

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

Opening Voluntary

Prelude in E-flat Major, BWV 552 (O God, Our Help in Ages Past)

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 Conger

Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

Introit (11:00) O Be Joyful in the Lord, All Ye Lands Jan Yarrington

* **Hymn No. 139** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

* **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** GREATOR EX

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.

Children's Sermon

Charli Weeks

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

Jennifer Thompson

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. 75** All People That on Earth Do Dwell OLD 100th

Offertory Prayer Jennifer Thompson

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) arr. Susan Ward
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Offertory Anthem (11:00) Edgar Bainton
And I Saw a New Heaven

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth;
For the first heaven and first earth had passed away,
And there was no more sea.
And I John saw the holy city,
New Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven,
Prepared as a bride adorned for her husband;
And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying:
"Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men,
And He will dwell with them and they shall be His people;
And God himself shall be with them and be their God;
And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes,
And there shall be no more death neither sorrow nor crying,
Neither shall there be any more pain,
For the former things are passed away."

Revelation 21: 1-4

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. 3, 95, 137-138)
Matthew 4:8-10, John 4:20-24, Acts 17:16-29

Sermon "Worship Part 1: Made to Worship" Ben Martin

* **Hymn No. 116** The God of Abraham Praise LEONI

Benediction Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) Peter Lutkin
The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Closing Voluntary
Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV 552 (O God, Our Help in Ages Past)

* *Please stand as you are able.
Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you.
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Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rosalie Brigham Garbutt, grandmother of Deane Donnigan.

Usher Roses

The roses worn by the ushers today are given in loving memory of Bob Farrow by his children and grandchildren.

Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit announcements for the October Monumental Messenger is tomorrow, Monday, September 12. Please send to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Spiritual Practices: Scripture, Prayer, and Reflection at WGR

Over the next few months, you will see an increase in the offerings from Wesley Gardens Retreat regarding soul care and formation. One such gathering will happen at the end of September in partnership with Leadership Transformations, Inc. LTI will host a workshop on Friday, September 30 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat (278 Shipyard Road, Savannah) focused on the three spiritual practices of Lectio Divina (contemplative Bible reading), listening prayer, and reflective journaling. Registration (\$49) includes: Workshop facilitation by Leadership Transformations, coffee, lunch, and materials. The deadline to register is Wednesday, September 28 at 4:00 p.m. and space is limited to 30 registrants. For the registration link, email Jennifer Brookins in the Church Office, jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Greeters: Ann Croft

Offering Steward: Jeff Miller

Usher: Melvin Croft

Partners in Prayer: Carmine Cowart

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Addison Conger, Ansley Cheshire

Children's Sunday School: Donessa Gattis, Katie Knight

Children's Worship: Laura Blake, Courtney Lee, Donessa Gattis,
Mandy Roberts

Nursery: Donessa Gattis, Amanda Prather

Greeters: Neilie & Justin Dunn

Offering Steward: Jason Pedigo

Ushers: Jason Pedigo, Fred Bozeman, Chandler Brannen, Doug Carroll,
Jake Coakley, Jerry Cohn, Bob Cole, Sam Daniels, Peter Delters

Partners in Prayer: Gail Brannen

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Youth Choir begins today, Sunday, September 11!

Sundays: 4:00 – 5:00 PM with dinner and youth group following

Ages: 6th – 12th grade

We will be joining the children in singing a concert of hymns with full orchestra on February 26, and we also sing Lessons and Carols, and other Services throughout the year.

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Old Savannah City Mission Groceries

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

New Member Course, Sundays, September 18 and 25.

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

Jennifer Thompson, Congregational Life

Merry Makers Program – Cooking with Suzanna

Back by popular demand, our own Suzanna King will be the program tomorrow, 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.” Just ask anyone who attended Suzanna’s last program.....it was GREAT! You don’t want to miss this one! Please let Jennifer Thompson know today if you plan to attend.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children’s Ministry

Sunday School - Come Learn About the Superheroes in the Bible!

Every Sunday there are fun and exciting activities for children during Children’s Worship and Sunday School. Games, skits, art projects and more are used to engage the children in Bible lessons. This year we are learning about the amazing powers God gave to the Superheroes in the Bible.

Sunday Mornings for 4th & 5th Graders

Today, 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.

James P. Owens, Director of Student Ministries

Youth Group and Youth Choir Tonight

Join us for Youth Group tonight from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Youth Choir will meet from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Encounter Retreat (7th-12th Grades)

We are also taking our youth to Epworth by the Sea this fall, November 18-20, for the Encounter Retreat! If you have been to Camp Connect or KidzQuest in the past, you will love Encounter! Registration will begin soon. See James P. Owens for details.

Confirmation Class Starting Next Sunday, September 18

This fall, we will be starting a new Confirmation class, open to any students in 6th grade or above who have not previously been confirmed. Confirmation is a time when young people learn the basics of Christianity, explore our United Methodist heritage, and begin to claim the faith for themselves. Students will be prepared to make a profession of faith and be confirmed as full members of the church. The first meeting of the Confirmation class will be Sunday morning, September 18, during the Sunday school hour. Please see James P. Owens for more information.



A Record of Our Faithfulness



Sunday Attendance: (09/4/22)	
8:45 AM Worship	76
11:00 AM Worship	222
Online Worship Views	126
Total Worship	424
Nursery	XX
Children's Worship	XX
Sunday School	93

Finances: (09/04/22)

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,022,708.12
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,351,735.64
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,400,080.57

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Ben Martin.....Senior Pastor	Jennifer Baker.....Administrative Assistant, Reception
Rev. Nelle Bordeaux.....Outreach and New Members	Jennifer Brookins.....Administrative Assistant to Pastoral Staff, Media Communications
Rev. Jennifer Thompson.....Congregational Life	Suzanna King.....Director of Hospitality
Dr. Monica Dekle.....Director of Music and Organist	Nathaniel Legree.....Custodian
Julia Flowers.....Music Assistant	Betty Dudley..... Housekeeper
Rev. James P. Owens...Director of Student Ministries	Micah Sprünger.....Wesley Gardens Property Manager
Charli Weeks.....Director of Children's Ministry	Kenneth Hayes.....Wesley Gardens Groundskeeper/Maintenance
Jimmy Flowers.....Church Administrator	
Tom Anderson.....Financial Manager	

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
September 11, 2022

Sermon Extended

Monday	Acts 17:16-29	What signs in the culture reflect our desire to “worship”?
Tuesday	Matthew 4:8-10	Are there other “gods” I am tempted to worship?
Wednesday	John 4:20-24	What does it mean to worship in “spirit and in truth”?
Thursday	Isaiah 43:1-7	What motivates me to worship?
Friday	Psalms 100	Start memorizing Psalm 100.

Sermon Notes

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This Week at Wesley

Sunday, September 11

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

Monday, September 12

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:00 AM Merry Makers - Cooking with Suzanna, FH
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir Rehearsal, SNC

Tuesday, September 13

- 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
- 6:00 PM Mission Comm., OH 205

Wednesday, September 14

- 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 15

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom
- 3:00 PM GA Historical Society, SNC

Friday, September 16

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place

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

Pastor on Call This Week

Ben Martin912-547-1835

**Wednesday Night Supper
September 14**

If you need to cancel or make a reservation, please email or call Jennifer Baker in the Church Office, jbaker@wesleymonumental.org or 912-232-0191.

Menu: BBQ Pork, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans

In Our Prayers....

Ariel Martin (infant niece of Charli Weeks), Ryon Thompson, Janet Wist, Carolyn Griner, Deanne Rimes, Diane Boyd, Mark Thomas, 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 Stuenckel, 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