



Celebrating 155 Years 1868 - 2023

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FALL FESTIVAL

This afternoon at 4:00 p.m., we will gather at Wesley Gardens, our retreat center on Burnside Island, for our annual Fall Festival. There will be fun and games for our children, and the horses and ponies will return again this year, which is always a favorite. We will have food in the main house and s'mores at the pavilion. It is a great time to spend with our church family and to invite a neighbor or friend who may not have a church home.

VETERANS DAY

On Saturday, November 11, at 8:00 a.m., we will host our annual Veterans Day Breakfast prior to the Veterans Day parade. This year, our own Ryan Davis will be our speaker. Many of you know Ryan, Asia, and Knox and have prayed for them through the difficult years of Ryan's recovery and rehab from severe injuries suffered in battle in Afghanistan. Please call or email the church office to make a reservation so we will be sure to have enough food prepared.

FALL ESTIMATE OF GIVING CAMPAIGN

Every year in the fall, we invite you to make a commitment to God and an expression of praise, thanksgiving, and faith by filling out an estimate of giving card for the upcoming year. You should have received a letter and commitment card in the mail this week. This year, we encourage you to bring it to worship and make an offering of it on Sunday, November 12. This is a spiritual discipline. Making a commitment to God gives us some personal accountability for how we handle our finances as a part of our spiritual life. So whether you mail it in, drop it by the office, fill it out online, or bring it to worship and put it on the altar or in the offering plate, it is an important symbolic expression of our faith. We hope you will consider this act of worship and spiritual discipline. Even if you choose not to turn one in (we hope you will because it helps our Finance Committee build a responsible budget) or put your name on it, it remains an important practice.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023
8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Reformation Sunday

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) Harper Blake

Lighting of the Candles The Acolytes

Opening Voluntary Prelude in E Minor, BWV 548 J. S. Bach

Introit (11:00) The Omnipotence Franz Schubert
Great is Jehovah the Lord
For heaven and earth testify to His great power.

* **Hymn No. 110** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God EIN' FESTE BURG

* **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
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 Ben Martin

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 Nelle Bordeaux

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

Help! Youth Group Volunteers Needed

As we continue to search for a new Director of Student Ministries, we are in need of our church to step up and serve to keep our youth ministry fully active. We are blessed to have some wonderful volunteers leading in Sunday school, Sunday night program, and Wednesday night small groups. Where we need help is with chaperones for some upcoming trips. The first is the Encounter Retreat at Epworth By the Sea - November 17-19. We would leave after school on Friday and return Sunday after lunch. Please email Sheila Watts (smboone119@yahoo.com) or Ben Martin (ben@wesleymonumental.org) if you could help. We particularly need at least one male chaperone for our guys. If we plan to send a group, we must get the group registered soon.

Care and Share Wants You!

Want to help visit a homebound church member once per month? Please speak with Bonnie Delters, 912-351-0814, Care and Share Committee chairman.

October Administrative Board Meeting

The next Administrative Board Meeting will take place tomorrow, Monday, October 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. If you did not receive an email on Thursday, October 26 with the agenda packet and Zoom link, please email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Christmas Bazaar

The Christmas Bazaar is November 4, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the Parlor of Oliver Hall. Twenty-four vendors will be on hand to share their talents. The Bazaar will provide a wonderful opportunity to meet and greet fellow church members and to do some Christmas shopping. We are especially glad to include the Bee Sharps from SCAD. They are a student acapella group that will perform at 11:30 a.m. The Bazaar is also a great opportunity for you to invite friends and neighbors to visit our church.

You may expect to see watercolors, photographs, oil paintings, jewelry, woodworking, homemade preserves, stained glass, wreaths, embroidery, decorated oyster shells, note cards, CDs, baskets, Shaker boxes, cornhole games, planters, sewing, crochet, candles, cheese flowers, books, affirmation cards, as well as lots of homemade goodies to eat. If you would like to donate a baked good for our bake sale, please contact Florence Anderson, 912-657-6640. Proceeds from the bake sale will go to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). Questions? Call Woody Brown at 912-352-7833 or Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.

Charge Conference 2023

3:00 p.m. Sunday, November 5 at ConneXion UMC, 5411 Skidaway Road, Savannah.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Greeters: Ann Croft, Becky Pullin

Offering Steward: David Butler

Partners in Prayer: Amy Carter

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Camille Wilkes, William Blake

Children's Worship: Sarah Labrot, Ellen O'Connor

Sunday School: Volunteers Needed

Greeters: Art & Grace Greene

Offering Steward: Chris Donegan

Ushers: Chris Donegan, Bill Mattocks, Robert McCorkle, Matt Merritt, Matthew Mobley, Richard Moore, Bobo Mullens, Jeff O'Connor

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Thank You from The Wesley Monumental Chancel Choir

Thank you to everyone who made Cabaret Under the Stars a marvelous and memorable event to raise money for the children's and music ministries. We appreciate the congregation's generosity and support of the choir.

Especially thank you to the hard-working Camille Russo, Scott Cleaveland, Tyler Cobbs, Jimmy Flowers, Kim Grimmett, Stephanie Hess, Derek Llamas, Ken Rimes, Gail Rountree, and Claire Watts for planning the event.

Thank you to Rosemary Beasley, Jimmy Flowers, David Lindquist, Suzanna King, and Harry Leaf for their help with the food and in the kitchen.

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission

Most needed this week is peanut butter. Please place donations in marked boxes in the Wayne/Gordon Street foyers and Oliver Hall.

Bible Study Topics

- Young Mothers' Bible Study. Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m., nursery provided. Currently studying "Women in the Bible." Verses this week will be about Jochebed, Zipporah, Miriam, Daughters of Zelophehad, and Rahab, Exodus 2:1-21; 15:20, 21; Numbers 12:1-15, 26:33; 27:1-11; Joshua 2:1-21.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study via Zoom. Thursdays from noon - 12:30 p.m. Currently studying the Gospel of Mark. Verses this week will be Mark, chapter 16. Sign up for either study with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Items Needed for a Newly Arriving Syrian Refugee Family are:

pillows; large trash container with lid and bags; dishwasher tablets; mop; broom; toothpastes; 3 drawer plastic containers (to put in closet to store clothes); lamps. Please drop off at church with Nelle.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Fall Festival - Today!

Our annual Fall Festival will take place today, Sunday, October 29 at Wesley Gardens Retreat. The horses and the petting zoo are returning this year along with lots of games, Ms. Suzanna's Nacho Bar, and S'mores at the pavilion. The festival is from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

4th & 5th graders

Be sure to pick up a blue Listening Guide from the narthex to help you follow the service and listen for the answers to Mr. Ben's questions. If you forgot to bring your Bible, there is one in the pew rack that you can use to find the Scripture reading. Remember to fold the cover page of the bulletin back and tuck the back page inside so it will be easy for you to keep up with the service.

Nativity Pageant Sign Up

All Children's Choir members received sign-up forms for the Nativity Pageant at last Wednesday's rehearsal. If you haven't turned in your choices, please email them to charli@wesleymonumental.org today!

Youth Group

Fall Festival

The youth will be volunteering at the Fall Festival at Wesley Gardens Retreat this afternoon, Sunday, October 29. Please contact Miss Charli for additional information about arrival times and stations.

Micah Sprünger, Wesley Gardens Property Manager

Commemorative Live Oaks and Adirondack Chairs

For those seeking to honor a loved one or wishing to make a lasting contribution to Wesley Gardens Retreat, commemorative live oaks and teak Adirondack chairs with plaques are available. All gifts are tax-deductible. For further info, please email micah@wesleygardensretreat.com.



Artist Retreat: November 10 & 11

Knowing God's heart and handiwork for all things beautiful, it has long been our desire to host an artists' retreat at Wesley Gardens. Our goal is to give you space to pause and create at no cost (donations gladly accepted). All are welcome, and the commitment can be as small as a couple of hours or as full as a weekend retreat, booking a room at Wesley Gardens on Friday and Saturday and soaking up every sunrise and session. Meals will be simple, thoughtful, and tasty. Streams to choose from will be writing, visual arts, and songwriting (plus a special stream for children). The full scoop can be found on the Eventbrite page by scanning the QR code. It would help us planning-wise for you to RSVP). We hope to see many of you there.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

Veterans Day Breakfast

Our Annual Veterans Day Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, November 11, at 8:00 a.m. This year's speaker is Army Ranger Ryan Davis, one of Wesley's own. Ryan will be sharing his story following his injury in Afghanistan. Ryan and his family were recently the recipients of a Gary Sinise home in Richmond Hill. Attendance is expected to be high. Reservations are needed. To RSVP call the church office or visit wesleymonumental.org/veterans-day-breakfast/ Donations will be received to cover the cost of breakfast. Questions? Call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.



Finances (10/22/23):

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,083,655.68
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,584,328.97
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,727,111.26

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (10/22/23)

8:45 AM Worship	67	Nursery	18
11:00 AM Worship	464	Children's Worship	78
Online Worship Views	156	Sunday School	148
Total Worship	687		

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Ben Martin	Senior Pastor	Jennifer Brookins.....	Administrative Assistant to Pastoral Staff, Media Communications
Rev. Dr. Nelle Bordeaux.....	Outreach & New Members	Ashley Higgins.....	Communications Director
Rev. Carolyn Hale Cubbedge	Senior Adults and Pastoral Care	Suzanna King	Director of Hospitality
Dr. Monica Dekle.....	Director of Music & Organist	David Lindquist.....	Maintenance Tech
Julia Flowers	Music Assistant	Betty Dudley.....	Housekeeper
Charli Weeks	Director of Children's Ministry	Micah Sprünger	Wesley Gardens Property Manager
Jimmy Flowers	Church Administrator	Ernie Banks	Wesley Gardens Groundskeeper/Maintenance
Tom Anderson.....	Financial Manager	Christian Swails	Wesley Gardens Spiritual Direction/Reservations
Jennifer Baker	Administrative Assistant, Reception		

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church
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Sermon Extended

Monday	Mark 6:30-34	How do I respond to interruptions to my plans?
Tuesday	Mark 6:35-44	What spiritual principle and lesson is Jesus teaching me here?
Wednesday	Mark 6:45-50	What do we learn about Jesus here?
Thursday	Mark 6:51-53	What gets in the way of my understanding what Christ is doing around me?
Friday	Mark 6:54-56	How can I "touch" Christ today? Has He "healed" me in some way?

Sermon Notes

This Week at Wesley

****Visit wesleymonumental.org/events/
to view the calendar online.****

Sunday, October 29

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
9:30 AM Coffee, FH
9:45 AM Sunday School, EB & OH
10:00 AM New Member Class, OH 205
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
4:00 PM Fall Festival, WG

Monday, October 30

9:00 AM Eli's Place
9:30 AM Elis Place Chapel
5:30 PM Admin Board Mtg, FH & Zoom
6:00 PM Trombone Choir Rehearsal, SNC

Tuesday, October 31

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Sunny Side Up
9:00 AM Eli's Place
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study &
Bible Buddies, OH 310/308
11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 310
12:00 PM Mission Committee Funding
Subcommittee Mtg, OH 205

Wednesday, November 1

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 & OH
6:00 PM Youth Bible Studies, EB 4th Flr
6:00 PM Christian Swails Teaching, FH
6:00 PM Book Study, Led by Ben, OH 310
6:00 PM Women's Small Group,
Led by Katie, OH Parlor
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, November 2

9:00 AM Eli's Place
12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom
3:00 PM Trustees Mtg, OH

Friday, November 3

9:00 AM Eli's Place

Saturday, November 4

9:00 AM Wesley Christmas Bazaar, OH

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

Pastors on Call This Week

All days except Wednesdays
Ben Martin 912-547-1835
Wednesdays
Nelle Bordeaux..... 912-234-9245

Wednesday Nights at Wesley

November 1
Menu: Chicken Parmesan

In Our Prayers...

Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Roger Lemay, Philip Fritts (brother of Lynn Fritts), Gloria Eitel, Adam Corey, Saddle Kurtz (aunt of Dan Kurtz), Tommy and Harriett Gattis (parents of Clayton Gattis), Dolly Caylor (mother of Rhonda Radcliff), Sharon and Terry Knepper (parents of Holly Conger), Karen Nickles, Lloyd Chapman, Mary Odom, Richard Zehl, Will Weeks, Mercedes Brenne and Jack Carman (friends of Anne Tyree), Georgia Kate Anderson, Lindsey Goldberg, Mary Hohnerlein (friend of Ken and Deanne Rimes), Heather Neisler, Carlyle Buevas (sister of Madge Edwards), Pat Monahan, McCarthy Family, Byron Rogers, John Birkheimer, Eleanor McCurry, John Beal (brother-in-law of John Birkheimer), Palmer Hood (brother of Ge-Juan Wilkes), Sara Hardwick (sister of Cassie Beckwith), Dennis Deal (cousin of Patricia Jacobs), Lynn and Dan Kurtz, Connie Kurtz (mother of Dan Kurtz), Ashley Post, Angela Chancey (niece of Cynthia Willett), Katie Adrian, Ken Brownfield, Shari and Mel Hubbard, Cindy and John Burton, Oscar Cook, Doris Rothenberger (mother of Susan Colgrove), Michele Bazemore, Suzette Parker, Tim Mooney, Dale and Becki Fisher (cousins of Holly Conger), Valery Hanks, Dewayne Barfield (brother of Shirley Turner), Camille Herring (sister of Wade Herring), Matthew McClain, Jane Bostwick (mother of Meb Ryan), Walter Thomas (brother of Mark Thomas), Grant Kassinger (nephew of Peggy Jolley), Sally Polk (sister of Peggy Jolley), Alyssa Jones (granddaughter of Rusty Holt), Ryan Davis, Martha Sloan, Fenton McEvoy

At Home/Extended Care

Bella Grace Bartels, Pat Beasley, Harriet Bland, Olin Bockes, Roz Evans, Bob Harman, Marilyn Holleman, Sandrae McCorkle, Toni Olds, Edith Roszkowiak, Elton Stuenkel, Mark Thomas, Cindy Telljohann, Lois Wooten

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

Daniel Ealy, Michael Sailors, Dajuan Monley, Jason Childers, Yates Holleman, Chris Watson

In Sympathy...

The Holley Family
on the death of *Anne Holley*,
wife of Charles

The Barnwell Family
on the death of *Barbara Jane Duke*,
sister of Nancy Barnwell

The Roberds and Miles Families
on the death of *Betty Miles*,
sister of Willie Roberds