



Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024

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The Administrative Board

Tomorrow night, our 2024 Administrative Board meets for the first time this year. The Administrative Board is our primary governing body, consisting of 53 church members (30 committee chairs or ministry area representatives and 23 at-large members) plus the staff. It is representative of a wide demographic in our church and every ministry area. While most of the hands-on planning work for our ministries takes place in the 23 different committees that cover every ministry area in our church, the Board gives oversight to our whole ministry and accountability for the staff and committees. Every year, 1/3 of the board changes, keeping new leadership constantly rotating.

One of the things I appreciate about the United Methodist Church is how we are governed. Though our system of committees and a large Administrative Board can sometimes make decision-making slower, it also brings lots of wisdom, patience, and accountability to our decision-making. Johnny Phelps will be our Board Chair for the next two years. The chair serves for two years, and then the vice-chair takes over for two years. Our vice-chair is Ashley Barnwell.

Board meetings are open to all, and attending them is a great way to become more informed about our ministry. Meetings are held in our Fellowship Hall at 5:30 p.m. on the last Monday of every other month.

If you would like to see the entire 2024 Leadership Team, you can find it on our website under the "Ministries/Adults" tab.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024

8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

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

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Milly Schmitz

Opening Voluntary

J. S. Bach

Prelude and Fugue in F Major, BWV 556

Introit (11:00)

Zion's Walls

Aaron Copland

Come fathers and mothers,
Come sisters and brothers,
Come join us in singing the praises of Zion.
O fathers, don't you feel determined
to meet within the walls of Zion?
We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion!

* Hymn No. 62

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All Creatures of Our God and King
Stanzas 1-3, 7

* 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.

Baptismal Covenant (11:00)

Arden Joseph Hadwin III
son of Marie and Arden Hadwin Jr

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Arden as a member of God's family and Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church. By God's grace we will do all in our power to increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love that he may grow into a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ who walks in the way that leads to life.

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

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

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. 420** Breathe on Me, Breath of God TRENTHAM

Offertory Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Voluntary (8:45)

arr. Bruce Greer

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Offertory Anthem (11:00) I'd Rather Have Jesus

arr. Tom Fettke

Ricardo Ochoa, violin

I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold.
 I'd rather be His than have riches untold.
 I'd rather have Jesus than houses or lands.
 I'd rather be led by His nail-pierced hands.

He's fairer than lilies of rarest bloom.
 He's sweeter than honey from out of the comb.
 He's all that my hungering spirit needs.
 I'd rather have Jesus and let Him lead.

I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause.
 I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause.
 I'd rather have Jesus than worldwide fame.
 I'd rather be true to His holy name.

- Rhea Miller (1922)

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, NT, pgs. 46) Mark 10:17-31

Sermon

"Back to Basics Part 23:
 Order to Disorder to Reorder"

Ben Martin

* **Hymn No. 397** I Need Thee Every Hour NEED

Reception into Church Membership (11:00)

Effie and Nic Allsbrooks
 Susan Luke Evans
 Melissa and Murch Moorer, Jr.
 Kathryn and Ryan Pross

Benediction

Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00)

Amen

John Rutter

Closing Voluntary

Charles-Marie Widor

Finale from Symphony No. 2

* *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 memory of Jarrod Holt's birthday by Rusty and Gaye Holt.

Washer/Dryer Needed

We are in need of a gently used washer/dryer for a local family. Please email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org if you can help.

Children's Ministry Assistant Position

We are hiring a full-time Children's Ministry Assistant! This person will work closely with Charli Weeks to serve both Wesley Monumental children and our Eli's Place friends. This individual must be comfortable planning lessons and activities, leading Sunday School and Children's Worship, and contributing new ideas to help us improve our existing programs. If you, or someone you know, has a teacher's heart, a collaborative spirit, and a love for Jesus and children, please review the full job description online, then follow the instructions there to apply. For job description visit, bit.ly/WMChildrensMinistryAssistant

Administrative Board Meeting - Tomorrow

The first Administrative Board Meeting of 2024 will take place tomorrow, Monday, January 29 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. If you are a board member and did not receive the agenda items and Zoom link on Friday, please email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org. (2024 Administrative Board Dates: January 29, March 25, May 20, August 26, October 28, and December 9)

Cookies Needed!

The city of Savannah will hold a renaming ceremony for Taylor Square on Saturday, February 10, at 11:00 am. Wesley has been asked to provide light refreshments for the event. If you would be willing to provide some cookies, please complete the form on the insert or call the church office. You may bake any kind of cookie as long as it does not have nuts. Cookies should be packaged two to a snack bag and be dropped off at the church by Friday, February 9.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Greeters: Ethel Burriss, Judy Cleveland

Offering Steward: Jeff Miller

Partners in Prayer: Britt Griffin

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Michael Grabowski, Andrew Wilkes

Children's Worship: Lily Brown, Katy Eichholz, Sarah Labrot,
Caroline McDermott

Sunday School: Ellen Williams

Greeters: Joy Garvin, Linda Sapp

Offering Steward: Jesse Bentley

Ushers: Jesse Bentley, Cory Hall, Dustin Hamilton, Robert McCorkle,
Bill Hunter, Ryan Kelly, Bobby Lee, Todd Livingood

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Word Happy Christian Writers' Group

Saturday, January 27, from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Location is TBD. Please sign up in advance with Kimberly Angle at kim.greene.angle@gmail.com.

Chefs and Chocolates Will Be Held Saturday, February 10

Sign up online, www.urbanhopesavannah.org/chefsandchocolates for tickets for this ticketed event at the Kehoe Ironworks as an evening fundraising event for Urban Hope.

Urban Hope Family Mission Project Will Be Monday, February 12

Please sign up in advance with Nelle to cook a dish at home and deliver (needed are ham, macaroni and cheese, green beans, salad, rolls, cut fruit, cookies, paper plates in large and small sizes, plastic cutlery, napkins, and paper cups). Please meet at Independent Presbyterian Church, 207 Bull Street, at 5:30 p.m.; the Urban Hope children and families will arrive at 6 p.m. All ages are welcome. We expect 75 guests. Please sign up, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission

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

Bible Studies

- Young Mothers' Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall room 310; nursery provided. Currently study "Women in the Bible." This week's lesson will be about TBD.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying Hosea, chapter 10. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at tbordeaux@prodigy.net

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

Merry Makers to Celebrate Friendship

Merry Makers will celebrate friendship at the February Valentine's Day Luncheon. Join us for a lovely lunch in the Parlor of Oliver Hall on Monday, February 12 at 11:00 a.m. Wear your finest Valentine attire and come prepared to be wowed! Cost is \$7.00 per person. Call the church office to make your reservation. Questions? Call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

VBS and Summer Fun Daze - Registration Now Open

As you begin to make plans for summer camps and vacations, be sure to reserve these weeks for Vacation Bible School and Summer Fun Daze. ***Please note at this time, registration is only open to children and extended family of Wesley members.

- **June 3 - 7 Vacation Bible School** - 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon for children 3 years old - 5th grade. Join us for Scuba VBS and dive into a friendship with God!
- **July 15 - 19 Summer Fun Daze** - 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. for children who have completed Kindergarten - 3rd grade.

Register for both today at www.myvbs.org/wesleymonumental

Youth Group (6th-12th Grade)

Honduras Mission Night

This evening, the youth will have a special presentation from the Mission on the Move missionary in Honduras via video. We will also help the church's mission team prepare the materials that will be used for their VBS programming. Dinner will be served. All students 6th-12th grade are invited to attend.

Super Bowl Party on February 11!

Whether you are watching the game or just to see the commercials, we hope that your student will join in the fun! We are having a Super Bowl Party this year at the clubhouse in Neilie Dunn's neighborhood. The clubhouse address is 6407 Ralstons Way. Neilie Dunn and Hattie Thomas will be providing dinner. The youth will meet from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. and have dinner and watch the first half of the football game!

Christian Swails, Wesley Gardens Spiritual Director



Spiritual Direction is an ancient, Christian art form dating back to the desert mothers and fathers from the 3rd century AD. It is a practice of holy listening with a trained director to name and notice the big questions you are holding and the stuck places with God, yourself, and others. A place to feel the pain, disappointment, curiosity, and honesty inside of your spiritual journey. It's a non-judgmental space to explore the deeper questions of the soul and get to the things you don't have the ability to in the frantic pace of life. There is no agenda, just a non-anxious presence listening you into the places that have been hidden for a while and meeting God there.

Wesley Monumental is now offering our members an opportunity to meet 1-on-1 with Christian Swails, MA, a trained Spiritual Director with a Masters Degree in Spiritual Formation, to see if this is a good fit for you in this season. If you would like to learn more about this ancient practice, you can set up a meeting with Christian at Wesley Gardens by following the QR code.

Weekly Spiritual Practices Gathering Today!

Join us each Sunday afternoon for our weekly spiritual practices gathering at Wesley Gardens Retreat. For anyone interested in engaging their heart in deeper transformation and those looking for tools to walk out their faith, join Christian Swails this afternoon from 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome, and feel free to bring a friend!



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (01/21/24)

8:45 AM Worship	86	Nursery	12
11:00 AM Worship	330	Children's Worship	50
Online Worship Views	154	Sunday School	143
Total Worship	570		

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 Mays 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
January 28, 2024

Sermon Extended

Monday	Mark 10:17	If I could ask Jesus one question, what would it be?
Tuesday	Mark 10:17-20	What is my measure of "good"? How good is good enough?
Wednesday	Mark 10:17-22	What would be the "one thing" I have to work on?
Thursday	Mark 10:17-27	What am I trying hard to do that I need to surrender to God?
Friday	Mark 10:17-31	Have I experienced or am I experiencing a process of Order to Disorder to Reordering my life?

Sermon Notes



**Cookies Needed
for Taylor Square
Renaming Ceremony**

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- You may bake any kind of cookie as long as it does not have nuts.
- Please package two to a snack bag.
- Cookies should be dropped off at the church by Friday, February 9.

Yes, I will provide _____ dozen cookies.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, January 28

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
9:30 AM Coffee & Refreshments, FH
9:45 AM Sunday School, EB & OH
10:00 AM New Member Course, OH 205
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
4:00 PM Spiritual Practices Gathering, WGR
4:00 PM Youth Choir, EB 4th Flr
5:00 PM Youth Group, FH/EB 4th Flr

Monday, January 29

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

Tuesday, January 30

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Sunny Side Up
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

Wednesday, January 31

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 Exodus Bible Study,
Led by Ben, FH
6:00 PM Letters of John Bible Study,
Led by Carolyn, OH
6:00 PM The Universal Christ Study,
Led by Christian, OH 310
6:00 PM Women's Small Group,
Led by Katie, OH Parlor
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, EB 4th Flr

Thursday, February 1

Youth Ski Trip thru 2/4
9:00 AM Eli's Place
12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

Friday, February 2

9:00 AM Eli's Place
5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal, SNC

Saturday, February 3

4:30 PM Wedding, SNC

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

Pastors on Call This Week

All days except Wednesdays & Fridays
Ben Martin 912-547-1835
Wednesdays
Nelle Bordeaux..... 912-234-9245
Fridays
Carolyn Cubbedge.. 912-308-3385

Wednesday Night Supper

January 31

Menu: Hamburger Casserole

In Our Prayers....

Stanley Butler (brother of David Butler), Ann Lytle, Emily Davis, Emery Warnock, Penny Harper, Danielle Robertson, Camille Searcy, Roger Lemay, Jason Horton, Kevin Wilson, Archie Davis, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Philip Fritts (brother of Lynn Fritts), Adam Corey, Saddle Kurtz (aunt of Dan Kurtz), Tommy and Harriett Gattis (parents of Clayton Gattis), Dolly Caylor (mother of Rhonda Radcliff), Sharon & Terry Knepper (parents of Holly Conger), Karen Nickles, Lloyd Chapman, Richard Zehl, Will Weeks, Georgia Kate Anderson, Lindsey Goldberg, Mary Hohnerlein (friend of Ken & Deanne Rimes), Heather Neisler, Carlyle Buevas (sister of Madge Edwards), Pat Monahan, McCarthy Family, Byron Rogers, Katie Adrian, John Birkheimer, Eleanor McCurry, Lynn & Dan Kurtz, 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), Connie Kurtz (mother of Dan Kurtz), Ashley Post, Angela Chancey (niece of Cynthia Willett), Ken Brownfield, Shari & Mel Hubbard, Cindy & Oscar Cook, Doris Rothenberger (mother of Susan Colgrove), Suzette Parker, Tim Mooney, Dale & 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 Cleaveland Family
on the death of *Monica Cleaveland*,
mother of Scott Cleaveland