



Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024

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March 24, 2024

Easter Egg-stravaganza, Today, March 24, 4:00 p.m.

Our annual Easter Festival and Egg Hunt is scheduled for this afternoon, Sunday, March 24, at 4:00 p.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat. There will be lots of eggs, treats, games, art activities, and more. Our youngest children will gather in the main house, and our elementary children will gather at the pavilion. We'll have bags to decorate for egg collecting and lots of bug spray. It will be a fun afternoon for everyone.

HOLY WEEK

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. It is important that we take our time through Holy Week to contemplate the reality that resurrection only comes through death. This year, we will have our regular Holy Week worship opportunities to get us ready for Easter. We hope you will put these on your calendar.

Sunday, March 24

8:45 & 11:00

Palm Sunday Worship, Sanctuary

4:00 p.m.

Children's Egg Hunt, Wesley Gardens Retreat
(278 Shipyard Road, Savannah)

Monday, March 25

11:45 a.m.

Holy Week Lunch & Message, Oliver Hall Parlor
Message by Christian Swails

Tuesday, March 26

11:45 a.m.

Holy Week Lunch & Message, Oliver Hall Parlor
Message by Rev. Nelle Bordeaux

Wednesday, March 27

11:45 a.m.

Holy Week Lunch & Message, Oliver Hall Parlor
Message in Music by Anne Hawks

(No Wednesday Night Supper or programs)

7:15 p.m.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, FH

Thursday, March 28

5:30 p.m.

Dinner, Mickve Israel

6:10 p.m.

Passover Program for Children (age 3-3rd grade),
Fellowship Hall

6:15 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Communion Service, Sanctuary
Message by Rev. Ben Martin

Friday, March 29

12:00 noon

Good Friday Worship, Sanctuary
Followed by Lunch, Fellowship Hall
Message by Rev. Ben Martin

Sunday, March 31

8:45 & 11:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday Service, Sanctuary
Message by Rev. Ben Martin

Our 8:45 and 11:00 Easter Services will be identical with choir, brass, and timpani. It will help with our parking for as many who can come to the 8:45 Service.

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024
8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Palm 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.*

Lighting of the Candles

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Victoria Childers

Opening Voluntary (8:45)

Ellacombe

Robert J. Powell

Introit (11:00)

Hosanna in the Highest!

arr. Hal Hopson

Kim Grimmett and Claire Watts, handbell ringers

* **Hymn No. 280**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

ST. THEODULPH

* **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

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.

Baptismal Covenant (11:00)

Cooper Tobias Roos
son of Meredith and Taavo Roos

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Cooper 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.

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 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. 278** Hosanna, Loud Hosanna ELLACOMBE

Offertory Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Duet (8:45)

I Cannot Tell

Anne Hawks, soprano and David Edwards, tenor

Offertory Anthem (11:00)

The Holy City

Adams/Caine

Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Lift up your gates and sing.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna to your King.

Jerusalem! Jerusalem! Sing for the night is o'er.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna forevermore.

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, pg. 47) Mark 11:1-11

Sermon

"Every Picture Tells a Story"

Ben Martin

* **Hymn No. 298** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross HAMBURG

Reception into Church Membership (11:00)

Cindi and Robert Bittel
Hayley Black and Nathan DeMott
Hannah and Christian Swails and daughter, Savy Joy Swails

Benediction

Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00)

DIADEMATA

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Closing Voluntary

arr. Rebecca Groom Te Velde

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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

Parents, please remember to have your children bring flowers on Easter Sunday to decorate the cross on the front steps. This provides the children with the opportunity to participate in the beautification of Wesley on Easter.

Just Born

Congratulations to Kelsey Kicklighter Bartlett and Trey Bartlett on the birth of a son, Dean Thomas Bartlett, on March 13, 2024. Grandson of Kim and Mickey Kicklighter. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Dean.

Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission

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

Lilies & Caladiums for Easter Sunday - Last Call - Orders Due Today!

Lilies and Caladiums will be placed around the altar to the glory of God on Easter Sunday, March 31 and may be taken home following the 11:00 a.m. Easter Service. Please place your orders for plants in memory or in honor of loved ones by today, Sunday, March 24. The cost is \$15.50 per plant and order forms may also be found at all Sanctuary entrances or you can order and pay online www.wesleymonumental.org/2024-easter-flowers/

Administrative Board Meeting - Tomorrow, Monday, March 25

The Administrative Board will meet tomorrow, Monday, March 25 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: March 25, May 20, August 26, October 28, and December 9)

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks**Greeters:** Ethel Burriss, Linda Butler**Offering Steward:** David Butler**Partners in Prayer:** Britt Griffin**11:00 Service****Acolytes:** Cole Valdez, William Blake**Children's Worship:** Sarah Labrot, Erica Timmons**Sunday School:** Melinda Sortor, Erica Timmons**Greeters:** Joy Garvin, Linda Sapp**Offering Steward:** Jim Willis**Ushers:** Jim Willis, Tim Edwards, David Gaskin, Mark Glidewell, Cory Hall, Dustin Hamilton, Adam Hess, Rusty Holt, Bill Hunter**Partners in Prayer:** Grace & Art Greene

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Youth Choir and 1st-5th grade Choristers happily join the Chancel Choir in leading worship today at the 11:00 Service.

Thanks to parents and caregivers for faithfully getting your children and students to rehearsal week after week, even when it is sometimes difficult.

Thanks to their teachers for faithfully pouring hours upon hours of their time and talents into the children: Anne Hawks, Ash Grimmert, Carolyn Roth, Jo Anna Hayes, Katricia Campbell, Ken Rimes, Kim Grimmert, Lee Green, Ori Hayes, Raymond Patricio, Sheila Watts, Skip Watts, and Julia Flowers. Substitute teachers: Rev. Dr. Nelle Bordeaux, Tyler Cobbs, Gail Rountree, and Gretchen Patricio

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Bible Studies

- Young Mothers' Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. on the second floor of Oliver Hall, room 213 (parlor); the Bible Buddies nursery meets in room 207 (barrel-vault room). Currently studying "Women in the Bible." This week's lesson will be about "Mother of James and John," Matthew 20:20-26; 27:56; Mark 15:40; 18:1-8; John 19:25..
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying Obadiah; Jonah 1. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at tbordeaux@prodigy.net

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Palm Processional

Today, all children (not in choir) who would like to join the palm processional will gather in the Fellowship Hall near the Wayne Street stairwell to line up behind the choirs. We will be handing out palms in the Fellowship Hall. The children will sit at the front of the sanctuary after the processional and then leave for Children's Worship after the Children's Sermon.

Children's Passover Program

Each year on Maundy Thursday we have a special Passover Program for children age 3 to 3rd grade. There are traditional Passover foods for the children to sample and our lesson covers the symbolism of each food item and the connection between the Passover in Exodus and Jesus' Last Supper. Children can be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall at 6:10 p.m. and picked up after the service.

Maundy Thursday Dinner

Children in 1st - 5th grade will be served dinner at Mickve Israel with their parents. Children younger than 1st grade will be served dinner in the nursery. After dinner we will take the children to the Fellowship Hall for the Passover Program. The nursery will be open from 5:15 - 7:00 p.m.

Children's Easter Program

Mark your calendar and invite your family and friends to our children's Easter program on Wednesday, April 17 at 6:15 p.m. Rehearsals are underway and the children are excited about their singing and speaking parts. The program is being presented during the season of Easter and it will be a joyful celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, our Savior.

Youth Group (6th-12th Grade)

Easter Egg Hunt at Wesley Gardens Retreat

The youth will be volunteering at the Easter Egg Hunt at Wesley Gardens this afternoon, Sunday, March 24. Any students able to attend should contact Ms. Charli ASAP at charli@wesleymonumental.org.

Youth Local Mission Night

Sunday, April 7, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Please bring pruning shears and gardening gloves for pruning and weeding at the Living Vine Christian Maternity Home. We'll travel in the church van and return to the church at 7:00 p.m.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care Merry Makers

The Merry Makers will meet on Monday, April 8, at 11:00 a.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat. The program is "Downsizing: Declutter, Destash and Dump." Come prepared to share your collective wisdom. Lunch will be served. Cost is \$7.00. Call the church office to make your reservation.

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. 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. 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

Our weekly Spiritual Practices Gathering will not be held today, Sunday, March 24 or next Sunday, March 31. We will resume Sunday, April 7 from 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome, and feel free to bring a friend!

CoCreation Weekend Retreat April 12-14 at Wesley Gardens

If you've been attending weekly spiritual practices or meaning to, this is the perfect opportunity to jump in. Meals will be provided, and we'll start with a dinner on Friday evening and end around 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. Staying overnight at Wesley Gardens is optional, or you can go home and return each day. The cost is \$100 per person, and the retreat will be limited to 15 people. If interested, please email Christian at christian@cocreationlife.com or visit <https://www.wesleymonumental.org/retreats/>



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (03/17/24)

8:45 AM Worship	69	Nursery	10
11:00 AM Worship	217	Children's Worship	29
Online Worship Views	145	Sunday School	116
Total Worship	431		

Finances (3/17/24):

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,126,355.46
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$523,929.96
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$470,007.05

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Ben Martin.....Senior Pastor
 Rev. Dr. Nelle Bordeaux.....Outreach & New Members
 Rev. Carolyn Hale Cubbedge Senior Adults and Pastoral Care
 Dr. Monica Dekle.....Director of Music & Organist
 Julia Flowers Music Assistant
 Charli Weeks Director of Children's Ministry
 Jimmy Flowers Church Administrator
 Tom Anderson Financial Manager
 Jennifer Baker Administrative Assistant, Reception

Jennifer Brookins.....Administrative Assistant to Pastoral Staff, Media Communications
 Ashley Mays HigginsCommunications Director
 Suzanna King..... Director of Hospitality
 David Lindquist..... Maintenance Tech
 Betty Dudley..... Housekeeper
 Micah Sprünger Wesley Gardens Property Manager
 Ernie Banks..... Wesley Gardens Groundskeeper/Maintenance
 Christian Swails..... Wesley Gardens Spiritual Direction/Reservations

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church
March 24, 2024

Sermon Extended

This Week Read and Reflect on the Events of Holy Week.

Monday	The Clearing of the Temple	Matthew 21:10-17
Tuesday	Day of Controversy	Luke 20:1-21:38
Wednesday	Day of Anointing	Mark 14:3-11
Thursday	The Last Supper	Luke 22:7-65
Friday	The Crucifixion	Mark 15:1-47
Saturday	The Tomb	I Peter 3:18-20
Sunday	The Resurrection	Matthew 28:1-15

Sermon Notes

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This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, March 24

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
9:30 AM Coffee & Refreshments,
FH
9:45 AM Sunday School, FH & OH
10:00 AM New Member Course, OH
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
4:00 PM Easter Egg-stravaganza,
WGR

Monday, March 25

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH
9:30 AM Eli's Place Chapel
11:45 AM Holy Week Lunch &
Message, OH Parlor
2:00 PM Joy Circle, OH 310
5:30 PM Admin Board Mtg, FH &
Zoom
6:00 PM Trombone Choir Rehearsal,
SNC

Tuesday, March 26

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible
Study, OH 213
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH 207
10:30 AM Staff Mtg, OH 205
11:45 AM Holy Week Lunch &
Message, OH Parlor
2:00 PM Care & Share Mtg, OH 205
6:00 PM Pacesetters, FH

Wednesday, March 27

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH
11:45 AM Holy Week Lunch &
Message, OH Parlor
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,
FH

Thursday, March 28

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH
12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom
5:30 PM Maundy Thursday Dinner,
Mickve Israel
6:10 PM Children's Passover
Program
6:15 PM Maundy Thursday Service,
SNC

Friday, March 29

12:00 PM Good Friday Service, SNC
Followed by Lunch, FH

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

Pastors on Call This Week

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

No Wednesday Night Supper or Programs this Week.

Join us for our Maundy Thursday
Dinner and Communion Service.
3/28/23

Menu: BBQ Chicken

In Our Prayers....

Wayne Thomas, Family of Logan
Spencer (friend of Charles Stewart),
John Martin Sr., Jim Coakley (brother
of Jake Coakley), Freda Hale (mother
of Carolyn Hale Cubbedge), Janice
Wintzer (mother of Dana Barnwell),
Rachel Spence, Jan Pullin, Rosemary
Beasley, Becky Fazzini (sister of
Debra Ellis), Dean Muenckler,
Evonne Mobley, Julia Holliday,
Stanley Butler (brother of David
Butler), Ann Lytle, Emily Davis, Emery
Warnock, Danielle Robertson,
Camille Searcy, Roger Lemay, Jason
Horton, Kevin Wilson, Archie Davis,
Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn
Roth), Adam Corey, Saddle Kurtz
(aunt of Dan Kurtz), Dolly Caylor
(mother of Rhonda Radcliff), Sharon
and Terry Knepper (parents of Holly
Conger), Karen Nickles, Will Weeks,
Lindsey Goldberg, Pat Monahan,
Mary Hohnerlein (friend of Ken and
Deanne Rimes), Byron Rogers, John
Birkheimer, Eleanor McCurry, Connie
Kurtz (mother of Dan Kurtz), Ken
Brownfield, Oscar Cook, Doris
Rothenberger (mother of Susan
Colgrove), Suzette Parker, Tim
Mooney, Jane Bostwick (mother of
Meb Ryan), Walter Thomas (brother
of Mark Thomas), 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, David
Chow, Roz Evans, Bob Harman,
Sandrae McCorkle, Toni Olds, Edith
Roszkowiak, Elton Stuenckel, Mark
Thomas, Cindy Telljohann, Lois
Wooten

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

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

In Sympathy....

The Holleman Family
on the death of *Marilyn Holleman*,
mother of Susan Holleman,
grandmother of Yates Holleman