



***Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024***

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May 5, 2024

### **THE LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

This Wednesday night will be the last one of our Wednesday nights at Wesley for this school year. It will conclude with our Music Awards program for our children at 6:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary. I cannot thank all our volunteers and staff who have worked so hard this year to make Wednesday nights so successful. Our Children's Choir and Joyful Noise Choir have blessed us in worship throughout this year. They presented wonderful Christmas and Easter programs for us to enjoy. Our women's small group and adult Bible studies have been well attended and spiritually nourishing to all who participated. Our youth small groups have been a mid-week source of encouragement. A special thanks to Suzanna, Hannah, and David who have provided a wonderful meal and set up all year. The fellowship we share is such a critical part of what our mid-week program offers. Finally, thanks to all who participated in the weekly prayer time before our Wednesday night meal. We hope you will join us for this last Wednesday night dinner and program.

During the summer, we will shift our focus to Wesley Gardens Retreat and our Sunday evening dinner, worship, youth group, and spiritual practices. Father's Day, June 16, will be our first Sunday evening at Wesley Gardens for the summer. We hope you will make plans to be a part of those special times at a very special place.

**Remember next week is Mother's Day, and we will be recognizing all the babies born into our congregation over the last year.** There will be a breakfast/reception in Oliver Hall during the Sunday school hour for all those families. Please make sure Charli has your child's name on the list. We try very hard to keep up with all our births, but sometimes people join our church during the year and had a new baby prior to joining, or you may be attending Wesley, but haven't yet joined. If you didn't receive an invitation in the mail, please email [charli@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:charli@wesleymonumental.org). We want to include all the babies, so help us make sure we don't miss anyone.

*Ben*

# MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

8:45 & 11:00 A.M.

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

## 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 in the Fellowship Hall.*

## Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Jeremiah Durkin

## Lighting of the Candles (11:00)

The Acolytes

## Introit (11:00)

This Joyful Eastertide

arr. Charles Wood

## \* Hymn No. 126

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

## \* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

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 in the Fellowship Hall. Following the service, they can be picked up in the Fellowship Hall.*

*11:00 Children ages 3 - 3rd grade leave through the doors at the front of the sanctuary and go to Children's Worship in the Fellowship Hall. 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, NT pg. 55)

Mark 16:19-20

## Sermon

"Back to Basics Part 34:  
That's (not) all folks"

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

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

### Offertory Solo

Remember Me  
David Edwards, tenor

### Offertory Anthem

Sing Ye to the Lord Edward Bairstow

Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously.  
Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath He cast into the sea.

Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie;  
Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light.

Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall;  
Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.

Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.  
Alleluia! Amen.

- Exodus 15: 4, 21

### 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. 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## 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:

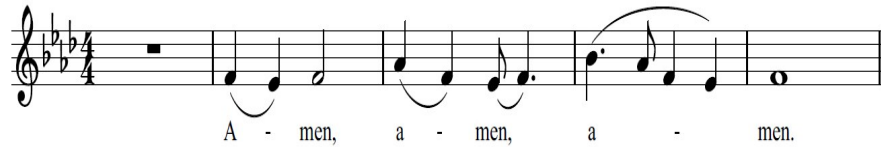


Christ has died; Christ is ri - sen; Christ will come a - gain.

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.

Through Your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in Your holy church,  
All honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.



### The Lord's Prayer

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 that 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.

### Breaking the Bread

*(Gluten free bread is available. Please indicate your preference by raising your hand.)*

### Giving the Bread and Cup

*We will take communion at the rail. Today's communion offering is designated for the Magnolia Manor Good Samaritan Fund. If you would like to give a donation, please place your offering in the chancel rail when you come to be served.*

### Communion Music (11:00)

Remember Me

David Edwards, tenor

### Prayer After Receiving

**All:** Eternal God, we give You thanks for this holy mystery  
in which You have given Yourself to us.  
Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of Your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

\* **Hymn** No. 380 There's Within My Heart a Melody SWEETEST NAME  
Stanza One

\* **Benediction** Ben Martin

**Closing Response** (11:00) God Be in My Head John Rutter

**Closing Voluntary** Victory in Jesus arr. Kenneth Varner

\* *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 Joseph and Dorothy Boothe from Jon and Mary Boothe.

**Grocery Items Needed This Week** are canned fruit and rice.

### 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 "Rhoda and Priscilla," Acts 12:1-25; 18:2-26.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying Nahum 1 and 2. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at [tbordeaux@prodigy.net](mailto:tbordeaux@prodigy.net)

**Today's Communion Offering**

Is designated for The League of the Good Samaritan which is the charitable arm of Magnolia Manor (a nonprofit, faith-focused senior living organization in Georgia). The League provides financial assistance when residents run out of money and provides spiritual care through their chaplains.

**Rabbi Haas Speaking Today**

Rabbi Robert Haas will speak on "Humor in the Pulpit" in The Journey Class on the third floor of Oliver Hall at 9:45 a.m. this morning, Sunday, May 5. Visitors are welcome.

**Out-of-Town Youth Mission Trip**

We still need 1 male chaperone for the youth mission trip to Blue Ridge, NC the Week of June 30-July 5. If you are able to help, please let Sheila Watts know ASAP!

**Graduate Recognition**

We will be recognizing our graduates (both high school and college) on May 19. If your student is graduating this spring, please send their name and school they are graduating from to Sheila Watts or Jennifer Brookins. Graduate names will be printed in the bulletin, so please send the students name as you wish it to appear in print. **This information is needed by May 14.**

**Youth Group  
Mystery Dinner Theater!**

Tonight, May 5 from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Our youth volunteers are a cast of characters, and one of them is the guilty party. Our students will need to determine who-dun-it. All students in 6th-12th grade are invited to attend. Our theme this year is a Maui luau. Please dress in your best luau or beach attire. A prize will be given for the best outfit!

**Next New Member Course**

Sundays, May 12 and 19 at 10:00 a.m. both Sundays; class will join May 19. Call the church office to sign up at 912-232-0191.

**Merry Makers**

Join us May 20 at 11:00 a.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat for the last Merry Makers meeting for this spring. The program will be "Downsizing: Declutter, Destash and Dump." Lunch (\$7). Call church office to RSVP.

**Weekly Spiritual Practices Gathering**

For anyone interested in engaging their heart in deeper transformation and those looking for tools to walk out their faith, join Christian Swails from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. today, Sunday, May 5 at Wesley Gardens Retreat. Everyone is welcome, and feel free to bring a friend!

**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

Sunday Attendance: (04/28/24)

|                      |            |                    |     |
|----------------------|------------|--------------------|-----|
| 8:45 AM Worship      | 94         | Nursery            | XX  |
| 11:00 AM Worship     | 281        | Children's Worship | XXX |
| Online Worship Views | 159        | Sunday School      | 122 |
| <b>Total Worship</b> | <b>534</b> |                    |     |

**Finances: (04-28-24)**

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| Total Budget for the Year .....    | \$2,126,355.46 |
| Actual Revenues Year-to-Date ..... | \$756,947.59   |
| Actual Expenses Year-to-Date ..... | \$715,026.23   |

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**Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service**

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks  
**Communion Stewards:** Diane Boyd  
**Greeters:** Lori Miller, Jeralyn Wilson  
**Partners in Prayer:** Carmine Cowart

**Offering Steward:** Jeff Miller

**11:00 Service**

**Acolytes:** Michael Grabowski, Ansley Pedigo  
**Children's Worship:** Laura Harris, Sarah Labrot, Karen Washburn  
**Sunday School:** Elizabeth Cobb, Laura Harris  
**Communion Stewards:** Shayna Stancil-Wier & Allen Wier  
**Greeters:** Kim & Mehmet Ergul  
**Ushers:** Brian West, Mehmet Ergul, Ted Moore, Jim Pannell, Jon Pannell, Willie Roberds, Ken Spriggs, Rusty Holt  
**Partners in Prayer:** Sandra McGowen  
**Offering Steward:** Brian West

**Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church**  
**May 5, 2024**

**Sermon Extended**

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| Monday    | Mark 16:19-20      | What does the end of the story tell us is important to Mark?                   |
| Tuesday   | Matthew 28:16-20   | What does Matthew's ending teach us?   |
| Wednesday | Luke 24:50-53      | What does Luke's version of the ascension teach us?                            |
| Thursday  | Acts 1:1-11        | What does the ascension set the stage for?                                     |
| Friday    | I Thess. 4:13-5:28 | How did the ascension of Jesus affect the early church? How does it affect me? |

**Sermon Notes**

**Lenten Book of Prayers**

Additional copies of "Search Me, O God," our Lenten book of prayers, are available in the church office. You may have extra copies to share with family and friends. The prayers are good for any day.

## This Week at Wesley

\*\*Visit [wesleymonumental.org/events/](http://wesleymonumental.org/events/) to view the calendar online.\*\*

### Sunday, May 5

8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC  
9:30 AM Coffee & Refreshments, FH  
9:45 AM Sunday School, FH & OH  
11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC  
4:00 PM Spiritual Practices, WGR  
4:00 PM Youth Choir, SNC Choir Loft  
5:00 PM Youth Group, FH & OH

### Monday, May 6

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH  
9:30 AM Eli's Place Chapel, SNC  
1:15 PM Eli's Place Teacher  
Appreciation Lunch, FH  
5:30 PM VBS Meeting Children's  
Committee, OH Parlor

### Tuesday, May 7

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Sunnyside Up  
9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH  
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, OH 213  
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH 207  
11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 205  
5:30 PM Evangelism Comm. Mtg, Zoom

### Wednesday, May 8

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH  
11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 205  
4:45 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor  
5:30 PM Dinner, Mickve Israel  
6:15 PM Music Awards, SNC  
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, FH

### Thursday, May 9

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

### Friday, May 10

9:00 AM Eli's Place, FH & OH  
5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal  
6:30 PM Pastor's Class Party

### Saturday, May 11

6:00 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 Wednesday  
Ben Martin .....912-547-1835  
Wednesday  
Nelle Bordeaux.....912-234-9245

### **Wednesday Night Supper**

May 8, 2024

Menu: Meatloaf

## In Our Prayers....

Effie and Nic Allsbrooks, Courtney Fetz, Michael Baggott, Virginia Davis, Foster Parks, Noel Cooper, Wayne Thomas, Family of Logan Spencer (friend of Charles Stewart), John Martin Sr., Jim Coakley (brother of Jake Coakley), Rachel Spence, Jan Pullin, Rosemary Beasley, Becky Fazzini (sister of Debra Ellis), Dean Muenckler, Julia Holliday, 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, 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 Stuenkel, 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 Pross Family  
on the death of Jack DeLoach,  
grandfather of Kathryn Pross

The Kos Family  
on the death of *Jarmila (Jaro) Kos*,  
mother of Chet Kos