



**Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024**

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August 11, 2024

### **Back to (Sunday) School**

While many have already started, by the time this week is over, most of our students will be back in school. College students will be headed off for a new year or for their first year away from home. This also means that summer vacations are winding down, and our schedules begin to return to the school year routine.

At the beginning of the school year, we always renew our emphasis on Sunday School at Wesley. Next Sunday is "Promotion Sunday," the Sunday on which our children and youth move up to their next age-appropriate class. This time is foundational in faith building and discipleship in our children and youth. In Sunday School, they learn the basic Biblical story of our faith and strengthen friendships with their peers. Our teachers work hard to make this a meaningful time for our children.

While most adults think we are done with "school" and that Sunday School is for children and youth, at Wesley, adult Sunday School is a big part of our ministry of Christian formation, fellowship, support, and relationship building. Sunday School is a time of peer learning, discussing our faith and the Biblical story together, asking questions, wrestling with the answers, and supporting each other in our faith walk. If you are not in a Sunday School class, consider visiting one or more of our classes over the next few weeks and find one that fits for you. Check out the insert in the bulletin about Sunday School that describes our various classes.

Speaking of students, we are really excited to have Maggie Hatchett on board as our new Director of Student Ministries. She is planning a **Youth Parent Meeting next Sunday afternoon (August 18) at 5:00 p.m.** We hope all our parents will come and hear about her vision for our youth ministry and share your hopes and dreams for it.

*Ben*

## MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2024

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

*Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost*

**Opening Voluntary**      Toccata in G Minor      Johann Pachelbel

**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

**Introit (11:00)**      Give Me Jesus      arr. Mark Hayes  
Skip Watts, baritone

\* **Hymn No. 147**      All Things Bright and Beautiful      ROYAL OAK

\* **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**      GREATORIX

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

### An Invitation to Sunday School

**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. 399 Take My Life, and Let It Be MESSIAH

**Offertory Prayer** Nelle Bordeaux

**Offertory Solo** (8:45) Give Me Jesus arr. Mark Hayes  
Skip Watts, baritone

**Offertory Anthem** (11:00) Johannes Brahms

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place (from Requiem)  
How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!  
For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth, for the courts of the Lord:  
my soul and body crieth out, yea for the living God.  
Blest are they, that dwell within Thy house:  
they praise Thy name evermore.  
- Psalm 84: 1-2, 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, NT pgs. 226, 6, 46)  
Hebrews 12:1-2, Matthew 6:19-24, Mark 10:17-22

**Sermon** "Relinquishment Part 6: Possessions" Ben Martin

\* **Hymn** No. 565 Father, We Thank You RENDEZ À DIEU

**Benediction** Ben Martin

**Closing Response** (11:00) Richard Farrant  
Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies' Sake

**Closing Voluntary** Final from Sonata No. 1 Alexandre Guilmant

\* *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 by Rusty and Gaye Holt.

**Usher Roses**

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

**Just Born**

Congratulations to Savannah and Scott Rogers on the birth of a son, Raymond Scott Rogers, Jr., on August 2, 2024. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Scotty.

**Messenger Deadline**

The deadline to submit announcements to [jennifer@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:jennifer@wesleymonumental.org) for the September Messenger is tomorrow, Monday, August 12.

**Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission**

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

**Home Medical Aids Available**

If you are in need of a walker, wheelchair, rollator, hospital bed, bedside commode or other device, contact Carolyn Hale Cubbedge for further details.

**Wesley Monumental Car Magnets Will Benefit Capstone Campaign for Children's Ministry and Music Suite Renovation**

Car magnets are available in the church office with a cash donation of \$10 to Wesley Monumental for the capital campaign. The Evangelism Committee had the magnets designed and created, supported by a grant for Evangelism from the Coastal District.

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

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks

**Greeters:** Linda Butler, Jeralyn Wilson

**Offering Steward:** David Butler

**Partners in Prayer:** Charlie Clarke

**11:00 Service**

**Acolytes:** Julia Grabowski, Hannah Green

**Children's Worship:** Lesli Glenn, Sarah Labrot, Ellen O'Connor,  
Karen Washburn

**Sunday School:** Volunteers Needed

**Greeters:** Frank Anderson, Peter Delters

**Offering Steward:** Jason Pedigo

**Ushers:** Jason Pedigo, Jeff O'Connor, Aaron Pederson, Bart Rhodes,  
Don Riddle, Scott Rogers, Jacob Sigmon, Travis Thomas, Vin Thomas

**Partners in Prayer:** Grace & Art Greene

**Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist**  
**Children's and Youth Choirs**

We are so excited for children's and youth choirs for ages 3 through 12th grade to begin again in September!!

- ◆ **1st-5th grade choir** (and also **Joyful Noise choir** for younger children) begins Wednesday, September 4 with dinner at 5:15 p.m. and choir from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Registration link will be available soon.
- ◆ **6th-12th grade choir** begins Sunday, September 8 from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. and includes handbells from 4:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.!

We are also thrilled to be offering handbells for 6th-12th graders for 30 minutes prior to Wednesday dinner beginning Wednesday, September 4, if that time is more convenient for you than Sunday.

**Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members**

**Cook at Home and Serve Homeless Children and Their Parents**

Please pray for Family Promise circumstantially homeless families and cook a meal at home for 15 people and deliver to White Bluff Presbyterian Church at 5:00 p.m. on your chosen night, August 11-15. Peggy Jolley leads this ministry. Sign up with Nelle at [tbordeaux@prodigy.net](mailto:tbordeaux@prodigy.net).

**New Bible Study Topic in Young Mothers' Bible Study**

Starting this Tuesday, August 13, at 9:00 a.m., in Oliver Hall, room 213; nursery provided. Do you want to learn what prayer is? Would you like to be with other mothers? Our new topic is "A Praying Life: Connecting with God in a Distracting World," by Paul E. Miller. He writes, "Come overwhelmed with life. Come with a wandering mind. Come messy." All are welcome!

**Bible Studies - New Topic in the Young Mothers' Bible Study This Week**

- 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 "What Good Does Prayer Do?" —Matthew 7:7-11.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying Zechariah, chapters 12 and 13. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at [tbordeaux@prodigy.net](mailto:tbordeaux@prodigy.net).

**Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care**

**Merry Makers August Event**

Join the Merry Makers for The Best of Broadway at the Savannah Theatre this Saturday, August 17, at 3:00 p.m. Ten tickets are still available at a cost of \$39.00 each. Payment will reserve your ticket. See Carolyn Hale Cubbedge to reserve.

**Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry**

**Promotion Sunday**

Join us next Sunday, August 18 for Promotion Sunday!

**Maggie Hatchett, Director of Student Ministries (6th-12th Grade)**

**Youth Group Today!**

The youth will meet this afternoon, Sunday, August 11, from 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for dinner, games, and a time to talk about what they want the youth group to be like.

**Youth Parents and Volunteers Meeting**

All youth parents are encouraged to attend this meeting on Sunday, August 18, at 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our new Director of Student Ministries, Maggie, will be here to meet with the parents.

**Christian Swails, Wesley Gardens Spiritual Director**

**Weekly Spiritual Practices Gathering**

Seek wisdom and peace in community during our Spiritual Practices Gathering from 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. every Sunday at Wesley Gardens Retreat. This time is dedicated to meeting together to experience spiritual practices in the way of Jesus. We do this through journaling, connecting with nature, practicing silence and solitude, centering prayer, and more. Come not just to learn *about* God but to learn how to be *with* God. All are welcome!



**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

Sunday Attendance: (08/04/24)

8:45 AM Worship	128	Nursery	XX
11:00 AM Worship	243	Children's Worship	XX
Online Worship Views	153	Sunday School	112
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>524</b>		

**Finances (08/4/24):**

Total Budget for the Year.....	\$2,126,355.46
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$1,230,503.31
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date .....	\$1,297,045.71

**CHURCH STAFF**

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

**Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church**  
**August 11, 2024**

**Sermon Extended**

Monday	Hebrews 12:1-2	In what way do my "possessions" weigh me down spiritually?
Tuesday	Matthew 6:19-19-21	What do I "treasure"? How can I tell? i.e. what is the evidence?
Wednesday	Matthew 6:24	How does money function as a rival "god"?
Thursday	Mark 10:17-22	What would be the "one thing" Jesus would ask me to give up?
Friday	I Timothy 6	What is Paul's advice on handling wealth and possessions?

**Sermon Notes**

## This Week at Wesley

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

### Sunday, August 11

Hosting Family Promise This Week  
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  
5:00 PM Youth Group, FH

### Monday, August 12

5:30 PM Wesley Gardens Comm. Mtg,  
WGR

### Tuesday, August 13

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Sunnyside Up  
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study  
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH  
11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 205  
5:30 PM Youth Committee Mtg, OH 205

### Wednesday, August 14

11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 205  
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, FH

### Thursday, August 15

12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

### Friday, August 16

No Scheduled Activities

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 Programs and Dinner Begin Wednesday, September 4**

Watch for details in the September Messenger, Wesley Weekly email newsletter, and upcoming bulletins on details and ways to register for Children's Choirs, Small Group Studies for Adults, and Dinner. If you are not receiving the weekly email newsletter, please email [jennifer@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:jennifer@wesleymonumental.org) or call the church office, 912-232-0191.

## In Our Prayers....

Doug Moore, Debbie Andrews, Katie Townsend, Raine Rude, John Walter, Helen Weitz (sister of Bonnie Delvers), Bob Franz, Melissa McDonald and Family, Effie and Nic Allsbrooks, Courtney Fetz, Michael Baggott, Foster Parks, Noel Cooper, Wayne Thomas, Family of Logan Spencer (friend of Charles Stewart), John Martin Sr., 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 (grand-daughter of Carolyn Roth), Adam Corey, Saddy 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, David Chow, Roz Evans, Sandrae McCorkle, Toni Olds, Mark Thomas, Cindy Telljohann

### Military Serving Abroad/Stateride

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

### In Sympathy....

The Wooten Family  
on the death of  
*Lois Wooten*

The Davis Family  
on the death of *Virginia Davis*,  
mother of Emily