



**Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024**

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### **GET READY FOR FALL**

School has now started back for everyone, and our Sunday evening dinner and worship have come to an end for this year. That means we are getting ready to relaunch our fall Wednesday Nights at Wesley program. In just three weeks, on September 4th "Wednesday Night at Wesley" begins. Though time flies by every week, it can be a long way spiritually from Sunday to Sunday. Setting aside time in the middle of the week to regroup, reorient our thinking, and be refilled spiritually is important. Our Wednesday evenings feature something for the whole family, including a wonderfully prepared and reasonably price meal. Dinner is from 5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Children's Choirs, youth small groups (MDWK Bible Study: Creation and Covenant), and adult Bible Studies are from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Then the chancel choir rehearses at 7:15 p.m.

In addition to our **Children's Choir program and youth small groups (MDWK Bible Study: Creation and Covenant)**, this year during our fall semester we will offer three adult studies from which to choose.

- 1. Young Women's Small Group, led by Katie Knight**
- 2. A Book Study on "Mere Christianity" by C.S. Lewis, led by Glen Doki**
- 3. A Spiritual Formation Study on "A Long Obedience in the Same Direction" by Eugene Peterson, led by Ben Martin & Christian Swails**

More information about signing up for studies and making reservations for dinner will be available in a bulletin insert next Sunday. We hope you will sign up for a study, get your kids signed up for choir, make a standing reservation for dinner each week, and make Wednesday nights a vital part of your spiritual formation this year.

# MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024

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

*Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost*

## 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)

Walt Baxter

## Lighting of the Candles

### Introit (8:45)

Jesus Paid It All  
Ericka Stack, mezzo-soprano

### Introit (11:00)

Ave Maria  
John Tibbetts, baritone  
Savannah Voice Festival

Franz Schubert

\* **Hymn No. 111**      How Can We Name a Love      TERRA BEATA

\* **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

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.*

**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. 382 Have Thine Own Way, Lord ADELAIDE

**Offertory Prayer** Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

**Offertory Voluntary** (8:45) Down in My Heart arr. Marilyn Ham

**Offertory Anthem** (11:00) arr. Moses Hogan

He's Got the Whole Word in His Hands  
John Tibbetts, baritone  
Savannah Voice Festival

**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 HUNDRETH

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, 90, 136-137)  
Hebrews 12:1-2, Luke 24:13-21, Acts 16:36-41

**Sermon** "Relinquishment Part 7: Ben Martin  
Unrealistic Expectations and Disappointment"

\* **Hymn** No. 374 Standing on the Promises PROMISES

**Benediction** Ben Martin

**Closing Voluntary** Fugue in D Major, BWV 532 J. S. Bach

\* *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 loving memory of Dwaine L. Willett by his wife Cynthia Willett.

### **Just Born**

Congratulations to Effie and Nick Allsbrooks on the birth of a son, Wiley Carter Allsbrooks, on August 12, 2024. Grandson of Melissa and Murch Moorer, Jr. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Wiley.

### **New Member Course Starts Today, Sunday, August 18**

The class will meet August 18 and 25 at 10:00 a.m. and join as a group on August 25; nursery provided. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

### **Messenger Brigade**

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, August 22 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall Room 205.

### **Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission**

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

### **Help Neighbors Amidst Storm Damage**

Please bring items to church to the Oliver Hall lobby for nearby counties and communities, including Richmond Hill, which was damaged by the storm. Items needed are:

5 gallon buckets (does not matter brand, color, etc.)

Rubber Gloves

Sponges

Scrub Brushes

Handheld Squeegees

Clorox Wipes

Lysol Spray

Mr. Clean Magic Erasers

Mops

Brooms

New hand Towels

New Rags

### **Family Promise Needs Mattress Pads**

Please donate new or gently used twin mattress pad waterproof protectors. Please bring to the Oliver Hall lobby.

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

**Children's Worship:** Charli Weeks

**Greeters:** Ann and Melvin Croft

**Offering Steward:** Jeff Miller

**Partners in Prayer:** Carmine Cowart

### **11:00 Service**

**Acolytes:** Ryves Dunn, Charlie Kraeuter

**Children's Worship:** Lesli Glenn, Sarah Labrot, Ashley Wanager,  
Olivia Wanager

**Sunday School:** Volunteers Needed

**Greeters:** Neilie & Justin Dunn

**Offering Steward:** Chris Donegan

**Ushers:** Chris Donegan, Christian Valdez, Matt West, Mark Wilcox,  
Drew Wilkes, Glen Willard, Allen Williams, Brad Aiken, Jesse Bentley

**Partners in Prayer:** Adam Kobek

## **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.

### **Adult Handbell Choir:**

Come and ring with us in our Adult Handbell Choir, "*Soli deo Gloria*" ("Glory to God Alone" in Latin), with Ericka Stack. Prior musical knowledge is preferred, but any and everyone is welcome! We will start with basic handbell techniques, hymns, and how to care for our bells. Please look in the Wesley Weekly for a poll on what day you would like handbells to meet. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to [ericka@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:ericka@wesleymonumental.org).

### **6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Handbell Choir**

Middle and high school students: you are cordially invited to join our new Handbell group, called "*Gaudete*" which means "Rejoice" in Latin. We will meet thirty minutes during Youth Choir, as well as 30 minutes on Wednesdays before dinner. Basic music knowledge is encouraged, but any and everyone is welcome! We will start with basic handbell techniques, hymns, and how to care for our bells. This group will be starting rehearsals on Wednesday, September 4. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to [ericka@wesleymonumental.org](mailto:ericka@wesleymonumental.org)

## **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 "A Praying Life: Connecting with God in a Distracting World," by Paul E. Miller. "Learning to Pray Like a Child," Matthew 18:1-5.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying Zechariah 14 and Malachi 1. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at [tbordeaux@prodigy.net](mailto:tbordeaux@prodigy.net).

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

Welcome to Promotion Sunday! It's an exciting day for our children as they move to different classrooms. The list below shows where the children will be for Sunday School until the construction is complete.

- ◆ Babies not yet walking - Nursery - end of the hall on the left
- ◆ Toddlers and Twos - Nursery - end of the hall on the right
- ◆ 3 years old thru Kindergarten - Nursery - first room on the right
- ◆ 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> graders - Fellowship Hall, bump out room on the left
- ◆ 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> graders - Fellowship Hall, bump out room on the right

Children who attend Sunday School will go to the Sanctuary and sit together in the front row for the 11:00 service.

Children's Worship will continue in the Fellowship Hall for both services, with the 3 and 4-year-olds in the bump-out room on the left. Please continue to pick up children from the Fellowship Hall at the end of the service.

Worship Education for 4th & 5th graders will meet during the 11:00 service on September 8, 15, 29, and October 6. We'll meet in the center balcony under the Wesley Window at 10:50 a.m. and stay for part of the service. Pickup will be from the Fellowship Hall, bump-out room on the right at the end of the service.

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

**Youth Parents and Volunteers Meeting**

All youth parents are encouraged to attend this meeting today, 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.

**Youth End of Summer Party**

Next Sunday, August 25, we will have an end-of-summer party from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.! We will have dinner, a Photo Booth, hide-and-seek and sardines, crafts, and some competitions! We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall first and then hang in the youth rooms. Can't wait to see y'all!

**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!

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

**Merry Makers—September Program**

The Merry Makers 2024 year kicks off on Monday, September 9, at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will follow the program which will be held in the Parlor of Oliver Hall. Cost for lunch is \$7.00. Please call the church office to make your reservation. Questions? Call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.



**A Record of Our Faithfulness**

Sunday Attendance: (08/011/24)

8:45 AM Worship	112	Nursery	16
11:00 AM Worship	308	Children's Worship	45
Online Worship Views	148	Sunday School	118
<b>Total Worship</b>	<b>568</b>		

**Finances (08/11/24):**

Total Budget for the Year .....	\$2,126,355.46
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date .....	\$1,263,719.54
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date .....	\$1,352,269.31

**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 .....	David Lindquist.....	Maintenance Tech
Charli Weeks .....	Betty Dudley.....	Housekeeper
Ericka Stack .....	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**  
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**Sermon Extended**

Monday	Luke 24:13-21	How has disappointment in life affected me?
Tuesday	Psalm 13, Ruth 1:1-21	Have I ever been disappointed with God?
Wednesday	Acts 16:36-41	When have unmet expectations caused conflict in my relationships?
Thursday	Mark 14:66-72	When have I disappointed myself?
Friday	Romans 5:1-5	Why does Paul say hope will not disappoint us? Where do I place my hope?

**Sermon Notes**

## This Week at Wesley

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

### Sunday, August 18

#### Promotion Sunday

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  
3:30 PM Lois Wooten Memorial Svc., SNC  
4:00 PM Spiritual Practices, WGR  
5:00 PM Youth Group Parents Mtg, FH

### Monday, August 19

2:00 PM Courtney Gaines Circle, FH

### Tuesday, August 20

9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study  
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH

### Wednesday, August 21

7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, FH

### Thursday, August 22

10:00 AM Messenger Brigade, OH 205  
12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

### Friday, August 23

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 (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, David Chow, Roz Evans, Sandrae McCorkle, Toni Olds, Mark Thomas, Cindy Telljohann

### Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

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 Eller Family  
on the death of *Marilyn Hood*,  
mother of Anne Eller

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