



Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024

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September 15, 2024

Wesley Meet and Mingle

Wesley Meet and Mingle is a new program which provides opportunities for Wesley members to spend some social time with other Wesley members they already know or want to meet. The **September event** is on Saturday, September 28, at 10:00 a.m. It is a visit to Hope Ranch Zoo in Effingham County. Hope Ranch is located just north of Guyton off Highway 17. The Zoo is home to over 200 mammals and 120 species of birds. The facility is geared toward an educational approach with guided tours. The cost is \$18.00 per person with 2 and under being free. Please call the church office to make your reservation no later than September 23. You will pay for your tickets on site. This is a great opportunity for families with children or animal lovers of all sorts. Questions? Call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.

The **second Meet and Mingle** event is a Low Country Boil at Wesley Gardens Retreat on November 3, at 5:00 p.m. Reservations are a must. Your fee of \$15.00 per person guarantees your meal. Space will be limited to 125 tickets. Call the church office or see Carolyn Hale Cubbedge to make your reservation. Space will be limited so call early.

Tickets for the Ghost Pirates game, the **third Meet and Mingle**, on January 5, 2025, will be available until December 5. Cost is \$30 per ticket. Your payment reserves your seat. Make checks payable to Wesley Monumental UMC and give them to Carolyn Hale Cubbedge or drop them off in the church office. Questions? Call Carolyn at 912-308-3383.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

Opening Voluntary Toccata Craig A. Penfield

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) Brantley Parker

Lighting of the Candles

Introit (11:00) It Is Well With My Soul
Mary Matsler, soprano

* **Hymn No. 378** Amazing Grace AMAZING GRACE

* **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** 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.

Baptismal Covenant (11:00)

Margaret Rowe Brown
daughter of Ellen and Chase Brown

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Rowe 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 her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love that she 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 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. 533 We Shall Overcome MARTIN

Offertory Prayer Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) arr. Cameron Cody
 When We All Get to Heaven

Offertory Anthem (11:00) Moses Hogan
 My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord

My soul's been anchored in the Lord.
 Before I'd stay in hell one day.
 I'd sing and pray myself away.
 Going to shout and pray and never stop,
 until I reach the mountain top.
 Do you love Him? (Oh yes) Do you love Him? (Hallelujah)
 Do you love Him? (Oh yes) God almighty? (Are you anchored?)
 Are you anchored? (Oh yes)
 Will you serve Him? (Oh yes) Will you serve Him? (Hallelujah)
 God almighty? (Are you anchored?) Are you anchored? (Oh yes)
 Yes, I'm anchored!
 Will you praise Him? (Oh yes)
 Are you anchored? (Yes, I'm anchored!) Lord, I'm anchored! (Oh yes)
 Lord, I love you! (Oh yes) Yes, I'll serve you! (Oh yes)
 Lord, I'll praise you! (Oh yes)
 Hallelujah!
 God almighty, my soul's been anchored in the Lord!
 Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano

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. 162, 175, 224,) Romans 12:9, I Corinthians 13:11-13, Hebrews 10:23

Sermon "Holding on Part 3: Hope" Ben Martin

* **Hymn** No. 196 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus HYFRYDOL

Benediction Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) A Gaelic Blessing John Rutter

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

The Messenger Brigade will meet this Thursday, September 19 at 10:00 a.m. in Oliver Hall Room 205.

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.

Name Tags

Please take care to wear your Wesley Monumental nametag to worship and Wednesday night activities. This will help us uphold our values as a friendly and welcoming church family and allow guests to identify those who can assist them. If you need a new nametag, please email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

New Member Course Starts Next Sunday

The class will meet at 10:00 a.m., September 22 and 29, in Oliver Hall 205, and will join as a group on September 29. Nursery provided. Please call the church office to sign up at 912-232-0191.

Acolyte Training

For any 6th graders interested, acolyte training will be held after the 11:00 service next Sunday, September 22. Please meet in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Please contact Holly Conger.

Wesley Christmas Bazaar

The annual Wesley Christmas Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, November 2, 2024. The bazaar will showcase all sorts of handwork including but not limited to woodwork, monogrammed clothing and linen items, photography, jewelry, notecards, candles, scroll-sawn ornaments, needlework, picture frames, toys, paintings, and lathe-turned bowls to mention a few. The bazaar will provide an excellent opportunity to learn about the gifts of our fellow church members and to shop for Christmas. We are looking for vendors and you are invited to reserve your space now. If you have any questions, contact one of the co-chairs: Woody Brown at 912-352-7833, or Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Greeters: Lori Miller, Becky Pullin

Offering Steward: Jeff Miller

Partners in Prayer: Anne Thompson

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Andrew Wilkes, Camille Wilkes

Children's Worship: Laura Blake, Amy Daniel, Megan Haubein

Sunday School: Volunteers Needed

Greeters: Barbara & Johnny Phelps

Offering Steward: Chris Donegan

Ushers: Chris Donegan, Cory Hall, Wayne Hall, Dustin Hamilton,
Adam Hess, Rusty Holt, Bill Hunter, Ryan Kelly, Bobby Lee

Partners in Prayer: Gaye Holt

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

Children's Choir

Children's Choir (and Joyful Noise Choir) began September 4, and we are so excited to sing in church soon! Even if you missed the first rehearsal, you may join at any time. The 1st -5th graders are working in depth on: Since Jesus Came Into My Heart, I Am Bound for the Promised Land, The Battle Hymn of the Republic, Zion's Walls, Hymn of Promise, Doxology, Gloria Patri, Apostles' Creed, and the Lord's Prayer.

During dinner prior to choir (after entree, before dessert), we work on a local mission project specially curated by Rev. Nelle. For example, two weeks ago we created cards for one of our shut-ins. The Chancel Choir took the cards to her and read every single one. This past week we cut out and colored miniature Wesley Monumental churches with doors that swing open and a Bible verse on them to put on sacks of food for hungry children. The kids who receive the sacks say their favorite part of the sack is the note from another child.

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Cook at Home for Families

If you want to prepare a meal occasionally at home for church members who need help, please tell Nelle, You cook at home and deliver to church.

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. This week's lesson is "Surrender Completely: Thy Will Be Done," chapters 16-18, Proverbs 24:17; Luke 11:1-4.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying "Paul." This week's lesson is 1 Corinthians, chapter 2. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Worship Education

Worship Education for 4th & 5th graders will meet during the 11:00 service on September 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 Group

Youth will meet tonight from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Parents, be sure to join the BAND so that you can see all of our events and info. Find it on the website.

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: (09/08/24)

8:45 AM Worship	90	Nursery	13
11:00 AM Worship	339	Children's Worship	52
Online Worship Views	162	Sunday School	127
Total Worship	591		

Finances (09/08/24):

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,126,355.46
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,414,534.43
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,523,212.89

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
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Sermon Extended

Monday	Hebrews 10:23	How do I experience hope as the "anchor of my soul"?
Tuesday	Hebrews 11:1	What is the connection between faith and hope?
Wednesday	Romans 5:1-5	When does hope disappoint us and why?
Thursday	2 Corinthians 4:7-5:1	Where does Paul get his hope?
Friday	Psalm 42	What does the Psalmist teach us about hope?

Sermon Notes

This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, September 15

- 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
- 11:00 AM Worship Education, SNC Balcony
- 4:00 PM Spiritual Practices, WGR
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir & Handbells
- 5:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, September 16

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place, EB & OH
- 2:00 PM Courtney Gaines Circle, FH
- 6:00 PM Adult Handbells, FH

Tuesday, September 17

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, FH
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place, EB & OH
- 9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, OH Parlor
- 9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH 207
- 11:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 205
- 6:00 PM Mission Comm. Mtg, OH 205

Wednesday, September 18

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place, EB & OH
- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 205
- 4:45 PM Call to Prayer, OH Parlor
- 4:45 PM Youth Handbell Choir, SNC
- 5:30 PM Dinner, MI
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir, SNC
- 6:00 PM Youth Group Bible Studies, OH 4th Flr
- 6:00 PM A Long Obedience Study, MI
- 6:00 PM Mere Christianity Study, OH 205
- 6:00 PM Women's Small Group, OH Parlor
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, FH

Thursday, September 19

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place, EB & OH
- 10:00 AM Messenger Brigade, OH 205
- 12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

Friday, September 20

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place, EB & OH

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

Pastors on Call This Week

All days except Wednesdays & Fridays
 Ben Martin.....912-547-1835
 Wednesdays
 Nelle Bordeaux912-234-9245
 Fridays
 Carolyn Cubbedge..912-308-3385

<p>Wednesday Night Supper September 18 Menu: Shepherd's Pie</p>
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In Our Prayers....

Gary Kornegay, Barbie Lientz, Dolores Park (mother of Jeff Endsley), Suzette and Jimmy Fincher (parents of Amy Green), Aaron Berkebile, Harriett Gattis (mother of Clayton Gattis), 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, Dean Muenckler, Julia Holliday, Ann Lytle, Emily Davis, Emery Warnock, Danielle Robertson, Camille Searcy, Roger Lemay, Jason Horton, 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

The Hatchett & Kowalchuk Families
 on the death of
Jim Kowalchuk,
 father of Maggie Hatchett