



Celebrating 156 Years 1868 - 2024

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THE METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

James, the brother of Jesus, wrote in his letter, "true religion is caring for widows and orphans in their distress and keeping oneself unstained by the world." Since 1872, The Methodist Home for Children and Youth has been answering the gospel's call to share the love of Christ by caring for the most vulnerable in our society. Over the last 161 years, The Home has evolved from a 92-acre working farm with a few small buildings to several beautiful residential campuses that provide hope and happiness to at-risk children and youth.

Today, The Methodist Home is a multi-faceted residential care home providing a continuum of specialized treatment programs that address the needs of abused, neglected, and abandoned children. The Methodist Home's mission seeks to respond to Christ and the Church as we restore lost childhoods, strengthen families, and cultivate a people-building organization. The Methodist Home exemplifies this mission and provides a safe haven and has impacted the lives of more than 12,000 children from across the state of Georgia through operations in Macon, Americus, Valdosta, St. Marys, and Columbus. The Methodist Home exists as a faith-based organization to provide at-risk youth the security, education, and hope necessary to break the cycle of abuse and neglect and grow into contributing and productive adult members of society.

There is no United Methodist ministry I am more proud to partner with than The Methodist Home. Believing in the importance of this mission, each year, we take an offering to support this vital work and hope you will join us today in our communion offering, which will go to The Methodist Home.

Our own Dr. Edwin Chase not only grew up at the Methodist Home, and served as the associate pastor here at Wesley, but later returned to the Home and served for the last decade of his career. One of his books entitled "Surprised By God's Kindness" is a memoir that you will find a wonderful word of testimony about the grace of God. I encourage you to purchase a copy in the church office. Proceeds of the book go to support The Methodist Home.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024
8:45 & 11:00 A.M.
Twentieth 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) Harper Blake

Lighting of the Candles (11:00) The Acolytes

Introit (11:00) O Be Joyful Jan Yarrington
O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before His presence with a song.
Bless the Lord.

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

(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 Carolyn Hale Cubbedge

* **Scripture Lesson** (Pew Bible, NT pgs. 162, 219, 211)
Romans 12:9, Hebrews 3:7-14, 2 Timothy 1:12

Sermon "Holding On Part 6: To Confidence" 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

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Solo (8:45)

He's Got the Whole World
Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano

Offertory Anthem (11:00)

Tom Fettke

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name
When I gaze into the night sky, And see the work of Your fingers.
The moon and stars suspended in space.
But what is man that You are mindful of him?
You have given man a crown of glory and honor.
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation;
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man that You are mindful of him?

O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of Your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens.
O Lord, our God little children praise Him perfectly.
And so would we. Alleluia! The majesty and glory of Your name!

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

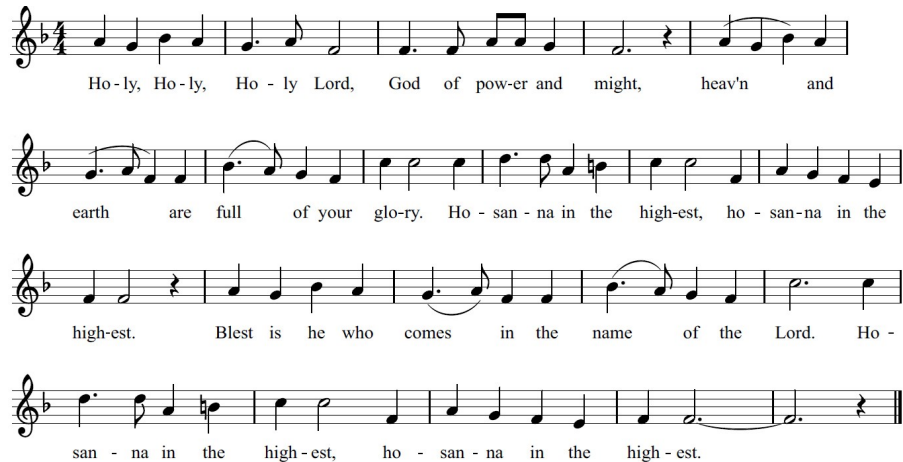
Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

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 Methodist Home for Children and Youth. 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)

He's Got the Whole World Claire Watts, mezzo-soprano

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. 374** Standing on the Promises PROMISES
 Stanza 1
- * **Benediction** Ben Martin
- Closing Response** (11:00) Amen John Rutter
- Closing Voluntary** Charles Marie-Widor
 Finale from Symphony No. 4 in F Minor

* *Please stand as you are able.*
Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you.
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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." "Hope: The End of the Story," Genesis 50:19-21, Luke 1:37
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying "Paul," 1 Corinthians, chapter 5. Questions or to sign up, please email Nelle at tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Mac PACK

Please put macaroni and cheese boxes in the church van today at East Wayne and Abercorn for needy children.

Just Born

Congratulations to Callie and Hunter Hayes on the birth of a daughter, Maggie Fay Hayes, on September 28, 2024. Granddaughter of Susan and Ben Martin. A rose is by the altar today in honor of Maggie.

Grocery Items Needed This Week are canned vegetables. Please place donations in marked boxes.

Worship Education

Worship Education for 4th & 5th graders will meet during the 11:00 service today, Sunday, 10/6. 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 Wayne Street Foyer.

Christmas Greenery—Orders Due 10/13

The Altar Guild is excited to offer fresh balsam greenery from Vermont for the Christmas season! For details, pick up an order form located at all sanctuary entrances.

Poinsettia Orders— Orders Due 10/31

Poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary and may be taken home following the last Christmas Eve service. Place your orders for plants (\$16) in memory or honor of loved ones by Thursday, October 31. For details, pick up an order form located at all sanctuary entrances.

Adult Handbells

We invite you to ring with us starting this week on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. We have some fabulous pieces picked out, and plan to play on 11/10 at the 11:00 service. Please email Ericka Stack if you have any questions, ericka@wesleymonumental.org

Fall Break Youth Events

- Middle School-Big Bounce America, 10/12, Ottawa Farms, 3-6 pm.
- High School-Bon Fire at Wesley Gardens, 10/13, 6-8 pm.
- Day of Service with Nelle, 10/14 from 9 am-3 pm. See Maggie for details and to sign up. **Adult helpers are still needed to work alongside our wonderful youth for all or part of the day.** Please tell Nelle in advance if you can help.

Merry Makers

Will meet Monday, 10/14, at 11 am in the Parlor of Oliver Hall. Liz Palles, owner of Cents and Sensibility in Sandfly, will be the speaker. She will address the process of finding new homes for household items that are being downsized. Lunch (\$7) will be served following the program. Call the church office to make your reservation.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (09/29/24)

8:45 AM Worship	60	Nursery	2
11:00 AM Worship	209	Children's Worship	16
Online Worship Views	N/A	Sunday School	76
Total Worship	269		

Finances (09/29/24):

Total Budget for the Year \$2,126,355.46
 Actual Revenues Year-to-Date \$1,514,477.12
 Actual Expenses Year-to-Date \$1,612,457.83

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Communion Stewards: Diane & Byron Boyd

Greeters: Lori Miller, Ken Griner **Offering Steward:** Paul Cleveland

Ushers: Ron Freeman, Henry Whitfield

Partners in Prayer: Carmine Cowart

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Avery West, Charlie Kraeuter

Children's Worship: Elizabeth Eichholz, Sarah Labrot

Sunday School: Volunteers Needed

Communion Stewards: TBD

Greeters: Barbara & Johnny Phelps **Offering Steward:** Chris Donegan

Ushers: Chris Donegan, Mehmet Ergul, Rusty Holt, Jim Pannell,

Jon Pannell, Johnny Phelps, Willie Roberds, Kenneth Spriggs

Partners in Prayer: Gail Brannen

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Sermon Extended

Monday	Hebrews 3:7-14	What does it mean for me to have "confidence" in God? Is that different than faith?
Tuesday	2 Timothy 1:12	What do I confidently entrust to God?
Wednesday	1 Samuel 17	What would cause David to have such confidence in God?
Thursday	Genesis 3:1-13	What causes us to lose our confidence in God?
Friday	Philippians 3:1-16	How did Paul's "confidence" change?

Sermon Notes

This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, October 6

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 AM Coffee & Refreshments, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, FH & OH
- 10:50 AM Worship Education, SNC Balcony
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 4:00 PM Spiritual Practices, WGR
- 4:00 PM Youth Choir & Handbells, SNC
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, FH & OH 4th Flr

Monday, October 7

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

Tuesday, October 8

- 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 Adult Handbells, SNC

Wednesday, October 9

- 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, OH
- 6:00 PM Joyful Noise Choir
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir, SNC & OH
- 6:00 PM Youth Group Bible Studies, OH 4th Flr
- 6:00 PM A Long Obedience Study, OH
- 6:00 PM Mere Christianity Study, OH 205
- 6:00 PM Women's Small Group, OH
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, FH

Thursday, October 10

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

Friday, October 11

- 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
 Ben Martin..... 912-547-1835
 Wednesdays
 Nelle Bordeaux 912-234-9245

Wednesday Night Supper
 October 9
 Menu: TBD

In Our Prayers....

Vicki Worden, Lulu Gribbins, 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 Delters), 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, Emily Davis, Emery Warnock, Danielle Robertson, Camille Searcy, Roger Lemay, Jason Horton, Archie Davis, Ella Ealy (granddaughter of Carolyn Roth), Adam Corey, Saddie 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 Lytle Family
 on the death of *Ann Lytle*

The Haire Family
 on the death of *Larry Joyce*,
 father of J.J. Haire