



Celebrating 157 Years 1868 - 2025

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April 13, 2025

Easter Egg-stravaganza, Today, April 13, 4:00 p.m.

Our annual Easter Festival and Egg Hunt is scheduled for this afternoon, Sunday, April 13, at 4:00 p.m. at Wesley Gardens Retreat. There will be lots of eggs, treats, games, art activities, and more. Our youngest children will gather in the main house, and our elementary children will gather at the pavilion. It will be a fun afternoon for everyone. We'll have bags to decorate for egg collecting and lots of bug spray.

HOLY WEEK

Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. It is important that we take our time throughout Holy Week to contemplate the reality that resurrection only comes through death. This year, we will have our regular Holy Week worship opportunities to prepare us for Easter. We hope you will put these on your calendar.

Sunday, April 13	
8:45 & 11:00	Palm Sunday Worship, Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Children's Egg Hunt at Wesley Gardens Retreat (278 Shipyard Road, Savannah)
Monday, April 14	
11:30 a.m.	Holy Week Lunch & Message, Oliver Hall Parlor Message by Rev. Carolyn Hale Cubbedge
Tuesday, April 15	
11:30 a.m.	Holy Week Lunch & Message, Oliver Hall Parlor Message by Christian Swails
Wednesday, April 16	
11:30 a.m.	Holy Week Lunch & Message, Oliver Hall Parlor Message by Rev. Nelle Bordeaux (No Wednesday Night Supper or programs) Chancel Choir Rehearsal, EB 4th Floor
Thursday, April 17	
5:30 p.m.	Dinner, Fellowship Hall
6:10 p.m.	Passover Program for Children (age 3-5th grade), Education Building 2nd Floor
6:15 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Communion Service, Sanctuary Message by Rev. Ben Martin
Friday, April 18	
12:00 noon	Good Friday Worship, Sanctuary Followed by Lunch, Fellowship Hall Message by Rev. Ben Martin
Sunday, April 20	
8:45 & 11:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday Service, Sanctuary

Our 8:45 and 11:00 Easter Services will be identical with choir, brass, and timpani, and prelude music will begin 20 minutes prior to the start of each Service. It will help with our parking for as many who can come to the 8:45 Service.

MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025
8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.
Palm Sunday

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 on the second floor.*

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Eliza Jones

Lighting of the Candles

Opening Voluntary (8:45)

arr. Emma Lou Diemer

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Introit (11:00)

Hosanna in the Highest

Hosanna in the Highest!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

- Matthew 21:9

* **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** 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)

Selene Clarissa Marie Monley

daughter of Carrie and Dajuan Monley

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Selene 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.

Usher Roses

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

Flowers for the Cross

Parents, please remember to have your children bring flowers on Easter Sunday to decorate the cross on the front steps. This provides the children with the opportunity to participate in the beautification of Wesley on Easter.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Macy Thompson and Charlie Gray on their wedding on April 12 in the Whitefield Chapel at Bethesda. The Rev. Dr. Ben Martin officiated.

Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission

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

Living Vine Baby Bottles

Living Vine baby bottles and donations (checks made out to the Living Vine Christian Maternity Home) or cash are due today, Palm Sunday, April 13. Please place on the chancel platform on either side near the front of the sanctuary.

High School Girls' Bible Study

Will not meet this week, April 14, but will resume Monday, April 28 at 2:15 p.m. in Nelle's study.

Help Cook and Serve 75 Urban Hope Guests April 14

Please cook a dish at home and help serve at Independent Presbyterian Church; please meet at 5:30 p.m.; the Urban Hope children and families arrive at 6:00 p.m.; we usually finish clean-up by 7:15 p.m. Needed are pulled pork, buns, salad, dill pickles, macaroni and cheese, green beans, BBQ beans, cut fruit, cookies, lemonade, large and small paper plates, plastic cutlery, cups, and napkins. Sign up with Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit announcements for the May Messenger is tomorrow, Monday, April 14. Send to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Altar Flowers – Summer Dates Available

If you would like to give Sunday altar flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please email Jennifer Brookins in the church office, jennifer@wesleymonumental.org. The cost is \$120, and the Altar Guild will purchase and arrange the flowers for you. The following summer dates are available: June 15 & 29, July 6 & 20, August 3 & 31.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Greeters: Judy & Ron Freeman

Offering Steward: Jimmy Hill

Ushers: Ken Griner, Pat Monahan

Partners in Prayer: Charlie Clarke

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Ansley Pedigo, Couper Howard

Children's Worship: Ellen Brown, Natalie & Daniel Ingalsbe,
Pam Hammock, Christa Kerby, Karen Washburn

Sunday School: Pam Hammock, Christa Kerby

Greeters: Youth Group, Vicki Dougherty, Pat Duffy

Offering Steward: Jason Pedigo

Ushers: Jason Pedigo, Peter Delves, Greg Dotson, Justin Dunn,

Tim Edwards, Reed Ehrhardt, David Gaskin, Mark Glidewell, Cory Hall

Partners in Prayer: Sandra McGowen

Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist

We're so happy for the 1st - 5th grade choristers to lead 11:00 worship today. Thank you to their amazing parents for faithfully bringing them to rehearsal every week. Thank you to their amazing teachers who lovingly guide them every week: Anne Hawks, Ash Grimmett, Ben Whitaker, Carolyn Roth, Diane Boyd, Diane Wesley, Jo Anna Hayes, Ken Rimes, Kim Grimmett, Lee Green, Luke Whitaker, Ori Hayes, Raymond Patricio, and Julia Flowers. "The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best."

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members

Family Promise Homeless Families Need Supper Cooks, April 20-26

Choose a night and cook a meal for about 15 homeless guests. Please deliver on your chosen night at 5:00 p.m. to White Bluff Presbyterian Church, 10710 White Bluff Road, to meet Nelle or Peggy Jolley. Sign up, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

Bible Studies

- Young Mothers' Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Oliver Hall Parlor with Bible Buddies meeting in the barrel vault room. Currently studying "Friendship in the Bible," "Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego," Daniel 1:1-21; 3:1-30; 6:1-28."
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying "All about Paul," 2 Corinthians, chapter 12.

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

Merry Makers

Merry Makers, our senior adult fellowship group, will join other members of the congregation for the Holy Week services on April 14-18. There will be no separate program in April.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Palm Processional

Today, all children (not in choir) who would like to join the palm processional will gather in the Fellowship Hall near the Wayne Street stairwell to line up behind the choirs. We will be handing out palms in the Fellowship Hall. The children will sit at the front of the sanctuary after the processional and then leave for Children's Worship after the Children's Sermon.

Maundy Thursday Passover Program and Supper Details - April 17

- ✦ Dinner service begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (To RSVP for dinner, email doki@wesleymonumental.org)
 - Children younger than 3 will be served in the nursery.
 - Children 3 yrs old-Kindergarten will be served on the second floor.
 - Children 1st-5th grade will eat in the Fellowship Hall with their parents.
- ✦ Maundy Thursday Service begins at 6:15 p.m. in the sanctuary.
 - During the service, children 3 years old-5th grade will meet on the second floor for a special Children's Passover Program (details below).
 - The nursery will be open from 5:15 p.m.-7:00 p.m. for babies and children younger than 3.

Children's Passover Program - April 17

Each year on Maundy Thursday we have a special Passover Program for children age 3 to 5th grade. There are traditional Passover foods for the children to sample and our lesson covers the symbolism of each food item and the connection between the Passover in Exodus and Jesus' Last Supper. Children can be dropped off on the second floor of the Education Building at 6:10 p.m. and picked up after the service.

Children's Easter Program

Mark your calendar and invite your family and friends to our children's Easter program on Wednesday, April 30, at 6:15 p.m. Rehearsals are underway, and the children are excited about their singing and speaking parts. The program is being presented during the season of Easter, and it will be a joyful celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, our Savior.

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

Youth Group

- High School Girls' Bible Study will not meet this week, April 14, but will resume Monday, April 28 at 2:15 p.m. in Nelle's study.
- We will meet at Wesley Gardens Retreat this afternoon, Sunday, April 13, at 3:30 p.m. to help with the Easter Egg-stravaganza! We will have normal youth after, until 7:00 p.m.!
- On Maundy Thursday, we will meet on the fourth floor of Oliver Hall to experience what Christ did with his disciples, with a Passover experience.
- No youth on Easter Sunday!
- Murder Mystery Party on April 27 from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.! Be sure to wear your favorite cruising outfit and be ready to solve a mystery!
- Join us on Wednesday Nights for our Midweek Bible study and fun! We are loving learning about Exodus and all the things it has to offer.

Micah Sprünger, Wesley Gardens Property Manager

Fourth Friday Retreat

Morning Prayer & Solitude Retreat: 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Craving time alone with God? If so, you might find this meaningful. There's no cost or need for previous retreat experience. We'll begin in the Main House and provide an optional framework (via the Daily Office & Lectio Divina), but you can utilize the grounds and shape the moment as your soul needs. Micah's fresh roasted coffee will start pouring at 8:45 a.m., and spiritual direction with a local pastor will be available throughout. Feel free to pack a snack or lunch.

Afternoon Creativity Retreat: 1:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Our favorite Allison Hall of Small Creative guides this retreat for creatives. No cost or artistic experience is needed. (If you're a SCAD student and need a ride, please let us know.) "Structured creating" will end at 3:30 p.m., but any are welcome to linger through the afternoon until sunset. All weary souls welcome.

Christian Swails, Wesley Gardens Spiritual Director

Spiritual Practices

Spiritual Practices will resume this summer.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (04/06/25)

8:45 AM Worship	116	Nursery	16
11:00 AM Worship	547	Children's Worship	69
Online Worship Views	167	Sunday School	210
Total Worship	830		

Finances (04/6/25):

Total Budget for the Year.....	\$2,190,241.30
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date.....	\$663,361.13
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$617,682.90

CHURCH STAFF

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

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Sermon Extended

(Read and reflect each day on the final events of Jesus' life, listen for how it speaks to you)

Monday	Matthew 21:10-17	The Clearing of the Temple
Tuesday	Luke 20:1-21:38	The Day of Controversy
Wednesday	Mark 14:1-11	Day of Anointing
Thursday	Luke 22:7-65	The Last Supper
Friday	Mark 15:1-47	The Crucifixion

Sermon Notes

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This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, April 13

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 9:30 AM Coffee & Refreshments, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, FH/EB/OH
- 11:00 AM Worship Service, SNC
- 12:30 PM Beginner Handbells, SNC
- 3:30 PM Youth Group Help w/Egg Hunt, WGR
- 4:00 PM Egg Hunt, WGR
- 4:30 PM Youth Choir, WGR
- 5:00 PM Youth Group, WGR

Monday, April 14

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:30 AM Eli's Place Chapel, SNC
- 11:30 AM Holy Week Lunch & Message, OH
- 5:30 PM Urban Hope Supper, IPC
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir Rehearsal, SNC

Tuesday, April 15

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Sunnyside Up
- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study,
OH Parlor
- 9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH
- 10:00 AM Staff Mtg, OH 205
- 11:30 AM Holy Week Lunch & Message, OH
- 6:00 PM Adult Handbells, SNC

Wednesday, April 16

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 11:30 AM Holy Week Lunch & Message, OH
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,
EB 4th Flr

Thursday, April 17

- 9:00 AM Eli's Place
- 12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom
- 5:30 PM Dinner
- 6:10 PM Children's Passover Program,
EB 2nd Flr
- 6:15 PM Maundy Thursday Svc, SNC

Friday, April 18

- Eli's Place Closed
- 12:00 PM Good Friday Service, SNC
Followed by Lunch, FH

Saturday, April 19

- 9:00 AM Altar Guild, SNC
- 1:00 PM Choir w/Brass Rehearsal,
SNC

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

Maundy Thursday Supper April 17, 2025 Chicken Parmesan
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In Our Prayers....

Ava Herndon, Brett Aiken, Claire Frazier, Byron Boyd, Jamie and Jason Hopper, Bobby Staples, Toni Walker, Waylon Barrett Hinnant, Joe Armour, Dewayne Barfield, John Conner, Carolyn Mills, Mark Mills, Ed Derst, Khadra Turley, Adeline Hayes, Meghan Hitt, Joey Herndon, Berta Botkin, Bob Franz, Vicki Worden, Barbie Lientz, Dolores Park, Doug Moore, Debbie Andrews, Katie Townsend, Raine Rude, John Walter, Melissa McDonald and Family, Michael Baggott, John Martin, Sr., Rachel Spence, Jan Pullin, Dean Muenckler, Danielle Robertson, Roger Lemay, Jason Horton, Archie Davis, Ella Ealy, Adam Corey, Dolly Caylor, Sharon and Terry Knepper, Karen Nickles, Will Weeks, Lindsey Goldberg, Mary Hohnerlein, Oscar Cook, John Birkheimer, Eleanor McCurry, Doris Rothenberger, Fenton McEvoy

At Home/Extended Care

Bella Grace Bartels, Pat Beasley, Harriet Bland, Roz Evans, Sandrae McCorkle, Toni Olds, Camille Searcy, Mark Thomas, Cindy Telljohann, Tim Mooney

Military Serving Abroad/Stateside

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

In Sympathy....

The Thomas Family
on the death of
Walter Thomas,
brother of Mark Thomas

The Holley Family
on the death of
Charles Holley