

Celebrating 157 Years 1868 - 2025

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July 13, 2025

SUMMER FUN DAZE AT WESLEY GARDENS RETREAT

This week, 63 of our kindergarten through third graders will be heading to Wesley Gardens Retreat for their annual Summer Fun Daze Camp/Retreat. During this fun, educational, and faith-filled week, our children will learn about the fundamentals of our faith. The camp runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day, with a closing overnight retreat on Thursday night. Each morning will feature art, science, and games, while the afternoon will consist of learning about the Bible, cooking, and additional art activities.

This camp/retreat is an important time of faith and relationship building for our children. Please pray for our staff and children during a joy-filled (and exhausting) week that will help build a foundation for their faith as they continue to grow up in Christ.

Speaking of Wesley Gardens Retreat, if you haven't yet made it out for a Sunday afternoon/evening of meet and greet fun, worship, and dinner, the summer is getting away quickly. Our last Sunday of the summer schedule there will be August 3rd. Tonight, our meet-and-greet time will feature a history of Wesley Gardens, led by our property manager, Micah Sprunger. Christian Swails will lead the worship time, and the Being and Connect Sunday School classes will help with dinner. Next Sunday afternoon is Family Fun Day with water inflatables. The last week of August 3rd will be a Boat Night. We are asking people who have a boat to bring it to Wesley Gardens and take people on an afternoon boat ride. Please let us know if you could bring a boat that night.

Ben

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025 8:45 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Fifth 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. Some pew cushions are available for back and seat support and can be found in the Narthex and to the right at the entrance by the elevator. Please use as needed and return at the end of the service. The 11:00 service is also being livestreamed downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

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.

Lighting of the Candles

Opening Voluntary (8:45) Amazing Grace arr. Joseph Martin

Introit (11:00) Panis Angelicus César Franck

Ezra Colón Daruna

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

* 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

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.

Baptismal Covenant (11:00)

Marjorie Cade Williams daughter of Allee and Nolan Williams

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Marjie 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 & 11:00 Children ages 3 - 3rd grade leave through the doors at the front of the sanctuary and go to Children's Worship on the second floor. Following the service, they can be picked up from the second floor.

Morning 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. 292 What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE

Offertory Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Footsteps of Jesus arr. Steven Tedesco

Offertory Anthem (11:00)

G. F. Handel

Since By Man Came Death

For since by man came death,

by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,

even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

- 1 Corinthians 15: 21-22

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. 92, 192)

John 1:14-17, Ephesians 2:4-10

Sermon "A Little Good News Part 7: Grace Says It All" Ben Martin

* **Hymn** No. 369 Blessed Assurance ASSURANCE

Benediction Ben Martin

Closing Response (11:00) A Clare Benediction John Rutter

May the Lord show His mercy upon you;

may the light of His presence be your guide:

May He guard you and uphold you;

may His spirit be ever by your side.

When you sleep may His angels watch over you; when you wake may He fill you with His grace: May you love Him and serve Him all your days

Then in heaven may you see His face.

Closing Voluntary (11:00)

J. S. Bach

Fugue in E Minor "The Wedge," BWV 548

* Please stand as you are able.

Following the service, please take your bulletins, masks, and all belongings with you. All music reprinted under OneLicense.net No. A-719387 and CCLI No. 11046193.

Altar Flowers

The flowers by the altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mario Delfiacco, Sr., father of Cynthia Willett.

Usher Roses

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

Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission

Most needed this week are canned vegetables, such as tomatoes and black beans. Please place donations in marked boxes in the Wayne/ Gordon Street foyers and Oliver Hall.

Available in Church Office

Dr. Edwin Chase's novel, *Cleopas: The Disciple We Never Knew*, can be purchased at the church office for \$15, payable by cash or check.

Hurricane Preparedness

The Hurricane Preparedness Lunch and Learn was recorded and is now posted on the Wesley Monumental YouTube channel. To view the presentation go to YouTube.com. Search for Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church, and click on the Hurricane Preparedness program. The paperwork packet that goes with the presentation is available in the church office. It would be helpful to have the packet before you watch the presentation. Question? See or call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385.

Wesley Community Board—Buy, Sell, Trade, or Give!

A Wesley Community Board is now located in the Fellowship Hall. It is a space to share information about items you would like to buy, sell, trade or give to other members of our church family. With the start of school upon us, this would be a great place to rehome school uniforms your children can no longer use. As you downsize, you may have furniture to rehome. You might want to sell a car. There is a section of items you are searching for. Feel free to use, but please do not use the board for your yard sale items. Questions? See or call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, 912-308-3385.

Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit announcements for the August Monumental Messenger, our monthly printed newsletter, is tomorrow, Monday, July 14. Please send to jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

New Member Course Starts Next Sunday, July 20

The class will join as a group on July 27. Please come to both parts of this 2-part series at 9:45 a.m. Nursery provided. Please call the church office to sign up, 912-232-0191.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks Greeters: Ann & Melvin Croft Offering Steward: Jimmy Hill Ushers: Ken Griner, Henry Whitfield Partners in Prayer: Dorie Gaskin

11:00 Service

Acolytes: Hannah MacGregor, Olivia Wanager

Children's Worship: Elizabeth Nelson Sunday School: Volunteers Needed

Greeters: Frank Anderson, James Cubbedge

Offering Steward: Jason Pedigo

Ushers: Jason Pedigo, Scott Rogers, Travis Thomas,

Vin Thomas, Christian Valdez, Matt West, Mark Wilcox, Drew Wilkes

Partners in Prayer: Mickey Rountree

Nelle Bordeaux, Outreach and New Members 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. Now studying "Anger in the Bible," Job 7:11; Proverbs 14:17, 29; 15:1, 6; 39:11, 22, Ecclesiastes 7:9; Esther 7:7,8.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying "All about Paul," 2 Thessalonians 3.

Prayer Partners Please Drop Off School Uniforms Today in Oliver Hall Lobby, Sunday, July 13

You may bring a note for your Prayer Partner child if you wish. Sacks are alphabetized by your Prayer Partner's last name in the Oliver Hall lobby.

Youth Local Mission Week Needs Adult Helpers July 21-25

Serve alongside our wonderful youth! Choose all or part of any day that suits your schedule. Projects include yard work, sacking groceries, playing with children, construction, organizing uniforms, and more. Please tell Nelle, tbordeaux@prodigy.net.

<u>Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care</u> Merry Makers

Merry Makers, our senior adult fellowship group, will meet for lunch tomorrow, Monday, July 14, 11:00, at LaNopalera on Mall Blvd. Dutch treat. Please let Carolyn Hale Cubbedge know today if you can attend. This is a great opportunity to "Meet and Mingle," make a new friend, and invite a friend to join us.

<u>Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry</u> Summer Sunday School - Come Join Us!

Come join us on Sunday mornings this summer as we have fun learning about David, the shepherd boy, and the songs he wrote that are in our Bible. Lots of fun activities to help us memorize Psalm 23 by the end of the summer. Sunday school begins with a time of conversation at 9:45 a.m., with the lesson starting at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School children go to the 11:00 service together and sit on the front row. Questions? Please email charli@wesleymonumental.org.

Family Fun Day at Wesley Gardens

Mark your calendar for Sunday, July 20 and join us for Family Fun Day at Wesley Gardens. We'll have inflatable water fun outside and board and card games in the main house. The fun starts at 4:00 p.m., with singing and worship in the chapel at 5:30 and dinner in the main house at 6:15.

Promotion Sunday

Summer is flying by, and it's time to begin planning for the fall. Be sure to put Sunday, August 17, on your calendar for Promotion Sunday!

Renovation on the Education Building/Sanctuary elevator began on May 20, and will take eight weeks to complete. During that time, we will move our 8:45 worship service into the Fellowship Hall so those who cannot climb the stairs to the sanctuary will have an in-person worship option for those eight weeks. The 11:00 service will remain in the sanctuary. We will also livestream the 11:00 service into the Fellowship Hall so those for whom the sanctuary will be inaccessible but who may want to come to Sunday school and stay to worship together downstairs. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this much-needed update on the elevator.

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



- ◆ We are not meeting this week! Please pray for our team in Tapachula, Mexico.

 ◆ Join us for Family Fun Day at the Gardens on July 20 at
 - 4:00 p.m.
- Boat Day at Wesley Gardens on July 27! Scan QR code to sign up.

Micah Sprünger, Wesley Gardens Property Manager Fourth Friday Retreat - July 25

♦ 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 Chapel and provide an optional framework (via the Daily Office and Lectio Divina), but you can utilize the grounds and shape the morn as your soul needs. Micah's fresh roasted coffee will start pouring at 8:45 a.m. in the gazebo, 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.

Postponed until August.



A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (07/06/25)

8:45 AM Worship 11:00 AM Worship Online Worship Views Total Worship	87 285 161 533	Nursery Children's Worship Sunday School	XX XX 91
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Finances (07/06/25):

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,190,241.30
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,166,160.83
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date	\$1,169,587.95

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Ben MartinSenior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Nelle Bordeaux Outreach &
New Members
Rev. Carolyn Hale Cubbedge Senior Adults &
Pastoral Care
Dr. Monica DekleDirector of Music & Organist
Ericka Stack Music Associate
Julia Flowers Music Assistant
Charli Weeks Director of Children's Ministry
Maggie HatchettDirector of Student Ministries
Jimmy FlowersChurch Administrator
Tom Anderson Financial Manager

Jennifer DokiAdministrative
Assistant, Reception
Jennifer BrookinsAdministrative Assistant to
Pastoral Staff, Media Communications
Ashley Mays Henry Communications Director
Suzanna King Director of Hospitality
David LindquistMaintenance Tech
Betty DudleyHousekeeper
Micah SprüngerWesley Gardens
Property Manager
Christian SwailsWesley Gardens
Spiritual Direction/Reservations

Wesley Monumental United Methodist Church July 13, 2025

Sermon Extended

Monday	John 1:14-17	What is grace to me and how does
		Jesus model grace?
Tuesday	Luke 15:11-32	What does this story teach us about
		grace?
Wednesday	John 8:1-11	What does this story teach us about
		grace?
Thursday	Matthew 20-1-16	Does grace ever "offend me"? Why?
Friday	Ephesians 2:4-10	In what ways does grace "save me"?

Tilday	Ephesians 2.4-10 III what ways does grace save me :			
Sermon Notes				

This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, July 13

Tapachula Mission Trip Thru 7/16
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
4:00 PM Meet & Mingle, WGR
5:30 PM Worship, WGR Chapel
6:15 PM Dinner, WGR Main House

Monday, July 14

Summer Fun Daze, WGR
9:00 AM Eli's Place Summer Camp
11:00 AM Merry Makers Lunch,
La Nopalera, Mall Blvd.
5:30 PM Board of Trustees Mtg.

Tuesday, July 15

Summer Fun Daze, WGR
7:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Sunnyside Up
9:00 AM Eli's Place Summer Camp
9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, OH
9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH

11:00 AM Staff Meeting, OH 205

Wednesday, July 16

Summer Fun Daze, WGR
9:00 AM Eli's Place Summer Camp
11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 205
7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,
EB 4th Flr

Thursday, July 17

Summer Fun Daze, WGR 9:00 AM Eli's Place Summer Camp 12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

Friday, July 18

Summer Fun Daze, WGR

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

Pastors on Call This Week

In Our Prayers....

Julie Winskie, Cheryl Allen, Mike Murphy, Nancy White (mother of Cynthia Waldrop), Timmerman, Drew Ernst, Julie Watson, Sydney Lindquist, Jane Sparks, Clint Mesa (great nephew of Deanne and Ken Rimes), Janet Woolley (sister of Julie Hayes), Ryan Davis, Ken Rimes, Nancy Stevens, (mother of Caroline Rhodes), Ava Herndon, Brett Aiken, Claire Frazier, Byron Boyd, Jamie and Jason Hopper, Bobby Staples, Toni Walker, Waylon Dewayne Barrett Hinnant, Barfield, John Conner, Carolyn Mills, Ed Derst, Khadra Turley, Joey Herndon, Berta Botkin, Vicki Worden, Barbie Lientz, Dolores Doug Park, Moore, Katie Townsend, Raine Rude, Melissa McDonald and Family, Michael Baggott, John Martin, Sr., Rachel Spence, Jan Pullin, Muenckler, Danielle Robertson, Roger Lemay, Jason Horton, Archie Davis, Ella Ealy, Adam Corey, Sharon and Terry Knepper, Will Karen Nickles, Weeks, Lindsey Goldberg, Mary Hohnerlein, Oscar Cook, John Birkheimer, Eleanor McCurry, Doris Rothenberger, Fenton McEvoy

<u>At Home/Extended Care</u>

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

In Sympathy....

The Armour & Grimmett Families on the death of *Joe Armour*, brother-in-law of Kim Grimmett

The West Family on the death of *Jamie West*, nephew of Brian West

The Cooper Family on the death of *Cooper Brice Cooper,* nephew of Joellen Cooper-Pyles

The To Family on the death of *Millie Bauserman,* grandmother of Lauren To



Meet us at the Gardens on Sunday evenings this summer! We are so blessed to have this AMAZING retreat center, and we hope you and your family will come and enjoy it. With 40 acres - there's plenty of space for outside fun.

Come early in the day to take advantage of this hidden gem, then join us for a special **Meet and Mingle** at 4:00 p.m., followed by **Worship** at 5:30, then **share a potluck meal together** in the Main House at 6:15. (Suzanna prepares the main dish, and various Sunday school classes host and contribute the sides.) If you can't make it at 4:00, no problem - come on out at 5:30 when everyone, including children, meets in the chapel for a short, super casual service (shorts and flip-flops are fine).

At the start of the service, we sing our favorite hymns chosen by the adults and children. Following the hymns, the children leave with Ms. Charli to enjoy free time on the playground. The adults and youth remain for prayer and hear a short message. At 6:15, everyone will meet at the Main House for a meal.



MEET US AT THE GARDENS TONIGHTI

Sunday, July 13



Join us this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. to learn more about this beautiful Retreat Center. Wesley Gardens Property Manager Micah Sprunger will be present to share the early history (1930s-1960s) of Wesley Gardens highlight what makes this property so special.

that the Gardens once had one of the largest camellia collections in the Southeast?

At 5:30 p.m., we will worship in the Chapel. Be ready to request your favorite hymn, and Christian will preach.

Potluck dinner will follow the service with Chicken Enchiladas as the main course. Thanks to the Being and Connect Classes for providing the sides and desserts for tonight. Donations will be received for the meal.

MISSION EMPHASIS: All throughout the month of July, we'll be collecting school supplies.

Join us Sunday afternoons this Summer					
Date	Special Event	Worship Led By	Host SS Class		
June 8	Board Games	Carolyn	Alpha		
June 15 (Father's Day)	Spiritual Practices	Christian	Pastors		
June 22	Paint Night	Nelle	lvy		
June 29	Trivia Night	Ben	Youth Parents		
July 6	No dinner or ac	tivities today.			
July 13	Wesley Gardens History	Christian	Being & Connect		
July 20	Family Fun Day	Carolyn	Compass		
July 27 F	Recorder Karate & Choir Nigh	t Nelle	Choir		
August 3	Boat Night	Maggie	Journey & Staff		