



Celebrating 157 Years 1868 - 2025

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MOVING FORWARD IN ADVERSITY

Having just finished the year-long renovation of our Education Building, followed by the two-month renovation of our elevator, we obviously were not planning on a renovation of our sanctuary. However, unexpected adversity can become an unexpected opportunity. We had been struggling with condensation issues for some time, and our sanctuary was already in need of painting. So now we get to paint and more, a new ceiling, better lighting, improved sound, and so on. Our Trustees have been working on a plan to initiate and complete the repairs as efficiently and effectively as possible. We are blessed to have people in our congregation with skills and experience to help us recover. Our Trustees will present their plan to our Administrative Board tomorrow night at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

As you know, Administrative Board meetings are open to everyone if you would like to attend. Soon, we will be providing you with information about the timeline, how we function in the interim, and how you can help financially with the restoration of our sanctuary. We realize how generously you have and are giving to the Capstone project, which is in its final year of a three-year campaign. We are so grateful for your support. We did not anticipate asking you to step up again. Our Finance Committee will have a good plan that is very achievable for us. Please continue to pray for us as we recover and continue all our ministries in the meantime.

Remember, next week is "Promotion Sunday." This is the day our children and youth move up to their next age level class. It is also a day when we "Promote" Sunday School for adults. Next week we will have an "open house" in all our adult Sunday School classes. If you aren't currently participating in a Sunday School class, we invite you to explore and meet the various classes and learn about what they study. Plan on joining us at 9:45 next week.

Summer Sundays at Wesley Gardens

Our summer Sunday evenings at Wesley Gardens have come to an end. We have enjoyed great fellowship during our Meet and Mingle activities. Many folks came to the Gardens for the first time. We are so glad that you came and look forward to your coming again to other events being planned for this fall. We worshipped with a full chapel each week, and the singing was inspirational. Thank you to the ministers who preached. A special word of thanks goes out to the groups who provided desserts and sides for our potluck meals following worship. In true Wesley style, we ate very well. If you missed it, plan now to join us next summer.

MORNING WORSHIP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

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

Ninth 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.*

Nursery & Children's Worship: *If needed, the nursery for infants to 3 years old is located on the first floor of the Education Building. Children ages 3 to 3rd Grade should be dropped off in the Wayne Street Foyer before each service begins. Children's Worship will be held on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Education Building. Following each service they can be picked up from the 2nd Floor.*

Chiming of the Hour (11:00)

Harper Blake

Introit (11:00)

Sanctus

Lindsay Norden

* **Hymn** No. 593 or Insert Here I Am, Lord HERE I AM LORD

* **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. Amen.

Baptismal Covenant (8:45)

Ben Martin

Elsie Hartman Wheat

daughter of Lydia and Will Wheat

Congregational Response:

With love and thanksgiving we welcome Elsie 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.

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. 415 or Insert Take Up Thy Cross GERMANY

Offertory Prayer

Nelle Bordeaux

Offertory Voluntary (8:45) Ludwig van Beethoven
Allegro assai from Sonata in C Major, Op. 2, No. 3

Offertory Anthem (11:00) arr. Joseph Jennings

Calling My Children Home

Those lives were mine to love and cherish.
To guard and guide along life's way.
Oh God forbid that one should perish.
That one alas should go astray.

Back in the years with all together,
Around the place we'd romp and play.
So lonely now and oft' times wonder,
Oh will they come back home some day.

I'm lonesome for my precious children,
They live so far away.
Oh may they hear my calling
and come back home some day.

I gave my all for my dear children,
Their problems still with love I share,
I'd brave life's storm, defy the tempest
To bring them home from anywhere.

I lived my life, my love I gave them,
to guide them through this world of strife,
I hope and pray we'll live together,
In that great glad here after life.

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** "Made to Serve Part 1: John 13:1-17
Service or Servants?"

Sermon Ben Martin

* **Hymn** No. 338 or Insert Where He Leads Me NORRIS

Benediction Ben Martin

Closing Voluntary Meditation in A Minor Hans Zimmer

* *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 memory of Jarrod Holt by Rusty and Gaye Holt.

Usher Roses

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

Just Born

Congratulations to Wade and Katie Herring on the birth of their second son, Nathaniel Finn Herring, on July 29, 2025. Finn's proud grandparents are Wade and Susan Herring. A rose is by the altar today in honor Finn.

In Memory

Condolences and prayers for Adam and Kathleen Grant on the death of their infant daughter, Valerie Mae Grant, on July 30, 2025. Valerie's grieving grandparents are Wade and Susan Herring. A rose is by the altar today in memory of Valerie.

Grocery Items for Old Savannah City Mission

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

Wesley Community Bulletin 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 Wesley members. There is also a section for **Wesley business owners** to share a business card. **As you downsize**, you may have furniture to rehome. You might want to sell a **vehicle**. There is also a section for **items you are seeking**. 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.

New Member Course Starts today, August 10 at 9:45 a.m. and August 17

Please come to both parts of this two-part series. Class will join as a group on August 17. Nursery provided. Please sign up, 912-232-0191.

Messenger Deadline

The deadline to submit announcements for the September Messenger is tomorrow, Monday, August 11. Email jennifer@wesleymonumental.org.

Admin Board Meeting

A called Administrative Board Meeting will be held tomorrow, Monday, August 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom.

Save the Date for Meet and Mingle Potluck Night

The next Meet and Mingle Community Potluck Night is September 28. We are looking for hosts. If you would like to welcome some of your neighbors into your home for the evening, please see or call Carolyn Hale Cubbedge at 912-308-3385. You would provide the place and the drinks. The church will provide the paper goods, and the participants will bring all of the food.

Emergency Information Sheet

The church office is willing to receive your emergency contact information to have on file in case of emergency. All information will be held in confidence, and only the church staff will have access as needed. Information sheets are available in Sunday School classrooms, at all entrances to the sanctuary, in the Fellowship Hall, and in the Oliver Hall lobby. Please return the completed forms to the church office or give them to Carolyn Hale Cubbedge.

Assisting in Worship Today - 8:45 Service

Children's Worship: Charli Weeks

Greeters: Judy & Ron Freeman

Offering Steward: Jimmy Hill

Ushers: Ken Griner, Henry Whitfield

Partners in Prayer: Britt Griffin

11:00 Service

Children's Worship: Amy Daniel, Anna Wren Daniel

Sunday School: Kat Gardner

Greeters: Youth Group, Karen & Ron Washburn

Offering Steward: Jason Pedigo

Ushers: Jason Pedigo, Justin Dunn, Tim Edwards, Matt Kuykendall

David Gaskin, Cory Hall, Wayne Hall, Dustin Hamilton

Partners in Prayer: Mickey Rountree

**Monica Dekle, Director of Music and Organist****Joyful Noise and Children's Choir Begin Wednesday, Sept 10**

Optional dinner at 5:15 p.m., choir from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Scan the QR to register. Register by Sunday, September 7.

- **Joyful Noise Choir (3-year-old through Kindergarten):**

We have a joyful time together singing traditional hymns, playing hymns on colored bells, learning the basics of music-reading, and understanding basic theology in the hymns.

- **Children's Choir (1st – 5th grade):**

What a grand time we have singing traditional hymns and learning about the scripture that inspired them, playing hymns on hand chimes, and getting to know God better together. Older children have option for singing-intensive (two to three-part harmony) or chimes-intensive.

Youth Choir Begins Sunday Evening, September 7!

We can't wait to welcome all 6th-12th graders to choir as we use our voices to worship the Lord and have the opportunity to lead worship throughout the year.

**Join Wesley Handbells!**

Come and ring with us this year starting Tuesday, August 19 at 5:00 p.m.! Scan the QR code for more information!

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," "Be Angry But Do Not Sin," Romans 12:19; Galatians 5:19-23; Ephesians 4:26, 27, 29, 31, 32; 6:4.
- Thursday Noon Bible Study meets Thursdays from noon to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom. Currently studying "All about Paul," Ephesians, chapter 3.

School Supplies Needed for Urban Hope

Please bring colored pencils, disinfecting wipes, and manila folders to the box in the Oliver Hall lobby.

Please Pray for 10 Homeless Families We'll Host This Week for Family Promise

Most needed are large laundry detergent, dryer sheets, and dish soap on August 10 in the Oliver Hall lobby. Help a family with children to make the transition from homelessness to a first apartment.

Mission Committee Accepting Applications

The Mission Committee is accepting applications from non-profit organizations for funding in 2026. Deadline is September 1, 2025. Organizations must complete a two-page application for consideration. The simple application helps to determine how the organization: 1) serves community needs; 2) fosters faith-based activity; and 3) empowers volunteer opportunities for members at Wesley Monumental. In 2025, the Mission Committee approved 46.3% of its funding from the Administrative Board for organizations that serve women and children in need; 32.3% to feed and house the least among us; and 14.3% for international missions. Organizations that received funding in 2025 are Ceceline Blake Foundation, Frank Callen Boys & Girls Club, Fresh Air Home, Inspiritus, Living Vine, Mission on the Move, PACK, Second Harvest Food Bank, Tybee Stops Traffic(king), UMCOR, Urban Hope, and the Wesley Community Center. For an application or more information, please call or text Pat Monahan, Mission Committee Chairman, at 912-220-9638 or email at patrickcmonahan@gmail.com.

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

Youth Group

- ★ Promotion Sunday is next week! Join us on the 4th floor of Oliver Hall for breakfast and fun during the Sunday School hour. We can't wait for the rising 6th graders to join us!
- ★ There will be a parent meeting on August 17 after the 11:00 service. We will be talking about all the offerings we will have for the fall! Be sure to be there!
- ★ Volunteers join us on Sunday, August 24, after the 11:00 service for a time to get to know each other, lunch, schedule planning, and training for the fall!

Carolyn Hale Cubbedge, Senior Adults and Pastoral Care

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.

Charli Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry

Promotion Sunday Details

Plan to join us on August 17 for Promotion Sunday. We'll be saying hello to 27 three-year-old children who are being promoted out of the nursery, and we'll be saying good-bye to 25 sixth graders who will be joining the youth group and confirmation class this fall.

On the 17th, children 3-years-old to 5th grade will have breakfast in the Sunday School classrooms on the second floor of the Education Building. Sunday School classrooms open at 9:45 a.m. with our lessons beginning at 10:00 a.m. The list below shows the classroom for each grade level.

Room 206	first room on the right	Kindergarten and 1 st grade
Room 207	second room on the right	2 nd and 3 rd grade
Room 208	second room on the left	3's, 4's and Pre-Kindergarten
Room 209	first room on the left	4 th and 5 th grade

Babies, Toddlers and Twos have Sunday School with Ms. Emily Davis in the nursery on the first floor. On the 17th, breakfast treats will also be served in the nursery. The nursery opens at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday and is staffed by screened and experienced teachers and volunteers.

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday Attendance: (08/03/25)

8:45 AM Worship	110	Nursery	17
11:00 AM Worship	291	Children's Worship	32
Online Worship Views	253	Sunday School	109
Total Worship	654		

Finances (08/03/25):

Total Budget for the Year	\$2,190,241.30
Actual Revenues Year-to-Date	\$1,311,576.46
Actual Expenses Year-to-Date.....	\$1,355,958.73

CHURCH STAFF

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

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Sermon Extended

Monday	John 13:1-17	What does the towel and basin look like for me?
Tuesday	Matthew 20:26-28	What makes servants "great"?
Wednesday	Philippians 2:3-8	Do I think like Jesus, as a servant?
Thursday	Romans 12:1-3	Intentionally offer yourself to God this week.
Friday	John 13:1-17	Whose feet do I need to wash this week? Who will I serve?

Sermon Notes

This Week at Wesley

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

Sunday, August 10

Family Promise Week

- 8:45 AM Worship Service, FH
- 9:30 AM Coffee & Refreshments, FH
- 9:45 AM Sunday School, FH/EB/OH
- 9:45 AM New Member Class, OH
- 11:00 AM Worship Service,
Mickve Israel
- 12:15 PM Pack "You're 3" Bags, FH
- 3:00 PM Toni Walker Memorial Svc,
WGR

Monday, August 11

- 5:30 PM Called Admin Board Mtg,
FH and Zoom
- 6:00 PM Trombone Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, August 12

- 9:00 AM Young Mothers' Bible Study, OH
- 9:00 AM Bible Buddies, OH
- 11:00 AM Staff Meeting, OH 205
- 5:30 PM SPRC Meeting, OH

Wednesday, August 13

- 11:00 AM Bible Study w/Ben, OH 205
- 7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal,
EB 4th Flr

Thursday, August 14

- 12:00 PM Bible Study w/Nelle, Zoom

Friday, August 15

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

In Our Prayers....

Becky Fazzini (sister of Debra Ellis), Scarlett Creech, Julie Winskie, Mike Murphy, Drew Ernst, Nancy White (mother of Cynthia Waldrop), Sonny Timmerman, 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 Barrett Hinnant, Dewayne Barfield, John Conner, Carolyn Mills, Ed Derst, Khadra Turley, Joey Herndon, Berta Botkin, Vicki Worden, Barbie Lientz, Dolores Park, Doug Moore, Katie Townsend, Raine Rude, 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, 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

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

In Sympathy...

The Grant and Herring Families
on the death of *Valerie Mae Grant*,
daughter of Kathleen and Adam Grant,
granddaughter of Susan and Wade Herring

The Walker and Nickles Families
on the death of
Toni Walker,
mother of Tod Forrester,
sister of Karen Nickles

The Ramsauer and Tyree Families
on the death of
Millie Tyree Ramsauer,
sister of Anne Tyree

The Allen Family
on the death of
Cheryl Allen

The Highsmith and
Grabowski Families
on the death of
Chris Grabowski,
son of Pam Highsmith,
brother of Michael Grabowski