

Love God, Love People, and Serve Together

### "The Example of a Mother"

May 14, 2023

This week is Mother's Day. It is a time of celebration when we get the opportunity to celebrate our mothers. It is also our chance to recognize all that they have done in our lives. And this isn't just about the mother that gave birth to us, but also about all those women in our lives that acted as a mother in any number of situations.

Many years ago, when my mother was new to her city, she got a phone call from an older woman named Agnes. Agnes had heard there was a new young woman that had moved to the city and Agnes wanted to have lunch with her and invite her to church. Because of that invitation, my mother ended up going to the Methodist Church there in Picayune, Mississippi which also happened to be where my father attended church at the urging of his older sister.

Two mother figures led to something amazing happening in my parents lives. Years later, Agnes's daughter would be the one to help me realize my calling and who encouraged me to pursue a Seminary Degree at Asbury. And just like my mother, it was there I met the person I would get to spend my life with. The actions of our mother figures help shape our lives and the future we get to see.

Our mothers, and our mother figures, play an amazing role in our lives to encourage and build us up so that we can be better prepared to face all that life holds. Most of all, they set an example for us. God works through the amazing women in our lives, just as He worked through the many amazing women in the Bible. The work they accomplished is still having an impact today, just like the influence those mother figures of ours had on our lives.

So, this Mother's Day, thank the ladies that are a mother to you, because they played a role in your lives. And thank God for blessing you with their example.

By His Grace, Will

#### **MOTHERS DAY**

In honor of our mothers, the church has made a contribution to the Methodist Home at Carpenter's Way. We love all of our mothers and hope you have a happy, healthy Mother's Day!

#### THANK YOU

Thank you for the beautiful cards, notes, phone calls and especially prayers during my illnesses. They have kept me fighting to get better. I hope I can be back regularly soon. Love, Shirley Moon The Chancel Flowers are given in remembrance of our wedding anniversary & in memory of our parents Lena Edmondson & IV Guthrie by Bobbie Edmondson.

# **GIFTS OF LOVE**

In honor of **Cindy Autry & Glenn Martin** by Backpacks of Grace Ladies.

# **MEMORIAL GIFTS**

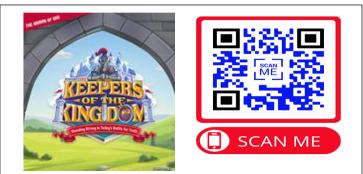
In memory of Frances Van Horn by Oz White

In memory of Jack Thomas by Judy & Don Davidson

In memory of **John C. Bray, Sr.** by The New Beginnings Sunday School Class; Neita & John Denny; Jenny Horton

In memory of **Joanne Cole** on Mothers Day by Margaret & Jerry Whitaker; Kathy & Mike Wolfe

In memory of **Robert Murdock** by W.W. Miller, Jr.



We are gearing up for an amazing WYNK kids summer! From Sunday Fun-Day events to VBS, we can't wait for the exciting events we have planned!

VBS will run from July 17<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>, at 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. To register your child, you can either use the QR code or email Meghan Gross at mgross@wynntonumc.org.

For more information on our summer Sunday Fun-Day events, please check the WYNK Children section of Wynnton UMC's website or email Meghan Gross. If you would like to find out more about how to volunteer for our children's ministry events this summer, please contact Meghan Gross.

Meghan Gross Director of Children's Ministries

## ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us every Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Alpha building for a low intensity group fitness class. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Come and participate in game day! Every first Thursday at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

## JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!

As we prepare to celebrate Mother's Day this Sunday, I fondly remember the family story that ultimately led to one of the Chancel Choir's favorite anthems, which we will sing this Sunday. The hymn "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" was a favorite hymn in Mike Johnson's household. He remembers hearing this hymn often as he was growing up. As Mike was listening to some newer published choral anthems, he came across "O Love" by Elaine Hagenberg. Hagenberg based this beautiful anthem on the text from the familiar hymn, "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go." Mike shared the recording with me and as they say, "the rest is history." Elaine Hagenberg's anthem brings an elegant new melody to this familiar hymn, with equally elegant harmonies. "O Love" is an anthem proclaiming the enduring love of God. It is also a beautiful tribute to all love.

"O Love" by Elaine Hagenberg

O Love, that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thy ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be. O Joy, that seeks me through the pain, O Joy, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is n that morn shall tearless be. O Love, that will not let me go, O Love, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe and in thy ocean depths its flow shall richer, fuller be. That morn shall tearless be. O Love, that will not let me go.

#### Romans 8:37-39

...in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

God's Great Peace to You! Diana B. \*Prayer Breakfast & Jesus, Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00 - 7:30 a.m. at Chick-fil-A on Whittelsey Rd. \*Youth Information: Text @basement22 to 81010 \*Youth Parents Info: Text @wumcpa to 81010 \*River of Life forms due ASAP. Here is the link for Tifton registration:



#### **Children's Programs**

The nursery is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. as well as Sunday School for grades K-12 from 9:45-10:50 a.m. The nursery for infants through age 3 is on the first floor of the Grimes building. Children's Sunday School for Pre-K-5th Grade is on the first floor of the Grimes building, and youth Sunday School is in the basement under the sanctuary. Children's Church will be offered for children through 5th Grade in the Children's Center in the Grimes building during the worship hour.

#### **BE A WYNNTON WELCOMER**

WE NEED YOU! to sign-up as a Sunday morning welcomer. We are looking for volunteers to fill open slots through the end of June. Check your calendars for a few Sundays you are available to help us greet our members and guests on Sunday morning. Sign-up sheets will be available in the main hallway this Sunday.

#### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Children in Pre-K through 4th grade are welcome to join us for Children's Sunday School from 9:45 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. in the Grimes Building on the first floor in the Children's Church room next to the nursery.

#### VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers for our summer children's ministry events and want to accommodate your gifts. Whether it's engaging with kids, popping popcorn ahead of time, or helping parents register, there is a space and a need for you! VBS will run from 9 a.m.-Noon from July 17th-21st, and our Sunday Fundays will be summer Sundays from 3-5 p.m., excluding Father's Day. If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity, please contact Meghan Gross at mgross@wynntonumc.org or by calling the office. Thank you for partnering with us to reach families!"



May: We will be collecting money to go towards purchasing plastic cups and bowls from IKEA again. If you would like to help purchase these items, you may give Michaela or Pam your donation or you can put it in the offering plate marked OCC.

Just want to update you on items collected so far:18 hairbrushes45 combs60 socks4 ball caps49 toothbrushes69 washcloths8 deodorant69 washcloths

We will continue to highlight items to bring in each month, but if you find a deal on something, buy some and let us know.

Thanks, Michaela and Pam

<u>River of Life Mission Trip</u> Dates: July 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Tifton, Georgia \*Amazing time of helping families in the Tifton Community- Painting, Wheelchair Ramps and Community Service!

\*Contact Pastor Jason for more details!

## **MODERN SERVICE**

Preview dates Sunday: 5/28, 6/25, 7/23, 8/20



Please use the QR code to sign up to volunteer.

#### GRADUATES

Please call the church office (706-324-2424) with information on those who are completing degrees at the College or Graduate School level. We would like to mention them in the bulletin.

#### **Our Known Prayer Concerns:**

Sue Rogers Aubrey Walker David Woolbright Pam Feagle Julee Robinson McGehee Betty Garrett Jeanine Cotton Joe Batastini Joan Colquitt Joy Graham Michelle Foote Kaye Hill Beth Hendrickson Lexy McRae Jennefer Spell Benjamin Feagle Frank Feagle Barbara McKenzie Richard Holmes Freddie Richardson Shelley Montgomery Tina Martinez Sarah Jessie Avant Robert Garrard Shirley Moon Garrett Smith

#### **Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:** Family of Margaret Ellen Alexander Family of John C. Bray, Sr.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 15 Bart Wilson
- 16 Ranny Carmack, Mike Stephens
- 18 George Lotz, Zach Smith

## READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

#### MOSES SCRIPTURE READINGS Week 5

Moses Reading Plan

This week, we end our reading in Genesis and begin reading Exodus. The story of Joseph was one of triumph for the Israelites. His family was highly respected by Pharaoh and the Egyptians. After the death of Jacob, and then Joseph, their family grew. But after the deaths of his brothers, a new king came to power. To him, the names of Joseph and his people meant nothing. This began the enslavement of the Israelites. It was a time of fear and brutality for the Israelites. But even in the midst of such turmoil, God continues to guide and protect. The story of the Israelites is a reminder to us of God's unending mercy as long as we keep our faith in Him.

#### -Will

May 14: Gen 50; Ex 1 May 15: Ex 2-3 May 16: Ex 4-5 May 17: Ex 6 May 18: Ex 7-8 May 19: Ex 9 May 20: Ex 10-11

**Flower Delivery** 

Linda Harp

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### Sunday, May 14

8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for Adults, Youth &
	Children
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary

#### Monday, May 15

9:00 a.m.	Fitness Group - Alpha Building
10:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study - Library
5:30 p.m.	Bible Study - Home of Beth Hendrickson

## Tuesday, May 16

10:00 a.m.	Quilting Group	o - Alpha Building
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#### Wednesday, May 17

11:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study - Home of Rachel
	Plummer
12-1 p.m.	Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:15-7:15 p.m.	Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:30 p.m.	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m.	Missions Committee Meeting - Library
7:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, May 18

# 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building 10:30 a.m. Preschool Graduation - Fellowship Hall 2:00 p.m. Congregational Care Meeting – Library 6:00 p.m. Children's Council - Library

#### Friday, May 19

12:00 p.m. Goodwill Class Meeting - Fellowship Hall

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP

Please help us update our information (or pick up a card in the church) by using this QR code. Contact Will Walley at the church for more information or questions.



## **OUR STEWARDSHIP**

#### 5-7-23

General Fund	.19,141.00
Backpacks of Grace	130.00
Endowment	450.00
Missions	50.00
Loose Offering	36.00
Sunday School	

# **OUR ATTENDANCE**

5-7-23
8:30 a.m. Service42
11:00 a.m. Service124
Sunday School70

#### **SUNDAY'S SERMON**

*The Example of a Mother* Proverbs 31:10-31

Rev. Will Walley

#### WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

May 14: **Team 4**: Dave Stevenson, Bart Wilson, Paul Therrien, Andy Andresen

#### WELCOMERS

8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Ramona Andresen Martha Daffin

#### PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies May 12-14 Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691