



*Love God, Love People, and Serve Together*

**“I Surrender All”**

**March 19, 2023**

One of my favorite hymns of all times is “I Surrender All.” I remember growing up and almost every other week, this was our hymn of invitation. I remember the fact that I had sung it so much that I didn’t even need to look in the hymnal anymore. I knew every word and was willing to truly belt it out as loud as I could sing.

Later in life, when I was able to fully read and understand notes, I found myself enjoying the opportunity to sing the bass line for the hymns. Now, stop me if you know where I am going, but I LOVED the chorus for “I Surrender All.” I remember that as soon as the sopranos and altos would sing their part of the chorus, I would come in with an enthusiastic “I Surrender All” in the deepest bass voice I could muster. It was a time when I passionately felt the power of God jumping off of the pages and settling into my heart. I was so ready to sing this song because I knew the melody, words and notes, and was ready to sing my part...but to that point in my spiritual journey I had not fully understood the true meaning of the song.

Have you ever thought about that reality for your life? Are there songs or sayings like Amazing Grace, the Lord’s Prayer or the Apostle’s Creed that we have spoken countless times but never stopped to understand fully the words that we are saying? We just know that we are to recite these words or sing these songs at certain times in the service, but we have not fully applied the meaning of the words to our everyday life. I find that for a lot of us these songs and words hold such deep connection but sometimes we truly forget to live out the actions that God is calling us to fulfill through His Word.

The hymn starts, *All to Jesus I surrender, All to Him I freely give. I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live. I surrender all... I surrender all... All to Thee my blessed Savior, I surrender ALL.* If I wrote out each verse, you would probably be able to pause and take a second to see what I am talking about when it comes to us living out the words we are professing. ALL to Jesus I surrender... ALL to HIM I FREELY give. I am professing that I am surrendering every ounce of my authority, my being, my family, my finances...MY ALL to Jesus freely. Jesus came and set for us an example of what we are supposed to do as He continued His journey towards the cross and the grave. Jesus had all the authority to change the world, but through his humility, love and mercy for us, He loosed Himself and came to walk with us in love.

The example that we are to live out is in humility. We are called to surrender all. As I would boldly step into my part of the chorus each time we sang the hymn, Hymn 354 in our hymnals, I should also boldly surrender all that I have in order that God would be glorified. This journey that we walk with Christ during Lent is our opportunity to understand the call to fully surrender our ALL. In a world that is so dedicated to accumulating all that one can as a definition of success, may we honestly take a step back and realize that we are called to lose our hold on life in order to truly gain eternity. As Jesus flipped the script on everything the world understands about life, may we boldly surrender our ALL in order that God may be glorified once again.

In His grip,  
Jason



## EASTER BASH

**Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Please come join us for our annual Easter Bash this Saturday! From egg hunts to sand art to games with fun prizes, your family is sure to have a lot of fun! We hope to see you there!

*The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of Art and Susan Chriss's Wedding Anniversary by their children and grandchildren.*

## MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Joy Hancock** by Mr. & Mrs. William F. Wise; Judy & Don Davidson

In memory of **Marjorie Ottman** by Linda & Wallace Twiggs; Beth & Larry Hendrickson; Judy & Don Davidson; Linell & David Pringle

In memory of **Jean Edwards** by Martha & Johnny Daffin; Lynn & Bill White; Linda & Wallace Twiggs

## LOVE AND SYMPATHY

To Wylene Loeb on the death of her husband, Morris Loeb, of Columbus, GA on March 10, 2023.

## ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us for group fitness every Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Alpha Building.

## JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

Imagine an evening with friends around a campfire sharing food and fellowship. You are soon joined by a wandering minstrel, or a troubadour, who joins your gathering and begins to play on a small, stringed instrument as he sings an amazing, powerful story. Sunday's Chancel Choir anthem is just this kind of musical experience. Told as a troubadour telling a story, "Once Upon a Tree" by Pepper Choplin uses the folk-like quality of the music to bring a fresh approach to the story of Christ's journey to the Cross.

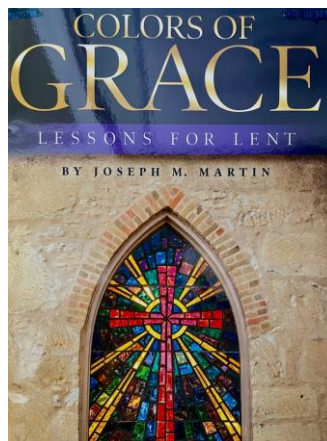
"Once Upon a Tree" by Pepper Choplin  
*Once upon a tree, a good man died, and though He did no crime, He was crucified. If the story ended there, I would have no song to share, but my heart will ever sing the story. Once upon a tree, so the story goes, and all its mystery surely no one knows. Could the Father's will be done through the suffering of His Son?*

*And there comes the answer, "Once upon a tree." For God so loved the world, He gave His priceless pearl. What greater love could there be? He died, He rose again, still the story doesn't end, for His spirit is living in me. What tale of human love could there ever be told? What song could compare with the one I hold? Through everything I am and through everything I'll be, let me sing my story: "Once upon a tree."*

Luke 9:23

*"Then he said to them all: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."*

God's Great Peace to You!  
Diana B.



## CHORAL LENTEN CANTATA

Thursday, April 6  
Potluck Dinner  
5:30 p.m.

Service  
6:30 p.m.

\*Prayer Breakfast & Jesus, Fridays  
7:00 - 7:30 a.m. at Chick-fil-A on Whittelsey.  
\*CORE Groups will meet March 19<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m. For more information go check out the youth newsletter Sunday.  
\*River of Life Mission Trip info has been given out. \$50 Deposit by March 26th  
\*Youth Information: Text @basement22 to 81010  
\*Youth Parents Info: Text @wumcpa to 81010



### 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.

### 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.

### 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 April. 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.

### EASTER SERVICES

**Mon - Wed.** - Noon Day Live Stream Devotional

**Maundy Thursday** - 5:30 p.m. Covered Dish Dinner,  
6:30 p.m. Lenten Cantata & Communion

**Good Friday** - Service 6:00 p.m.

**Easter Sunday Services** - 7:15 a.m. Sunrise (In front of the church by the Butterfly Fountain) 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



We had a great packing party last October! Thanks to all who participated in collecting and/or packing. NOW we are ready to try again to do more so children everywhere can learn about Jesus. We have information in each Sunday School class and at the Welcome Center. 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.

**March items:** Individually wrapped toothbrushes, hairbrushes, hair bands, combs

Thanks, Michaela and Pam

### WYNNTON NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK

The month of March is Wynnton's time to collect food to fill the pantry at the Network. WNN continues to find itself having to purchase most of the food that is distributed to our clients from local retail grocery stores. The amount of food received through USDA represents a small percentage of the supplies needed to meet the demand. This has put a tremendous strain on our financial resources. Wynnton UMC has always been a very generous supporter of the Network during our focus months of March and November. But, due to the current situation, the Network is asking Wynnton, along with the other congregations, to give additional donations of food and/or financial contributions. To assist in the collection of the food donations, there will be a drive-by drop off on **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** between the hours of 10:00 and 12 noon. Also, grocery bags with a suggested list of items needed will be placed in the church outside the fellowship hall during March. Your support will be greatly appreciated and used to help those in need in our community.

## EASTER LILIES



The cost of Easter Lilies will be \$15.00 each this year. The deadline for ordering is Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. See the attached form or insert in bulletin.

## READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

### Lenten Reading Week 1

This week, and for the next two weeks, we will be preparing for the end of Lent and the beginning of Easter. This week's readings are about the early days of Jesus's last week before the crucifixion. When Jesus arrives, there is much joy and celebration. Everyone seems so excited to see Him arriving in Jerusalem. They are excited that finally their King has come, and it is time to change the world. However, Jesus wasn't a King like they were expecting. The Jewish people were certainly not prepared for Him to come into the Temple and turn the place upside down because of what they were doing there. Jesus came to reign as a King beyond anything that had ever been dreamed of before. He came to reign by paying a sacrifice. As we get closer and closer to Good Friday, remember the price Jesus paid to take up a throne in your heart. -Will

March 19- Matthew 21: 1-11  
March 20- Matthew 21: 12-17  
March 21- Matthew 21: 18-22  
March 22- Matthew 21: 23-27  
March 23- Matthew 21: 28-32  
March 24- Matthew 21: 33-46  
March 25- Matthew 22: 1-14

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

19	Sharon Lyon
20	Joan Colquitt, Chuck McDaniel
21	Linda Jones, Leslie Weierick, Betty Woodruff
22	Jo Byrd
23	Pam Gilstrap
24	Linell Pringle, Sharon White

## OUR ATTENDANCE

<b>3-12-23</b>	
8:30 a.m. Service.....	38
11:00 a.m. Service.....	102
Sunday School.....	83

## OUR STEWARDSHIP

<b>3-12-23</b>	
General Fund.....	16,078.00
Backpacks of Grace.....	100.00
Children's Ministry.....	75.00
Endowment.....	95.00
Missions.....	50.00
Music.....	100.00
Other Contributions.....	135.00
Wynnton Neighborhood Network.....	50.00
Student Ministries.....	25.00
Sunday School.....	32.00

## FLOWER DELIVERY

Judy Davidson

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 19

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  
Streams Live on Facebook  
2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Gentevia Hospice - Fellowship Hall  
5:00-7:00 p.m. CORE Group - Youth

### Monday, March 20

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

### Tuesday, March 21

10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building  
5:30 p.m. Staff Parish Meeting - Alpha Building

### Wednesday, March 22

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Alpha Building  
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  
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 23

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building  
9:45 a.m. Backpacks of Grace

### Friday, March 24

7:00 -7:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A -  
Whittlesey Rd.

## **Our Known Prayer Concerns:**

Sue Rogers	Lexy McRae
Aubrey Walker	Jennefer Spell
Daro Miller	Jim Accordino
David Woolbright	Benjamin Feagle
Pam Feagle	Frank Feagle
Julee Robinson McGehee	Barbara McKenzie
Betty Garrett	Richard Holmes
Tom Stafford	Freddie Richardson
Jeanine Cotton	Shelley Montgomery
Joe Batastini	Tina Martinez
David Pringle	Lucy Hart
Joan Colquitt	Sarah Jessie Avant
Robert Garrard	

### **Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:**

Family of Zane Draughon  
Family of Bob Ottman  
Family of Dom Edwards  
Family of Devon Garrison  
Family of Wylene Loeb

## WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

March 19: Team 3 – Rob Harbison, Bruce  
Boretsky, Bennett Massey

### WELCOMER

11:00 a.m. Martha Daffin

## **SUNDAY'S SERMON**

*I Surrender All*  
John 18:1-13

Dr. Jason Wade

## **PASTOR ON-CALL**

For emergencies March 17-19  
Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691

## **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.



# WYNNTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## *Easter Lilies*



NAME OF DONOR: \_\_\_\_\_

Lilies given:

IN HONOR OF:

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IN MEMORY OF:

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You may pick up your lily after the 11:00 a.m. service on April 9.

Please fill out this form and return to the church office along with your payment of \$15.00 each.

Return No Later Than  
**Thursday, March 23, 2023**  
Thank you.