

*Love God, Love People and Serve Together*

“Together...”

April 7, 2024

For the next 40 days, Jesus spent time TOGETHER with His disciples preparing them for the next steps of their journey. Jesus was intentional about showing them about the power of the gospel, the meaning of true grace, and helping them to understand how to grow in their ability to grow the kingdom through equipping disciples to go into the world. Jesus was intentional about spending time TOGETHER with the disciples as He was preparing them to be intentional about sharing the Gospel to the world.

Over the next few weeks, we are going to engage into a deeper understanding of the word TOGETHER. For the Church to continue to grow, we have to be willing to recognize that God has given us a chance to be intentional in our relationships with the Word, with the World and with each other. One of the most important aspects of the Church is how we live and serve as the Church every day and not just on Sundays. Wynnton has truly been a blessing because you have been willing to trust in my leadership and vision to come TOGETHER and BE THE CHURCH to a world that is in such need for community and connection.

In preparation for this journey, I encourage us all to read about the church at Philippi through Luke’s historical account in Acts 16. What is significant about this church plant was that it was the first such effort in Europe. Paul had been trying to take the Gospel east to Asia (see 16:6-8). The Spirit of Jesus did not permit Paul and his team to go in that direction, but instead gave him directions to go west. Many have said that the Gospel has spread westward since that time and will continue to do so until it returns to where it started—in the Middle East.

Paul received his “call” to go west in a night vision. “During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, ‘Come over to Macedonia and help us.’ After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them” (Acts 16:9-10). It is of note that Paul and his team “got ready at once” to go to Macedonia. They concluded that God wanted them to go there TOGETHER. In other words, Paul and his team used their brains. They reasoned that God wanted them to preach the gospel somewhere. Since they had been trying to do just that but felt resisted, they assumed that this vision was from God. The whole team, TOGETHER, received the vision, even though Paul was the only one who saw the man calling him over. They didn’t “pray about it,” but rather they set out immediately.

I hope and pray that you are ready to take the next steps with me over the next three weeks as we dive into Paul’s relationship with the church at Philippi. Philippi was the location for the first church plant as Paul had been preparing to carry the Gospel to whoever and wherever God had called him to go. In Paul’s second letter to Timothy, he reminds us, as carriers of the Gospel, that we too must be prepared in and out of season to preach the Word, correct, rebuke and encourage with great patience and careful instruction (2 Timothy 4:2). We are called to grow TOGETHER and go and teach the Gospel to everyone we encounter. When Jesus walked out of the tomb, we were given the Great Commission in the Book of Matthew 28:19-20 to, “Go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” God has called the Church to work TOGETHER to teach, preach and equip others with the Gospel.

In His grip, Jason

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## GIFTS OF LOVE

In honor of **Betty Woodruff** on her **90<sup>th</sup> birthday** by Janet & Walter Mauldin

## MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Barbara Blackwell** by New Seekers Sunday School Class

*The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of Linda Twiggs and Billy Ragan for their birthdays, March 31<sup>st</sup>, by the Pathfinders Sunday School Class.*

## IN MEMORIAM

Barbara Blackwell  
March 26, 2024

*"In my Father's house are many mansions..."*

## LOVE AND SYMPATHY

To Susan Chriss and family on the death of her brother, Andy Wise, of Denver, CO, on March 30, 2024.

## THANK YOU

Thank you for the cards and kind words during my surgery and recovery.  
Carrie Thomas

## Chancel Flowers

If you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary on April 21, please call the church office or contact Brenda Wilson. There is also a need for one urn of flowers on April 14<sup>th</sup>.

## JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



Charles Wesley's beloved hymn "And Can it Be?" (originally titled "Free Grace") uniquely begins with a question instead of a statement. It is not a question of doubt, but a question of awe and wonder; "And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?" Charles Wesley composed his hymns to bring theology to the heart, where we experience God's love in profound ways. This Sunday our Chancel Choir will sing Benjamin Harlan's new setting of this cherished Wesley hymn. Harlan brings flowing and lyrical melodies, invoking the often-repeated question, "How can it be that Thou should die for me?"

"Amazing Love" music by Benjamin Harlan (words by Charles Wesley)

*And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me? who caused His pain! For me? who Him to death pursued? Amazing Love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?*

*Amazing love! How can it be that Thou should die for me? No condemnation now I dread; Jesus and all in Him is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; O praise my God it reaches me. Amazing love! How can it be? That Thou, my God, should die for me?*

1 John 4:10

*This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.*

God's Great Peace to You!  
Diana B.

## BASIC ERT TRAINING & CHAINSAW SAFETY CLASS

Friday, April 26 | 6 pm - 10 pm ET  
Saturday, April 27 | 8 am to 12 pm ET  
Pierce Chapel

5122 Pierce Chapel Rd, Midland, GA 31820

Register now

You must register online before April 22<sup>nd</sup>

**More information can be found at [www.sgaumc.org](http://www.sgaumc.org)  
If you have any questions, contact Bob Gilstrap.**

**\*ATTENTION ALL YOUTH PARENTS!!!**

- Sunday School 10 a.m. in the Basement
- 211 Faith Connection Sunday at 5:00 p.m.
- Prayer Breakfast 7:00-7:30 a.m. -Chick-fil-A - Whittlesey Rd.
- Youth Praise Band NEXT Wednesday 4:30-5:30 p.m.
- River of Life \$50 Deposit Due April 7<sup>th</sup>
- Summer Camp Dates June 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>
- School Lunch Visits will begin AFTER Spring Break
- Wednesday Night Bible Study Tonight 7pm at AOC



**Family Night Supper**

**Wednesday, May 1  
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**

Reservations will be required. More information to come.

**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.

**THE BRIDGE COLLEGE MINISTRIES**

If anyone would like to help support our Bridge College Ministry through providing food for these amazing students each week, please contact Jason and let him know you would like to help. Secondly, if you would like to give funds towards our weekly meal, you can give through our normal giving options and earmark it for Bridge College Ministries. We are having between 20-25 college students on Thursday Nights at 7:30 pm. Thank you for your continued prayers for God to open doors into these students' lives.

In His grip,  
Jason

**NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR CONNECTION**

**Attention All Young Families, Singles & Young Adults**

We have had a GREAT start with our new class. One of our major focuses is providing ministry opportunities to those who are seeking community and connection. This is an opportunity for those who may be a young family, a single at church or a single adult to come and have a conversation about how we can meet your needs and launch new discipleship ministries. Please join us in the Ministry Center/Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. EVERY SUNDAY to continue the conversations as we prepare to LAUNCH into the new year together.  
In His grip, Jason

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

Nursery

8:30 am - 12:15 pm

Infants - Age 2

First Floor Grimes Building



Sunday School

9:45-10:50 am

3-year-olds - Fifth Grade

First Floor Grimes Building

Children's Church

11:00 am - 12:00 pm (after Children's Sermon)

3-year-olds - Fifth Grade

First Floor Grimes Building

\*\*Parents, please make sure to check in with our registration system (hallway or Children's Center)

**COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS  
April 7, 2024**



**Pathfinders**



We had a great Packing Party last October with 277 boxes packed and turned in. For April, we are focusing on collecting **new ball caps and toboggans**. If at any time you find a good deal on anything we collect, please let us know so we can let others know where to find that item. Sewing kits \$5.00 at Hobby Lobby.

Keep in mind, these items are **not** allowed: soap, toothpaste, candy, liquids, camouflage, and tiny toys/balls.

Items collected:

Toothbrushes: 36

Washcloths: 45

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.

Pam Gilstrap

### Flower Delivery

Linda Twiggs



### 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.



### BACKPACKS OF GRACE



Backpacks of Grace is an amazing opportunity that we have to minister to children in our area. Last semester, we served 103 children from Wynnton Arts Academy on a weekly basis. We are always in need of fruit cups, individually packaged snacks (goldfish crackers, pretzels, scooby-snacks, pudding cups, etc.), individually packaged breakfast (cereal, oatmeal, or grits), or financial contributions so that we can purchase these items. Please consider helping.

### READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

#### Week 13

Jesus spent 40 days on earth after the resurrection. In those moments, Jesus was able to appear to the disciples, restore Peter and prepare them for the next stage of their discipleship journey. We step into the Book of Acts and begin to understand the Power of the Holy. Acts references the Acts of the Holy Spirit as it steps in for the presence of Jesus with the disciples in the formation of the Church. What a wonderful time to see the beginning of the Church and the power of God being revealed each step of the way. He is Risen and the Church is alive because of the Power of the Holy Spirit being revealed in and through us!



April 7	John 20:10-18
April 8	John 20:19-23
April 9	John 20:24-31
April 10	John 21:1-14
April 11	John 21:15-25
April 12	Acts 1:1-11
April 13	Acts 1:12-26

### WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

April 7, 2024

Team 2: Scott McCranie, Harold Hill, Mike Wolfe



We're looking for volunteers for the Modern Worship Service. If you play an instrument or sing, feel free to join us at our practices every Friday from 5-8 p.m. in the Ministry Center.



Please use the QR code to sign up to volunteer to serve in the Modern service.

**PRAYER TIME IN THE CHAPEL**  
Every Wednesday  
(Drop in)

12:00-1:00 pm  
5:30-6:30 pm



**Our Known Prayer Concerns:**

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| Sue Rogers       | Jennefer Spell     |
| Aubrey Walker    | Frank Feagle       |
| David Woolbright | Richard Holmes     |
| Pam Feagle       | Shelley Montgomery |
| Betty Garrett    | Sabrina Hart       |
| Jeanine Cotton   | Beverly McDaniel   |
| Michelle Foote   | Abraham Cook       |
| Kaye Hill        | Rachael Casar      |
| Lynn Christenson | Carrie Thomas      |
| Casey Campbell   | Susan Chriss       |

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

- Family of Bill Cawthorne
- Family of Barbara Blackwell
- Family of Andy Wise

**OUR STEWARDSHIP**

<b>3-31-24</b>	
General Fund.....	12,569.00
Backpacks of Grace .....	15.00
Communion .....	197.00
Easter Offering.....	1,830.00
Endowment .....	25.00
Loose Offering.....	364.00
Missions .....	50.00
Sunday School .....	28.00

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 7 Mary Mims
- 8 Wes Ezzell
- 12 Mary Gene Calfee,  
Nancy Hallman,  
Tim Vinyard



**OUR ATTENDANCE**

Maundy Thursday .....	140
Good Friday .....	85
<b>3-31-24</b>	
7:30 a.m. ....	16
8:30 a.m. ....	61
9:00 a.m. ....	25
11:00 a.m. ....	200
Sunday School .....	87

**OUR DEPLOYED CHURCH MEMBERS AND FAMILY OF CHURCH MEMBERS**

- Bryant Giang
- Adam Walker

If you have a deployed family member and you would like them added to our list, please call the office.



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**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**Sunday, April 7**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary  
9:00 a.m. Modern Service - Ministry Center  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for adults, youth & children  
10:00 am Young Adult Discipleship Class - Ministry Center  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. 211 Faith Connection - Basement

**Monday, April 8**

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

**Tuesday, April 9**

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library  
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building  
6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting - Alpha Building

**Wednesday, April 10**

9:30 a.m. Women of Joy Bible Study - Alpha Bldg.  
12:00-1:00 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)  
4:30-5:30 p.m. Youth Praise Band Rehearsal  
5:00 p.m. VBS Leadership Meeting - Library  
5:30-6:30 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)  
6:30 p.m. Youth Bible Study - Ambassadors of Christ  
6:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal  
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, April 11**

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building  
9:45 a.m. Backpacks of Grace  
6:00 p.m. Staff Parish Meeting - Alpha Building  
7:30-9:00 p.m. The Bridge College Bible Study - Basement

**Friday, April 12**

7:00 -7:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A - Whittlesey Rd.  
5:00-8:00 p.m. Modern Worship Practice - Ministry Center

**PASTOR ON-CALL**

For emergencies April 12-14  
Dr. Jason Wade 770-289-4039

**SUNDAY'S SERMON**

*Together in the Gospel*  
Philippians 1:1-6, Acts 16

Dr. Jason Wade

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