

*A Community of faith, led by God's spirit, offering Christ to the World*

**Love God**

**October 16, 2022**



As we step into the second week of our stewardship campaign, I am constantly reminded that to Love God is an internal decision that we must make first and foremost. This decision will lead us to a lifestyle change that impacts the world. What is our response to finally taking the fullness of the meaning of Loving God? Simple... Love People. When Jesus used this teaching in the Gospels to dispel the work of the religious leaders of their day, He was reminding them of the basic call and instruction of being a part of the people of God. Jesus continued to show us the example of loving people throughout His entire life. There was not a moment that people, God's creation, was NOT on His mind.

In a world today that is so self-absorbed, it is very easy to continue to be blinded to the people that God has put into our lives. We have forgotten the sacred worth of every person that God has created. And trust me, I fully understand the difficulty of loving people who don't love you. People who have wronged you... disrespected you... and even tossed you aside. But we are still supposed to love them in the same manner that God loves us. We are not called to judge but to connect. We are not called to be selfish but selfless. As we see in the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, there are attitudes that we are to BE LIKE in our every day lives. For many of us that is hard and to be brutally honest, many days it is hard for me as well. But the more I dig into better understanding the love of God, the more I put into action the ability to love people.

In the scripture in today's article, we are watching as Jesus is showing us what it really looks like to fully love people. The ability that we have to step outside of our norms and focus on the ones that God has placed in our lives. I know that I am a sucker every day. I am a magnet for those that are looking for help and know that they can come to me, tell me their story, whether true or made up, and I will give them help. I know some would call me crazy and foolish, but to be honest, I would rather err on the side of seeing them as action steps in my trust and faith. I tell myself that I am called to help them, and it is between them and God how they respond to my gift. But I would rather err on being taken for granted than turning my eyes away from a testing of my faith in Christ.

Those words continue to resonate in my ears, "I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me." The closer I come into focus with understanding the fullness of God's love, the more I tell myself each day that to know God's love is to LOVE PEOPLE. It should come to me as natural as breathing. I know that whatever God has given to me I am called to give back and lay at His feet in order that others may have the opportunity to receive the same gift of grace. To Know God is to Know People and to Love God is to Love People. Step out in faith with us as we walk this journey together.

In His grip,  
Jason

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*The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of Susan Chriss for her birthday on October 25<sup>th</sup> and in memory of Art Chriss for his birthday on October 12<sup>th</sup> by their children and grandchildren.*

## GIFTS OF LOVE

In honor of **Shirley & John Richey on their marriage** by Melanie Harris Grayson

In honor of **Neita & John Denny on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** by Shirley & John Richey

In honor of **Betty Garrett on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday** by Shirley & John Richey

## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>  
9:15 a.m.

Please bring a breakfast dish to share

One Service 10:30 a.m.



We need of a few more willing volunteers to help with flower delivery in 2023. If you would be interested in learning more about this ministry please contact Carol Hammock at 706-577-1575. Flowers can be picked up after 11:00 worship service and delivered on Sunday afternoon or Monday.

## PECAN SALE

Joyful Noise Sunday School class is selling pecans to raise money for missions again this year.

Pecan Halves are \$12 for a 1-pound container, or \$7 for a half pound container.

Pecan pieces come in 3 sizes - small, medium and large. They are also \$12 per pound.

Chocolate pecans come in half pound containers - milk, dark, or white chocolate and they are \$9.

Contact any member of the Joyful Noise Sunday School class to place an order or have questions answered.

Orders will be made on October 9th, November 6th, and December 4th. Thank you for your support in this important fundraiser.

## Wednesday Night Prayer & Book Study

Wednesday Night  
5:30 p.m.  
Alpha Building

The Gift of Being Yourself  
David G. Benner

Facilitator: Deb McCranie  
706-536-5580



Wynnton will be holding its annual Fall Festival on Saturday, November 12 from 12 -3 p.m. We will need plenty of volunteers, from a set up crew to people to man the booths and more. If you are interested in helping, please contact Meghan Gross, Director of Children Ministries, at [mgross@wynntonumc.org](mailto:mgross@wynntonumc.org). Thanks!

## GREAT AFTERNOON OF METHODIST SINGING All Things New

October 16, 2022  
4:00 p.m. at St. Luke Sanctuary

Enjoy Methodist Choirs of Columbus singing choral music by contemporary composers.

## WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

October 16: Scott McCranie, Harold Hill, John Taylor

## WELCOMERS

8:00-9:30 a.m. Beth & Larry Hendrickson  
9:30 - 11:15 a.m. Jaleen Welch, Bart & Brenda

### 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 November. 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 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 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

Through Old Testament stories and mission projects, our children have been learning who God is, how He loves us and is always with us, and how we are to love God and love others. Children in Pre-K through 5th grade are welcome to join us for Children's Sunday School from 9:45 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. in the Grimes Bldg.'s first floor children's church room next to the nursery.

### Our Known Prayer Concerns:

Sue Rogers	Lexy McRae
Lynn Christenson	Dorothy Robinson
Aubrey Walker	Jennefer Spell
Daro Miller	Jim Accordino
David Woolbright	Denise Hill
Pam Feagle	Benjamin Feagle
Julee Robinson McGehee	Barbara McKenzie
Amanda Walker	Bobby Porch
Betty Garrett	Richard Holmes
Kelsey Deriso	Agnes Tew

### FLOWERS DELIVERY

Linda Harp

### LIBRARY

We are currently working on expanding our library to better suit the needs of Wynnton. If you have any suggestions or requests for materials you might like to be able to check out, please let the church office know so that we may look into adding them to our collection.

### JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

The Chancel and Wesley Choirs will sing Tom Fettke's arrangement of People Need the Lord this Sunday. The original composition by Greg Nelson and Phil McHugh was the spontaneous result of a conversation between these Christian musicians during a lunch meeting in Nashville, Tennessee. While they were dining, Phil McHugh noticed the sad, pained expression in the eyes of their waitress. He said to Nelson, "People need the Lord, don't they?" Greg Nelson responded, "Yes, they do need the Lord." From that encounter, both artists worked together to create the song we know today. *People Need the Lord* combines meaningful lyrics with a contemplative melody. The message of this song resonates as much today as it did when it was first published in 1983. It speaks to many Christians, as well as those who don't yet know Christ. We are challenged by need all around us. Daily we pass people who are worried, hurting, or without hope. We can allow God to use us to share the remedy; Jesus Christ!

"People Need the Lord" by Greg Nelson and Phil Mchugh

*Every day they pass me by, I can see it in their eyes;  
Empty people filled with care, headed who knows  
where. On they go through private pain. Living fear to  
fear; Laughter hides the silent cries. Only Jesus hears.  
People need the Lord, people need the Lord;  
At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door.  
People need the Lord, people need the Lord;  
When will we realize? People need the Lord.  
We are called to take His light to a world where wrong  
seems right. What could be too great a cost for sharing  
life with one who's lost?  
Through His love our hearts can feel all the grief they  
bear. They must hear the words of life only we can  
share. People need the Lord, people need the Lord;  
At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door.  
People need the Lord, people need the Lord;  
When will we realize that we must give our lives,  
for people need the Lord.*

God's Great Peace to You!  
Diana B.



**Sunday, October 16**  
 5:00 p.m. Supper  
 5:45-7:00 p.m. CORE Group  
 5:45-7:00 p.m. Parental  
 Guidance Required

**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
**Mystery Day Out**  
 October 15<sup>th</sup>

**Fall Retreat**  
 November 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

## OUR ATTENDANCE

### 10-9-22

Early Morning Service.....	39
Morning Service.....	131
Sunday School.....	91

## OUR STEWARDSHIP

### 10-9-22

General Fund.....	13,186.00
Methodist Home.....	100.00
Endowment.....	50.00
Loose Offering.....	28.00
Missions.....	81.00
Open Door.....	100.00
Operation Christmas Child.....	50.00
UMCOR.....	600.00
Wynnton Neighborhood Housing.....	50.00
Wynnton Neighborhood Network.....	125.00
Wesley Glenn.....	100.00

## 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.



## READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

### Isaiah Reflection 3

As we continue reading through Isaiah this week, I want to get you thinking about something. I'll spoil the surprise for you and let you know that we will finish our Isaiah readings right before Advent. Which is perfect, because if you do your readings this week you might see a lot about what is soon to come for the people of God. "For to us a child is born," or maybe "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse." These verses are leading towards a new horizon. In the midst of all the discussions of judgement, there is hope of a counselor beyond compare. So, as we read this week, give a little thought to what is soon to come. Think about what God is preparing for you, right now. Because God has something in store for each and every one of us. -Will

**October 16: Isaiah 9:8-10:4**

**October 17: Isaiah 10:5-34**

**October 18: Isaiah 11:1-16**

**October 19: Isaiah 12:1-6**

**October 20: Isaiah 13:1-22**

**October 21: Isaiah 14:1-32**

**October 22: Isaiah 15:1-16:14**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

17	Catherine Hubbard, Vicki Ragan, Beverly Ann Taylor
18	Ramona Andresen, Patsy Fuller
19	Laura Cowart, Laura Grantham, Amanda Toelle
20	Grace Baas, Cal Callier, Ina Davis, Jo Anna Lawson, Chipper Walker
21	Julia Harbison

## SUNDAY'S SERMON

*One Mission/One Goal:*  
*Love People*  
 Luke 18:1-8

Dr. Jason Wade

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The collection of items to fill our Christmas Child boxes is going well. This is just one of many missions in our church. Just a few points to keep in mind.

- We will have a packing party **Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** during Take 5 to prepare the boxes. If you are gathering your items at home, you can get boxes or you can bring your items and pack them with us at the church.
- We are now focusing on WOW items to include in the boxes. Please look for that special item to include in the boxes you pack. Some special items are: a small ball, jump rope, flashlight, soccer ball, sewing kit (for older girls), doll, truck, harmonica, or other small items you think would be special to a child. You can turn these items in or bring them to the Packing Party on October 30.

**Hobby Lobby has t-shirts for \$2.99 (Youth small & medium)**

### Items Collected so far:

185 Bars of Soap  
81 Hair Brushes  
142 Toothbrushes  
99 Ball caps  
219 Wash Cloths  
94 Large Combs  
61 Deodorant\*  
236 12 8oz. plastic cups  
84 12 plastic bowls  
44 Notebook paper  
41 Note pads  
47 boxes Markers  
87 boxes Crayons  
7 Large Crayons  
100 boxes Pencils  
58 Pencil Sharpeners  
40 boxes Colored Pencils  
15 boxes Ball point pens  
156 Erasers  
92 T-shirts  
35 flip flops  
6 scissors  
2 pairs socks  
\*may be enough

## Trinity House

Wynnton Neighborhood Housing will be working on Trinity House the next several Saturdays from 8:30 until about 1:00. If you would like to volunteer, you can come anytime during those hours or contact Bill White (706) 527-3309.

## PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies Oct. 15-16  
Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, October 16

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  
11:00 a.m. Children's Church - Grimes Building  
4:00 p.m. Great Afternoon of Methodist Singing - St. Luke  
5:00-7:00 p.m. Basement - Youth  
5:45-7:00 p.m. Parental Guidance Required

### Monday, October 17

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

### Tuesday, October 18

10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Bldg.

### Wednesday, October 19

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Alpha Bldg.  
5:30 p.m. Prayer & Book Study - Alpha Bldg.  
6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m. Missions Committee Mtg - Alpha Bldg.  
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, October 20

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

### Friday, October 21

7:00-7:30 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast - Chick-fil-A Whittlesey Rd.  
12:00 p.m. Goodwill Meeting - Fellowship Hall

### Saturday, October 22

8:30-1:00 p.m. Trinity House Work