

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

“A Year Like No Other”

August 11, 2024

It is truly hard to believe that we are once again on the cusp of a new school year. Where has the time gone that we are already in the month of August and beginning to walk through some of the most amazing days of the calendar year? We are preparing for the opening of another college football season, the weather beginning to cool down and time to fall back. We look forward to people stepping into their regular schedules being revitalized and rejuvenated from a summer that was like no other. Having everyone getting back to normal allows us to truly be excited for what this new year is going to bring.



With the beginning of a new school year, we find ourselves preparing for a new church year as well. Families are coming back from the summer excited to see how God has been using Wynnton to connect with our community. New faces and families are choosing to make Wynnton their home, and ministries are once again coming alive as we build disciples who worship passionately, love extravagantly and witness boldly.

As we are getting ready to kick everything back into full swing, please make note that one of our main connections will be our Third Annual Welcome Back to Wynnton Sunday held on September 8th, 2024. We take the time to sit and have a meal in community as we invite others to see and connect with the ministries that God has given Wynnton to serve the Midtown Community and beyond. Welcome Back to Wynnton Sunday is an amazing time to invite your friends who are searching for a place to call home and to once again celebrate the many blessings that God has poured out through the Wynnton Methodist Church Family.

We have truly seen God moving over the last year, and I cannot wait to see how God is going to move in the days ahead. There is no way that anyone that joins us cannot see how much we live out our mission to Love God, Love People and Serve Together. It is truly evident that we have been faithful, and God is opening new doors that we will continue to walk through and navigate for the His glory. I pray that you are excited. God has truly brought us the staff that we need, the facilities we need and the congregational family we need to change the world. I'm just so excited for what the Lord has planned for the new year.



Finally, the only way that this day is going to be successful is for everyone to do two things:

1. Sign up! If you are involved in a ministry that needs to be spotlighted at our Ministry Fair, please let us know by September 1 so that space will be provided at our Fair.
2. Show up! Please take the time to call the church office and let us know who all is coming so that we can be prepared with food and accommodations.

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In His grip,
Jason

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Corey Comperatore** by Pam & Bob Gilstrap

In memory of **Rick McKnight** by Candice Cotton; Pam & Bob Gilstrap; Ramona & Andy Andresen

In memory of **Sarah Ruggles** by Pam & Bob Gilstrap

In memory of **Melba Gay** by Pam & Bob Gilstrap

In memory of **Raymond Wardwell** by Kaye & Harold Hill; Ramona & Andy Andresen; Pam & Bob Gilstrap

The Chancel Flowers are given today by Shirley and John Richey in celebration of their second wedding anniversary.

Family Night Supper
Wednesday, September 4
5:30 p.m.
Ministry Center

NAME BADGES

Please remember to continue to wear your new name badges in the next couple months.

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

It is time! School is about to reopen for another great school year at WAA!

It is time to help teachers out with supplies for their classrooms. The most needed items include boxes of tissue, hand sanitizer, and band aids!

Please begin dropping these items into the bin in the Ministry Center, and they will be delivered promptly to the teachers at WAA.

Thank you for helping.

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!

SUMMER CAMP MEETING AT WYNNTON!



American mission worker, poet, lyricist, and composer Fanny Crosby was blind from infancy. She said this of her condition, "It seemed intended by the blessed providence of God that I should be blind all my life, and I thank Him for this dispensation. If perfect earthly sight were offered me tomorrow, I would not accept it. I might not have sung hymns to the praise of God if I had been distracted by beautiful and interesting things about me."

The hymn "He Hideth My Soul," is the result of a providential collaboration between Fanny Crosby and composer William Kirkpatrick. Fanny Crosby's lyrics for this hymn reflect the faith of one who relies on the Lord and turns to Him for strength. Her lyrics exemplify her faith which she held to every day of her life. Sunday, our Wynnton choirs will sing a beautiful John Carter arrangement of "He Hideth My Soul."

"He Hideth My Soul" arr. by John Carter

1 *A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord,
a wonderful Savior to me;*

*He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock,
where rivers of pleasure I see. [refrain]*

*Refrain: He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock that
shadows a dry, thirsty land; He hideth my life in the
depths of his love, and covers me there with his hand,
and covers me there with his hand.*

2 *A wonderful Savior is Jesus my Lord, he taketh my
burdens away; he holdeth me up, and I shall not be
moved, he giveth me strength for each day. [refrain]*

3 *With numberless blessings each moment he crowns,
and filled with his fullness divine, I sing in my rapture,
"Oh, glory to God, for such a Redeemer as mine!"
[Refrain]*

Exodus 33:22

*Then the Lord said "there is a place by me where you
may stand on a rock. When my Glory passes by, I will
put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my
hand until I have passed by..."*

God's Great Peace to You!
Diana B.



Hello everyone!

I want to thank you for your prayers and the warm welcome that I received last Sunday. I was talking with my parents later that day about how great it is to be at a place where you can feel the presence of the Lord through so many. I ask that you please pray with me for our students as they begin a new school year and we start this new chapter of youth ministry at Wynnton! I am so excited to see what God will do through the youth ministries here at Wynnton Methodist Church and again I can't thank you enough for helping make this already feel like home.

We invite you and your students to check out what is happening in the life of the youth ministries at Wynnton Methodist Church!

Sunday School 10 a.m. in the Basement
Derek's Sunday night welcome at the Wade's
5pm-7pm
Prayer Breakfast & Jesus starts August 16th |
7:00am-7:30am on Whittlesey

I am looking forward to meeting and getting to know each of you!

Blessings,

Derek Harrison

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS

Children's bulletins will be available on Sunday mornings for all services. They will be available in the Sanctuary and the Ministry Center.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE Sunday, August 11:

Nursery:
Carrie Thomas/Marcia Therrien

Sunday School and Children's Church:
Sabrina Hart/Hallie Taylor

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 - Fourth Grade
First Floor Grimes Building

Children's Church

11:00 am - 12:00 pm (after Children's Sermon)
3-year-olds - Fourth Grade
First Floor Grimes Building
**Parents, please make sure to check in with our registration system (hallway or Children's Center)

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 31



This week we are starting reading through a new book, John's Gospel. It is my favorite of the Gospels to read and speaks of passion of having an intimate relationship with God. Sit with each day and listen. If you sense the Lord is speaking to you about anything specific, I would love to hear from you.

Steve

August 11	John 1:1-9
August 12	John 1:10-18
August 13	John 1:19-22
August 14	John 1:22-28
August 15	John 1:29-34
August 16	John 1:35-42
August 17	John 1:43-50

NEXT OPEN ARMS

September 7, 2024

OPEN ARMS

Prayer Concerns for Our Community

- Prayers for themselves and family
- Leaking roof
- Food for the family
- Prayers for a pastor and his church building.
- Man dealt with addiction for 50 years but broke his addiction through a program called DRC. He is now attending our church!
- Clothing
- Housing
- Continue to check on those in the community.
- Prayers and anti-drug rallies
- Car trouble
- Pain and legs
- Prayers for depression from deceased loved ones
- Healing of a broken back from a wreck
- Can't afford a needed MRI
- Medical issues and cannot afford healthcare
- Pray for unity in families



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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 14 Teresa Randle
- 15 Ken Payne
- 16 Virginia Bonner
- 17 Lynda Massey



OUR ATTENDANCE

8-4-24

8:30 a.m.	37
9:00 a.m.	22
11:00 a.m.	133
Sunday School	107

OUR STEWARDSHIP

8-4-24

General Fund	18,413.00
Backpacks of Grace	300.00
Communion	112.08
Loose Offering.....	162.00
Sunday School	50.00
Missions.....	75.00
Other Contributions	265.00

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 August. 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.





We are collecting school supplies in August. Watch for some of these items on sale and get more for your money.

For August, we are collecting crayons, markers, pencils, sharpeners that hold shavings, and ball point pens. Remember, you can get deals when school sales begin. Our goal is to pack 300 boxes.

Items collected:

Toothbrushes: 129	Ikea cups: 50
Washcloths: 75	Notebook paper: 24
Combs: 150	Large Crayons (8 Ct): 10
Hairbrushes: 22	24 pk Crayons: 95
Deodorant: 72	Markers: 23
Ball Caps: 16	Sharpener: 104
Colored Pencils: 81	Note pads: 40
Socks: 6	T-Shirts: 91
Erasers: 72	Pencils: 120
Pens: 100	Scissors: 31

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.
Pam Gilstrap

Flower Delivery

Rachel Plummer



OFFERING TRUSTEES SCHEDULE

August 11: John Richey, Harold Hill

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS

August 11, 2024



Genesis

SUNDAY'S SERMON

Running Just to Catch Myself: Rest Before We Invest
James 4:1-17

8:30 a.m. – Rev. Steve Croft
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. – Dr. Jason Wade

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

August 11, 2024

Team 6: J.T. Taylor, Chuck McDaniel,
Lance Hendershot

OUR DEPLOYED CHURCH MEMBERS AND FAMILY OF CHURCH MEMBERS



Adam Walker
Sam Perez

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

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies: Aug. 9-11
Rev. Steve Croft 706-604-4262



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 11

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 a.m. Young Adult Discipleship Meeting - Ministry Center
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Vision Committee Meeting - Alpha Building
5:00-7:00 p.m. 211 Family Faith Connection - Basement

Tuesday, August 13

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

Wednesday, August 14

4:00 p.m. Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
5:30 p.m. Open Arms Leadership Meeting - Library
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 15

9:00 a.m. Office Closed - Staff Retreat
7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building

Friday, August 16

7:00 -7:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A - Whittlesey Rd.
9:00 a.m. Staff Retreat
12:00 p.m. Goodwill Class Meeting - Ministry Center

Our Known Prayer Concerns:

Sue Rogers	Jennefer Spell
Aubrey Walker	Frank Feagle
David Woolbright	Richard Holmes
Pam Feagle	Shelley Montgomery
Betty Garrett	Sabrina Hart
Jeanine Cotton	Walter Cook
Michelle Foote	Ben Smith
Virginia Bonner	Freddie Richardson
Lynn Christenson	Rodney Dean
Hazel Hope	Candace Hickman
Scott Mims	Linda Wade
Mike Woodard	Danette Allen
Grayson Graham	Brenda Wilson

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Rick McKnight
Family of Raymond Wardwell
Family of Sarah Ruggles
Family of Corey Comperatore
Family of Melba Gay