

Love God, Love People, and Serve Together

"Our True Measure Comes Through the Birth of The Church"

May 28, 2023

Today, I want to begin by sharing some of the same words that were used in this week's prayer meeting. Pentecost represents the birth of the Church. In the time between the Resurrection and the Ascension, Jesus was preparing the disciples for a time of revival that they could never have imagined. Even though they had seen Jesus continue to perform miracles and pour into the lives of so many, they never could have expected what God was about to do through them on the day of Pentecost.

The stage is set and the disciples are patiently waiting on something to happen when suddenly the anointing of the Holy Spirit falls on them. Unbeknownst to them, they are now capable of speaking in every tongue or language of every person in Jerusalem. Being filled with the Holy Spirit, they began professing to everyone the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Peter finally steps out and addressed the gathering crowds and preached, what I would have considered, his first revival sermon. With Peter's first altar call, about 3,000 people were added to the church that day.

The Church was born and following this time of Pentecost, the disciples began to teach and meet in homes. Others were willing to sell what they had to help others who were in need. There was a change in heart and mind towards a deeper desire to Love God, Love People and Serve Together, and God rewarded their work by adding to their number daily. I still believe in the work of the Holy Spirit and continue to pray believing that revival is coming to Wynnton.. our community...and our world.

Sunday marks three amazing days that are important to the Church universal, our country and Wynnton Methodist Church. We recognize the birth of the Church at Pentecost, the many men and women who laid down their lives to protect our freedoms in celebration of Memorial Day and a new season for Wynnton. I truly believe the timing of all of this is no happenstance, but that God, in His own way, is revealing to us His perfect timing.

We are at the threshold of watching God come alive at 2412 Wynnton Road. As the body of Christ, we have been waiting for the Holy Spirit to once again fill this place in preparation for the rebirth of Wynnton. God has been preparing us for this day, and I pray that we will continue to take the next steps together in faith as we follow God's lead. Wynnton, we are primed and ready to allow God's work through the Holy Spirit to fill our space to overflowing.

As the Apostle Paul wrote in our Scripture last week to the people of Philippi, "Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:12-14 NIV

In His grip, Jason



The Chancel Flowers are given in memory of Denise Hill by her family.







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 17th -21st, 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

MODERN SERVICE

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



Please use the QR code to sign up to volunteer.

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!

This Sunday we recognize Pentecost. In Christian tradition, Pentecost, (Greek for the 50th day) is celebrated 50 days after Easter. It is also referred to as the birthday of the Church. The Holy Spirit gave the apostles gifts and abilities necessary to carry out the Great Commission and fulfill the New Testament promise from Christ that the apostles would be clothed with power before they were sent out to spread the Gospel (Luke 24:46-49).

We also observe Memorial Day this Sunday. Designated on the last Monday in May, it is a time set apart to remember all those who died in service to the United States. "Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones," with words and music by Orrin Hatch, Lowell Alexander and Phil Naish will be a heartfelt musical offering shared by our Wynnton Choirs. Christian singer and studio musician Steve Amerson shared these thoughts about the powerful meaning of the text from this anthem: "Along the entire timeline of our Country's history, men and women have made the ultimate sacrifice for the cause of freedom - not just on our own soil, but fighting for freedom all over the world. The freedom we enjoy and must never take for granted has come at a high price. We've cultivated it in our sacred gardens, by the lives of those who lie there in final rest. Freedom's seeds in sorrow sown, neath blades of grass and pure white stones."

"Blades of Grass and Pure White Stones" (words and Music by Orrin Hatch, Lowell Alexander and Phil Naish)

Blades of grass and pure white stones shelter those who've come and gone.

Just below the emerald sod are those who've reached the arms of God.

Buried there with dignity, endless rows for all to see. Freedom's seeds in sorrow sown, 'neath blades of grass and pure white stones.

Blades of grass and pure white stones cover those who left their homes, to rest in fields, there side by side, lest we forget their sacrifice.

Buried there with dignity, endless rows for all to see. Freedom's seeds in sorrow sown, 'neath blades of grass and pure white stones.

God's Great Peace to You! Diana B.

Sunday School 10am in the Basement No CORE Groups Memorial Day

- *Youth Information: Text @basement22 to 81010
- *Youth Parents Info: Text @wumcpa to 81010
- *River of Life meeting June 4th
- *CROSS-TRAININGS START IN JUNE
- *Family Fun Days Start Sundays in JUNE!!
- *Please pick up a summer brochure TODAY







Youth ROL Registration

Adult ROL 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 Juny. 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. We have collected \$175.00 in one Sunday. On May 28, hopefully we can collect \$75 to complete the amount needed for 252 cups and 198 bowls. Boxes are available for contributions in classrooms and porticache entry. Thank you for your contributions!

Just want to update you on items collected so far:

18 hairbrushes45 combs60 socks4 ball caps49 toothbrushes69 washcloths

8 deodorant

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

River of Life Mission Trip

Dates: July 12th-16th
Tifton, Georgia
*Amazing time of helping families in the Tifton
Community- Painting, Wheelchair Ramps and
Community Service!

*Contact Pastor Jason for more details!

THANK YOU

To the Goodwill Sunday School Class for the scholarship donation to River of Life Youth Mission Trip and for the wonderful dinner provided on Sunday night.

Our Known Prayer Concerns:

Sue Rogers
Aubrey Walker
David Woolbright
Pam Feagle
Betty Garrett
Jeanine Cotton
Joe Batastini
Joan Colquitt
Michelle Foote
Kaye Hill
Beth Hendrickson

Lagia Spears

Lexy McRae
Jennefer Spell
Frank Feagle
Barbara McKenzie
Richard Holmes
Freddie Richardson
Shelley Montgomery
Tina Martinez
Sarah Jessie Avant
Robert Garrard
Shirley Moon

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

MOSES SCRIPTURE READINGS

Week 7

This week, our readings discuss the beginnings of something new with God. God gave to Moses the Ten Commandments to help lay the groundwork for God's people. But, while Moses was communing with God, the Hebrew people lost their way and built an idol. They struggled so with being left alone, that they had already forgotten what it was that God had done for them in Egypt. The very first commandment given by God had been broken before Moses could bring the tablet back. "You shall have no other gods before me." The Hebrew people forgot all that God had done for them because they didn't get what they wanted right then. Too often it can be easy to forget what God has done simply because we prioritize our wants. Never forget that God has always been there for you, and He will never set you aside.

-Will

May 28: Exodus 24-25 May 29: Exodus 26 May 30: Exodus 27-28 May 31: Exodus 29 June 1: Exodus 30 June 2: Exodus 31-32 June 3: Exodus 33

UPCOMING 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! It is every first Thursday at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

We will be having a recipe exchange and potluck lunch Thursday, June 15th at 11:30 a.m. Bring your favorite summer side dish or salad. Please plan to get a copy of your recipe to Michaela Walley by June 8th and then bring the dish to share on the 15th. Contact Michaela Walley for more details mwalley@wynntonumc.org or 304-439-4202.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

28	Nancy Hammond, Raiden
	Miller
29	Tracy Powell
30	Beverly Schlitzkus
31	Ashlea Calhoun
1	Wylene Loeb

OUR STEWARDSHIP

5-21-23	
General Fund	8,403.00
Scholarship for River of Life	75.00
Missions	50.00
Other Contributions	5.00
Sunday School	33.75
Wynnton Neighborhood Network	400.00
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Flower Delivery

Lynda Massey

NEW ADDRESS

Gardens of Calvary Joyce Hawkins 7595 Moon Rd. #305 Columbus, GA 31909

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, May 28

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

Children

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary

Monday, May 29

Office Closed - Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 31

12-1 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in) 6:15-7:15 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)

7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 1

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building 10:30 a.m. Game Day - 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 ATTENDANCE

5-21-23	
8:30 a.m. Service	55
11:00 a.m. Service	129
Sunday School	92

SUNDAY'S SERMON

How Do We Measure Up? Scripture Mark 4:1-20

Dr. Jason Wade

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

May 28: **Team 6**: JT Taylor, Chuck McDaniel, Michael Brabner

WELCOMERS

8:00 a.m. Alyssa Edwards 9:30 a.m. Bart & Brenda Wilson

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies May 26-28 Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691