



Love God, Love People and Serve Together

Dear Wynnton Family,

January 21, 2024

As you might have either heard or read Sunday, there will be an upcoming change at Wynnton in the next two weeks. I have been asked to take up an appointment as Senior Pastor at Buckhorn Methodist Church near Dexter, Georgia. This was an incredibly difficult decision for Michaela and me to make. But ultimately, we decided that this was too good of an opportunity to pass on. Therefore, Bishop Scott Jones, our presiding Episcopal Bishop in South Georgia Conference, has officially appointed me to Buckhorn.

Because of the new structure within the Global Methodist Church, there are no set move times as there were within the UMC. The Presiding Elders have decided there was a need for a pastor sooner, rather than later. So, Michaela and I will be moving at the end of January. We will officially start at my new appointment on February 1st.

We are excited about this new opportunity to do ministry and to get to see what else God has in store for us. God has done amazing things in our lives during our time here at Wynnton, and I know that He is not done yet.

There is no way to properly express my gratitude for the church family here at Wynnton. You have done so much for us. You have supported us, you have cared for us, and most of all, you have loved us. It was our honor to serve you as Associate Pastor and Family and Adult Director. It was a short time, but it was one full of love.

I would like to thank you all, each of you individually, for all you have done for us. Thank you for welcoming us when we arrived a year and a half ago. Thank you for helping us adjust to a new state. Thank you.

This was a difficult choice for us, but I continue to trust in God's guidance of both us and of Wynnton. I know God has great things in store. God is not done with us, and God is not done with you. Wynnton was a congregation that we loved to serve because of the love you have here in this place. The ministry you get done each and every day in this place, through your small group studies, the men's and ladies' Bible studies, your Sunday School classes, your music ministry, quilting ministry, service ministries, and so much more.

From myself and Michaela, we thank you for letting us serve this church. We thank you for helping us serve God in this place. And though our paths may go in different directions, know that we will continue praying that the ministries of this congregation continue fulfilling God's vision in this place.

By His Grace,
-Will



GIFTS OF LOVE

In honor of **Jason Wade** by Shirley Moon

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Oz White** by John Cuning, Jr. NARPI
Georgia Chapter; Pam & Bob Gilstrap; Neita & John Denny

The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of our efficient office staff by Doris Hicks.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

We have a couple of openings to beautify our sanctuary. If you would like to put flowers in the church, please call Brenda in the office. Here are available dates: Feb. 4 and Feb. 11. If you would like to partner with someone to cut the cost, we would be happy to publish both in the Newsletter.

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. In January, we will be once again gearing up to serve the children in our area with weekly backpacks of food. Please help us by contributing. We are always in need of fruit cups, individually packaged snacks (goldfish crackers, pretzels, scooby-snacks, pudding cups, etc.), individually packaged breakfasts (cereal, oatmeal, or grits), or financial contributions so that we can purchase these items. There will be a box under the giving tree during the month of January, or you can drop the items off in the Ministry Center's ministry bins. If you have any questions, please let Michaela Walley know.

LOVE OFFERING

If you would like to contribute to a love offering as we bid farewell Rev. Will and Rev. Michaela Walley, please send it to the church and earmark it, "Will and Michaela Love Offering". We wish them blessings as they pursue the next steps in their careers. We will present the gift to Will and Michaela on Sunday, January 28th.

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

Watch this space for new opportunities to serve the students at Wynnton Arts Academy!!

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

As we continue to step into 2024, we have an opportunity to clear the chaos and the clutter and find our quiet place where we can listen for the voice of God. God is with us in the busy chaos of life and in the quiet moments. He is with us in times of celebration and times of pain. God is our refuge, our strength, our source of help. Our anthem this Sunday, *Be Still* by Mary McDonald, is based on Psalm 46. This anthem reminds us that God is the best place to find strength, peace, and comfort. If we take refuge in God, our Fortress, we can rest and "be still." Richly scored with sonorous vocal and harmonic colors, it is an anthem that covers the listener with depth and beauty. The end of this exquisite anthem quotes John 14:27: Peace, I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

"Be Still" by Mary McDonald

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am with you. Be still and know that I will comfort you when you come to Me in your hour of need. Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know that I am here for you; and I will wipe your tears; you will be renewed.

Come unto me my child, be still, and know that I will give you rest. I am present in your pain and I always will remain your Comforter and Friend.

Peace, I leave with you; My peace I give unto you. Peace. Be Still and know that I am God. Be still.

God's Great Peace to You!

Diana B.

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!

Rev. Michaela Walley

Director of Family and Adult Ministries

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS

January 21, 2024



New Beginnings

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

- Sunday School 10 a. m. in the Basement
- 211 Faith Connection Sundays @ 5-7pm in the Basement!
- Youth Bible Study Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. @ Ambassadors of Christ
- Prayer Breakfast & Jesus 7:00-7:30 a.m. at Chick-fil-A on Whittlesey
- Youth Committee Meeting 4pm January 28th
- In February, we are starting a series called “True Love Waits” that’s designed to teach our youth about God’s love and how we can model that in our relationships. We will hold a commitment service on February 25th from 5-7 pm in the Basement.



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 February. 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.

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.

IN-DEPTH MARK BIBLE STUDY

Our Sunday night Bible study continues! All are welcome to attend; it’s still not too late to join us! We meet in the Alpha Building Community Room Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. This week our reading will be from Mark 6:1-29. Our goal is to read it through three separate times. The first time, we are simply reading through the verses. The second time, we are reading through with the intention of thinking about and journaling the who, what, where, when, why, and how of the passage. On the final sitting, we are thinking about and writing down questions we may have about the passage. Then, we will bring our notes and thoughts with us on Sunday, the 14th to discuss them as a group. Please join us as we take a deep dive of the Bible together!

-Will

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 2



This week we will be continuing our reading through Joshua. The Old Testament can often be challenging to read through because it can be difficult to understand how it applies to us. These texts we read tell the story of God, piece by piece. It is a story that is still going on and one that we get to participate in. The reading this week focuses a great deal on the strength of God that He lends to Joshua and the Israelites because of their belief. These pages are a constant reminder of the gifts God blesses us with if only we can keep our faith in Him strong. God stood by the Israelites in their battles, and He will continue to stand by us in ours just as He has always done.

-Will

Jan 21 Josh 10:16–43

Jan 22 Josh 12:1–8

Jan 23 Josh 13

Jan 24 Josh 14

Jan 25 Josh 15

Jan 26 Josh 16

Jan 27 Josh 17:1–18:10



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 Tuesday 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.

Our Known Prayer Concerns:

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| Sue Rogers | Lexy McRae |
| Aubrey Walker | Jennefer Spell |
| David Woolbright | Frank Feagle |
| Pam Feagle | Richard Holmes |
| Betty Garrett | Shelley Montgomery |
| Jeanine Cotton | Robert Garrard |
| Michelle Foote | Jim Accordino |
| Kaye Hill | Sabrina Hart |
| Lynn Christenson | Bob Lowery |
| Virginia Bonner | Beverly McDaniel |
| Jaleen Welch | Frederick Woodruff |
| Abraham Cook | Jennifer Ramey |

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:
 Family of Oz White
 Family of Frances Grell

**WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD
 January 21, 2024**

Team 5: Jesse Kelley, Comer Alexander

OUR STEWARDSHIP

1-14-24	
General Fund	10,894.00
Backpacks of Grace	125.00
Endowment.....	50.00
Missions.....	50.00
Loose Offerings	374.00
Other Income	25.00
Sunday School	44.50
Wynnton Neighborhood Network	75.00

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| 21 | Aaron Tincher |
| 26 | Mike Goyne |
| 27 | Beth Hendrickson |

OUR ATTENDANCE

1-14-24	
8:30 a.m.	41
9:00 a.m.	14
11:00 a.m.	118
Sunday School	81

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

All of the staff have new email addresses which are as follows:

- jwade@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
- wwalley@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
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- bwilson@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
- tdorminey@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
- musicdirector@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
- modernworship@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
- mderbypreschool@gmail.com

Please check your spam or junk folder in your email to ensure that you haven't received something from the church.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 21

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
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. 211 Faith Connection - Basement
7:30-9:00 p.m. The Bridge College Bible Study - Basement

Monday, January 22

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

Tuesday, January 23

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building
5:00-8:00 p.m. Modern Worship Practice - Ministry Center

Wednesday, January 24

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Alpha Building
12:00-1:00 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
5:30-6:30 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study - Ambassadors of Christ
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 25

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

Friday, January 26

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

SUNDAY'S SERMON

From the Inside Out (Matt. 5:21-26)
8:30 & 11:00 a.m. - Rev. Will Walley
9:00 a.m. Guest Speaker

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies January 19-21
Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691

