

*Love God, Love People and Serve Together*  
December 24, 2023

Join Us!



## CHRISTMAS AT Wynnnton!

**Christmas Eve Morning Worship Service**  
Sunday, December 24 • 10AM

**Christmas Eve Candlelighting Services**  
Sunday, December 24  
3:30PM and 5:30PM

**WYNNTON METHODIST CHURCH**  
2412 Wynnnton Road | Midtown Columbus | [wynntonmethodistchurch.org](http://wynntonmethodistchurch.org)

**Sunday, December 31, 2023**

**One Combined Service at 10:00 in the Sanctuary**

### CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Our Finance Committee has designated our Christmas offering to go to Carpenter's Way. You may make your gift any time in December in a worship service or by mailing it to the church office.

### MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Larry Spell** by Greg Spell

## GIFTS OF LOVE

In honor of **Susan & Tommy Hudson** by Tamara Evans

In honor of **Goodwill Class Teachers** by Suzanne Supple

In honor of **Dr. Jason Wade & Rev. Will Walley** by Suzanne Supple

## LOVE OFFERING

If you would like to contribute to a love offering as we say farewell to Meghan Gross, please send it to the church and earmark it, "Meghan Gross Love Offering." We wish Meghan blessings as she completes her seminary degree and pursues a career in ministry. We will present the gift to Meghan on Sunday, January 7.

## NURSERY

There will be no childcare on Christmas Eve or Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>.

## CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Sunday, December 24

Sanctuary



**Morning Service**

10:00 am



**Candlelight Communion Services**

3:30 pm

5:30 pm

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One Service at 10:00 a.m. - Sanctuary

## JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

Isaiah 9:6 KJV

*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.*

The prophetic words of Isaiah 9:6, often heard this time of year, are found in many anthem texts including our anthem for the morning of Christmas Eve. The text refers to the prophecies of Christ's Incarnation. This scripture is in essence a prelude to the many songs and hymns about Christ's birth that are a familiar part of our Christmas tradition.

"Unto Us a Child is Born" by Pepper Choplin

Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, for unto us a Child is born a Son is given. His name is Wonderful Counselor, the Everlasting Father, the Almighty God, the Prince of Peace. And when His holy Kingdom shall descend, peace and justice shall not end. Veiled in flesh, He comes to dwell, God with us, Emmanuel! He shall reign forevermore: King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given, unto us a Child is born, a Child is born!

As we journey through the twelve days of Christmas to Epiphany, I pause to reflect on the dedication and hard work of the Wynnton Choirs, Wynntones bell ensemble, and our gifted pianist and organist.

I am so grateful for the time and talent you give to music ministry at Wynnton. I am also grateful for the loving support of our blessed congregation of friends and family.

May God bless you this holy season!

Diana B.

## WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

Wynnton Arts Academy staff sends us a heart-felt thank you for providing gifts for the 23 students that Wynnton Church supported through the Adopt-A-Child project!

We were also able to support 25 families with \$50 gift cards to Publix. Through your offerings, the Missions Committee funded this.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!!

## CHILDREN'S LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING

Monday, January 8, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.  
Ministry Center

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

- We will resume all activities on January 7<sup>th</sup>

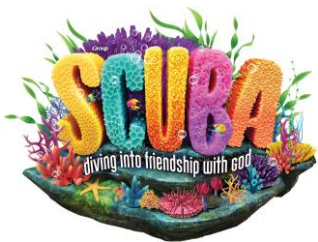


## UPCOMING ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Group fitness will be taking a break for the holidays.  
We will be back Monday, January 8th at 9:00 am!

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy  
New Year!

Rev. Michaela Walley  
Director of Family and Adult Ministries



Help create coral reef décor for VBS!

### **Needed**

Empty wrapping paper tubes  
Paper towel tubes  
Drop off in the VBS bin in the  
Ministry Center/Fellowship Hall

## READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Innkeeper and Shepherds: December 17-22  
Luke 2:1-7, Luke 2:8-20



This week we will be reading about the Shepherds and the Innkeeper. The innkeeper is often overlooked, because as you might notice when you read through the first set of verses, there is no mention of an innkeeper. But we know that there was no room for them in town, so what we attribute to one innkeeper could have been any number of residents who turned aside the mother of Christ. Everything turned out so the Savior of the World would be born in humble beginnings. We are also taking a look at the shepherds that take part in the Christmas story. Shepherds in ancient times were considered some of the lowest people in society; they were thought to be unclean, rough, or even dangerous. Yet, these were the ones God sent a chorus of angels to summon to the side of His Son.

## IN-DEPTH MARK BIBLE STUDY

Our Sunday night Bible study will be taking some time off during December because of all the commitments at the holidays. We will return on January 7th at 6pm. Until then, if you would like to join us in preparing, we will be reading through Mark 4:34-5:20. With it being a long break, we will also be reading through the first four chapters as well to stay connected. 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 7th to discuss them as a group. Please join us as we take a deep dive of the Bible together!

## 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 January. 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.

## CHURCH LEADERSHIP RETREAT

January 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> 2024

January 5<sup>th</sup>  
5:30pm-8:30pm  
Staff, Church Council & Other Committee  
Heads

January 6<sup>th</sup>  
9am-1pm

All members of ALL Committees.

Please put this on your calendar and plan to join us as we begin our training and vision casting for the future. Please look for more information in the weeks to come!

It is time to begin to put our vision into action!

## 2023 END OF YEAR GIVING

Please be sure to send your end of year contributions before December 31. Submissions postmarked after Dec. 31 cannot be counted for 2023. Also, gifts of stock and online payments must clear by Dec. 31. Thanks for helping us meet our budget needs!

## COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS



December 24, 2023  
Sojourners

## FREE HAY

Wynnton received four hay bales that we would like to donate. If you have use for them and would be willing to take them, please either contact the church or contact Meghan Gross at [mgross@wynntonmethodistchurch.org](mailto:mgross@wynntonmethodistchurch.org)

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

24 Ed Annable  
27 Gloria Willett  
28 Bryce Richey  
30 Theodore Clark  
31 Gloria Garrett, Faye Mock

## OUR STEWARDSHIP

### 12-17-23

General Fund.....	12,738.00
Backpacks of Grace .....	45.00
Endowment .....	50.00
Missions .....	50.00
Hospitality.....	250.00
Christmas Offering.....	455.00
Loose Offering .....	10.00
Sunday School .....	40.25
Youth Fund .....	300.00

## OUR ATTENDANCE

### 12-17-23

8:30 Service.....	46
Modern Service .....	18
11:00 Service.....	147
Sunday School.....	91

## WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD December 24

Team 1: Dom Edwards, Dan Draughton, Brett Hubbard



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:

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	Frances Grell
Jarrold Hart	Reese Stallings
Vicki Ragan	Claren Hill
Virginia Bonner	Bob Lowery
Susan Chriss	Beverly McDaniel
Jaleen Welch	Abraham Cook

#### SUNDAY'S SERMON

*Would You Have Room in Your Inn* (Luke 2:7)  
Dr. Jason Wade 10:00 a.m.

*A Way in the Manger* (Galatians 4:4-7)  
Dr. Jason Wade 3:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.

#### NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

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

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

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

##### Sunday, December 24

10:00 a.m. Combined Worship Service - Sanctuary  
 3:30 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Service - Sanctuary  
 5:30 p.m. Candlelight Christmas Service - Sanctuary

##### Monday, December 25

*Merry Christmas*

##### Tuesday, December 26

OFFICE CLOSED

##### Wednesday, December 27

OFFICE OPEN

##### Thursday, December 28

OFFICE OPEN  
 Youth Retreat - Pigeon Forge

##### Sunday, December 31

10:00 a.m. Combined Worship Service - Sanctuary

#### PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies December 21-26  
 Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691