



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

Why Wynnton: Being Here for God Isaiah 6:1-8

January 29, 2023

‘And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”’ This is a segment from a verse of the book of Isaiah. It’s all about a call, a commission to go forth and do ministry. Doing ministry is so much of what we have been talking about lately with our “Why Wynnton” series. We come here to this place to do ministry and participate in the good works of God, all of us.

But there’s something that really sticks out of that: We have to be present to do it. Think about that line from Isaiah. There was an excitement, a willingness to go forth for God. But it starts with “Here am I.” We have to be present with God to be able to hear the calling He places on our hearts.

A big part of that is being present for our family. Every week during the service we go through our those on our prayer list, and we are asked to lift them up when we pray. That is being present for them, and for God.

Another part of being present is worshiping with our family. Joining us for worship or a Bible Study are also being present. But, it doesn’t just have to be in person. You’re also being present with us when you worship from a distance. We are all together, even if we aren’t in the same room. See, being present isn’t always about being physically present. Instead, it’s really about being spiritually and emotionally present for those who need us so much.

We also have to be present for God, because the big thing is that we can’t be sent to go do His work if we never hear what He calls us to do. We have to be present with God, always. This week, as you continue your walk with our Father, be present. Bring your prayers and your service, no matter whether you are physically in the building or not, and use them in the service of God Almighty. Be present with God.

By His Grace,
Will



INFANT BAPTISM

Norah Rose Davis, daughter of Alison and Roger Davis, was baptized last Sunday in our Sanctuary by Dr. Jason Wade.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Alison Davis
5139 Buckingham Ct.
Columbus, GA 31907

Cynthia White
5900 Bertcliff Dr.
Columbus, GA 31909

*The Chancel Flowers are given
in memory of Ralph Hammond
by Nancy Hammond.*

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Tom Moore** by Neita & John Denny

In memory of **Rev. Bennie Frank Hughley** by the
Goodwill Sunday School Class

UPCOMING ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

February 2nd at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall, the Adult Ministries will be hosting a game day! Please bring any games you might want to play.

February 4th at 2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall, we will be hosting a cyber security seminar for the whole church. Unfortunately, scammers are becoming more prevalent and sneakier in their approaches. Join us as we learn from Sergeant Jane Edenfield how to recognize and avoid scams.

Starting February 6th, we will be having a weekly group fitness class. This will be a low intensity class without floor exercises. The class will be on Monday mornings at 9:00 am in the Alpha Building. Please see Michaela Walley for more details.

Join us Monday, February 6th, at 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall to make Valentine cards for our homebound members.

Mark your calendars for February 16th, at 11:30 am for a Valentine's luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to bring a \$5 contribution. Also, please reserve your seat by Monday, February 13th, by calling the office or emailing Michaela Walley at mwalley@wynntonumc.org. See Michaela for details.

Blessings,
Rev. Michaela Walley
Director of Family and Adult Ministries

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

Pepper Choplin is one of the most diverse and creative composers of church music today. With a broad and contrasting musical background, Pepper Choplin's compositions include varied styles such as folk, gospel, classical, and jazz. It is marvelous to realize that each week, thousands of singers in the United States and around the world are singing his music! As we prepare to worship and fellowship this Sunday, Fifth Sunday, it is fitting that the Chancel Choir will sing Pepper Choplin's *Draw Us Together*. This anthem is an extraordinarily laid-back gospel piece, calling us to live and hear God's Holy Word. It is a plea for God's intervention in our hearts; to rid them of bitterness and blame, and open them up to the Holy Spirit so that we may be used as messengers of peace. *Draw Us Together* is a prayer for love and unification.

"Draw Us Together" by Pepper Choplin
*How can we share the gospel of peace if peace does not live in the heart? How can we share the message of love if bitterness tears us apart? We may go forward with something to give when the gospel we preach is the gospel we live.
O Lord, come work among us; move like we've never seen. Come now and cleanse us, come work within us, draw us together again. Come people, come, let us hear the Word of the Lord as we pray for unity. Love one another, and be of one mind, so you may live in peace. Always be faithful, be loving and true so that God's peace and love is living in you.
O Lord, come work among us; move like we've never seen. Come now and cleanse us, come work within us, draw us together again.*

God's Great Peace to You!
Diana B.

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY NEEDS

Our church was able to serve 23 students through the Adopt-A-Family project. Thank you all so much for your generosity. This year there were individuals who "adopted" students in addition to the Sunday School classes!

In January and February, WAA is asking for donations of **gloves and socks**. The cold weather is here and many students are in need of these items. Please drop your donations in the bin in the Fellowship Hall to be delivered.

*CORE Groups Sunday 5:00-7:00pm
 *Prayer Breakfast & Jesus Fridays 7:00-& 7:30am
 Chick-fil-a on Whittelsey
 *Youth Information: Text @basement22 to 81010
 *Youth Parents Info: Text @wumcpa to 81010



*Youth Winter Retreat - February 17th - 20th
 Registration is NOW open. Scan QR code to register! Early Bird Deadline is SUNDAY! Make checks to Wynnton UMC and put for Winter Retreat in the information space.

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.

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.

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.

BACKPACKS OF GRACE

January is Backpacks of Grace month at Wynnton! Backpacks of Grace is a ministry of our church through which we provide weekend food for selected students at our Partner in Education school, Wynnton Arts Academy. Each Thursday morning, volunteers pack bags that are distributed at the school on Friday. We purchase basic items from Feeding the Valley at low costs. Supplemental items are purchased at retail food stores. If you wish to donate, please choose items from the list below. They must be packaged in INDIVIDUAL SERVING containers. Also, NO PEANUTS can be in the product or in the manufacturing process (see "Contains" label on packages). Collection bins are in the Fellowship Hall and the hallway outside the Library. Items which are helpful are:

- Individual macaroni and cheese cups
 - Individual snacks (cookies, crackers, etc.)
 - Individual breakfast food (cereal, oatmeal, grits, etc.)
 - Individual fruit cups (diced fruit, applesauce, etc.)
 - Financial donations may be made through the church office.
- Thank you for your support of this important ministry!

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	Frank Feagle
Betty Garrett	Barbara McKenzie
Doris Rowe	Richard Holmes
Tom Stafford	Freddie Richardson
Jeanine Cotton	Denton Spurlin
Joe Batastini	Shelley Montgomery
Devon Garrison	Tina Martinez
David Pringle	Lucy Hart

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Wanda Lybarger
 Family of Rev. Bennie Frank Hughley
 Family of Tom Moore
 Family of Diane Ryals

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Reading Through Psalms

Week 3

This week's readings are focused on music, songs of thankfulness and praise. But there is also something more in these readings. King David also sings in these verses of mistakes, and he sings of forgiveness. This is a book of praise for the Lord Almighty, and part of that is admitting that we are not perfect. King David, who was called a man after God's own heart, made a mistake. He teaches us through these pages that to properly praise our Father in Heaven, we have to be willing to be honest with Him. God's hand is always open to us, but we have to be willing to reach back. As we continue reading through Psalms, and as we continue singing songs of praise to God, remember that we also have to sing of honesty.

January 29: Psalm 40, 41, 42

January 20: Psalm 43, 44, 45

January 31: Psalm 46, 47, 48

February 1: Psalm 49, 50

February 2: Psalm 51, 52, 53, 54

February 3: Psalm 55, 56

February 4: Psalm 57, 58, 59

SUNDAY'S SERMON

#Why Wynnton:
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Isaiah 6:1-8

Rev. Will Walley

FLOWER DELIVERY

Anne Spell

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

31	Sue Pope
1	Don Davidson
2	Randy Autry, Steve Croft

OUR ATTENDANCE

1-22-23

8:30 a.m. Service.....39

11:00 a.m. Service.....127

Sunday School.....74

OUR STEWARDSHIP

1-22-23

General Fund.....20,370.79

Backpacks of Grace.....25.00

Music.....20.00

Missions.....87.00

Other Contributions.....28.00

Wynnton Neighborhood Network.....50.00

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

January 29: Team 3 - Rob Harbison, Bruce Boretsky, Bennett Massey

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, January 29

9:30 a.m. Church-Wide Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
Streams Live on Facebook
5:00-7:00 p.m. CORE Group - Youth

Monday, January 30

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

Tuesday, January 31

9:30 a.m. Staff Day Apart

Wednesday, February 1

12-1 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:15 -7:15 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:30 p.m. Handbells Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 2

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building
9:45 a.m. Backpacks of Grace
10:30 a.m. Game Day - Fellowship Hall

Friday, February 3

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

Saturday, February 4

2:00 p.m. Cyber Security Seminar - Fellowship Hall

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies 27-29
Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691

**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.

