

*Love God, Love People, and Serve Together*

## The Cup He Bore

March 12, 2023

This week we approach the third Sunday of Lent, and so we get closer and closer to the cross. As we continue this journey, there is a question I want to ask. What do you pray about? Do you pray about the future, what may come? Maybe you are praying about those you care about. What if your prayer is for yourself? Lent is a time of self-reflection, time that is meant to be spent with the Lord in prayer over everything we can be doing to strengthen what we have with Him. In the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus prayed for those three things. He prayed for the future, He prayed for those He cared about, and He prayed about Himself.

The last can often be the hardest for us. We so often want to help others out, and have them ask us for help but it can be so difficult to want to ask for help ourselves.

So often our prayers are focused on humanity, and not on what we are here to be doing. Jesus prayed for something specific when He prayed for Himself. Read now what Jesus prayed for:  
‘After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:

*“Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. 2 For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. 3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. 4 I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. 5 And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.”* Luke 17: 1-5

Jesus prayed for the glory of God. Jesus prayed that through that prayer, God would glorify Jesus so that He could better glorify God. How often do we pray for that? Help me to bring you glory God, because that is what we want more than anything else. This Lenten season, as we approach Calvary, think about what you pray for. Don’t stop at praying for our hurts and our worries, but continue on and pray that God will use those to bring Himself glory. Be in prayer for praise to Our Father, each and every day.

By His Grace,  
Will



*The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of Larry’s mother, Wanda Hendrickson, on her 95th birthday by Beth & Larry Hendrickson.*

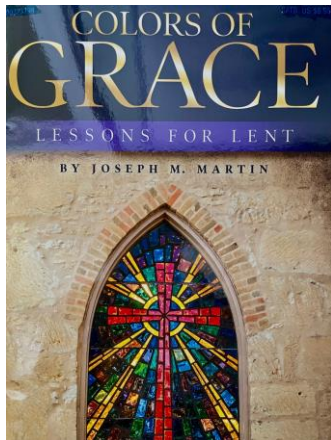
### MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Joy Hancock** by Goodwill Class; Mary Mims; Lynn & Bill White

In memory of **Marjorie Ottman** by Lynn & Bill White; Betty Woodruff

## LOVE AND SYMPATHY

To Alyssa and Dom Edwards and family on the death of Dom's mother, Jean Edwards, of New Bern, NC on March 6, 2023.



## CHORAL LENTEN CANTATA

Thursday, April 6  
Potluck Dinner  
5:30 p.m.

Service  
6:30 p.m.

## EASTER BASH

Our Easter Bash is set for March 18th, and we are requesting donations of individually wrapped candy and Easter eggs. Donations can be dropped off in the bin just outside the library. With any questions regarding the Easter Bash, email Meghan Gross at [mgross@wynntonumc.org](mailto:mgross@wynntonumc.org). Thank you for your generosity!"

Volunteers are needed for our Easter Bash on March 18th from 11 AM-2 PM. If you are interested in serving at that event, please email Meghan Gross at [mgross@wynntonumc.org](mailto:mgross@wynntonumc.org) to be filled into a station or sign up on the sheet in your Sunday school envelope. Thank you so much!

## ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Join us for group fitness every Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Alpha Building.

If you reserved a spot to go to the Biblical History Center, our tour will be March 16th at 2:00 p.m. Please plan to be there by 1:45 p.m. If you would like to carpool, please let Michaela Walley know as soon as possible. The final cost is \$29.24 per person.

## JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

Charles Wesley was a prolific hymn writer. From the time of his conversion in 1738, Wesley wrote an average of two hymns a week for fifty years, between five and six thousand hymns in his lifetime. It has been said that Charles Wesley composed his hymns to bring theology to the heart, where people experience God's love in profound ways. After completing his studies at Oxford, Charles volunteered to travel to Georgia, a new colony in America, as a missionary. His experience did not go well, and he left America ill and depressed. Finding himself in a spiritual crisis, he started attending meetings led by Moravian Christian, Peter Boehler. On Sunday, May 21, 1738, Charles Wesley wrote, "I now find myself at peace with God, and rejoiced in the hope of loving Christ. I saw that by faith I stood." On Tuesday, May 23, Wesley wrote in his journal "I began a hymn upon my conversion." There is no definitive proof, but many historians believe the hymn written in response to his conversion was "And Can It Be?". This Sunday, our choirs will share anthems that reflect the amazing love of Christ. As Christ prayed beneath the olive trees in the Garden of Gethsemane, He cried out to God, His Father; "Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done." (Luke 22:42) Accepting His role, He suffers and dies to save mankind. Amazing love!

"And Can It Be?" arr. by Dan Forrest  
*And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be?  
And can it be that I should gain an interest in the  
Savior's blood? Died He for me who caused His  
pain? For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing Love! How can it be that Thou my God,  
shouldst die for me?  
He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite  
His grace; emptied Himself of all but love, and bled  
for Adam's helpless race; 'tis mercy all, immense  
and free; for, O, my God, it found out me.  
And can it be? Amazing love, how can it be? No  
condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him is  
mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in  
righteousness divine, bold I approach th'eternal  
throne and claim the crown through Christ my own.  
Amazing love, how can it be that Thou, my God  
shouldst die for me?*

God's Great Peace to You!  
Diana B.

\*Prayer Breakfast & Jesus, Friday, March 10th, 7:00 - 7:30 a.m. at Chick-fil-A on Whittelsey.  
\*CORE Groups will meet March 12<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m. For more information go check out the youth newsletter Sunday.  
\*River of Life Mission Trip info has been given out. \$50 Deposit by March 26th  
\*Youth Information: Text @basement22 to 81010  
\*Youth Parents Info: Text @wumcpa to 81010



We had a great packing party last October! Thanks to all who participated in collecting and/or packing. NOW we are ready to try again to do more so children everywhere can learn about Jesus. We have information in each Sunday School class and at the Welcome Center. 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.

**March items:** Individually wrapped toothbrushes, hairbrushes, hair bands, combs

Thanks, Michaela and Pam

### 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 March. 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.

### WYNNTON NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK

The month of March is Wynnton's time to collect food to fill the pantry at the Network. WNN continues to find itself having to purchase most of the food that is distributed to our clients from local retail grocery stores. The amount of food received through USDA represents a small percentage of the supplies needed to meet the demand. This has put a tremendous strain on our financial resources. Wynnton UMC has always been a very generous supporter of the Network during our focus months of March and November. But, due to the current situation, the Network is asking Wynnton, along with the other congregations, to give additional donations of food and/or financial contributions. To assist in the collection of the food donations, there will be a drive-by drop off on **Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 10:00 and 12 noon**. Volunteers will be available at the portico to unload your donation. Also, grocery bags with a suggested list of items needed will be placed in the church outside the fellowship hall during March. Your support will be greatly appreciated and used to help those in need in our community.

## EASTER LILIES



The cost of Easter Lilies will be \$15.00 each this year. The deadline for ordering is Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. See the attached form or insert in bulletin.

## READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

### Reading Through Psalms Week 9

This is the final week of our Psalms readings. Each week we have gone through these scriptures, but this week I want to talk a little about the man who wrote much of it. King David was a musician, a warrior, a shepherd, and a ruler. But none of those defined who he was. First and foremost, David was a man of God. The music he brought to the pages of the Bible, the faith and trust he sang of, all came from God. David was called a man after God's own heart. He was not perfect, but even in his imperfection he turned his attention to God. That is the focus of Psalms, just as it was David's focus: everything needs to be turned back to God. So, as we finish our readings in this book, remember that lesson. Keep facing God, each and every day.

-Will

- March 12: Psalm 139
- March 13: Psalm 140
- March 14: Psalm 141, 142
- March 15: Psalm 143, 144
- March 16: Psalm 145, 146
- March 17: Psalm 147, 148
- March 18: Psalm 149, 150

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 13 Jennie Payne, Reese Weierick,  
Ryan Yates
- 14 Harry Lubin
- 15 Haley Culpepper
- 16 Danielle Edwards

## OUR ATTENDANCE

<b>3-5-23</b>
8:30 a.m. Service.....37
11:00 a.m. Service.....132
Sunday School.....89

## OUR STEWARDSHIP

<b>3-5-23</b>
General Fund.....24,138.00
Communion.....66.00
Endowment.....25.00
Loose Offering.....159.00
Other Contributions.....50.00
Wynnton Neighborhood Network.....500.00
Wynnton Neighborhood Housing.....40.00
Sunday School.....67.00

## FLOWER DELIVERY

Georgia Wise

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 12

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for Adults, Youth & Children  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary  
Streams Live on Facebook  
12:15 p.m. Easter Bash Volunteer Meeting - Library  
5:00-7:00 p.m. CORE Group - Youth

### Monday, March 13

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

### Tuesday, March 14

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

### Wednesday, March 15

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

### Thursday, March 16

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building  
9:45 a.m. Backpacks of Grace  
6:00 p.m. Children's Council Meeting - Library

### Friday, March 17

- 7:00 -7:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A -  
Whittlesey Rd.  
12:00 p.m. Goodwill Meeting - Fellowship Hall

### Saturday, March 18

- 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Easter Bash

## **Our Known Prayer Concerns:**

Sue Rogers	Lexy McRae
Aubrey Walker	Jennefer Spell
Daro Miller	Jim Accordino
David Woolbright	Benjamin Feagle
Pam Feagle	Frank Feagle
Julee Robinson McGehee	Barbara McKenzie
Betty Garrett	Richard Holmes
Tom Stafford	Freddie Richardson
Jeanine Cotton	Shelley Montgomery
Joe Batastini	Tina Martinez
Devon Garrison	Lucy Hart
David Pringle	Sarah Jessie Avant
Joan Colquitt	Robert Garrard

### **Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:**

Family of Zane Draughon  
Family of Bob Ottman

## WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

March 12: Team 2 – Scott McCranie,  
Harold Hill, John Taylor

## **SUNDAY'S SERMON**

*The Cup He Bore*  
Matthew 26:36-46

Rev. Will Walley

## **PASTOR ON-CALL**

For emergencies March 10-12  
Dr. Jason Wade 770-289-4039

## **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.

