

CONNECTION

MARCH 2024 | WYNNTON METHODIST CHURCH

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

March 3, 2024



You will find me everywhere throughout the church. If you find me, take me along on your daily walk. Share me with your friends at: Schools, grocery stores, restaurants, Anywhere throughout your community or just keep me close to you as a reminder, I AM always near. I'll never leave your side. I so want to walk with you, be near you, guide and protect you. Here are a couple of scriptures for you to pray over:

Isaiah 55:6

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

Jeremiah 29:13

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.



The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of Lois and Callaway Brown by Dorothy Batastini.

Sunday, March 10

WYNNTON NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK

March is our month to help stock the shelves at Wynnton Neighborhood Network. The Network provides food to a great many needy families each week, but they need help to make that possible. So, we are asking everyone to try to help support this important ministry in our community this month. Below is a list that contains the items that the Network gives out each day, and we are asking that Wynnton bring in as much of it as you can. You can bring it to the church at any point in March and place the items in the bin in the Fellowship Hall or under the Giving Tree. The Network is a blessing to this community and has helped so many that needed it. This is our opportunity to support them, so please join us in filling the shelves this March. If you have any questions, please call Bob Gilstrap.

Items needed for the Holiday Distributions: Cranberry Sauce, Brownie Mix, Green Beans, Corn, Yams, Evaporated Milk, Pumpkin Pie Filling, Cornbread Mix.

On-going suggested items: Canned vegetables (green beans, baked beans, carrots, mixed veggies, or any other type of veggie), canned meat (tuna, chicken, spam, ham, chili with meat, lasagna, etc.), canned fruit, canned tomato products, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti sauce and noodles, jelly, peanut butter, soup, rice, breakfast cereal, toilet paper, bar soap, laundry detergent (pods).

EASTER LILIES



If you would like to order Easter lilies, the cost will be \$15.00 each this year. The deadline for ordering is Sunday, March 10th. Please fill out and return the Easter lily form located outside the Sanctuary.

FLOWER DELIVERY



Lynda Massey

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



Sunday's Chancel Choir anthem is a unique kind of musical experience. An original work by Pepper Choplin, his anthem "Once Upon a Tree" reveals the passion and intensity of the events of Holy Week. This Passion story is beautifully crafted; told from the perspective of the disciple Luke, who is deeply touched by the story he is recording. The choir assumes Lukes's role in the drama. Pepper Choplin uses the folk-like quality of the music to bring a fresh approach to the story of Christ's journey to the Cross.

"Once Upon a Tree" by Pepper Choplin

Once upon a tree, a good man died, and though He did no crime, He was crucified. If the story ended there, I would have no song to share, but my heart will ever sing the story. Once upon a tree, so the story goes, and all its mystery surely no one knows. Could the Father's will be done through the suffering of His Son? And there comes the answer, "Once upon a tree."

For God so loved the world, He gave His priceless pearl. What greater love could there be? He died, He rose again, still the story doesn't end, for His spirit is living in me. What tale of human love could there ever be told? What song could compare with the one I hold? Through everything I am and through everything I'll be, let me sing my story: "Once upon a tree."

God's Great Peace to You!
Diana B.

THANK YOU



Thank you for providing paper towel, wrapping paper, and other cardboard tubes. We now have plenty to make a spectacular coral reef!

EASTER OFFERING

This year's Easter Offering will be going to the Soup Kitchen. This offering is above and beyond your usual giving.

***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 7:00-7:30 a.m. -Chick-fil-A - Whittlesey Rd.
- Youth Praise Band Wednesdays 4:30-5:30pm
- Spring and Summer dates will be out SUNDAY! Pick up a brochure!
- River of Life Mission Team Meeting 4:30pm Sunday March 3rd



THE BRIDGE COLLEGE MINISTRIES

If anyone would like to help support our Bridge College Ministry through providing food for these amazing students each week, please contact Jason and let him know you would like to help. Secondly, if you would like to give funds towards our weekly meal, you can give through our normal giving options and earmark it for Bridge College Ministries. We are having between 20-25 college students on Thursday Nights at 7:30 pm. Thank you for your continued prayers for God to open doors into these students' lives.

In His grip,
Jason

Family Night Supper

Wednesday, March 6
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Covered Dish Dinner

We will be having family night suppers on the first Wednesday of every month starting in March. Everyone is welcome!

NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR CONNECTION

Attention All Young Families, Singles & Young Adults

We have had a GREAT start with our new class. One of our major focuses is providing ministry opportunities to those who are seeking community and connection. This is an opportunity for those who may be a young family, a single at church or a single adult to come and have a conversation about how we can meet your needs and launch new discipleship ministries.

Please join us in the Ministry Center/Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. EVERY SUNDAY to continue the conversations as we prepare to LAUNCH into the new year together.

In His grip, Jason

HOLY WEEK

Wednesday, March 27

Lunch & Devotion

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Soup and Salad Lunch & Devotion

Church will provide lunch. If you would like to make a donation for lunch, you may do so.

Maundy Thursday, March 28

Lunch & Devotion

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Soup and Sandwiches
&

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Italian Dinner

Cost: \$7.00 per person

\$25 max per family

Friday, March 29

6:00 p.m. Good Friday Service

Deadline to make reservations for lunch and dinner is Monday, March 18th. Call the church office or email Teresa @ tdorminey@wynntonmethodistchurch.org.

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS
March 3, 2024



New Beginnings

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. We are always in need of fruit cups, individually packaged snacks (goldfish crackers, pretzels, scooby-snacks, pudding cups, etc.), individually packaged breakfast (cereal, oatmeal, or grits), or financial contributions so that we can purchase these items. Please consider helping.



We had a great Packing Party last October with 277 boxes packed and turned in. For March, we are focusing on collecting **washcloths, toothbrushes, hairbrushes, large combs & deodorant.**

If at any time you find a good deal on anything we collect, please let us know so we can let others know where to find that item.

Keep in mind, these items are **not** allowed: soap, toothpaste, candy, liquids, camouflage, and tiny toys/balls.

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES

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

jwade@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
gtincher@wynntonmethodistchurch.org
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.

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

A big thank you to all who have volunteered to be a Guest Reader at WAA to help the students celebrate Read Across America!

All time slots are filled!

Keep watching this space for the next opportunity to connect with WAA as Partners in Education!!

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 8



We begin to really get into the depth of Jesus beginning to fully reveal Himself through the power of healing. We watch as Jesus is beginning to encounter people where they are and is watching as so many desire to come and encounter the True Shepherd. Jesus reveals His role as Shepherd and helps to encourage us to understand our role as Christian shepherds as well. We truly see the battle between the holiness of Christ and Jesus' intent to share love versus the world's misunderstanding of who they want the Messiah to be for them. This is where the truth of Christ's message begins to hit the wall of the established religious leaders of the day.

March 3	John 8:42-47
March 4	John 8:48-59
March 5	John 9:1-12
March 6	John 9:13-23
March 7	John 9:24-34
March 8	John 9:35-41
March 9	John 10:1-21

PRAYER TIME IN THE CHAPEL

Every Wednesday
(Drop in)

12:00-1:00 pm
5:30-6:30 pm





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 | Jennefer Spell |
| Aubrey Walker | Frank Feagle |
| David Woolbright | Richard Holmes |
| Pam Feagle | Shelley Montgomery |
| Betty Garrett | Robert Garrard |
| Jeanine Cotton | Sabrina Hart |
| Michelle Foote | Beverly McDaniel |
| Kaye Hill | Abraham Cook |
| Lynn Christenson | Jaleen Welch |
| Casey Campbell | Rachael Casar |

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

- Family of Clara Russell
- Family of Lexy McRae
- Family of Bob Lowery

BE A WYNNNTON 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.



OUR STEWARDSHIP

2-25-24	
General Fund	7,361.00
Backpacks of Grace	100.00
Loose Offering.....	65.00
Missions.....	50.00
Pre-Paid Pledges	9,600.00
Sunday School.....	40.00
Wynnnton Neighborhood Housing.....	100.00

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 3 Andrew Hubbard, David Pringle
- 4 Margie Spurlin
- 5 Martha Sherman
- 6 J.T. Taylor
- 7 Katie Bass



OUR ATTENDANCE

2-25-24	
8:30 a.m.	41
9:00 a.m.	21
11:00 a.m.	133
Sunday School.....	107

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 3

- 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
10:00 am Young Adult Discipleship Meeting -
Ministry Center
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. 211 Faith Connection - Basement

Monday, March 4

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

Tuesday, March 5

- 9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building
5:00 p.m. Wynnton Neighborhood Housing - Library
6:00 p.m. Staff Parish Meeting - Alpha Building

Wednesday, March 6

- 9:30 a.m. Women of Joy Bible Study - Alpha
Building
12:00-1:00 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
4:30-5:30 p.m. Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
5:30 p.m. Family Night Supper - Ministry Center
5:30-6:30 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study - Ambassadors of Christ

Thursday, March 7

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building
9:45 a.m. Backpacks of Grace
7:30-9:00 p.m. The Bridge College Bible Study - Basement

Friday, March 8

- 7:00 -7:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A -
Whittlesey Rd.
5:00-8:00 p.m. Modern Worship Practice - Ministry Center

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Nursery

8:30 am – 12:15 pm
Infants – Age 2
First Floor Grimes Building

Sunday School

9:45-10:50 am
Pre-K – Fifth Grade
First Floor Grimes Building



Children's Church

11:00 am – 12:00 pm (after Children's Sermon)
3-year-olds – Fifth Grade
First Floor Grimes Building
**Parents, please make sure to check in with our
registration system (hallway or Children's Center)

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD March 3, 2024

Team 4: Dave Stevenson, Bart Wilson,
Paul Therrien, Andy Andresen

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.

SUNDAY'S SERMON

Words to Live By:

"Dear Woman Here is Your Son, Here is Your Mother"

John 19:25-27

8:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Dr. Jason Wade

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies March 1-3
Dr. Jason Wade 770-289-4039