



*Love God, Love People, and Serve Together*

**“Fields of Faith”**

**October 15, 2023**

I am so excited to be a part of what God is beginning to reveal in the life of Wynnton Methodist Church. I know that we all are in prayer in how God is going to use us in the days, months and even years to come in the Columbus area. We have already had a large impact on many of the people within our community, and I continue to pray for the FIELDS that are still being prepared.

Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, is just one example of how God has been opening doors to impact Columbus. I am inviting you to pray for the Fields of Faith that will be happening today at Kinnett Stadium. Hundreds to possibly thousands of students will be coming from all over Columbus to spend time in revival and listening to the Word of God being preached. God is moving, and we have the opportunity to be a part of the fields that have been planted and are ready to be harvested.

There are Fields all over Columbus that are ready to have the Word of God planted. As we continue to pray for our stewardship campaign, I am also asking that we see the ESSENTIAL role that our FAITH plays in fulfilling God’s plan for Wynnton. I know that we are just now beginning to take small steps as we are watching people return and new families visit, but we still need to continue to pray that God reveals to us His purpose and vision. The Holy Spirit is preparing the Fields of Faith that we are to step into in the days ahead. What are the ministries that need to be birthed that will bring families back into our community? Who are the people that we need to engage to revitalize the amazing Field of Faith that Wynnton has always been in Columbus?

Over the last year we have truly been tried and tested, and I know that there are more tests to come in the near future. When God is about to show up and show out, satan does everything possible to cause us to doubt our role in expanding God’s Kingdom. So the field lays dormant until the time when God finds those who are ready to step out in faith and prepare the fields for the harvest again.

Families of Wynnton, now is our time to step out into our Fields of Faith. It is our time to recognize the presence of the Holy Spirit amongst us as we seek new ways to share the Gospel to a community in need. This means that we all have to work together and use our gifts to make our Church body even stronger. As we step onto the field, may we never forget that our vision is to Love God, Love People and Serve Together. Our vision is ESSENTIAL to fulfilling God’s plan. Are you ready to find the Fields of Faith God has been preparing for us to tend? I am! Who is willing to follow?

In His grip,  
Jason

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*The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of Susan Chriss for her birthday on October 25 and in memory of Art Chriss for his birthday on October 12 by their children and grandchildren.*

## MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Joe Batastini** by Linda & Wallace Twiggs; Sue & Bill Pope; Shirley & John Richey



We need volunteers to help with flower delivery in 2024. If you would be interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Carol Hammock at 706-577-1575. Flowers can be picked up after the 11:00 service on Sunday or on Monday.

## BACKPACKS OF GRACE

Backpacks of Grace needs your help! We have a record number of children we are serving this year of 101 kids! Backpacks of Grace is one of our weekly ministry opportunities. Each Thursday during the school year, we pack bags of food to send to Wynnton Arts Academy to hand out to children who need weekend meals. Each bag includes two breakfasts, two lunches, a fruit cup, and a snack. Donations toward this ministry are greatly appreciated. Donations include: pudding cups, fruit cups, individual oatmeal or grits packets, individual boxed cereals, individual servings of goldfish crackers, scooby-snacks, or other snack items. Please, no peanut products. There is a donation bin in the Ministry Center. You can also give a monetary contribution through the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Michaela Walley at [mwalley@wynntonmethodistchurch.org](mailto:mwalley@wynntonmethodistchurch.org).

## PECAN SALE

The Joyful Noise Sunday school class is selling pecans again. Call on any member of the Joyful Noise class to order yours. Our first order is due Oct. 10th, a second order will be placed on November 5th, and a final order on December 3rd. Thank you for supporting this mission project!

Prices

1 lb. halves \$12.00

1/2 lb halves \$7.00

1 lb. pieces \$12.00

1/2 lb. chocolates \$9.00

## JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR! 🎵

1 Peter 4:10-11

*Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so in the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.*

As Christians, we are called to take care of each other and all that God has blessed us with. This includes the essentials we are focused on this stewardship month. This week, our discussion is centered on air, an essential to our survival. Air is also essential to our faith. I envision air as the Breath of God; the presence of the Holy Spirit. If we allow the Holy Spirit to work in us and through us, we have the opportunity to develop our gifts and increase our faith. It also allows us the opportunity to experience Spirit-filled moments of great peace and joy. This Sunday, our Wynnton Choirs will sing prayerful anthems that reflect a desire to be led by the Holy Spirit; a desire to let the Holy Spirit work in us and through us, so that our service leads us to be more like Jesus.

*"Precious Spirit, Breath of Peace" by Joseph Martin  
Precious Spirit, breath of peace, fall upon my heart today. Call so gently to my being, follow in my way. Loving Spirit source of life, fill my heart with joy divine. Grant my life your richest blessing: Lord, your presence at my side.*

*Give me, Lord, a sense of challenge, grant me vision for thy work. Let my heart reach out to people. For your glory let me serve. Holy Spirit, light from heaven, fill my eyes with vision clear. Take my life and make it holy, take my life and make it holy, take my life and make it solely for the things you hold most dear.*

God's Great Peace to You!

Diana B.

## GENESIS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS CHRISTMAS WREATH FUNDRAISER

In the spirit of the season, please give your support and enjoy beautiful fresh holiday evergreens. Place your prepaid orders for this mission project through Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>. You may pick up your wreaths the week after Thanksgiving.

22" mixed evergreen wreath - \$30

28" mixed evergreen wreath - \$40

Contact any member of the Genesis Class to order.



- Sunday School 10 a. m. in the Basement
- 211 Faith Connection Sundays @ 5-7pm in the Basement!
- Youth CORE Group Bible Study Wednesdays 7:00 p.m. @ Ambassadors of Christ
- Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Fridays 7:00-7:30 a.m. at Chick-fil-A on Whittlesey
- Fall Retreat will be Nov. 17 & 18
- FIELDS OF FAITH has been postponed due to INCLEMENT weather. We will let you know ASAP what the new date will be
- Winter Retreat Dates are December 28-31. Please mark your calendar.

### **Fall Revival**

Please mark your calendars for  
October 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 5:30-7:00pm

Our Final Session will be Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> during  
our celebration Sunday @ 10:30am



**CELEBRATION SUNDAY  
& TAKE 5 Breakfast**

October 29<sup>th</sup> 9:30am Breakfast  
10:30am Service

**COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS  
October 15, 2023**

New Beginnings

## **READING THROUGH THE BIBLE**

### **Minor Prophets Reading**

Week 6

This week's readings take a little bit of a turn. While there is still a great deal of judgement, there is a clear reminder that God gives to His people.

"Then Haggai, the Lord's messenger, gave this message of the Lord to the people: 'I am with you,' declares the Lord." Haggai 1:13

I am with you. This is the clear declaration that God is present and acting for His people. All these years later, the message has still not changed. "I am with you." Still, to this day God is with us. The relevance in these pages is that this is a lesson we have to hold to heart. God has not forgotten us, not now or ever. God is still with us.

-Will

10/15- Habakkuk 3  
10/16- Zephaniah 1  
10/17- Zephaniah 2  
10/18- Zephaniah 3  
10/19- Haggai 1  
10/20- Haggai 2  
10/21- Zechariah 1

### **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.

### **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.

### FIELDS OF FAITH

Fields of Faith, at Kinnett Stadium, that was scheduled for today has been postponed due to weather.

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY

This year, we will be having our annual packing party on **Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m.** Please bring enough food to feed your family and a little extra. If you have any questions contact Michaela Walley (mwalley@wynntonmethodistchurch.org or 304-439-4202)

### WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

October 22 is a firm deadline to let Shirley Richey know the number of children your Sunday School class, your family or you as an individual will sponsor so that the children at WAA will feel the blessings of the season as your gifts are bestowed upon them.

On Wednesday, November 1, WAA will send out the names and profiles of those children that we have the privilege of serving to make their Christmas special! I will then be able to give the needed information to each group or individual so the shopping can begin!!

Please deliver your UNWRAPPED gifts starting December 6th. ALL gifts should be delivered by end of day (2:30) on December 13<sup>th</sup> to the school!!!

ALSO, on NOVEMBER 16th there will be a Faculty Thanksgiving Meal. WAA has expressed a need for desserts to serve that day. I am hoping many of you can join me in providing this need. Please deliver these desserts to the school on the 14th or 15th.

Let me know if you are interested in going into classrooms or the library to read to the students. The Media Specialist is excited to begin this activity again. Contact Shirley Richey if you would like to do this!!

Any questions? Call/text Shirley Richey at 706-332-6890

### 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!

Come and participate in game day every first Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the Alpha Building!

We will be going to Roosevelt's Little White House on Thursday, October 19th. There is an entrance fee of \$9.75 for those over 62 or \$13 for those under 62. To sign up to go, please contact Michaela Walley at mwalley@wynntonmethodistchurch.org or by phone 304-439-4202 OR you can sign up on the bulletin board in the Grimes hallway.

Mark your calendars for our upcoming cookie/holiday dessert recipe exchange - Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. More details to come!

Rev. Michaela Walley  
Director of Family and Adult Ministries

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 15 Teresa Dorminey, Mac Plummer, Amanda Walker
- 17 Catherine Hubbard, Vicki Ragan
- 18 Ramona Andresen
- 19 Laura Cowart
- 20 Grace Baas, Cal Callier, Ina Davis, Jo Anna Lawson, Chipper Walker

### OUR STEWARDSHIP

| 10-8-23                  |           |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| General Fund .....       | 17,083.00 |
| Backpacks of Grace ..... | 25.00     |
| Discretionary Fund ..... | 100.00    |
| Endowment .....          | 125.00    |
| Loose Offering.....      | 660.50    |
| Sunday School .....      | 36.00     |
| Missions.....            | 50.00     |
| Music .....              | 25.00     |

## OUR ATTENDANCE

### 10-8-23

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| 8:30 a.m. Service .....  | 33 |
| Modern Service.....      | 29 |
| 11:00 a.m. Service ..... | 99 |
| Sunday School .....      | 69 |

### WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

October 15:

**Team 5:** Jesse Kelley, Comer Alexander

### 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 November. 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 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   | Tina Martinez      |
| Michelle Foote   | Robert Garrard     |
| Kaye Hill        | Mailyn McConnell   |
| Lynn Christenson | Scott Mims         |
| Jarrold Hart     | Tom Stafford       |
| Larry Spell      | Sabrina Hart       |
| Lynn Ezzell      | Bill Pope          |

**Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:**  
The Batastini Family

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, October 15

|                |                                            |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 8:30 a.m.      | Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary    |
| 9:00 a.m.      | Modern Worship Service - Ministry Center   |
| 9:45 a.m.      | Sunday School for Adults, Youth & Children |
| 11:00 a.m.     | Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary    |
| 5:00-7:00 p.m. | CORE Groups - Basement                     |
| 6:00 p.m.      | Bible Study - Alpha Building               |
| 7:30-9:00 p.m. | The Bridge College Bible Study - Basement  |

### Monday, October 16

|            |                                          |
|------------|------------------------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m.  | Fitness Group - Alpha Building           |
| 9:00 a.m.  | Parent Community Group - Ministry Center |
| 10:00 a.m. | Women's Bible Study - Library            |
| 5:30 p.m.  | Bible Study - Home of Beth Hendrickson   |
| 5:30 p.m.  | Sunday School Council - Ministry Center  |

### Tuesday, October 17

|                |                                           |
|----------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 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, October 18

|                 |                                           |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 9:30 a.m.       | Women's Bible Study - Alpha Building      |
| 12:00-1:00 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                  |
| 7:00 p.m.       | Youth Bible Study - Ambassadors of Christ |
| 7:00 p.m.       | Missions Committee Meeting - Library      |
| 7:15 p.m.       | Chancel Choir Rehearsal                   |

### Thursday, October 19

|            |                                             |
|------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 7:30 a.m.  | Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building          |
| 9:45 a.m.  | Backpacks of Grace                          |
| 12:15 p.m. | Trip to Little White House (meet at church) |
| 6:00 p.m.  | Children's Council Meeting - Library        |

### Friday, October 20

|                 |                                                         |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:00 -7:30 a.m. | Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A - Whittlesey Rd. |
| 12:00 p.m.      | Goodwill Class Meeting - Ministry Center                |

### Flower Delivery

Carol Hammock



## IN-DEPTH MARK BIBLE STUDY

Our Sunday night Bible study continues! All are welcome to attend. We meet in the Alpha Building Community Room Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. This week we are reading through Mark 1:29-45. 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 reading, 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 15th to discuss them as a group. Please join us as we take a deep dive of the Bible together!



For the Shoeboxes in October, we will be collecting Wow items. These include: balls, cars/trucks, yo-yos, slinkys, coloring books, sewing kits, small stuffed animals, jump ropes, and other small toys.

Help us reach our goal of packing 180 boxes!

So far, we have:

Socks: 67 pairs of 180 needed

Deodorant: 57 of 180 needed

Jump Ropes: 8 of 30 needed

Slinkys: 3 of 10 needed

Sewing kits: 4 of 10 needed

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. If you'd like to make a monetary contribution, Michaela and Pam will purchase items for you.

Thanks, Michaela and Pam

## PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies Oct. 13-15  
Rev. Will Walley 601-337-9691



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.

## SUNDAY'S SERMON

*Holy Spirit Breathe in Me*

John 20:19-22

Dr. Jason Wade – 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Rev. Will Walley– 8:30 a.m.

## Membership Card and Updates:

Please help us update our information by using this QR code or click the image. This is just another simple way to help us update your membership status. You can also pick up a card from the church office!

