

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

November 24, 2024

I find it very interesting how we as a people can be so fickle. We can often change our mind on some things as easily as the wind can change its direction. We can have our heart set on something like a new car, new phone, an outfit or just about anything else, and once we get it, we decide it isn't all we thought it would be. We can have something that is working perfectly well for us, but then we see the one our neighbor has... or an advertisement comes out, and we become convinced that what we have is no longer good enough.

This is not a new issue. It has been going on since the dawn of time, and there is one striking example of it in Scripture. In 1 Samuel 8, near the end of Samuel's life, there is a cry from the people to have a king. They were led out of the promise land by God... using Moses... and they had conquered the promise land with God's help. They had been doing quite well with the prophets leading them but ultimately with God being in charge. But the fickle nature of humanity set in. Samuel was growing old, and the people came to him and said, "You are old, and your sons do not follow your ways; now appoint a king to lead us, such as all the other nations have."

Samuel went to God in prayer and was told, "Listen to all that the people are saying to you; it is not you they have rejected, but they have rejected me as their king." God was not enough. They wanted to have what the other countries had. They had looked around at the other countries. They had read the ads that were running in the Philistine weekly paper and came to the conclusion a king would be a better leader than God. Kingdoms come, and kingdoms go.

Here in the US, we got rid of a king in 1776 and decided we would try another option. While we may not have liked the idea, there are still 43 kings or queens still reigning throughout the world. I don't know about you, but I was actually surprised to find this out. I was aware that there were still a few, but I didn't have any idea there were that many. These countries have grown accustomed to the idea even if some of them are mostly figureheads at this point.

When we talk about kings, we often think of this being from ages gone by... or from a different world... but the reality is there is still a King on the throne. It may sound foreign to us in our democracy/republic, and we may even balk some at the idea because we don't like to be subjects and we know kings can often do bad things. In spite of our history, we have to go back to Scripture, and on many occasions, we are reminded God is our King... Christ is King. As we come to the end of the Church year, we celebrate Christ the King Sunday. It is a beautiful way of acknowledging that we are not in charge; our life is not our own, and there is only One on the throne.

Join us this Sunday and let's proclaim with heart and voice... Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne!!!!

Steve

The Chancel Flowers are given today to honor Bennett Massey and Tara Massey Cook on their November birthdays by Lynda Massey.

Welcome New Members

Jarrod Bolin
Justin Bolin
Lacey Robertson
Meredith Avery Huckelba
Jeremy Bolin

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Jeanine Cotton** by Cindy & Randy Autry; Carolyn Holland; Melissa Derby; Neita & John Denny

THANKSGIVING OFFERING

Our Finance Committee has designated our Thanksgiving offering to go to the Wynnton Neighborhood Network. You may make your gift any time in November in a worship service or by mailing it to the church office.

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 final order will be placed on **December 8th**. 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, white, milk or dark chocolate

POINSETTIA SALE



Cost: \$12.00 **Deadline to order:** Sunday, December 8th

Delivery date:

Thursday, December 12th

See a New Beginnings Class member to order.

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER December 4, 2024 5:30 p.m. – Ministry Center Covered Dish

Please bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy a time of fellowship!

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



This Sunday, we recognize Christ the King Sunday. Christ the King Sunday is a reminder that the Son of God, who humbled himself by becoming human and dying on the cross for our sins, is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Christ the King Sunday brings to light the reality that even in the face of a chaotic world that seems shadowed in darkness, God reigns over all. This Sunday is also the last Sunday before Thanksgiving. It is right to give thanks to God in all things as a vital part of our faith journey. Being thankful can guide us as we love God, love people, and serve together.

Since 1985, the anthem *At the Name of Jesus*, has been recognized as a standard in church choral literature. Based on Philippians 2:6-11, the text skillfully illustrates the willingness of Christ to set aside his divine rights, humble himself, and become obedient to death, even death on the cross! The impressive conclusion of this anthem exclaims that, "at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, in heaven and in earth, and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord," to the glory of the Father.

Chancel Choir Anthem

"At the Name of Jesus" by Cindy Berry Jesus, though He was God, did not cling to his rights as God; but laid aside His mighty power, His mighty power and glory taking the form of a servant, and becoming like men.

He humbled himself, He humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on the cross. At the name of Jesus, at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow in heaven and in earth. At the name of Jesus, at the name of Jesus, every knee shall bow in heaven and in earth.

That every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord! That every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!

At the name of Jesus! At the name of Jesus!

As we worship together this Sunday, I pray that we are all inspired to humble ourselves, that we strive to be more like Christ, and that we allow God to work in us according to His good purpose.

God's Great Peace to You! Diana B.



There's no better time than now to get connected with the student ministry here at Wynnton! All 6th-12th grade students are invited to join us at any of our gatherings throughout the week.

Wednesday Night Supper and Bible Study

6:30pm-8:00pm

Ambassadors of Christ

Friday Morning Prayer Breakfast

7:00am-7:30am

Chick-fil-A on Whittlesey

211 Faith Connection/Sunday Night Youth

5:00pm-7:00pm

The Basement

This November 22nd-24th we will be heading to Epworth by the Sea for Encounter Youth Event. This will be a great Fall Retreat full of fellowship, Bible study, and worship!

For Fall Retreat information and registration, please scan the QR code to view it on the church website. (black & white)





To view and import the youth calendar into your Apple or Google Calendar please scan this QR code: (orange)

If you have not joined the GroupMe, please scan this QR code to join. This is the main form of communication with our parents:



Blessings, Derek Harrison

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

3-year-olds - Fourth Grade

First Floor Grimes Building

Children's Church

11:00 am - 12:00 pm (after Children's Sermon)

3-year-olds - Fourth Grade

First Floor Grimes Building

**Parents, please make sure to check in with our registration system (hallway or Children's Center)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE Sunday, November 17:



Nursery:

Carrie Thomas and Becky Bray

Sunday School & Children's Church:

Carol Hammock & Penny Lamb

Children's Worship Bulletins™☆

Children's bulletins are available on Sunday mornings for all services. They are in the Sanctuary and in the Ministry Center.

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

Enjoy your shopping for Christmas gifts for students at Wynnton Arts Academy!

If you have not received the information you need in order to begin shopping, you will receive it no later than November 17.

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this project that provides so much joy in the lives of these students.

Call/text Shirley Richey @ 706-332-6890.

Wynnton Neighborhood Network Giving

November 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, plus items needed for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Givaway. 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 November. 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, Mix 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).



WYNNTON WRITERS

The next gathering of the Wynnton Writers will be Thursday, December 5, at 10:00 in the library, located directly across from the Ministry Center. This is a new group formed for the purpose of recording your stories. Recently, we heard a sermon series entitled We All Have Something To Say. We all have our story to tell whether it be a funny one, a nostalgic one, or a time that was particularly influential and encouraging, etc.

Call/text Shirley Richey @ 706-332-6890 with your questions.

Hope you will come join us on December 5!!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Walt HartBob Jones



OUR ATTENDANCE

11-17-24	
8:30 a.m	50
9:00 a.m	
11:00 a.m	126
Sunday School	92

OUR STEWARDSHIP

11-17-24	
General Fund	8,033.00
Backpacks of Grace	1,325.00
Loose Offering	
Missions	50.00
Music	500.00
Open Arms	1,010.00
Other Contributions	140.00
Sunday School	44.00
Thanksgiving	
Wynnton Neighborhood Network	



Saturday, December 7, 2024 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m. Ministry Center

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD November 24

Team 7: Eddie Cawthorne, Jeff Yates, Ed Annable

OFFERING TRUSTEES SCHEDULE

November 24: Linell Pringle & Penny Lamb

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS November 24



Pathfinders

OUR DEPLOYED CHURCH MEMBERS AND FAMILY OF CHURCH MEMBERS



Sam Perez

If you have a deployed family member and you would like them added to our list, please call the office.

SUNDAY'S SERMON

Christ the King: God's Gift of Hope John 18:33-37

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Rev. Steve Croft 9:00 a.m. - Dr. Jason Wade

JESUS CAME IN LOVE



Festival of Lessons and Carols Sunday, December 15, 2024 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 45

Scripture Readings



This week we will be reading the verses that have been a part of our most recent sermon series. Even though you have heard them recently, they are still worth the time to read again. The readings also include the arrest of Jesus and Peter's attempt at bravery. Sit with each day and listen. If you sense the Lord is speaking to you about anything specific, I would love to hear from you.

Steve

November 25	John 17:1-5
November 26	John 17:6-12
November 27	John 17:13-19
November 28	John 17:20-25
November 29	John 18:1-6
November 30	John 18:7-11
December 1	John 18:12-14

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

Aubrey Walker

David Woolbright

Pam Feagle

Michelle Foote

Jennefer Spell

Frank Feagle

Sabrina Hart

Walter Cook

Ben Smith

Virginia Bonner
Lynn Christenson
Hazel Hope
Mike Woodard
Joyce Hawkins

Candace Hickman
Larry Campbell
Jonique Edmondson
Joan Chapman
Jud Calfee

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Marsh Bolin Family of Jeanine Cotton

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 24

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

Monday, November 25

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Library

Tuesday, November 26

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Train Burger King

Wednesday, November 27

OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday, November 28

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Saturday, November 30

9:00 a.m. Advent/Christmas Decorating

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies: November 22-24 Dr. Jason Wade 770-289-4039