

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

“Something to Say”

August 18, 2024

As we begin a new series this week entitled Something to Say, we are encouraged to know that all of us have a story. God has intentionally stepped into different parts of our lives to help us recognize the fullness of our calling. I know that many people have always told me that they could not do what I do for a living by standing in front of people and speaking. However, I fully believe that God has given us all a voice, and whether that means we speak through our words, music, writing, dancing, or our actions, we all have Something to Say.

All throughout my life, I have heard the voice of my father continuously telling me that actions speak louder than words, but God has given us the words that we need to speak so the world will know. I know that may sound confusing, but it really means that we all have this important story that someone needs to hear. All of us are connected to God’s story, and it may be a simple phrase that is a part of our life story that needs to be shared for someone to hear.

Many times, we understand this term to be a Testimony. If you have ever heard my definition of testimony, I define it as a TEST I’M ON to tell people Y I choose Jesus as my Savior. So, my story is so valuable because of the possibilities of what it can do to help others in their journey. All of us have Something to Say, and God needs you to share that with the people you encounter. All of our lives are layered with God’s fingerprints. Examples may be how we made it through tragedies and certain situations that we never could imagine would happen to us. However, through the strength of prayer and with God’s hand, we were able to persevere.

So, what about you? What has God called you to say? In your heart there will always be a stirring of the Holy Spirit to use your life to be a TESTIMONY for God. Regardless of your age, history, baggage, successes or failures, you have Something to Say, and God needs you to say it boldly. In my life I have found that life is precious, and through the wisdom of our experiences, we are able to help others along the way.

It is not just the power of EF Hutton that will cause people to stop and listen, but the power of the Holy Spirit that lives and breathes inside of you that is trying to be released into the world. Over the next few weeks, I pray that you will take the stories and listen to the way God has been using others on their journey to impact the world. I pray that you will understand that God is putting together words that can be used to tear down barriers, bring people back together or spread wisdom that will save the lives of others who are desperately in need of what you have to say. As disciples of Jesus, we are created as vessels to share His story through our story. May our words be few and powerful as we take hold of exactly what God needs for us to say!

In His grip,
Jason

LOVE AND SYMPATHY

To the family and friends for the loss of Tyler Smith, our Modern Worship Leader, on August 13, 2024.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Corey Comperatore** by Pam & Mike Woodard

In memory of **Rick McKnight** by Lynda & Bennett Massey

In memory of **Sarah Ruggles** by Ramona & Andy Andresen

In memory of **Melba Gay** by Ramona & Andy Andresen

In memory of **Raymond Wardwell** by Lynda & Bennett Massey

In memory of **Elizabeth Stephens** by Pam & Mike Woodard

In memory of **Don Stephens** by Pam & Mike Woodard

The Chancel Flowers are given in memory of Ralph Hammond on his birthday by Nancy Hammond.

Save the Date!



Welcome Back Sunday on Sept. 8th!
FREE lunch!

Make your lunch reservations by Sept. 1st at
<https://www.wynntonumc.org/welcomeback>

Use the QR code to reserve a table for the ministry fair.



JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



SUMMER CAMP MEETING AT WYNNTON!



For many of us, the concept of "joy" can be difficult to define. Christian author C.S. Lewis describes "joy" in his autobiography *Surprised by Joy*. Lewis explains, "you don't find joy by pursuing it - joy is a byproduct. Joy can come from loving and being loved, and from work that you love, but the greatest and most enduring joy is from knowing God through Jesus Christ and being a part of his joyful kingdom." Composer Elton Roth experienced enduring joy when he stepped into a neighborhood church to escape the sweltering summer heat in Texas. As Roth walked through the quiet empty space, he felt the Holy Spirit and began to sing a melody as he wandered through the aisles of the Sanctuary. The music he sang would become one of the first hymns he ever composed, "In My Heart There Rings a Melody." This joy-filled hymn embodies the joy of knowing God through Jesus Christ.

Sunday, our Chancel Choir will sing Larry Shackley's arrangement of Elton Roth's hymn "In My Heart There Rings a Melody." The four-hand piano accompaniment is lively and fun, with the feel of a Sousa march. This arrangement is a rousing, joyful version of Roth's original hymn.

"In My Heart There Rings a Melody" arr. by Larry Shackley
Piano in four-hands, Kay Hart and Donna Thigpen

I have a song that Jesus gave me, it was sent from heav'n above; there never was a sweeter melody, 'tis a melody of love. In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with heaven's harmony. In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody of love.

I love the Christ who died on Calv'ry, for He washed my sins away. He put within my heart a melody, and I know it's there to stay. In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with heaven's harmony. In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody of love.

'Twill be my endless theme in glory, with the angels I will sing; 'twill be a song with glorious harmony, when the courts of heaven ring.

In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with heaven's harmony. In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody of love.

Isaiah 55:12

You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

God's Great Peace to You!
Diana B.



Hello everyone!

I am praying for all of our students and their families as we all get back into the rhythms that come with the school year. I know that sports, homework, and extracurricular activities are gearing up for the fall and it's already filling our calendars up. In the mix of all the business do not forget to slow down and find time for yourself. Make the time to spend with Jesus through prayer, getting into God's word, and through christian community. My goal this school year is to create an environment where all students can take a pause from the business of their schedules and step into a faith filled environment where they have the space to make all that happen.

Check out our activities this week that all students are invited to attend!

Wednesday Night Supper and Bible Study - 6:30pm-8:00pm | Ambassadors of Christ
Friday Morning Prayer Breakfast - 7:00am-7:30am at CFA on Whittlesey
Sunday Night Youth - 5:00pm-7:00pm | The Basement

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me!

Blessings,
Derek Harrison

CHILDREN'S BULLETINS

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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE Sunday, August 18:

Nursery:
Carrie Thomas/Neita Denny

Sunday School and Children's Church:
Brenda Wilson/Kim Carroll

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)

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 32



We start off our readings this week with the first recorded miracle by Jesus in the Gospel of John. We also catch a glimpse of the zeal Jesus has for prayer in the temple, His conversation with Nicodemus and John the Baptist acknowledging the greatness of Jesus. 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

August 18	John 2:1-12
August 19	John 2:13-25
August 20	John 3:1-8
August 21	John 3:9-15
August 22	John 3:16-21
August 23	John 3:22-26
August 24	John 3:27-36



The athletic department at CSU will be hosting a golf tournament on Wednesday, November 13th. We will be partnering with them to help with registration and handing out food. They will then in turn make a donation to our Open Arms Ministry!! If you are interested in helping, please let Steve know as soon as possible.

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

It is time! School has opened for another great school year at WAA!

It is time to help teachers out with supplies for their classrooms. The most needed items include boxes of tissue, hand sanitizer, and band aids!

Please begin dropping these items into the bin in the Ministry Center, and they will be delivered promptly to the teachers at WAA.

Thank you for helping.

NEXT OPEN ARMS

September 7, 2024

OPEN ARMS

Prayer Concerns for Our Community

- Prayers for themselves and family
- Leaking roof
- Food for the family
- Prayers for a pastor and his church building.
- Man dealt with addiction for 50 years but broke his addiction through a program called DRC. He is now attending our church!
- Clothing
- Housing
- Continue to check on those in the community.
- Prayers and anti-drug rallies
- Car trouble
- Pain and legs
- Prayers for depression from deceased loved ones
- Healing of a broken back from a wreck
- Can't afford a needed MRI
- Medical issues and cannot afford healthcare
- Pray for unity in families

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 18 Deb McCranie
- 20 Carolyn Evans, Penny Lamb
- 22 Eric Doss
- 23 Reggie Kelley



OUR ATTENDANCE

8-11-24

8:30 a.m.	42
9:00 a.m.	25
11:00 a.m.	113
Sunday School	94

OUR STEWARDSHIP

8-11-24

General Fund.....	15,178.30
Backpacks of Grace	50.00
Music	200.00
Loose Offering	58.00
Open Arms Ministry	700.00
Operation Christmas Child	100.00
Sunday School	45.00
Missions	70.00
Other Contributions	66.00

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 August. 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.





We are collecting school supplies in August. Watch for some of these items on sale and get more for your money.

For August, we are collecting crayons, markers, pencils, sharpeners that hold shavings, and ball point pens. Remember, you can get deals when school sales begin. Our goal is to pack 300 boxes.

Items collected:

Toothbrushes: 129	Ikea cups: 50
Washcloths: 75	Notebook paper: 27
Combs: 200	Large Crayons (8 Ct): 10
Hairbrushes: 22	24 pk Crayons: 95
Deodorant: 72	Markers: 61
Ball Caps: 16	Sharpener: 109
Colored Pencils: 125	Note pads: 40
Socks: 6	T-Shirts: 91
Erasers: 72	Pencils: 250
Pens: 292	Scissors: 34

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.
Pam Gilstrap

SUNDAY'S SERMON

Something to Say:
My Life Matters
Acts 8:26-40

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

OUR DEPLOYED CHURCH MEMBERS AND FAMILY OF CHURCH MEMBERS



Adam Walker
Sam Perez

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



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 Friday 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.

OFFERING TRUSTEES SCHEDULE

August 18: John Richey & Harold Hill

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS

August 18, 2024



Sojourners Class

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD

August 18, 2024

Team 7: Eddie Cawthorne, Jeff Yates,
Ed Annable

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies: Aug. 16-18
Dr. Jason Wade 770-289-4039

Family Night Supper
Wednesday, September 4
5:30 p.m.
Ministry Center

NAME BADGES

Please remember to continue to wear your new name badges in the next couple months.



Flower Delivery

Neita Denny



Our Known Prayer Concerns:

Sue Rogers	Jennefer Spell
Aubrey Walker	Frank Feagle
David Woolbright	Richard Holmes
Pam Feagle	Shelley Montgomery
Betty Garrett	Sabrina Hart
Jeanine Cotton	Walter Cook
Michelle Foote	Ben Smith
Virginia Bonner	Freddie Richardson
Lynn Christenson	Rodney Dean
Hazel Hope	Candace Hickman
Scott Mims	Linda Wade
Mike Woodard	Danette Allen
Grayson Graham	Brenda Wilson
Larry Campbell	

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Rick McKnight
Family of Raymond Wardwell
Family of Tyler Smith

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 18

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 a.m. Young Adult Discipleship Meeting - Ministry Center
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting - Library
5:00-7:00 p.m. 211 Family Faith Connection - Basement

Tuesday, August 20

10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building
5:45 p.m. Finance Meeting - Alpha Building

Wednesday, August 21

4:00-5:30 p.m. Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting - Library

Thursday, August 22

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building

Friday, August 23

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