

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

“What Song Do I Bring?”

September 15, 2024

How is your personal song to God coming? Yes, I am very serious about taking some time to write a song to God, or a letter if you don't feel musically inclined. If only everything was as simple as a song. I mean in the midst of our lives, we cry out to God for so many different reasons. Actually, writing or journaling your journey puts a different perspective to where you have been and where God has led you. We can easily see that through our journey at Wynnton over the last few years. I honestly don't believe that any of us could have imagined we would be here, but guess what... WE ARE!!

Sunday, I loved seeing the ministry fair in the Ministry Center. It was able to paint a beautiful picture of different gifts, talents, and abilities coming together to formulate connection to people in and around Columbus and to the far corners of the world. Each ministry is playing a part like individual instruments playing a concerto. The music continues to build and swell until it erupts into crescendos played by a mighty symphony orchestra to the ear of God. The individual music in us continues to build our community of faith stronger to profess the majesty of God. You see, our lives are just musical instruments that are ready to be played with all of our own sounds and voices that grow together to become an orchestra to profess the Gospel story of Christ.

God is good! I continue to see that through each day that passes. God is revealed in and throughout our story at 2412 Wynnton Road. As we continue to grow together at Wynnton, I do believe that God is providing movements for the different stages of our journey that can be represented through our song and worship. A symphony is made up of four sections called movements. As in a symphony, movements help to tell the story and provide dynamic ways in which we encounter God. Each movement follows its own structure or format. The first uses a quick tempo and presents the thematic material, the second is slower and more lyrical, the third is usually a minuet or scherzo, and the final movement often uses sonata-allegro form to return back to the original speed. The same is true about our journey with God together. First, we have a vision and excitement with ideas of how to grow. Second, we take time to slowly plot, plan, and equip our people in preparation for where we are going. Thirdly, our minuet or scherzo is a plan to move forward joyfully in excitement and anticipation for what is to come in the future as we watch God's plans unfold. Finally, we return to our original tempo for the new vision God has provided as we prepare to write another song to God.

What Song Do I Bring? That is such an interesting question, is it not? However, I can answer it in the only way I know how. The song I bring is the life I live; the joy, the burdens, the mountaintops, and the valleys, which help to formulate a complete ballad that eventually is laid out before the throne of God. Played out only once as each second of each day adds to the beauty of my song...my life given to God. The same is true for us all. Whether we want to admit it or not, our song is only sung one time. Even though we may see common melodies throughout our ballad, it continues to add its own newness to the movement. Finally, it concludes with our last breath of praise we give to God. Realize that you may not see your life as a song, but to God you provide an amazing piece to a symphony orchestra that continues to resound the glory of God.

In His grip,
Jason



IN MEMORIAM

Joan Carswell
September 5, 2024

"In my Father's house are many mansions..."

The Chancel Flowers are given in loving memory of my husband, Joe Batastini, by Dorothy.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Richard Holmes** by Shirley & John Richey; Betty Woodruff

In memory of **Joan Carswell** by Shirley Moon; Anne Spell

GIFTS OF LOVE

In honor of **Sarah & Steve Croft** by Mary Jean Mullins

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Graham Dukes



JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



This week, we continue to study the Psalms as we journey together through our "Music in Me" sermon series. I am convicted by the power of the emotion in the Psalms. They touch us where we live in our lives. Perhaps they help us see God more clearly; they tell us of the power, the glory and the awe-inspiring beauty of God. This Sunday, we reflect on the message of Psalm 8. The focus of this Psalm is the majesty of God. God is majestic and has placed some of the blessings of that majesty on us. Sunday's anthems recognize the majesty and glory of God. The lyrics of our anthems remind us of God's creation, and celebrate His mighty works with glorious praise!

The Wesley Choir will sing "The Lord, He Made the Earth and Sky" by Natalie Sleeth.

Our Chancel Choir will sing "Arise and Bless the Lord," an uplifting and original anthem of praise by Dennis Allen. Three-time Dove winning composer Dennis Allen shares this thought on singing and praising God in worship: "Worship is a lifestyle. It is not just the music we choose to sing on Sunday mornings. Worship comes from our hearts. It is a time when we get our minds off ourselves and focus on the Lord."

"Arise and Bless the Lord" by Dennis Allen
Arise and bless the Lord your God. May his name be blessed forever. Exalt his name above all names. Arise and bless the Lord.

1. He alone is God. He has made the heaven and earth. He has made the sea and sky. Oh, praise the Lord forever!

2. He has done great things. He has been our fortress and strength. He has been our rock and guide. Oh, praise the Lord forever!

Arise and bless the Lord your God. May his name be blessed forever. Exalt his name above all names. Arise and bless the Lord. Let us feel your presence, Lord. Let us know your grace. Help us seek your truth, and walk by faith. Arise and bless the Lord your God. May his name be blessed forever. Exalt his name above all names. Arise and bless the Lord. Bless the Lord!

Psalm 8: 1

Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.

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 at CFA on Whittlesey
211 Faith Connection/Sunday Night Youth - 5:00pm-7:00pm | The Basement

Also, please send your student's extra-curricular schedules to me as well. We want to be a Wynnton family, and I would love the opportunity to come support our students doing the things they love!

If you would like to volunteer to assist with any of our student ministry opportunities or provide meals for our students, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. You can also go here to sign up to provide a meal for our students:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A44A4AD23A2FD0-50790151-wynntonaoc>

Lastly, stay in the know with all things happening in the life of the student ministry at Wynnton Methodist Church by joining the GroupMe. This is the main form of communication.

If you have not joined the GroupMe, please go here to join:
https://groupme.com/join_group/96663566/YWOd9q9z

Dates to Save:

Oct 30th | Trunk or Treat 5pm-7pm
Nov 6th | Fields of Faith @ Kinnett Stadium 6:30pm-8:30pm
Nov 22nd-24th | Fall Retreat @ Epworth by the Sea
Jan 23rd-26th | Rock the Universe

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

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, Sept. 15:

Nursery:

Carrie Thomas/Neita Denny

Sunday School & Children's Church:

Brenda Wilson/Kim Carroll

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.

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 October. 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.





**Family Night Supper
October 2, 2024
5:30 p.m.**

Come eat some chili as some of our best cooks compete for the WMC Best Chili honors! Please call the church office to let us know if you will bring spicy, regular, or special chili!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 15 Kay Hart
- 16 Shirley Richey
- 19 Judy Davidson, Pat Kelley
- 20 Will Vinyard
- 21 Delores Darrah



**WE NEED YOU!
October 30th 5-7 p.m.**

We are looking for a total of 30 cars for our Trunk or Treat. Please sign up with Teresa if you would like to participate. We will have food and fun for the kids in a safe environment. For information about this event, please contact Melissa Derby mderbypreschool@gmail.com
Theme: Superheroes.

OUR ATTENDANCE

9-8-24

8:30 a.m.....	38
9:00 a.m.....	17
11:00 a.m.....	114
Sunday School.....	81

OUR STEWARDSHIP

9-8-24

General Fund	13,205.00
Endowment	25.00
Loose Offering.....	659.00
Missions.....	50.00
Open Arms.....	50.00
Sunday School	50.00
Other Contributions	262.00



**ADULT MINISTRIES
Cell Phone Photography with Eliza
Tuesday, September 17, 2024
1:30 p.m.**

If you missed the first session with Eliza, you have another opportunity to come learn. It is a beginner-friendly class to review basic cell phone camera settings and learn how to take better photos in everyday settings. We will learn how to use phone camera settings to compose images with zoom or wide-angle view, how to shift our perspectives for portraits, how to add light to brighten images, and much more. There will be time to use this information and practice taking pictures around the church (and much more if time permits). Please contact Pam Gilstrap to sign up for the class. The class is limited to 15 people.

AUGUST FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Contributions to the Church	\$58,684.48
Expenses of the Church	\$74,155.57
Our August Deficit was	\$15,431.09
Our Year to Date Deficit is	\$6,189.22



September has arrived! We are collecting children's t-shirts now. Hobby Lobby has shirts for \$2.99. Quite colorful! Youth sizes are needed. We need plenty of them. You can find other needs OCC has by looking at the list on the door right past the Welcome Center. The packing party is scheduled for November 6 after our Wednesday Night Supper. If you are collecting at home, you can get boxes and fill your own, or you can bring your box and pack with us.

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| Toothbrushes: 129 | Ikea cups: 300 |
| Washcloths: 75 | Notebook paper: 69 |
| Combs: 200 | Large Crayons (8 Ct): 10 |
| Hairbrushes: 22 | 24 pk Crayons: 177 |
| Deodorant: 72 | Markers: 74 |
| Ball Caps: 16 | Sharpener: 226 |
| Colored Pencils: 278 | Note pads: 40 |
| Socks: 6 | T-Shirts: 101 |
| Erasers: 100 | Pencils: 350 (need plenty) |
| Pens: 292 | Scissors: 37 |
| Ikea bowls: 300 | |

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.
Pam Gilstrap

SUNDAY'S SERMON

Our Lives Exudes God's Majesty
Psalm 8 & Ecclesiastes 9:10

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

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

September 15: Harry Lubin/Rob Garrett

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS September 15, 2024



Joyful Noise

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD September 15, 2024

Team 4: Dave Stevenson, Andy Andresen,
Paul Therrien

Flower Delivery

Lynda Massey



WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

It's time to start planning for our opportunity to provide Christmas gifts for some students at Wynnton Arts Academy!

First step in our participation in this project is to decide how many students you would like to support. This can be done through your Sunday School class, as a family unit, or as an individual.

Give Shirley Richey the number of students you wish to support this Christmas **NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**. You will be given the details for each student on Sunday, November 10. This allows the school time to collect the details from the parents whose children will be receiving gifts. Your participation in this special project is much appreciated by the school, parents and children.

In addition, there is an on-going need for boxes of tissue, hand sanitizer, and band-aids for the classrooms. Also, please donate ice cream toppings for a special treat for the students who have shown exemplary attention to their school work and behavior. These include sprinkles, M&Ms, etc. No peanuts!! **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 IS THE LAST DAY FOR DONATING THESE TOPPINGS**. Place all these donations in the WAA bin in the Ministry Center. Call/text Shirley at 706-332-6809 if you have any questions.



Sunday, Sept, 29th

**9:15 a.m. Covered Dish
Breakfast**

One Service 10:30 a.m.



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.

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 35



This week we have Jesus giving some controversial teaching and the people becoming divided over His identity. 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

September 16	John 7:1-9
September 17	John 7:10-13
September 18	John 7:14-24
September 19	John 7:25-32
September 20	John 7:33-36
September 21	John 7:37-44
September 22	John 7:45-52



October 5, 2024
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.
Ministry Center

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

Our Known Prayer Concerns:

Sue Rogers	Jennefer Spell
Aubrey Walker	Frank Feagle
David Woolbright	Shelley Montgomery
Pam Feagle	Sabrina Hart
Betty Garrett	Walter Cook
Jeanine Cotton	Ben Smith
Michelle Foote	Rodney Dean
Virginia Bonner	Candace Hickman
Lynn Christenson	Brenda Wilson
Hazel Hope	Larry Campbell
Scott Mims	Jonique Edmondson
Mike Woodard	Joyce Hawkins

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Richard Holmes
Family of Evan Kelley
Family of Betty Ray
Family of Joan Carswell

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies: Sept. 13-15
Dr. Jason Wade 770-289-4039

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 15

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
12:00 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting - Ministry Center
5:00-7:00 p.m. 211 Family Faith Connection - Basement
7:30 p.m. The Bridge College Bible Study - Basement

Monday, September 16

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

Tuesday, September 17

10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building
1:30 p.m. Photography Class - Ministry Class
5:45 p.m. Finance Meeting - Alpha Building

Wednesday, September 18

9:30 a.m. Women of Joy Bible Study - Alpha Building
11:00 a.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Youth Praise Band Rehearsal - Basement
5:00 p.m. Prayer Time - Chapel (drop in)
6:30 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study - Ambassadors of Christ
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 19

7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Alpha Building
9:45 a.m. Backpacks of Grace

Friday, September 20

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