

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

“If We Have Breath... We Must Praise the Lord”

September 29, 2024

I have heard many people say to me that they have not been gifted with the ability to sing. In fact, many will tell me that they could not carry a tune in a bucket. All of this makes me laugh and shake my head. However, I think that we have truly missed the point when it comes to sharing our praise to God. We have equated the fact that we **MUST** be able to sing to praise God. When I am asked about that, I simply refer them back to my old school days and read Psalm 100 from the King James Version which says:

“Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.” Psalm 100

The King James Version of the Bible was the first Bible I was given, and I remember hearing Psalm 100 and realizing that we have been called to praise God. It is not that we have to do it through just our singing, but through any avenue we have to offer our gift of praise. The main part is that we need to Praise the Lord. A good example is seen in the last five chapters of Psalms because they are known as the Hallelujah Psalms. Why? For the mere reason that each of them begins with the phrase, “Praise the Lord.” You see, we have been called to give the Lord our praise in any and all ways possible. In other words, if we woke up today and have the ability to celebrate life, we are called to praise the Lord.

So, as we close our series on *The Music in Me*, I hope and pray that we were all challenged to see the importance of our relationship with God. We were created to worship Him in everything that we do on a daily basis, even when it truly seems too difficult as we try to navigate through the storms of life. My honest hope is that we will realize that we are not just called to live an average, mundane life, checking the boxes along the way. We are called to step into this life with a passion that continues to direct our hearts toward our obedience to serve and praise the Lord.

As we come to celebrate this Sunday, I am excited about the fact that we are celebrating together as Church family. We will gather to break bread at 9:30 in the ministry center and will follow that with one service at 10:30 as we come and bring our breath to praise the Lord. I pray that we will all continue to see the goodness of God every day of our lives. I pray that we are constantly reminded that our lives are not our own but have been given in honor and glory to God. I pray that anyone who has the opportunity to step onto our campus will experience the presence of God in their life in such a way that they will also join us in giving praise to God.

Psalms 146-150 teach us that the first and most important thing that we are to do is ***Praise the Lord***. As we continue to grow in our faith, I pray that everyone realizes that our lives truly exude our praise and every day is a new verse to a song that tells our story. We all have a praise song to sing to God. Some are still being prepared, but regardless of its completion, our song of praise will continue to be sung through every breath that we breathe.

In His grip, Jason



The Chancel Flowers are given in memory of Steve Smith by Alice McCown and Grace Baas.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Joan Carswell** by Georgia and Fred Wise

In memory of **Betty Garrett** by Patti Pass; Georgia and Fred Wise; Kaye and Harold Hill; Mary Gene Calfee; Pam and Steve Davis

In memory of **Richard Holmes** by Linda Reynolds

In memory of **Charles Kelley** by Lynn and Bill White

In memory of **Madeline Hough Till** by Betty Woodruff

Congratulations

To Tanika and Logan Colvin on the birth of a son, **Austin Lephon Colvin**, on September 18, 2024. Big brother is Andy.

A rosebud was placed on the altar in Austin's honor this past Sunday.

Family Night Supper October 2, 2024

5:30 p.m.

No charge, but reservations needed by September 26.



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!

This Sunday, September 29th

9:30 a.m.

Covered Dish Breakfast

One Service 10:30 a.m.



JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



Sunday will be a joyful celebration as we wind up our sermon series, "The Music in Me." This series, based on our Psalms, reminds us that the Church has worshipped in word and song, in faith and love, for centuries. The Psalms are our ancient hymns. They teach us to sing and pray using poetry set to music. This Sunday, our combined choirs will sing a beautiful anthem inspired by Psalm 139, "He Will Hold Me Fast." This anthem, derived from a hymn titled, "When I Fear My Faith Will Fail" by Ada R. Habershon, became popular in 2013 when it was adapted and set to music by Matt Merker. Ada Habershon was a 19th century missionary and hymn writing theologian. Her best-known hymn is "Will the Circle Be Unbroken," with music by Charles Gabriel.

"He Will Hold Me Fast" arr. by James Koerts
Solo Tenor – Billy Ragan, Solo Soprano – Renee Ragan,
Cello – Kevin Zapata

*When I feel my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter will prevail, He will hold me fast. I
could never keep my hold through life's fearful path.
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.*

[refrain]

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; for my Savior
loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

*Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll
not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last. Bought
by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast. [refrain]*

*For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast. Raised
with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast. 'Til our
faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last! [refrain]*

Psalm 139:7-10

*Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from
your presence? If I go to the heavens, you are there; if I
make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the
wings of dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even
there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold
me fast.*

God's Great Peace to You!

Diana B.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

5:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner

6:00 p.m. Charge Conference

6:20 p.m. Operation Christmas Child
Packing Party



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, September 29:

Nursery:

Carrie Thomas and Hallie Taylor



Children's Church:

Pat Kelly and Katie Bass

**Children's Worship
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.



MANY THANKS

The Wynnton Staff would like thank our Staff Parish Relations Committee and our congregation for the many expressions of kindness during Staff Appreciation Week.



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

The Trunk or Treat is just around the corner and we still need **12 more cars** to make this a success!! Don't delay signing up. The New Beginnings class has graciously agreed to prepare a hot dog supper for our event. Josh Edwards will also have a Balloon Animal Station for the kids. Superhero theme cars are an idea, but not required when decorating. **BE CREATIVE!** Make it fun.

If you cannot sponsor a car, please bring in candy to make sure we have plenty!

Let all that you do be done in Love. 1 Cor. 16:14

WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY



We have had a great response in sponsoring children for Christmas! Thank you to all who have volunteered to provide gifts for these students. If you are still interested in helping out, please let Shirley Richey know by **this 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.

Always needed:

Boxes of tissue, hand sanitizer, band-aids
Place all donations in the WAA bin in the Ministry Center.

Call/text Shirley at **706-332-6890** if you have any questions.

Walk to School Day
Wednesday, October 2

6:45 am – meet in church parking lot



Let's gather together in support of our Wynnton Arts Academy students as we walk to the school.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 29 Jennifer McDaniel
- 1 Carolyn Wilkes
- 4 Sandi Carpenter, Nikki Graham, Hallie Taylor
- 5 Bob Gilstrap



OUR ATTENDANCE

9-22-24

8:30 a.m.....	42
9:00 a.m.....	23
11:00 a.m.....	127
Sunday School	80

OUR STEWARDSHIP

9-22-24

General Fund	5,335.00
Endowment.....	75.00
Loose Offering.....	50.00
Missions.....	100.00
Open Arms.....	20.00
Sunday School	60.00
Other Contributions	197.75

NEWS FROM WYNNTON PRESCHOOL



We are off to a great start this year with several classes being full to capacity! We are still enrolling students each week. A letter has gone home to preschool parents informing them of our Operation

Christmas Child mission project. We hope our parents will be generous with their donations as they always are. We will have our Fall Fun Day on Thursday, October 31, where the kids will be dressed in costumes.



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 **Wednesday, 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: 46 |
| Combs: 200 | Large Crayons (8 Ct): 10 |
| Hairbrushes: 22 | 24 pk Crayons: 179 |
| Deodorant: 72 | Markers: 74 |
| Ball Caps: 16 | Sharpener: 275 |
| Colored Pencils: 278 | Note pads: 40 |
| Socks: 6 | T-Shirts: 108 |
| Erasers: 100 | Pencils: 350 (need plenty) |
| Pens: 292 | Scissors: 39 |
| Ikea bowls: 300 | |

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.
Pam Gilstrap

SUNDAY'S SERMON

Let Everything that Has Breath Praise the Lord

Psalms 150, 100

10:30 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 29:
Rob Harbison and Bob Gilstrap

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD September 29, 2024

Team 6:
JT Taylor, Chuck McDaniel, Lance Hendershot

Flower Delivery

Mary Mims



PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies: September 27-29

Dr. Jason Wade
770-289-4039

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

The Genesis Class will be selling Christmas wreaths again this year.

Orders taken: **Oct 5 – Nov 3**

Sizes:

28" - \$45.00

22" - \$30.00

Additional items for sale also. Orders will be delivered the **week after Thanksgiving**. See a Genesis class member for more information.



READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 37

Scripture Readings



This week we have Jesus giving some controversial teaching and the people becoming divided over His identity. The tension between Jesus and the religious leaders is growing as we progress through the Gospel of John. 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 30	John 9:1-7
October 1	John 9:8-12
October 2	John 9:13-19
October 3	John 9:20-26
October 4	John 9:27-33
October 5	John 9:34-38
October 6	John 9:39-41



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.



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

Winter Warm Wear Drive

In connection with our Open Arms Ministry for our **November 2 event**, we will be testing a new ministry opportunity. We are inviting the church to partner with us in collecting the following items in hopes of distributing in November. Please make note of these standards and stipulations for adult and children's items:

- New or gently used, clean knit hats
- Scarves
- Gloves
- Sweaters
- Coats
- Socks – **must be new**



Please bring all clothes on hangers with size and gender labeled.

Dropoff begins: **Wednesday, October 16**
More detail to come.

Our Known Prayer Concerns:

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

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Evan Kelley and Charles Kelley
Family of Joan Carswell
Family of Betty Garrett
Family of Madeline Hough Till



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 29

- 9:30 a.m. Take 5 Covered Dish Breakfast – Ministry Center
10:30 a.m. Combined Worship Service - Sanctuary
5:00-7:00 p.m. 211 Family Faith Connection - Basement
7:30 p.m. The Bridge College Bible Study - Basement

Monday, September 30

- 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 Meeting - Library

Tuesday, October 1

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study – Train Burger King
10:00 a.m. Quilting Group - Alpha Building
5:00 p.m. Wynnton Neighborhood Housing – Library
6:00 p.m. SPRC Meeting – Alpha Building

Wednesday, October 2

- 6:45 a.m. Walk to School Day
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)
5:30 p.m. Family Night Supper – Chili Cookoff – Ministry Center
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, October 3

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

Friday, October 4

- 7:00 -7:30 a.m. Prayer Breakfast & Jesus - Chick-fil-A - Whittlesey Rd.
10:00 a.m. Open Arms Setup – Ministry Center

Saturday, October 5

- 12:00-1:00 p.m. Open Arms – Ministry Center
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