

Love God, Love People and Serve Together

“Stop, Drop and Roll”

July 28, 2024

I remember the first time that I heard these words, and to be honest, I was a little confused on what was actually going on. It was in kindergarten where I had the opportunity to experience my first fire drill, and I guess at that age I never really contemplated that I would ever catch on fire. I remember my first-grade teacher, Mrs. Day, telling us to stay calm, line up and hurry to get outside. As a kindergartener, I thought maybe we had hit the jackpot and were having an early time for PE. Once outside she explained that we were having a fire drill and how important it was to make sure that we paid attention in case we ever caught on fire. Caught on fire? I was like, “why would I ever catch on fire?” That was the response of many of us. However, she was quick to point out that if we ever did “catch on fire,” we were to stop...drop...and roll. These actions could one day save our lives.

Crazy enough, I have not truly thought more about that until today. I was praying through where God is leading us in our new series of Running Just to Catch Ourselves, and God was like, “Hey Jason, what about the Stop, Drop and Roll Principle?” Honestly, it was stuck in my head, and I was trying to think about how in the world this truly applies, but God for some reason was telling me that it truly resonates with understanding the process of Sabbath for our lives.

First, as we heard Sunday, we are called to STOP. God is directing us to individually find peace and sabbath. God is calling His Church to recognize the importance of every day and not just rushing through the motions to get to the finish line. DROP. I am praying that God is helping us to see the things that we need to drop out of our lives that continue to lead us to stress, chaos and frustration. It is okay to drop the things that continue to cause us to doubt our call, question our steps, and blur the lines for our future. Finally, ROLL. God is directing and preparing us to roll out and fulfill our purpose here at Wynnton for the glory of God’s kingdom. We are to continue to follow God’s lead in humility as He provides opportunities to connect with our community, equip more disciples, and fully celebrate the joy of God’s presence in this place.

It truly is exciting to witness all that God is doing here at Wynnton. We have been blessed with an amazing church family who continues to actively grow in their faith and pray for our future. We have an amazing staff that continues to add the right pieces as we are faithfully stepping with God in the days ahead. We have an amazing spirit that continues to quiet our minds and fill our halls with joy and excitement as we learn together how to follow God’s lead. As I continue to say, I am truly blessed to be a part of the bigger picture during this time in history for Wynnton. I pray every day for God to use and humble me in order that I may lead Wynnton in these days of growth and restoration. I give thanks to God and to the Wynnton family for trusting a young man who in kindergarten did not fully understand God’s method of Stop, Drop and Roll. However, some 30 years later, God is fully revealing this concept to me in a different way. A way that is meant to open my heart, mind, and soul and reveal the fullness of His plan that we have the joy to be a part of in these days.

In His grip,
Jason

The Chancel Flowers are given in honor of our 52nd wedding anniversary by Lynn and Wes Ezzell.

If you’d like to send our new Youth Director a welcome card, here is his new address.

Derek Harrison
6700 River Rd. apt. 2302
Columbus, Ga 31904
youthdirector@tiftonfumc.org

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of **Corey Comperatore** by Jenny Horton

In memory of **Melba Gay** by Carol Hammock

In memory of **Sarah Ruggles** by Debby & Eric Hubbard; Beverly Schlitzkus

GIFTS OF LOVE

In honor of **the Goodwill Class** by Anne Spell

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Last year we made the decision to email contribution statements. The 2024 second quarter statements have been emailed. If you have any questions please call the church office.



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

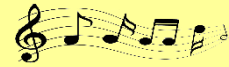
For July, we are collecting crayons, markers, pencils, sharpeners that hold shavings, and ball point pens. Remember, you can get deals when school sales begin. Our goal is to pack 300 boxes.

Items collected:

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| Toothbrushes: 129 | Ikea cups: 50 |
| Washcloths: 75 | Notebook paper: 24 |
| Combs: 150 | Large Crayons (8 Ct): 10 |
| Hairbrushes: 22 | 24 pk Crayons: 72 |
| Deodorant: 72 | Markers: 23 |
| Ball Caps: 16 | Sharpeners: 72 |
| Colored Pencils: 66 | Note pads: 40 |
| Socks: 6 | T-Shirts: 83 |
| Erasers: 72 | Pencils: 60 |
| Pens: 50 | Scissors: 10 |

Spreading God's love to children everywhere.
Pam Gilstrap

JOYFUL NOTES FROM THE CHOIR!



SUMMER CAMP MEETING AT WYNNTON!



Sunday's choral anthem is a refreshing arrangement of a well-loved African-American Spiritual, "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder." The inspiration for the text was based on a ladder leading to heaven that was featured in a dream the biblical patriarch Jacob had during his flight from his brother Esau (Genesis 28:10-12). The opening call gently invites us to climb the ladder. Each new verse moves upward in half steps, representing a journey toward heaven on the ladder. The lyrics in the final verse compel us to climb higher and higher. The concept of climbing was important; symbolic of rising up and drawing closer to God.

"We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder" arr. by Joe Cox
We are climbing Jacob's ladder. We are climbing Jacob's ladder. We are climbing Jacob's ladder. Followers of the cross.

Every round goes higher, higher. Every round goes higher, higher. Every round goes higher, higher. Followers of the cross.

Sinner, do you love my Jesus? Sinner, do you love my Jesus? Sinner, do you love my Jesus? Followers of the cross.

If you love him, why not serve him? If you love him, why not serve him? If you love him, why not serve him? Followers of the cross.

We are climbing higher, higher. We are climbing higher and higher. We are climbing higher, higher. Followers of the cross.

Genesis 28:10-12

Jacob left Be'er-she'ba and headed for Harran. When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it.

God's Great Peace to You!
Diana B.

***ATTENTION ALL YOUTH PARENTS!!!**

- Sunday School 10 a.m. in the Basement
- No Youth Wednesday Night Bible Study in July
- Next Youth Cross-Training will be July 24th from 3-5pm at Ambassadors of Christ 4817 Milgen Road
- 211 Family Faith Connection Sunday, July 28th 5-7 p.m. in the Basement
- Please be in prayer as Derek Harrison will be joining us in one week!
- End of the Summer Party August 4th-Color Wars



READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

Week 29



Paul continues showing the Galatians the joy of not living under the law. He had a great deal of compassion for the Galatians and did not want them slip back into living under the law. There is tremendous freedom and joy when we live in grace. I pray you will read each section slowly and with your heart open to how the Spirit speaks.

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| July 28 | Galatians 4:8-11 |
| July 29 | Galatians 4:12-16 |
| July 30 | Galatians 4:17-20 |
| July 31 | Galatians 4:21-23 |
| August 1 | Galatians 4:24-31 |
| August 2 | Galatians 5:1-6 |
| August 3 | Galatians 5:7-12 |

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 28:

Nursery:

Carrie Thomas/Becky Bray

Sunday School and Children's Church:

Pat Kelley/Beth Kelley

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 BULLETINS

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



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.

OPEN ARMS MINISTRY

Please join us as we have our next Open Arms Ministry event on August 3rd, 12-1:00 p.m. We are hoping to invite families to come and join us and pick up school supplies for their children for the upcoming school year. Here is a list of some of the items we are looking for:

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| *12 Pack of #2 Pencils | *24 Pack of Crayons |
| *Safety Scissors | *2 Pack of Glue Sticks |
| *Pink Individual Erasers | * Pack of Colored Pencils |
| *Folders with Pockets | *Composition Notebooks |
| *Wired Headphones | * Reusable Water Bottle |

These are not ALL of the items, but many of the items that are common amongst all of the schools. We are looking for a minimum of 50 of each these items. Please help us by bringing them to the church no later than Wednesday, July 31st. Please put your items in the marked bin outside of the Library.

In His grip, Jason

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

COFFEE STATION VOLUNTEERS

July 28, 2024



New Beginnings

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

31 Dan Draughon



OUR ATTENDANCE

7-21-24

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| 8:30 a.m. | 36 |
| 9:00 a.m. | 14 |
| 11:00 a.m. | 127 |
| Sunday School | 87 |

OUR STEWARDSHIP

7-21-24

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| General Fund | 16,598.00 |
| Loose Offering | 115.00 |
| Other Contributions | 60.00 |
| Missions..... | 50.00 |
| Music..... | 150.00 |
| Open Arms Sunday School Supplies..... | 200.00 |
| Sunday School..... | 31.00 |
| Wynton Neighborhood Network | 100.00 |

BE A WYNTON 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.



Flower Delivery

Judy Davidson



SUNDAY'S SERMON

Vacay from the Vacay
Mark 2:23-3:6

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

WYNNTON SAFETY SQUAD July 28, 2024

Team 4: Dave Stevenson, Bart Wilson,
Paul Therrien, Andy Andresen

OFFERING TRUSTEES SCHEDULE

July 28: Linell Pringle & Penny Lamb

PASTOR ON-CALL

For emergencies: July 26-28
Rev. Steve Croft 706-604-4262

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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 28

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
5:00-7:00 p.m. 211 Family Faith Connection - Basement

Tuesday, July 30

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library

Wednesday, July 31

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 1

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

Saturday, August 3

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

Our Known Prayer Concerns:

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| 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 |

Christian Sympathy for loss of loved one:

Family of Sarah Ruggles
Family of Corey Comperatore
Family of Melba Gay