

#### Food for Thought from J

As Christians seeking to live God's kingdom, to be witnesses for Jesus, and to share our faith with others, we must be prepared, always, to answer two key questions. The first of these is: What do I believe about my faith? Despite the negative connotation some people associate with the concept of "doctrine" these days, if we are to be able to answer this question effectively, it seems clear that understanding core orthodox Christian doctrine is a necessary starting point. To this end, paragraph 104 of our United Methodist Book of Discipline provides us with an excellent summary of basic doctrinal standards that also describe general Christian orthodoxy for most Protestant denominations. You can find these doctrines online at, <a href="https://www.nmoumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/2016-Book-of-Discipline.pdf">www.nmoumc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/2016-Book-of-Discipline.pdf</a> or in a hard copy of the Book of Discipline in our library.

Why do we believe in these doctrines? This is the second question we must be able to answer as effective witnesses for Christ, but it is a question that can only be answered if we are willing to be serious students of the Bible. Regular Bible reading and consulting well-established commentaries are two great ways to do this. But there is no substitute for studying and debating Scripture with others who are also serious about growing in their understanding of the overarching story and message of the Bible. Fortunately, there is no shortage of ways to plug into a group like this at Wynnton. If you are looking for a regular group with which to study the Bible, Amanda Walker can help put you in touch with the right people.

Finally, living God's kingdom and being effective witnesses for Christ, means that we must lead lives that reflect the difference our belief in these doctrines about our Triune God has made and continues to make in our lives. When we do this, we will treat the world around us with the respect and awe that is rightfully due God's wonderful creation. We will love God and our neighbor according to the example set by Jesus himself. And we will exhibit fruits of the Spirit in the way we interact with the world around us with love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

...but it all begins with God's Holy Word. Are you ready to get serious about it?

#### **GIFTS OF LOVE**

In honor of **Linda & Seth Harp** by Betty Woodruff

The Chancel Flowers are given today to the Glory and Honor of God by Lynda and Bennett Massey.

# WE'RE UPDATING OUR BULLETIN BOARDS

If you have any photos you would like to share with us to add to our bulletin boards about missions or ministry, please send them to the church office.

### OUR DEPLOYED CHURCH MEMBERS AND FAMILY OF CHURCH MEMBERS

Mike Beyer Michael Stevenson

#### **BASEMENT NEWS**



August 25th - Back To School Bash, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Ian Allen, Youth Director

#### **BACKPACKS OF GRACE**

A ministry of Wynnton UMC that provides weekend food for designated students at Wynnton Arts Academy, our Partner in Education school. On a rotation basis, Sunday School classes fill backpacks each Thursday morning at the church. If you are not a member of a Sunday School class, but would like to participate for one week, one month, or more, contact Cindy Autry (706-662-2630) or Margaret Ellen Alexander (706-336-2237) or the church office.

#### **EMMAUS GATHERING**

WUMC is hosting the Emmaus Gathering for August. It will be held in our Fellowship Hall on Friday, August 23, at 6:30. We need all members of the Emmaus Community who attend WUMC to come at 5:00 p.m. to set up and be prepared to stay after for clean-up.

#### **COMMUNION SERVICE**

### at Covenant Woods Community

Join us every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 10 A.M. in the chapel at Covenant Woods. Because of Labor Day, the September service will be held on the second Monday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>.

We will experience Communion and a brief worship service together. We hope to be able to worship with you! All are welcome.



Each week the kids learn a memory verse.
Rather than a note to parents, we send home full color cards that are designed for keepsakes for families. Each card includes a synopsis of the weekly teaching, three questions and answers related to the story, a memorable scene from the video, and the week's Scripture memory verse.

**SCRIPTURE MEMORY FROM 8/18/2019:** "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Our hope is that families will collect these cards week after week and use them for talking points after the weekly lesson, memory verse participation, and as flash cards to remember the Bible stories.

Parents are encouraged to visit seedbedkids.com and create an account for free family discipleship tools, including the weekly animated video shown in class, character podcast, and scriptural memory songs from Seeds Family Worship. We are also learning the books of the Bible. They have a sentence that helps them remember the first letter of the books. God's everlasting love never disappoints: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. They also have hand movements. Please work with them during the week.

### READING THROUGH THE BIBLE

**August 25:** John 6:25-59, 1 Chronicles 24, Zechariah 10 **August 26:** John 6:60-71, 1 Chronicles 25-26, Zechariah 11 **August 27:** John 7:1-24, 1 Chronicles 27-28, Zechariah 12

August 28: John 7:25-52, 1 Chronicles 29, Zechariah 13

**August 29:** John 8:1-20, 2 Chronicles 1:1-2:16,

Zechariah 14

**August 30:** John 8:21-47, 2 Chronicles 2:17-5:1,

Malachi 1:1-2:9

August 31: John 8:48-59, 2 Chronicles 5:2-14,

Malachi 2:10-16

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 26 Betty Garrett, Eric Sears
- 27 Greg Yates
- 29 Danette Copeland, Scott McCranie, Cynthia McLemore, Louise Pinter, Ty Webb

31 Mary Killough

#### **OUR GUESTS**

West, Merritt & Cate Pryor; Mikaela Lundquist; Emory Rice

### **OUR ATTENDANCE**

Sunday School	145
Early Morning Worship	65
Morning Worship	162
The Link	42
Other	17
Total Worship	286

### **OUR STEWARDSHIP**

Unified Budget	11,933.00
Endowment	25.00
Missions	35.00
Backpacks of Grace	80.00

#### SUNDAY SERVANTS

Usher-in-Chief: Bob Gilstrap Usher: 8:30 - Harold Hill

Ushers: 11:00 - CPT John Richey

Bruce Boretsky, Kermitt Cox, John Denny, Ralph Hammond, Seth Harp, Bill Pope, Gib Richardson,

Tommy Hudson, Louie Willett, Bill White

**Offering Trustees:** Tommy Hudson, William Bray

Altar Guild: Alice Smith, Melanie Grayson

Men of Courage: Team 5: Eddie Cawthorne, Dom

Edwards, Adam Walker, Jarrod Hart **Flower Delivery:** Virginia Bonner **Acolytes:** 11:00 - Caroline Gatewood

**Children's Church:** 

Nursery 2 & 3: Leigh Beach

**Pre-K--3**<sup>rd</sup> **Grades**: Kim Evans, Sabrina Hart

Infant Nursery: Leigh Beach

### **AUGUST GREETERS**

South - 9:30 - Ramona Andresen
South -10:30 - Kim Carroll, Joan Colquitt,
Mary Gene Calfee

North - 10:30 - Martha Daffin, Mary Mims

### AUGUST WORSHIP FRIENDS

<u>Traditional - 8:30</u> - Marcia Therrien <u>Traditional - 11:00</u> - Jennie Payne, Shirley Wright <u>Link - 11:00</u> – Robin Quinn

#### SUNDAY'S SERMON

Rev. J Grantham - Traditional The Family that Plays Together Acts 2:41-47

Rev. Paul Coats - The Link *Engaging Faith* Matthew 25:40, Luke 11:9



#### HELP FOR OUR PARTNER IN EDUCATION, WYNNTON ARTS ACADEMY

Thank you for the wonderful response to the uniform drive; we will continue to collect uniform pieces until Sunday, Sept. 1. The school is now requesting khaki pants for boys and girls in sizes 5, 6, 7 & 8. These items can be dropped off in the bin in front of the library. They are also hoping to have room readers for K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade this year and to expand the PIE reader program. For more information, contact Carolyn Holland at 225-505-3060 or usualtigerfan@gmail.com.

The school has asked that we delay our school supply donations until January. However, if you would like to take advantage of current sale prices, you may place your donations in the bin in the Fellowship Hall. Here are some suggestions: Crayons (small, box of 24 - fat, box of 8) Pencils (yellow #2), Large pink erasers (about 2 ½x1x1/2) – not pencil toppers), Kleenex, Hand sanitizer (large), Band-Aids, Wide-ruled notebook paper, Fat primary pencils, Glue sticks, Ziploc bags (all sizes), Scissors (blunt tip), Colored markers (fat, 8 per box), Dry erase markers (black and assorted colors)

Once a month, Wynnton Arts Academy holds a celebration for those students who have exhibited good behavior and good citizenship. Their first PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention System) celebration will be held on Friday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>. WUMC will help provide ice cream toppings. Please bring toppings (other than chocolate syrup) and place them in the bin provided near the library.

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Now is a good time to pick up some items for those special children – flip flops and t-shirts, are going on sale now. Select the age of child(ren) and buy accordingly. Have fun shopping!

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### Sunday, August 25

7:55 a.m.	Wesley Choir Rehearsal
8:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Break with coffee & juice
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School Classes for Adults, Youth & Children
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	The Link Contemporary Service - Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.	Wynk Worship - New Children's Center
5:00 - 7:00 p.i	m. Basement - Youth

#### Wednesday, August 28

6:00 p.m.	Community Prayer - Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, August 29

6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study - Wynnton Rd. Burger King
10:30 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry - Library

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

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August 25, 2019 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Liturgical Color: Green
WELCOME, REGISTRATION	Rev. J Grantham
*THE PEACE	
PRELUDE: There's Something About That Name (Gaither/arr. by	Pethel)Kay Hart/Donna Thigpen
*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 522 (vs. 1 & 2)	Leave It There
*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 881	Rev. J Grantham
*THE GLORIA PATRI Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it v beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Ar	
+SPECIAL MUSIC: Going Home (by Antonin Dvorak)	Dorothy Batastini
PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER	Rev. J Grantham
♦CHILDREN'S SERMON	Gloria Toelle
*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 399 (vs. 1 & 3)	Take My Life and Let it Be
THE OFFERING Offertory Prayer	Wesley ChoirChancel Choir
*DOXOLOGY Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy G	
MESSAGE: The Family that Plays Together (Acts 2:41-47)	Rev. J Grantham
*HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 361 (vs. 1 & 2)	Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
*SPOKEN BENEDICTION	Rev. J Grantham
POSTLUDE: Go Out With Joy *Please stand as you are able	Donna Thigpen ♦8:30 only +11:00 only

### **PASTOR ON-CALL**

For emergencies August 23-25, Rev. J Grantham 706-681-3258