#### **Focus Scriptures**

**Psalm 95:1-7** ~ "Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. <sup>2</sup> Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song. <sup>3</sup> For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. <sup>4</sup> In His hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to Him. <sup>5</sup> The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land. <sup>6</sup> Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; <sup>7</sup> for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care."

**Psalm 96:1-9** ~ "Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. <sup>2</sup> Sing to the Lord, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day. <sup>3</sup> Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. <sup>4</sup> For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods. <sup>5</sup> For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. <sup>6</sup> Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and glory are in His sanctuary. <sup>7</sup> Ascribe to the Lord, all you families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. <sup>8</sup> Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name; bring an offering and come into His courts. <sup>9</sup> Worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth."

About 20 years ago our congregation established 12 Core Values. Throughout this Lenten Season we will be focusing on them and how they apply to our lives and our church family today.

**CORE VALUES:** The Wintersville United Methodist Church has a commitment to:

- **Proclaim the Gospel:** Whenever and wherever possible, we will proclaim the Gospel through the teaching and preaching of God's Word.
- **Meaningful and relevant worship:** We will provide meaningful and relevant worship that conveys the Good News of Jesus Christ.

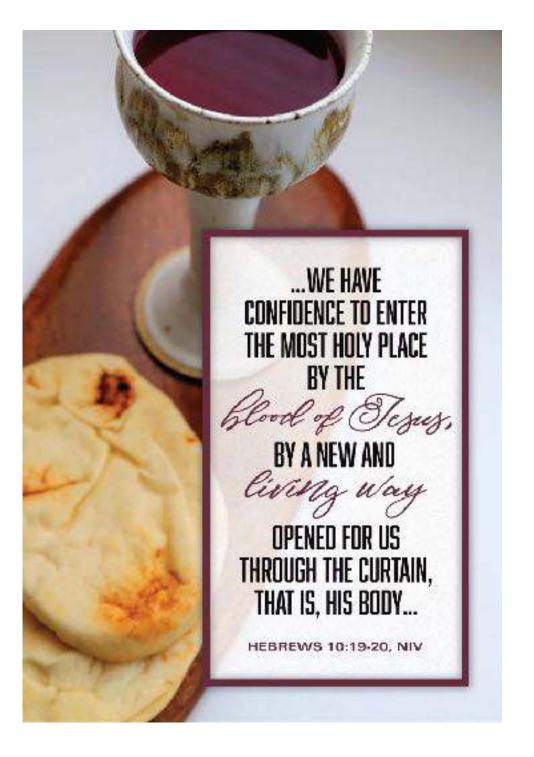
**Luke 4:16** ~ "Jesus went to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day He went into the synagogue, as was His custom."

**John 4:23-24** ~ "(Jesus continued,) Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

**Hebrews 10:23-25** ~ "Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

**Matthew 28:18-20**  $\sim$  "Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey

everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.""





## Wintersville United Methodist Church

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March 5,  $2023 \sim 11:00$  am

Second Sunday of Lent Worship Celebration Lenten Theme: "Resurrecting Our Core Christian Values"

Our Mission: Connect with God, Grow in Faith, Serve in Love

**FOCUS SCRIPTURE** "Sing to the Lord, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day. <sup>3</sup> Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples." Psalm 96:2-3

PRELUDE "Adagio in G Minor" P.L. Harris
Lighting of the Altar Candles

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

CALL TO WORSHIP "Psalm 100" No. 74

**OPENING PRAYER** 

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "To God Be the Glory" No. 98

**CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN BAPTISM** Kylen Julius Edward Stevens

PRAISING GOD WITH OUR STEWARDSHIP

Offertory "Communion" A.W. Marchant
\*Doxology No. 95

\*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES
MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE "His Name is Wonderful" No. 174

SERMON

Psalm 96:1-9

"Resurrecting Our Core Christian Values: Proclaim the Gospel & Meaningful and Relevant Worship"

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Communion this morning will be served in the pews. When you receive the elements please hold them until we all participate together.)

INVITATION

**CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE** 

**WORDS OF CONSECRATION** 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

PARTAKING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

\*HYMN OF TESTIMONY "How Great Thou Art" No. 77

\*BENEDICTION Philippians 2:9-11

\*JOINING OF HEARTS

May God's blessing surround you all day into the night, As you trust Him and walk in His heavenly light. May His presence within guard and keep you from sin. Go in peace, go in joy, go in love. Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

\*POSTLUDE "The Gospel Trumpet" B. Price

(\*indicates congregation should stand, if you are able)

We are so glad that we are able to worship together this morning. We welcome our visitors and invite them to stop at our information table at the back of the sanctuary. We pray that your time with us has been inspirational and meaningful. Please join with us again. Also, feel free to call our church office at 740-264-1676 with your questions or needs.

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Clint Quillen YOUTH DIRECTOR: Tiffany Manley

ORGANIST: Carol Evans CHILDREN'S DIR: Jessica Ward

DIR. OF WOR & DISC.: Ryan Bradley VIDEO & SOUND: Deacon Sindeldecker

# Prayers for Lent



Our celebration of Lent began with our Ash Wednesday Communion Service. Please continue to pray that God will touch and impact lives in a powerful way during this holy season. Our Lenten theme for 2023 is, "Resurrecting Our Core Christian Values." Please also try to participate in our regular worship services, as well as all of the special services and spiritual growth opportunities during this season. Lent is a season of spiritual preparation, repentance, and renewed LIFE in the Lord, and your prayers and participation will truly make a difference for the up-building of God's kingdom.

#### **Euchre Night**



We will be having Euchre Night on Friday, March 17 at 6:00pm in the Center for Hope. Join us for an evening of Euchre and Fellowship. Please bring a snack (no dinner) and your own drinks. No cost! No prizes! Just fun!

#### **Spaghetti Dinner – "A Meal that Heals"**



Please join us on Saturday, March 18 between 4-7pm for a delicious Spaghetti Dinner (featuring "Herk's Secret Sauce") and a great time of fellowship. This dinner is by donation and is called "A Meal that Heals" because all donations will be given to the Ohio Valley Health Center to help their healing mission of providing quality medical care to the uninsured and underinsured individuals of the Ohio Valley. See you on March 18!

# **Donations for Easter Egg Hunt**



It's that wonderful time of year again! We are in need of lots of candy and filled plastic eggs for our Easter egg hunt! Our many, many church children look forward to this every year and we are so thankful for all the donations that make this possible! Donations of candy, plastic eggs, or filled plastic eggs can be left in the back of the Center for Hope or in Jessica Ward's office. For more information contact Jessica at 931-217-7766.

#### **Biblical Pathways Sunday School Teacher**



We are seeking someone to lead the Biblical Pathways class. Carol Mackey has stepped down and we need someone to fill her shoes. The class picks the book they would like to study. If you are interested, please contact Kitty Ferguson 740-317-8690 or Tiffany Manley at 740-317-0609. Thank you for considering this position.



5 ~ Brendan BoBo

8 ~ Gina Hashbarger

10 ~ Sarah Mattioli

**10** ∼ **DJ** Hill

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**CARD MINISTRY:** Please take a moment to sign the cards in the back of the Sanctuary or on the table by the kitchen in the Center for Hope. It really means a lot to those who receive them. Thank you!

Today's cards: Brendan BoBo, Gina Hashbarger, DJ Hill

#### **Every Wednesday ~ FAITHBUILDERS ~ 5:30-7:30pm**

\*Please join us for our free, fellowship meals, and our Praise & Prayer, Kingdom Kids, Youth Group, and Adult Bible studies.



Wednesday FaithBuilders Schedule:

5:30-6:15 ~ Free Fellowship Meal

6:15-6:30 ~ Praise & Prayer (all together)

6:30-7:30 ~ Kingdom Kids, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study

# **Financial Support of WUMC Ministry & Mission**

We are appreciative of ALL giving (time, talents, treasurers) to and through our church, which enables us to fulfill God's calling and mission as a congregation. Thank you for generously supporting the Lord's work in these ways! And as we continue to move forward in Ministry and Mission, please prayerfully consider how God may want you to increase giving for this Kingdom work through WUMC.

### **Financial Giving 2023**

	Received 2/26	Needed Weekly	Yr to Date Total (9 wk)
Unified Budget	4,258.00	7,500.00	63,380.15
Center for Hope	1,029.00	1,800.00 (for loan payment only)	19,845.00
Nehemiah Project	10,200.00	(ioi ioaii payillelii oliiy)	10,400.00

Please visit our Church's Website for more information!

wintersvilleumc.com

COMMUNICATION INFORMATION INSPIRATION DONATIONS CONNECTION INVITATIONS

Also, please visit, "share", and "like" our church Facebook page (Wintersville United Methodist) as often as possible. Thank you!

# 2023 Easter Garden Order Form

Flowers Given in ME	MORY of:		
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Flowers Given by: Phone Number: Flower(s) placed in:			for Hope
FLOWERS	PRICE	QUANTITY	
Azaleas	\$19.50		
Hydrangeas	\$19.50		
Hyacinths	\$10.00		
Lily	\$11.50		
Mums	\$10.25		
Tulip	\$10.00		

Our beautiful Easter Garden Flowers will once again grace our Sanctuary and Center for Hope on Easter Sunday. Please indicate if you want your Flower(s) placed in the Center for Hope or in the Sanctuary. Center for Hope Flowers can be taken with you following the 9:00am Easter Service and Sanctuary Flowers can be taken with you following the 11:00am service. Please place your order in the offering baskets located near the doors or put in the container in the Sanctuary or Center for Hope. Please make <a href="https://check.payable.com/check-payabl

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Spring Forward – Remember to set your Clocks Ahead on Saturday evening, March 11.

#### HAM LOAF SALE

Saturday, March 25 – Pick up in Fellowship Hall Rm/108 from 12:00pm-2:00pm

Or after both Sunday Services

Orders must be placed by March 19, 2023 \$8.00 per order Payment due with order or at pick-up

NAME	
PHON	E NUMBER
	MANY ORDERSler consists of 4 small loaves and glaze
	CE ATTENDED IF PICKING UP ON SUNDAY: 11:00AM
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### 2023 - After School Program Update

We are excited to be a part of this great new ministry in our area. This program is providing a positive and enriching experience for the youth of Cross Creek Elementary in a safe and structured environment. It is taking place every Thursday from 3:30-5:30pm. We are currently serving over 20 children weekly and its continuing to grow each week!!!

We need people to serve on a weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly basis. This is a great and easy way to reach out to our community. We have the opportunity to follow our mission to "Serve in Love". If you are interested or have more questions please pray about it and reach out to Ryan Bradley or the church office. CONTINUE TO PRAY HOW GOD CAN USE OUR CHURCH THROUGH THIS GREAT MINISTRY!!!

#### "Bittersweet" from Pastor Clint

On Saturday, Feb. 18, 170 adult members of Wintersville United Methodist Church participated in a crucial vote, the results of which will have major implications for the future life and ministry of our church. On that day an overwhelming majority of those voting chose to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church denomination (154 Yes, 16 No, 91% affirmative). I am grateful for this decision and believe it was essential for us to do so to remain faithful to the Lord and to His Word. However, as I shared during our worship services last Sunday, the word which kept coming to my mind after the vote was "bittersweet."

The voting results were bittersweet: bitter in that 16 members (and most likely some others) hoped for a different outcome and are now dealing with their disappointment; yet, sweet in that a super majority revealed a very strong consensus that we are not a "split" or contentious congregation, but one in which we ALL (the 154, 16, and all others) can move forward together with a sense of renewed unity and vitality. Travelling regarding the vote was bittersweet: bitter in that the unexpected postponement of our original voting date caused inconvenience, added expenses, and delayed or altered vacations for several of our church members; yet, sweet in that several members travelled long distances, changed their vacations, and altered their plans just so that they could be present to vote. Their commitment and concern for the future of their church is such a sweet testimony. The overall situation was bittersweet: bitter in that nearly all of us regret that we have had to deal with these things at all, that many in our denominational leadership have not remained faithful to our established doctrine and biblical truth, and that we were "forced" into this current situation. Yet, sweet in that this has provided a wonderful opportunity for us to examine our beliefs, affirm Christ-centered biblical faith, and together help usher in a time of church renewal, growth, and continued and expanded ministry, mission and outreach.

So... where do we go from here? There has been an overall wonderful spirit of cooperation and camaraderie within our congregation for many years and I believe that sweet spirit will continue unhampered as we follow a new path together. It is my sincere hope and prayer that we positively and proactively look forward, move forward, and view this whole disaffiliation process as an opportunity for renewal, refocusing, and revitalization of our church, as well as our own spiritual lives. We have so much potential to impact individuals and families, children and youth, our community and beyond with the life-transforming Good News of Jesus! Many more details will emerge over the next several weeks, but for now let us put the "bitter" behind us as we press FORWARD with our eyes fixed on our sweet Savior every step of the way!





# Altar Flowers In Memory of Jan Aldridge from her loving husband, Tom

### Join us for Refreshments & Sunday School

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Children's & Youth Sunday School - 10:00am All Kids Kindergarten – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Welcome!



Adult Sunday School – 10:00am See BELOW for topics and location. All adults are welcome to join us!

Sunday School for All ages ~ NEW adult classes and topics

"Jesus Time: Where We Spend Time with Jesus in His Culture," led by Lanny Sterms, meets in back of sanctuary (right)

Biblical Pathways meets in room FI/204.

Coffee Followship meets in downstairs hallway room 102.

Youth (grades 7-12) Sunday School class, meets in Tif's office.

<b>March 5 - 1</b>	12 ~ CA	LENDAF	R OF E	VENTS
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Date	Day	Event	Time	Room
5	Sun	Lighthouse Praise Sevice	9:00am	Center for Hope
		Refreshments & Sunday School	10:00 -11:00am	assigned rooms
		Traditional Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
6	Mon	Engage Parenting Class	9:30am-12:30pm	YR/CFH
		Kathy Furda Funeral & Luncheon	10:30am	SA/FH/108
		Nehemiah Project Meeting	6:00pm	PCO/203
		Cub Scouts	6:15pm	FH/108
		Women's Bible Study	6:30pm	FI/204
		Pickleball	6:30pm	CFH/Gym
		Chrisian Ed Meeting	7:00pm	YR/CFH
7	Tues	Bright Star Home School	8:30am-2:00pm	many rooms
		Friends	7:00pm	VI/100
8	Wed	Purpose Driven Knitting Class	1:00-3:00pm	FI/204
		FAITHBUILDERS	4:30-6:30 pm	
		Free Fellowship Meal	5:30-6:15pm	FH/108
		Praise & Prayer	6:15-6:30pm	Sanctuary
		Kingdom Kids, Youth Group and Bible Study	6:30-7:30pm	
9	Thurs	Praise Band Practice	6:00-8:00pm	CFH
		Trustee Committee Meeting	6:00pm	FH/108
		Outreach Committee Meeting	6:30pm	FI/204
		Pickleball	6:30pm	CFH Gym
11	Sat	Men's Bible Study	10:00am	BOS/209
		AA 12 Step Group	10-11:15am	FH/108

12	Sun	Day Light Saving Begins		
		Lighthouse Praise Sevice	9:00am	Center for Hope
		Refreshments & Sunday School	10:00 -11:00am	assigned rooms
		Traditional Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
		Ankrom Fellowship Hall	12:00-5:00pm	FH/108
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Lent 2023 Worship Theme: "Resurrecting Our Core Christian Values."

Sun., Mar. 12 ~ "Resurrecting Our Core Christian Values: Excellence &

Improvement of Our Physical Facilities," Nehemiah 1-6, Col. 3:23-34. Launching the Nehemiah Project.

Please join us in worship in-person (if possible) or online next Sunday and each week.

#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Praise Service (Center for Hope) 9:00am Sunday School for all ages 10:00am Traditional Service 11:00am

"Worship the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. . . .

## **Live Stream Worship**

Our 9:00am Praise Service is livestreaming on YouTube on Sunday mornings, and also available on a link through FaceBook.

#### **Online Bible Studies**

See our Website: wintersvilleumc.com for details. All are welcome to join!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name."

Psalm 100:2,4