MISSION, VISION, & CORE VALUES STATEMENTS ~ WMC

(Adopted June 28, 2001, adjusted 10/28/04 & 10/23/08)

NEW MISSION STATEMENT (fall 2019)

"Connect with God, Grow in Faith, Serve in Love"

VISION STATEMENT

The Wintersville Methodist Church will serve as a beacon of Christian love, compassion, and hope to our world.

CORE VALUES

The Wintersville Methodist Church has a commitment to:

- Honor Christ: We will honor our Lord in all that we practice and teach.
- **Prayer:** The ministries and activities of this church will be characterized by a reliance on prayer in their conception, planning, and execution.
- **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.
- Welcome and accept all persons: Without regard for race, faith, culture, or lifestyle, we will welcome and accept all persons just as they are.
- Nurture and care for our church family: As brothers and sisters in Christ, we will nurture and care for each other as a church family.
- **To equip lay persons:** We will train and support lay persons to carry out the ministries of the church.
- **Small groups:** We will form small groups that meet specific needs and promote growth in Christ.
- **Excellence:** We seek to maintain a high standard of excellence in all of our ministries. This will be achieved when everyone is exercising his or her God-given spiritual gift to the best of his or her ability for the upbuilding of the Body of Christ.
- **Growth:** We believe that Christianity exists to share Christ with others. Therefore, we will pursue attitudes and knowledge that encourage numerical growth without compromising in any way our integrity or our commitment to biblical truth.
- **Improvement of our physical facilities:** Updating and expanding the physical facilities will continue in order to enhance the present and future ministries of the church.
- Service: We will seek to follow Jesus' example through acts of service to those in our congregation, community, and beyond.





THE CENTER FOR HOPE PRAISE SERVICE

"Leaving a Legacy ~ Living a Legacy"

"By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead." Hebrews 11:4

Wintersville Methodist Church

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Wintersville Methodist Church



September 15, 2024 ~ 9:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship Celebration!



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

Welcome, Ministries Updates & Prayer

Worshipping the Lord Together

"Your Grace is Enough" "Promised" "Oceans"

Offering Worship

(Children invited to Jr. Church in the Fellowship Hall)

Worship Through the Word "Leaving a Legacy ~ Living a Legacy" Hebrews 11:4, 8-16, 24-26, 31-40

Song of Testimony "The Old Rugged Cross"

Discipleship Challenge

Please stay for refreshments, fellowship, & Sunday School classes

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

Focus Scriptures

2 Timothy 1:5 ~ "I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also."

Hebrews 11:4 ~ "By faith Abel brought God a better offering than Cain did. By faith he was commended as righteous, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead."

Matthew 26:12-13 ~ "(Jesus continued,) When she poured this perfume on my body, she did it to prepare me for burial. ¹³ Truly I tell you, wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

Hebrews 11:8-16 ~ "By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. ⁹ By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered Him faithful who had made the promise. . . . They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. ¹⁴ People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. . . ¹⁶ Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them."

Hebrews 11:31-35 ~ "By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. ³² And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. ³⁵ Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. ³⁶ Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— ³⁸ the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground. ³⁹ These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, ⁴⁰ since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect."

2 Timothy 4:6-8 ~ "For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for His appearing."

Prayer Concerns

Please continue to pray daily for your church family and many others. Specifically please lift up: Bill "PeeWee" Freiling, Natalie Doty, Carolyn Bickerstaff, Mike & Julie Rudy, Janice Hammer, Tina Sterms, Debbie Grecco, Debbie DiCarlo, Edward Dahlem, Daylaynee Howcraft, Josh Beadnell, Meredith Rouse Patterson, Larry Standiford, Michelle Turner, James Shuster, Linda Frost, Betty Matics, Richard Bush, Pat Andrews, Chris Briggs, Pat Perry, Nino Suriano, Kelli Christian, Dave Price Jr., Opal Hoover, baby Emma, Randy Jones, Donna SoFranko, Mary Alice Brandt, Barb



Join us for

SUNDAY

SCHOOL

Busana, Bob English, Rebecca Wayt, Mark Carroll, First Responders, Rebecca Christian, Brad Warren, Kennedy Harbin, Wendy Matthews, Joan Lantry, Sue Rooney, Tabitha Merideth, Elaine Snider, Tory Zink, Brian Adams, Nancy Honse

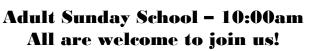
ALTAR FLOWERS ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

If you would like to provide Altar Flowers in memory or honor of someone, please sign up on the chart in the informational hallway. Please put in honor or memory of and the person(s) name and who it is given by, so we will have the information to put in the bulletin. Also only one set of flowers per Sunday, if at all possible, mark which service to place them - "Praise" or "Traditional." Please "take" the flowers with you or indicate if you would like to donate them. The cost for the flowers is \$25.00, (please mark Altar Flowers) and can be paid through the church office. Any questions, please call the church office.

JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS & SUNDAY SCHOOL



Children's & Youth Sunday School - 10:00am All Kids 2 years thru 12th Grade Welcome!



2 Adult Sunday School Class Options

- 1.) "Jesus Time: Where We Spend Time with Jesus in His Culture," led by Lanny Sterms, meets in back of sanctuary (right)
- 2.) NEW STUDY– "Kingdom Politics" in Fidelis Room/204 (top floor by nursery). Also available Wednesday at 6:30pm and Thursday at 10:00am. All are welcome!

Updated Website & Facebook

Our updated Website is - wintersvillemc.com. Our updated Facebook is - Wintersville Methodist Church

SEPTEMBER 15 - 22 ~ CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Date	Day	Event	Time	Room					
15	Sun	Lighthouse Praise Service	9:00am	CFH					
		Refreshments & Sunday School – Kingdom Politics	10:00am	Assigned rooms					
		Traditional Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary					
16	Mon	Church Staff Meeting Pickleball	10:00am 6:30pm	CFH Gym					
17	Tues	Friends	7:00pm	VI/100					
18	3 Wed Purpose Driven Knitting Cla Kingdom Kids Group Youth Group		1:00-3:00pm Fl/204 6:00-7:30pm 6:00-7:30pm						
		Adult Bible Study – Kingdom Politics	6:30-7:30pm	FI/204					
19	Thurs	Adult Bible Study – Kingdom Politics	10:00-11:00am	FI/204					
		Praise Band Practice Pickleball Trustee Committee Meeting	6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	CFH CFH Gym FH/108					
20	Fri	Bright Star Home School	8:30am-2:30pm						
21	Sat	Youth Making Lunch for Urban Mission	9:00am						
		AA 12 Step Group Mattern CFH Men's Bible Study	10:00-11:15am 10:00am 10:30am	CFH/Youth Rm CFH BOS/209					
22	Sun	Lighthouse Praise Service Refreshments & Sunday School – Kingdom Politics	9:00am 10:00am	CFH Assigned rooms					
Traditional Worship Service 11:00am Sanctuary									

Next Sunday, Sept. 22 – Theme: "Why are Fire Alarms So Loud?" Ezekiel 33:1-11, Mark 13:32-37, John 12:37,42-43. Please join with us and invite others to worship.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Praise Service (Center for Hope) 9:00am 9:30-10:00am Jr. Church Sunday School for all ages 10:00am Traditional Service 11:00am

Online Bible Studies:

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

Live Stream Worship

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

<u>Outdoor Worship & Church Picnic – September 29</u>



Sunday, Sept. 29 ~ OUTDOOR WORSHIP & CHURCH PICNIC at Richmond Park back pavilion. We will meet at Richmond Park by 10:30am for our Worship Service. Our worship experience will be followed by a covered dish picnic lunch (chicken, hot dogs & drinks provided, please bring a side dish or dessert to share), and then several organized games, fun, and fellowship activities for all ages. Please join with us and invite others! If you can help with the set up and tear down, please let Tif know. Thanks.

There will be NO regular worship services at the church on Sept. 29

Adult Fall Bible Study Kingdom Politics by Tony Evans



All adults are invited to join the fall Bible study Kingdom Politics by Tony Evans. This non-partisan six-session study looks at foundational biblical principles for integrating politics into our daily lives to help us understand the purpose of government from a kingdom perspective. Started last Sunday and, ending the week of October 20, we offer three meeting times each week: Sundays at 10 am, Wednesdays at 6:30 pm, and Thursdays at 10 am. The materials include online access to the weekly videos, so

you can follow along even if you have to miss a week or two! Signups are ongoing with the option to select a paperback or e-book version. Questions? Call or text Alice Buchanan at 330-697-6699.



The Chosen Season 4 Study

The Chosen Study for the first 3 seasons has been very meaningful and uplifting. Please join us for Season 4 on Mondays, 5:30-7:30pm, beginning tomorrow, September 16.

Youth Group News



September 18 - Wednesday Youth Group – 6:00-7:30pm. September 21 – Make lunch for the Urban Mission. Meet at the church at 9:00am and pick-up at 2:00pm. RSVP by this Wednesday, September 18.

Purpose Driven Knitting



The Purpose Driven Knitting has resumed meeting on Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00pm in the Fidelis Room/204. If you knit, please join us. If you want to learn to knit, we will teach you. Supplies will be provided thanks to donations.

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	18 ~ Carrie Walls	19 ~ Tina Sterms	19 ~ Sherilyn Townsend
	20 ~ Michael Legros	21 ~ Janice Dyal	

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: Briana Brake, Lil Ferguson, Carrie Walls



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Wednesday FaithBuilders Schedule

Kingdom Kids – Kindergarten – 6th grade ~ 6:00-7:30pm Youth Group 6th – 12th grade ~ 6:00-7:30pm Adult Bible Study - "Kingdom Politics" ~ 6:30-7:30pm



Please join with us each Wednesday for a great time of Fellowship and growing in Christ together!

Financial Support of Wintersville Methodist Church

All giving is GREATLY APPRECIATED! As we move forward for the Lord, we ask you to please prayerfully consider how you can generously support the good work that God is doing, and will be doing, through the Ministry and Mission of WMC. Financial support is necessary to help fulfill that mission.

Financial Giving 2024

Budget /Special	Received 9/8	Needed Weekly	<u>Yr to Date Total (36 weeks)</u>
	\$5,051.00	\$8,500.00	\$271,606.82
Center for Hope	\$570.00	\$1,800.00 (for loan payment only	\$90,061.80 /)

Please visit our Church's Website for more information!



COMMUNICATION INFORMATION INSPIRATION DONATIONS CONNECTION INVITATIONS

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

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Update

Operation Christmas Child update. We are no longer including soap in our shoeboxes because of a Customs issue that delayed their delivery. We will donate what we have already received to a local agency. We could still use toys, games, coloring books, toothbrushes, crafts, Play-Doh, Flip-Flops and other non-personal items. Thank you so much for your generosity. Sandy Grimm

After-School Program

Prayerfully consider making this the year you volunteer for our After- school program. This year we will meet on **Tuesdays from 3:30- 5:30 pm**. This is our 3rd year and we have a wonderful group of children. We will begin on Tuesday, October 1st and go through November 26th. We then recess until February 4th-April 29th. You will definitely make a difference in the lives of these children- and in your own life, too. See Kitty or Tiffany for more information.

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study will be meeting on **Saturday September 21 at 10:30am** in room 209 in the back of the Sanctuary. All men are welcome to join with us. If you have any questions, contact Dale Tombs (870-930-8367).

Notes of Thanks

Dear Church Family & Friends, We would like to thank you for all your calls, cards and prayers. They helped us through a very difficult time. Randy is doing very well and we know your prayers were powerful. In Christian Love, Randy & Peggy Jones

Dear sir or Madam, I am writing this note with my heart filled with warmth and love to Wintersville Methodist Church for making my day with what you may consider an ordinary thing, but I found to be so delightful and joy-filled when I recently received a "Get well soon" card from the congregation (particularly being I am not even a member of your church). Thank you so much for your kindness to think of me and also a thank you to all of those that individually signed the card. Although I did not recognize all the names it was so fun to see many familiar people from years past or ones that I have heard lovely words about from my mom Karen Krause (a current member of the church). I have heard so many wonderful and positive ways your church has spread God's word through acts of service and prayer. To have the opportunity to experience firsthand was super. Thank you again and I hope you are able to continue this. If you could Please pass this email on and to those that may like to hear their efforts are appreciated I would also appreciate it too!

Sincerely, Kim Kossack

PS - I am recovered and my Gall Bladder is not missed one bit.

Roof/AC/Heat ~ Help is Needed!

As it has been shared for many months (and even years), the heating and air conditioning systems in the "older" church building are in very poor condition – basically due to age, not because of neglect or lack of maintenance. Because of the diligence, expertise and effort of Dave Price and others over the past several decades, our boiler and AC units have remained operational, even though they are long past their typical lifespan. This has saved the church an incredible amount of money over the years. Unfortunately, after careful consideration, consultation with experts and much analysis, it has been determined that these systems are no longer functional and need to be replaced.

This past spring it was discovered that the 20 year old flat roof liner over the educational wing had at least 40 holes in it. These holes were temporarily patched, but detailed inspection revealed that a new roof is the only practical solution.

A knowledgeable group representative of Church Council, Trustees and dedicated church members has been working tirelessly on the best solution to these pressing issues. Several reputable companies were sought for input, advice and estimates, and many different options have been considered for the best solution now and for the longtime benefit of our congregation. The Church Council has received and reviewed the task group's recommendation and voted unanimously to move forward with a plan of action.

It is obvious to everyone involved that action must be taken soon regarding the roof, heating and AC issues. And all agree that the most prudent course of action is to tackle all of these needs at the same time. It is also obvious that all of this necessary work comes with a high price tag. The roof itself is estimated at \$90-100,000. New heating, air conditioning and everything that goes along with it for the 1926 and 1952 building are estimated between \$200-220,000. All companies contacted made it very clear that the new highly efficient systems will bring significant savings to WMC regarding our utility bills. If we wait to move forward with this, it is doubtful that our boiler heating system and precarious pipes will survive another winter season, and if we stall until January 2025, cost estimates will increase by 15-20%. The Church Council and nearly all who are informed about this realize that moving forward with this project at this time is the most prudent and faithful decision to make. Properly maintaining our 1926/1952 facility is a high priority.

We realize this is another very "big ticket" item following the need to raise \$212,000 for disaffiliation fees in the spring of 2023. However, just as it was a necessity to do so 15 months ago to survive as a vital church in the center of Wintersville, it is essential to move forward with this roof/heating/AC project for our 1926/1952 church building to survive as a functional location for worship, Christian growth and discipleship, ministries and outreach in our community in Jesus' name.

More information will be shared in worship services and more details will be readily available, but for now, please prayerfully consider how you might support this urgent need. Thank you for your faithfulness to the Lord and WMC in this way.