#### 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

# "Bible Alive 2025!: Jesus Wept"

"When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. <sup>34</sup> "Where have you laid him?" He asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. <sup>35</sup> Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup> Then the Jews said, "See how He loved him!"

John 11:33-36

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# Wintersville Methodist Church

January 19 ~ 9:00 a.m.



# Sunday Worship Celebration!

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

# 2025 Worship Theme: "Bible Alive 2025!"

Welcome, Ministries Updates & Prayer

Worshipping the Lord Together

"Friend of God"

"Great are You, Lord"

"How He Loves"

Offering Worship

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

Worship Through the Word

"Bible Alive 2025: Jesus Wept" John 11:32-47,53

Song of Testimony

"Your Grace is Enough"

Discipleship Challenge

\*Please stay for refreshments, fellowship, & Sunday School classes\*

Our Mission:

\*\*Connect with God\*\* \*\*Grow in Faith\*\* \*\*Serve in Love\*\*

# Focus Scriptures Bible Pledge "This is Truth, this is Life, this is God's Word. Let's open it together."

John 11:35 ~ "Jesus wept." 1 Peter 5:7 ~ "Cast all your cares on Him because He cares for you.

**John 11:32-37** ~ "When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw Him, she fell at His feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. <sup>34</sup> "Where have you laid him?" He asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. <sup>35</sup> Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup> Then the Jews said, "See how He loved him!" <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, "Could not He who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

John 11:38-42 ~ "Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup> "Take away the stone," He said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days." <sup>40</sup> Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

**Matthew 14:13-14** ~ "When Jesus heard what had happened, He withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed Him on foot from the towns. <sup>14</sup> When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, He had compassion on them and healed their sick."

John 11:43-47,53 ~ "When He had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go." <sup>45</sup> Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in Him. <sup>46</sup> But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. <sup>47</sup> Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. . . . <sup>53</sup> So from that day on they plotted to take His life."

**Matthew 9:35-38** ~ "Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. <sup>36</sup> When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, there-fore, to send out workers into His harvest field."

**2 Corinthians 1:3-4** ~ "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, <sup>4</sup> who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God."

# **Prayer Concerns**

Please continue to pray daily for your church family and many others.

Specifically please lift up: Novacek family, Emily Maurer, Dennis Neptune, Kourtnie Birch, Dale Matics, Joan Doan, Darla Doan, Wrenlee Buxton, Agnie Vess, Neiko (3 yr. old), Jonathan & Ty Lallone, Peg Barker, Mike & Julie Rudy, Charlie Snyder, Daylaynee Howcraft, Larry Standiford, Bob English, Quillen family, Ann Bass, Monroe DeLuca, Tyler Nathan, Josh Beadnell, Charlotte Shively, Alva Striffler, Cathy



Perry First, Brad Warren, Joey Snider, Bill "PeeWee" Freiling, Michelle Turner, Chris Briggs, Nino Suriano, Opal Hoover, Mary Alice Brandt, Barb Busana, Rebecca Wayt, First Responders, Rebecca Christian, Kennedy Harbin, Wendy Matthews, Joan Lantry, Sue Rooney, Elaine Snider, Tory Zink, Brian Adams

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#### **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 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Welcome!

Adult Sunday School – 10:00am

All are welcome to join us!



#### **Adult Sunday School Class:**

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

New "Trustworthly" Study – meets in Fidelis Room

## **Updated Website & Facebook**

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

#### JANUARY 19 - 26 ~ CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Date	Day	Event	Time	Room
19	Sun	Lighthouse Praise Service	9:00am	CFH
		Refreshments & Sunday School	10:00am	Assigned rooms
		New "Trustworthy Study	10:00am	•
		Traditional Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
		Sperlazza/Wayt CFH	1:00-7:00pm	CFH
20	Mon	Martin Luther King Jr. Day Office Closed		
		Cub Scouts	6:30-7:30pm	FH/108
		Pickleball	6:30pm	CFH Gym
21	Tues	Friends Practice	7:00pm	VI/100
22	Wed	Purpose Driven Knitting Class	1:00-3:00pm	FI/204
		Kingdom Kids	6:00-7:30pm	FH/108
		Youth Group	6:00-7:30pm	Youth Room
		New "Trustworthy Study	<b>6:30-7:30p</b> m	FI/204
23	Thur	New "Trustworthy" Study	10:00-11:00am	FI/204
		Praise Band Practice	6:00-8:00pm	CFH
		Pickleball	6:30pm	CFH/Gym
25	Sat	Tarr CFH	9:00am-3:00pm	CFH
		AA 12 Step Group	10:00-11:15am	FI/204
		Men's Bible Study	10:30am	BOS/209
26	Sun	Lighthouse Praise Service	9:00am	CFH
		Refreshments & Sunday School	10:00am	Assigned rooms
		Traditional Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
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2025 Worship Theme: "Bible Alive 2025!" Next Sunday, January 26 Worship Theme: "Bible Alive 2025! – Thy Word is Truth," John 17:17. Please join with us, BRING YOUR BIBLE 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!



#### Pancake Breakfast Youth Fundraiser – TODAY!

The Youth Group is having a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser TODAY from 10:00am-12:30pm. The fundraiser will go toward "Nehemiah 2.0 - Raise The Roof" campaign. Everyone is welcome to join with us!

# Youth Group News



Please join with us for Youth Group on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30pm. All youth 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome!

# Kingdom Kids News



Please join with us for Kingdom Kids on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30pm. All kids ages K-6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome.

# **Outreach & Christian Ed Meeting Update**



Both Outreach and Christian Ed. take the month of January off. Both Committees meet in February. Christian Ed will meet on Feb. 3rd at 6:00 in the Youth room. Outreach will meet on February 13th at 6:30pm in the Fidelis room. Can't wait to see you then.

# **Parking Consideration**



We have a very caring church family and are very grateful for that. One additional way we can help others is by leaving the parking spaces near the elevator/backdoor of the Center for Hope open for those who have difficulty walking. Your "parking consideration" in this way is greatly appreciated.

# Nursery & Kingdom Kids Volunteers Needed

The Nursery and Kingdom Kids are seeking out volunteers to fill in when someone is out sick or there is a need. If you would be willing to volunteer occasionally, please stop by the office and give them your name and address or contact Kristen Starkey. Thank you.

## Attention Parents of Nursery Age Children (Birth to Kindergarten)

Our nursery is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in room 205. Just a reminder for the safety of everyone please make sure you sign in and sign out your children. Please always take a pager in case there is an emergency. If you have any questions, please see Tif or our Nursery attendants Barb and Karlee. We are always looking for volunteers to help out in the nursery! Want to be added to our occasional volunteer list? Please let Tif know.

# Men's Breakfast Group

The Men's Group has changed their meeting location and time. They are now meeting the last Saturday every month at Eat-N-Park at 9:00 a.m. All men are welcome to join us for this time of good food and great fellowship. Next meeting will be this Saturday, January 25 at 9:00 a.m.



20 ~ Barb Huggins 19 ~ Jim Marshall 23 ~ Karla Mitchell

23 ~ William Hammack Jr.

23 ~ Kaylee Purviance

23 ~ Lois Livingston

25 ~ JoAnn Neil

**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: Barb Huggins, Lois Livingston, Jo Ann Neil

23 ~ Steven Westlake 24 ~ Michele Purviance



# Wednesday FaithBuilders Schedule

Kingdom Kids – Kindergarten – 6<sup>th</sup> grade ~ 6:00-7:30pm Youth Group 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade ~ 6:00-7:30pm Adult Bible Study - 6:30-7:30pm



# Financial Support of Wintersville Methodist Church

All giving is GREATLY APPRECIATED! As we move forward for the Lord, into the new year, 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 2025**

	Received 1/12	<u>Needed Weekly</u>	Yr to Date Total (2 weeks)
Budget /Special	\$6,029.00	\$7,825.00	\$11,124.85
Center for Hope	\$1,905.00	\$2,875.00	\$2,720.00
		(for loan payment only)	

Thank you for generous support for Nehemiah 2.0! We have "Raised the Roof!" Praise the Lord!

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!

# **Good News!** Thank You!!

Over the past three months we have been participating in our "Nehemiah 2.0 – Raise the Roof!" campaign. We desperately needed a new education wing roof and also a completely new heating and A/C system for our 1926 & 1952 church building. Even though it was absolutely necessary at this time, it was still a huge financial undertaking especially following a huge necessary fundraising effort in the spring of 2023. Like in the biblical story of Nehemiah and God's people rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem, we were all asked to pray and serve and give as we were able to complete this essential work of restoration and repair so that ministry and mission can continue to flourish through the Wintersville Methodist Church now and for decades to come.

# AND THANKS BE TO THE GOODNESS OF GOD AND THE GENEROSITY AND DEDICATION OF HIS PEOPLE, WE HAVE REACHED (ARE REACHING) OUR GOAL!

Through various fundraisers, faithful special giving, very generous year-end donations, and anticipated income from six winter/spring fundraisers, we can declare our campaign a big success! Again, THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED IN ANY WAY FOR THIS MAJOR PROJECT TO BE ACCOMPLISHED!!

Our theme verse for this campaign was Ezra 9:9, "God has shown us kindness ... He has granted us new life to rebuild the house of our God and repair its ruins." And as was stated in a congregational letter that was mailed in November, "By rebuilding the house of God and repairing what is in ruins, we will enable WMC to faithfully move into the future as dedicated disciples of Jesus Christ sharing His love and Truth with the world around us through our mission, outreach, worship, children and youth programs, Christian growth experiences, love in action, fellowship, programs and community involvement and service."

And then we concluded the letter with the following expressed desire, "May our prayer be that these words from Exodus will be repeated for WMC in the near future: "And so the people were restrained from bringing more, <sup>7</sup> because what they already had was more than enough to do all the work." That "near future" has now arrived! With money that has already been received, along with anticipated income from our upcoming fundraisers, we can joyfully proclaim that our campaign goal has been (will be) met!

We are so appreciative, and now would just ask that financial stewardship be directed to supporting our overall budget, which helps much ministry and mission to take place for the upbuilding of lives in Christ and the advancement of God's kingdom.

# **Again, THANK YOU SO MUCH!!**

## **"Bible Alive ~ 2025!"**

Part of our new Statement of Faith as the Wintersville Methodist Church declares, "We believe that the 66 books comprising the Old and New Testament are the written, infallible Word of God. The Bible itself is the sole and final source of all that we believe" (2 Timothy 3:16-17). While we have always been a church "of the Bible," this year we will have a special emphasis on reading the Bible, studying the Bible, bringing your Bible to worship, being transformed by the Bible, and opening ourselves more fully to "the Spirit of God using the Word of God to make us more like the Son of God (Rick Warren) "BIBLE ALIVE ~ 2025!"

So, please bring your Bible with you each Sunday, and if you do not have one, please let Pastor Clint or Tif know and we will make sure you receive one. Also, we have a goal for everyone to read through the New Testament this year. Just start with Matthew chapter 1, verse 1 and read at your own pace. The important thing is to try and read at least some portion of Scripture EVERY day. The New Testament has 260 chapters (2,957 verses), so if you read just one chapter a day you will be able to read through the entire New Testament about 1½ times, and if you read on average just 8 verses a day you will finish the New Testament in one year. There are many different translations of the Bible and many prefer a Bible app (YouVersion seems to be the most popular), which we will be talking more about in the weeks to come.

Please, join with us on this journey and let the Word of God impact your heart, disposition, outlook, relationships and your entire life for the better!

# **"Bible Alive ~ 2025!"**

#### TRUSTWORTHY BIBLE STUDY

All adults are invited to join the winter Bible study *Trustworthy* by Lysa TerKeurst, which **starts this week**. This six-session study covers 1 and 2 Kings and looks at the imperfect human kings of the Old Testament to help us trust God more fully. We start this week and end the week of February 23. There are three weekly meeting times to choose from: Sundays at 10:00am, Wednesdays at 6:30pm, or Thursdays at 10:00am. The materials include online access to the weekly videos, so you can follow along even if you miss a week or two! Sign up today and select a paperback or e-book version. Questions? Call or text Alice Buchanan at 330-697-6699.

# **Good Neighbors Stocking Thank You**

Just a huge thank you to all of the women of the Church who stepped up to make Christmas stockings for Good Neighbors teens. This year there were 53 of them. The stockings were beautiful and we even have some left over to start 2025. Thank you for using your gifts and talents to help Good Neighbors. Kitty and Jerry