

MISSION, VISION, & CORE VALUES STATEMENTS ~ WMC

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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.





Wintersville Methodist Church

April 20, 2025 ~ 9:00 a.m.

EASTER SUNDAY

RESURRECTION CELEBRATION!



2025 Worship Theme: “Bible Alive 2025!”

Lenten Theme: “Seeking First God’s Kingdom”

Resurrection Scripture

Matthew 28:1-8

Welcome, Ministries Updates & Prayer

Easter Worship and Praise

“Because He Lives”

“Resurrecting”

Worship through Sacred Dance and Praise

“God’s Not Dead” Nina, Jadeyn, Richlynn, Brooklynn

Offering Worship

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

Special Music *“Sunday is Coming”* Cynthia & Hannah

Worship Through the Word

“Seeking First God’s Kingdom – Living for Jesus Today (& Every Day)!” 2 Corinthians 5:15-6:2, 1 Corinthians 15:1-6, 57-58

Song of Testimony *“Unstoppable God”*

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.”**

1 Corinthians 15:1-6,32,20 ~ “Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. . . . ³² If the dead are not raised, ‘Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.’ . . . ²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead!”

2 Corinthians 5:15-6:2 ~ “And He died for all, so that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for Him who died for them and was raised again. ¹⁶ So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. ¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to Himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them. And He has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰ We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God. As God’s co-workers we urge you not to receive God’s grace in vain. ² For He says, “In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you.” I tell you, now is the time of God’s favor, now is the day of salvation.”

Psalms 118:24 ~ “This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.”

Luke 9:23 ~ “Then Jesus said to them all: “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.”

Hebrews 3:13 ~ “But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called “Today,” so that none of you may be hardened by sin’s deceitfulness.”

1 Corinthians 15:57-58 ~ “But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁵⁸ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”

Youth Group & Kingdom Kids News

Please join with us for Youth Group and Kingdom Kids on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30pm. All youth 6th -12th grade are welcome at Youth Group, and Kingdom Kids is for all those in K-5th grades.



4/20 Colton Gribben
4/22 Annie Board
4/25 Emily Miller

4/20 David Schaefer
4/22 Anthony Dylewski
4/26 James Howell

4/21 Harold Huggins
4/23 Janice Hammer

Ohio Valley Health Center Annual Gala

The Ohio Valley Health Center is hosting their Annual Gala on April 27. OVHC is the only free clinic in a 50 mile radius, and last year alone they met the needs of 434 active patients while providing free healthcare and prescriptions valued at over one million dollars. Once again our church is a major sponsor of the Gala (their major yearly fundraiser), and if you would like to attend the Gala, please see Ann Quillen for tickets today.

“Raise the Roof! – Pig Giveaway”

One of our church members, Chad Johnston (operator of Johnston Farmstead), graciously agreed to raise and then prepare a pig to help raise funds for our “Raise the Roof!” project. We will have a drawing on June 1 to determine first, second and third prize; 1st: ½ pig and small chest freezer, 2nd: ¼ pig, 3rd: ¼ pig. **Tickets for this fundraiser are \$10 each and we are hoping that many of our church family will not only participate, but also encourage others to do so. For all who are willing to help in this way, we have packets of 10 tickets prepared for you to take with you and “sell”.** They are available for pickup in the back of CFH/Sanctuary after both worship services and include an instruction sheet. Please sign out each packet taken. Thank you for supporting our project in this way!

VBS MUSIC INFORMATION

In preparation for VBS 2025, the music department would like to assemble a small group of youth and adults to be a part of this year’s VBS praise/dance team. The praise/dance team will join the praise and worship leader in opening and closing VBS each night. Rehearsals for this group will begin in June. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please see Cynthia Lytle or Macklyn Weilert.

A/C Units Available

There are still several used church window A/C units available for free. Please see Bob Woods or Dave Price if interested.

Noisy Can Collection Next Sunday

There will be a Noisy Can Collection next Sunday, April 27, to help support our children and youth attending church camp. Thank you for your support!

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: Annalise Quillen Colton Gribben Harold Huggins



Wednesday FaithBuilders Schedule

Kingdom Kids – Kindergarten – 6th grade ~ 6:00-7:30pm
Youth Group 6th – 12th 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

| | <u>Received 4/13</u> | <u>Needed Weekly</u> | <u>Yr to Date</u> | <u>2025 Budget</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Budget /Special | \$ 8,018.86 | \$ 7,825.00 | \$ 122,412.62 | (+ \$ 5,037.62) |
| Center for Hope | \$ 1,545.00 | \$ 2,875.00 | \$ 38,648.00 | (- \$ 4,477.00) |
| | | | (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!

wintersvillemc.com

**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!

Prayer Concerns

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

Specifically please lift up: Martha Bigrigg, Frank Neil, Denise Smith, Heidi Pflug, Cheryl Walters, Annalise Quillen's Arrival, Fred Walton, Robert Malcolm, Jim Halstead, Marlene Darr, Betty Mickey, Jean Zamberlan Brandsberg, Jeff (cancer), Hannah Sindeldecker, Jim Lash, Gary Swickard, Donna Henry, Darla Bednar, Sanford Miles, Terry Pendleton, Linda Streblo, Pat Perry, Chris Briggs, Liz Kendle, "Leaders", Bev Sullivan, June Sweeney, Susan & Jerry Matics, Doug & Regina Patterson, Emily Maurer, Darla Doan, Wrenlee Buxton, Neiko Boni (3 yr. old), Jonathan & Ty Lallone, Mike & Julie Rudy, Charlie Snyder, Daylaynee Howcraft, Larry Standiford, Allison Neptune, Ann Bass, Monroe DeLuca, Josh Beadnell, Charlotte Shively, Alva Striffler, Cathy Perry First, Joey Snider, Michelle Turner, Mary Alice Brandt, First Responders, Kennedy Harbin, Wendy Matthews, Joan Lantry, Sue Rooney, Tory Zink, Brian Adams



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!



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

Updated Website & Facebook

Our updated Website is – wintersvillemc.com.

Our updated Facebook is – Wintersville Methodist Church

APRIL 20– APRIL 27 ~ CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| Date | Day | Event | Time | Room |
|------|------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| 20 | Sun | Lighthouse Praise Service | 9:00am | CFH |
| | | Refreshments & Sunday School | 10:00am | Assigned rooms |
| | | Easter Egg Hunt | 10:00am | JCCS |
| | | Traditional Worship Service | 11:00am | Sanctuary |
| 21 | Mon | OFFICE CLOSED | | |
| | | Rummage Sale Set-up | 9:00-12:00pm | CFH/ Gym |
| | | Rummage Sale Set-up | 5:00-7:00pm | CFH/ Gym |
| | | Cub Scouts | 6:30-7:30pm | FH |
| 22 | Tues | Rummage Sale Set-up | 9:00-12:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| | | After School Program | 3:30-5:50pm | FH |
| | | Rummage Sale Set-up | 5:00-7:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| | | Friends Practice | 7:00 pm | 100 |
| 23 | Wed | Rummage Sale Set-up | 9:00-12:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| | | Purpose Driven Knitting Class | 1:00-3:00pm | FI/204 |
| | | Rummage Sale Set-up | 5:00-7:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| | | Kingdom Kids/Youth Group | 6:00-7:30pm | |
| | | Adult Bible Study | 6:30-7:30pm | FI/204 |
| 24 | Thur | Rummage Sale Set-up | 9:00-12:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| | | Adult Bible Study | 10:00am | FI/204 |
| | | Praise Team | 6:00-8:00pm | |
| | | Church Council Meeting | 6:30pm | |
| 25 | Fri | RUMMAGE SALE | 9:00-2:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| 26 | Sat | RUMMAGE SALE | 9:00-2:00pm | CFH/Gym |
| | | AA 12 Step Group | 10:00-11:15am | FH/108 |
| 27 | Sun | Lighthouse Praise Service | 9:00am | CFH |
| | | Refreshments & Sunday School | 10:00am | Assigned rooms |
| | | Traditional Worship Service | 11:00am | Sanctuary |

2025 Worship Theme: "Bible Alive 2025!"

Lenten Theme: "Bible Alive 2025! ~ Seeking First God's Kingdom"

Our theme for SUNDAY, Apr. 27, "Seeking First God's Kingdom - Hearts Burning Within Us" Luke 24:32

Please Join with us and invite others.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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

Live Stream Worship

Our 9:00am Praise Service is livestreaming on YouTube on Sunday mornings, and also available anytime on a link through FaceBook. Visit wintersvillemc.com to connect. Special Music, Sacred Dance. Please join with us and invite others!

Youth News

Youth Mission Week June 15-19. We have nearly 30 youth registered for this impactful week, so we are in need of many chaperones. Please mark your calendars and come help the most amazing Youth Group in the world and serve our amazing Lord! Questions? Call Tif 740-317-0609. Pick up a registration form from the Youth Room.

Summer Camp is right around the corner. WMC will be offering a \$150 scholarship per camper. Pick up a form in the back of the sanctuary and Center for Hope today. Forms due May 1st.

Modern Eve News

Modern Eve will be hosting the Aim Baby Shower May 1, 2025. All women of the church are invited. All invited are to bring a covered dish and items for a baby. Toiletries, clothes, diapers or any baby item you would like to have taken down to Aim ministry.

Annual Church Rummage Sale

The Annual Church Rummage will be held both next **Friday, April 25th and Saturday, April 26th**. It will be from 9:00am-2:00pm on both days. We will also have a concession stand both days. All monies raised will go to the "Nehemiah 2.0 Raise the Roof" Campaign. Donations may be dropped off **ONLY Monday, April 21st thru Wednesday, April 23rd from 9:00am-12:00pm & 5:00pm-7:00pm.** So, save all your good "stuff". We will need lots of volunteers to get this organized. Can we count on you? It really has been a lot of fun in the past. If you have any questions or would like to help, please call Michele Purviance 740-424-7464, Kitty Ferguson 740-317-8690 or the church office 740-264-1676.

Easter Flower Appreciation



Thank you to all who donated our beautiful Easter flowers in memory and honor of loved ones. A special insert is located in the back of the Sanctuary and Center for Hope listing donors and all those in whose memory and honor they were given. Please feel free to take one with you. Donors may take their flowers from each location following that worship service this morning. Thanks again to all.

Biennial Church Auction

We are planning on having another Church Auction on **Saturday, May 17 beginning at 10:00am**. We will also have a concession available. All monies raised will go to the **final** "Nehemiah 2.0 Raise the Roof" Campaign project. So, if you have items that you think will be good auction items or if you have any questions, please contact Michele Purviance 740-424-7464, Bob Woods 740-457-7156 or the church office 740-264-1676.

Church Camp Scholarship Fundraisers

One of the highlights of summer as a child from our church is church camp! With costs topping out over \$500 this year it is getting increasingly difficult to send our children. To ease the burden on parents, the kids (with help from some adults) are launching a series of fundraisers to support these efforts.

- **We will have two Noisy Can collections. One on April 27th** and one on May 18th, so please save your change!
- Our BIG EVENT is the SPRING INTO SUMMER VENDOR SHOW in the Center For Hope on May 3rd from 11am-3pm. If you know any vendors willing to participate, please have them contact Jessica Ward at 931-217-7766. Mark your calendars and come out to support these vendors who are supporting our kids on May 3rd!
- On May 7th at First Wednesdays in Wintersville the Kids will be selling Ice cream Sundaes and offering face paint for donation.
- If you feel called to help in any way with these efforts or if your child is in need of a camp scholarship please reach out to Jessica Ward at 931-217-7766.

Pancake Brunch

Sunday, May 4th at 10 am til 12:30pm Youth Pancake Fundraiser. Pancakes and Sausage! A love offering will be taken for their Mission Retreat Week. Our Youth mission week is June 15- June 19. We are in need of Day and Night chaperones. WE have 28 youth attending our trip this year!