

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.



THE CENTER FOR HOPE PRAISE SERVICE

“Why are Fire Alarms So Loud?”

“But if the watchman sees the enemy coming and doesn't sound the alarm to warn the people, he is responsible for their captivity. They will die in their sins, but I will hold the watchman responsible for their deaths.”

Ezekiel 33:6

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Rev. Dr. Clint Quillen, Jr., Pastor

Wintersville Methodist Church

September 22, 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

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

“Thrive”

“Jesus at the Center”

Offering Worship

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

Worship Through the Word

“Why are Fire Alarms So Loud?”

Ezekiel 33:1-11, 2 Cor. 5:18-6:2, Romans 13:11-14, Mark 13:32-37

Song of Testimony

“Cornerstone”

Discipleship Challenge

Please stay for refreshments, fellowship, & Sunday School classes

Our Mission:

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

Focus Scriptures

Ezekiel 33:1-6 ~ “Once again a message came to me from the Lord: ²“Son of man, give your people this message: ‘When I bring an army against a country, the people of that land choose one of their own to be a watchman. ³When the watchman sees the enemy coming, he sounds the alarm to warn the people. ⁴Then if those who hear the alarm refuse to take action, it is their own fault if they die. ⁵They heard the alarm but ignored it, so the responsibility is theirs. If they had listened to the warning, they could have saved their lives. ⁶But if the watchman sees the enemy coming and doesn’t sound the alarm to warn the people, he is responsible for their captivity. They will die in their sins, but I will hold the watchman responsible for their deaths.’ Now, son of man, I am making you a watchman for the people of Israel. Therefore, listen to what I say and warn them for me. ⁸If I announce that some wicked people are sure to die and you fail to tell them to change their ways, then they will die in their sins, and I will hold you responsible for their deaths. ⁹But if you warn them to repent and they don’t repent, they will die in their sins, but you will have saved yourself. . . . ¹¹As surely as I live, says the Sovereign Lord, I take no pleasure in the death of wicked people. I only want them to turn from their wicked ways so they can live. Turn! Turn from your wickedness, O people of Israel! Why should you die?”

2 Corinthians 5:18,20,6:1-2 ~ “All this is from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. . . . ²⁰We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. . . . **6** As God’s co-workers we urge you not to receive God’s grace in vain. ²For 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.”

1 Corinthians 14:8 ~ “Again, if the trumpet does not sound a clear call, who will get ready for battle?”

Romans 13:11-14 ~ “And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.”

John 12:37,42-43 ~ “Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in Him. . . . ⁴²Yet at the same time many even among the leaders believed in Him. But because of the Pharisees they would not openly acknowledge their faith for fear they would be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved human praise more than praise from God.”

Mark 13:33-37 ~ “Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. ³⁴It’s like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. ³⁵Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. ³⁶If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. ³⁷What I say to you, I say to everyone: ‘Be alert!’”

Prayer Concerns

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

Specifically please lift up: family of JT Hannan, Charlies Snyder, baby Ezra, Bill “PeeWee” Freiling, Natalie Doty, Carolyn Bickerstaff, Mike & Julie Rudy, Janice Hammer, Debbie Grecco, Debbie DiCarlo, Daylaynee Howcraft, Josh Beadnell, Meredith Rouse Patterson, Larry Standiford, Michelle Turner, James Shuster, Linda Frost, Richard Bush, Pat Andrews, Chris Briggs, Pat Perry, Nino Suriano, Opal Hoover, baby Emma, Randy Jones, Mary Alice Brandt, Barb 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!



Adult Sunday School – 10:00am
All are welcome to join us!



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 22 - 29 ~ CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Day	Event	Time	Room
22	Sun	Lighthouse Praise Service	9:00am	CFH
		Refreshments & Sunday School – Kingdom Politics	10:00am	Assigned rooms
		Traditional Worship Service	11:00am	Sanctuary
23	Mon	Chosen Season 4 Study	5:30-7:30pm	Sanctuary
		Pickleball	6:30pm	CFH Gym
24	Tues	Friends	7:00pm	VI/100
25	Wed	Purpose Driven Knitting Class	1:00-3:00pm	FI/204
		Kingdom Kids Group	6:00-7:30pm	
		Youth Group	6:00-7:30pm	
		Adult Bible Study – Kingdom Politics	6:30-7:30pm	FI/204
26	Thurs	Adult Bible Study – Kingdom Politics	10:00-11:00am	FI/204
		Praise Band Practice	6:00pm	CFH
		Pickleball	6:30pm	CFH Gym
27	Fri	Bright Star Home School	8:30am-2:30pm	
28	Sat	Men’s Group Breakfast	9:00am	Eat-N-Park
		AA 12 Step Group	10:00-11:15am	CFH/Youth Rm
		Wintersville Women’s Group	2:00-4:00pm	East Parking Lot
29	Sun	CHURCH SERVICE & PICNIC AT RICHMOND PARK (no worship service at the church building)	10:30am	Richmond Park

Next Sunday, Sept. 29 – We will have a combined Worship Service and Picnic at the Richmond Park at 10:30am. It is always a time of good food, great fellowship, fun, and meaningful worship. Please join with us and invite others. (There will be no regular Worship Services at the church.)

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

Outdoor Worship & Church Picnic – NEXT Sunday



NEXT Sunday, September 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. (Address: 210 S. Park St. Richmond. As you enter Richmond on Rt. 43, turn left on Park St., which is just past the red brick Presbyterian Church. Follow that road until you come to the picnic area.)

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. Continuing through 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.

Kitchen Helpers Needed

We currently have a team of “Kitchen Helpers” for the Center for Hope, but we would love to have a few more people join us. Based on your availability, we help with cleaning, chaperoning events, and some other “Kitchen duties.” Please contact the church office or Terri English (740-457-9865) for more information or if you would consider helping in this way.



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| 22 ~ Joe DeSantis | 22 ~ John Walls | 22 ~ Jerry Mathieu |
| 22 ~ Emily Nicholson | 24 ~ Scott Peyton | 24 ~ John Rayl |
| 25 ~ Terry Legros | 25 ~ Cash Johnston | 26 ~ Jocelyn Saltsman |
| 27 ~ Arlene Davis | 27 ~ Scott Hatcher | 28 ~ Judy Sharp |
| 28 ~ Lanny Sterms | 28 ~ Robert Burns | |

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: Natalie Doty, Arlene Davis, Judy Sharp

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

	<u>Received 9/15</u>	<u>Needed Weekly</u>	<u>Yr to Date Total (37 weeks)</u>
Budget /Special	\$5,541.00	\$8,500.00	\$277,147.82
Center for Hope	\$1,045.00	\$1,800.00	\$91,106.80
		(for loan payment only)	

“Nehemiah 2.0-Raise the Roof!” (Roof, A/C, Heat) 9/15 - \$35,125.00 Total: \$35,225.00

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!



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 from 5:30-7:30pm, meeting in the sanctuary.**

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 Saturday, September 28 at 9:00 a.m.**

Youth Group News

September 25 – Wednesday Youth Group – 6:00-7:30pm.
September 29 – Outdoor Worship & Church Picnic Richmond Park 10:30am

Kingdom Kids News

Join us at Kingdom Kids every Wednesday night from 6:00-7:30 PM! All are welcome for an evening of fun, friendship, and learning about God's love. All kids Kindergarten - 6th grade.

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.

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.

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, are no longer practically 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 this roof also needs to be replaced.

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, **but thankfully it is not as high as originally thought!**

All companies contacted made it very clear that the new highly efficient systems will bring significant savings to WMC regarding our utility bills, and if we wait to move forward with this, in January 2025 cost estimates will increase by 15-20%. Now is the time to move forward as 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.

A task group has been formed to address fundraising, and more specific information will be shared in the near future. 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.

UPDATE:

- 1) Please mark your calendar for Sunday, **October 20**. One combined service at 10:00am in the Sanctuary, followed by a “Pumpkinfest ~ Pumpkin Auction ~ Haystack Meal” in the Center for Hope.
- 2) Please **pray daily at 9:09am or pm** for this pressing need in the life of our church.

“God has shown us kindness . . . He has granted us new life to rebuild the house of our God and repair its ruins.” Ezra 9:9



Notes of Thanks

On behalf of the Hills Cares Community, we would like to thank you for the more than generous donation to our pantry. Know that 14 families will be nourished through your donation. Thank you again for the blessings! Ginny Pawelczyk

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.