



# Winfield United Methodist Church

August 2021 Newsletter

Greetings in the name of Christ!

It has truly been a joyful summer, as hopefully all of us were able to participate in activities that were lost to us during the height of the pandemic. For my family, we traveled to Colorado for a long deferred vacation. My son Sully got to see his paternal grandfather and grandmother who he had not seen since the pandemic began. It was a blessing to see Sully play and learn with other children at community events and at our church's Vacation Bible School. This summer made me thankful for so much of the little things the pandemic took away from us.

I am also grateful for the coronavirus vaccines that made all of this possible. I truly believe that these vaccines are an answer to prayer. While there are still risks of coronavirus infection and transmission among vaccinated people, the rates of both are far lower. Current studies show that 99.5% of recent COVID-19 deaths were unvaccinated people. If you are able to be vaccinated, I strongly encourage you to do so. We not only protect ourselves, we also protect vulnerable members of our society, like children and youth and the immunocompromised, and those who are unable to be vaccinated. We can care for one another, particularly the vulnerable, by getting vaccinated. Paul tells us in Philippians to look after the interests of others (Philippians 2:3-4), and receiving the vaccine is one way of doing that. I fear that as the Delta variant spreads, we run the risk of returning to many of the restrictive measures that existed before the vaccine rollout. I enjoy gathering in worship with little to no restrictions and pray that we can stay this way. That's why I'm asking you to lovingly encourage your friends and neighbors who are unvaccinated to receive the vaccine if they are able.

On another note, I have a few important things I'd like to share. First, please consider signing up to sponsor a table at our church's "Back to School Bash" on August 11th from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Each table has a designated activity, and we need your help! You can check out the sign up sheet on the table near the restrooms, and can learn more information by talking to Gayla Van Horn or by calling the church office. Second, we are starting an informal partnership with the preschool that meets in our church. In the next few weeks, you will get an opportunity to "sponsor" a preschool student. If you choose to sponsor a student, you will learn a few details about him/her, such as their birthday and their favorite activities and interests. We hope that if you sponsor a child, you will consider sending them cards, letters, and small gifts at various points throughout the year, as well as keep them and their family in your prayers. We as a church are trying to be more intentional about reaching young families, and these are two ways we are trying to do just that.

As always, you can reach me at any time by calling or texting (304)646-9597 or through email at [christo.scott@gmail.com](mailto:christo.scott@gmail.com) I'd love to pray together or get together for coffee or lunch!

Grace and Peace,

+Pastor Chris Scott

# AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Communion Sunday	2	3	4 Book Study: 6:00 PM  Bible Study: 6:10 PM	5	6	7
8 Children's Ministry Team Meeting 12:15 Youth 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	9 United Methodist Women: 6:30 PM	10	11 Back to School Bash 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM Book Study: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM	12	13	14 Food Pantry: Winfield Nazarene Church 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
15 Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	16 Finance Team Meeting 7:00 PM	17	18 Book Study: 6:00 PM  Bible Study: 6:00 PM	19	20	21
22 Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	23 Administrative Council: 7:00 PM	24 Putnam County School Starts	25 Book Study: 6:00 PM  Bible Study: 6:10 PM	26	27	28
29 Back to Church Picnic 12:15 PM Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	30	31				



Bill Jarvis	3	Carroll Jones	13	Linda Buckalew	24
Jeff Jarrell	4	Beth Handley	16	Keith McClanahan	27
Pat Legg	5	Chris Scott	16	Gavin Winter	28
Grace Terry	5	Matthew Burdette	18	Clyde Legg	29
Steve Browning	9	Kathy Wandling	18	Reva Capehart	30
Linda Capehart	9	Phyllis Schottle	21	Sherry Johnston	30
Kaya Capehart	9	Aaron Holmes	24	Mindy Fisher	31



Brian & Sherry Johnston	1
Carroll & Jo Ann Jones	3
Shane & Kristina Dunn	6
Michael & Stephanie McWhorter	8
Steve & Mindy Fisher	17
Glen & Carol Stevens	18
Clyde & Pat Legg	18



# Worship with Us

## Join Us for Sunday Worship

We have two Worship Services on Sunday, with the same message. There will be many styles of dress at both services. Come as you are!

### **8:30 AM: Early Service**

Small, traditional service with relaxed atmosphere

### **11:00 AM: Late Service**

Larger service but is still relaxed, a blending of traditional and contemporary touches.

Masks are to be worn in accordance with CDC guidelines. If you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask while indoors.

Social distancing must be observed.

# Tithes and Offerings

If you are unable to worship with us in person, or want an alternative way to give your tithes and offerings, you may mail your donation to:

Winfield UMC  
PO Box 391  
Winfield WV 25213

Or give online at:  
[winfieldumc.net](http://winfieldumc.net) > Online Giving  
or <https://www.ezekielgiving.com/App/Giving/winfpo284>

# Children's Programming

Throughout June and July, we hosted 3 Wacky Wednesday events. . Each evening, the children sang songs, danced, heard a message from Pastor Chris, and enjoyed a meal together. A great time was had by all! Thank you to all of our volunteers for making this possible!



If you were planning to attend **Party in the Park** on Monday, August 2nd, it has been **postponed**. A new date will be announced at a later time.

Our next event is our **Back to School Carnival** on **August 11th**. We will have booths set up from 5:00 PM - 800 PM. Stop by any time for games, prizes, and a sweet treat! Pastor Chris will also be blessing backpacks for the upcoming school year, feel free to bring your child's bag!

If you would like to volunteer to run a booth, signup sheets are in the Narthex or contact Gayla Van Horn ([gaylaflora@gmail.com](mailto:gaylaflora@gmail.com) / 304.690.1590)

# Youth Programming

The youth group will be continuing their viewing and discussion of *The Chosen* (television series based on the life of Jesus) throughout the month of July. The first 6 episodes have been engaging and allowed for interesting discussion. It's not too late to join us!

Youth currently meets on Sundays from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM and is open to all students in grades 6-12.

If you would like to volunteer with the youth or have any questions about programming, contact Gayla Van Horn.

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Hope to see you soon!

## Stay Connected



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**BACK TO SCHOOL**  
**CARNIVAL**

**AUGUST 11TH, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**Suffer  
Strong**  
**Book Study**

**Wednesdays at 6:00 PM**  
**July 21st - August 27th**





*What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Are you humming the song yet? We hope so. The very first line of this song gets our hearts pumping and our raises our spirits!

We need each other for so many things and at the top of that list is the need to join together in Christian fellowship. The Winfield United Methodist Women want to provide a special time to break bread together, fellowship with one another and take the Spirit of Christ out into the World. All Brothers and Sisters in Christ are invited and for those of you who haven't returned to in person services this is a perfect opportunity to do so. No need to bring anything other than yourselves.

**Welcome Back Sunday/Sundae Social  
August 29 th following the 11:00 Service**

Fried Chicken, Green Beans, Hash Brown Casserole, Pasta Salad, Deviled Eggs and of course ice cream sundaes with lots of toppings.



# Winfield UMC Welcomes

## *Jayna & Easton Lowery*

Jayna and Easton joined our church in July. Get to know them in the bio below and be sure to welcome them in person!

Easton and Jayna both live in Mason county, WV with their other family members, Casey and Elijah. Easton attends Ashton Elementary where he will be in fourth grade this school year. He plays basketball and football.

His best friends are Alivia, Zeke, and Casey Dunn. Jayna teaches special education at Hannan high school. She loves her job and also coaches track and basketball. In her free time, she spends time with her family and friends, and watches her 3 sons in all of their endeavors.



## Winfield United Methodist church

### Administrative Council Minutes July 26, 2021, 7:00 PM

Members present – Al Ruebush, Chris Scott, Steve Burdette, Bill Davis, Phyllis Stinnette, Kathy Burns, Denny Sansom, Gayla Van Horn

The Winfield United Methodist Church Administrative Council meeting was called to order by Al Ruebush at 7:03 PM on July 26, 2021.

Opening prayer by Pastor Chris Scott

Education Session- Pastor Chris passed out a paper entitled “Five Temptations in Counting Attendance”

Minutes from the June 28, 2021 meeting were read. Motion to accept minutes made by Denny Sansom. Motion voted on and approved.

<u>TREASURER’S REPORT-</u>	Beginning Balance	38,703.48
	June Income	22,739.00
	June Expense	18,094.33
	Ending Balance	43,348.15

\$6000 from Heron fund withdraw included in June income

### COMMITTEES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES- Ordered extra-large umbrella to cover deck at parsonage for \$1277. Company received payment. Should be here within the week. Received estimate for sliding glass door at the parsonage from St Albans Window for \$2290. Second estimate for installation of door only, if door purchased separately, from an individual. Total cost roughly the same, so going with St Albans Window. It was decided to withdraw and use \$3000 from Heron fund to cover cost of door. Replaced light in bedroom in parsonage. Issue with parsonage garage door. GDO came and fixed the issue. Sanctuary carpet needs cleaned. Looking at waiting until fall to do so.

STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE- Met and completed pastor evaluation and set new goals for pastor.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY TEAM- No July meeting. First two Wacky Wednesday’s completed. Last one is this Wednesday with science demonstrations. August 11- back to school carnival. CMT providing booths, need volunteers to run. Several youth and adults helped with camp at St John’s.

FINANCE COMMITTEE- No report.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN- Annual meeting will be in person in October. UMW sponsoring church wide picnic on August 29 following 11 service. Providing all food and drinks. Gave \$100 to Heart and Hand for any need they may have.

MISSIONS TEAM- No report

MEN'S GROUP- No meeting.

TECHNOLOGY TEAM- Steve Burdette- replaced fan in office computer. Began teaching a youth to run video equipment.

PASTORS REPORT- Chris helping lead Wacky Wednesday's. Party in the park on August 2 at Eleanor Park being rescheduled for fall. Starting program to have members partner with preschool families. Hoping to have a big welcome for preschoolers on first day (balloons...).

OLD BUSINESS- The grant was submitted for Naloxone training. Looking to return the use of offering plates as soon as more people volunteer to help.

NEW BUSINESS- Use fresh baked bread for communion. Kathy will make. Begin using recorded music and singing again during services.

Being no further business, a motion was made by Steve Burdette to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted,  
Reva M Capehart, Church Secretary



The Winfield United Methodist Church Newsletter is published monthly. If you would like to contribute to the August issue, please send your article to Reva Capehart or Gayla Van Horn by Saturday, August 28th.

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