# Winfield UMC NEW 2022 YEAR January Newsletter

Happy New Year! Are you the type of person who makes new year's resolutions? If so, perhaps you are naturally a hopeful person. When we make resolutions, we express hope that the new year will be better than the past year because we took the initiative to be better. As Christians, we are called to be a people of hope. Like those magi who followed the star, they lived with the hope that the journey they were making would lead to something better than they could have possibly imagined. Each and every day, they waited for night to fall, with hope that the star would return to lead them.

Let us approach the new year of 2022 as a people of hope. Christian hope is not naive optimism or living life with rose colored glasses. Rather, Christian hope is a realistic assessment of the brokenness, injustice, and sin in the world, and deciding to choose hope anyway. We are onto year three of a global pandemic, and our hopes of an early end are gone. It might be difficult to find a reason to hope. Yet we choose hope anyway. The Bible calls this, "Hope against hope." Paul says in Romans 8, "Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." It is the hope that helped Moses lead a stubborn and rebellious people for 50 years in the wilderness before they reached the Promised. It is the hope of the women who waited by the cross with Jesus and later came to the tomb. Christians are a people who choose hope, no matter the circumstances. We choose hope because we know that God is in control and God holds the future. Paul tells us in Romans, "For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience." In the

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year ahead, make the decision to be more hopeful. If you can, help others find and embrace hope. If you are struggling to find hope in 2022, that's okay too. The God of hope will be there to help you.

Will you choose hope in 2022? Will you be a person of hope in 2022? Respond with me, "I will, with God's help." Let us pray that God increases and strengthens our hope for the year ahead. I am always available if you would like to chat, pray, or grab coffee or a meal. My number is (304)646-9597.

Grace and Peace, +Chris Scott



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	Т	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2	3	4		5	6	7	8
No Youth	Office Closed	Office Closed	Bible Blast: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM				Food Pantry: Winfield Nazarene Church 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
9	10	11	:	12	13	14	15
Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	United Methodist Women: 6:30 PM		Bible Blast: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM				Community Breakfast: 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Human Relations Day - Special Offering  Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Team Meetings: 7:00 PM	18	Bible Blast: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM	19	20	21	22
Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Administrative Council: 7:00 PM	25	Bible Blast: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM	26	27	28	29
30 Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM							



Joey Hess	1	Denny Sansom	12	Dale Wright	16	<b>Donna Browning</b>	20
Grace Wilt	4	Heather Cortellesi	12	Kendra Sullivan	17	Krista Capehart	21
Naomi Jarrell	5	Ronnie Porter	15	<b>Beverly Morris</b>	18	Betty Thompson	22
Curtis Capehart	11						

# 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: winfieldwvumc.org > Online Giving or https://www.ezekielgiving.com/App/Giving/winfpo284

# Children & Youth Programming

### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING (GRADES PK-5)**



We are excited for new children's programming for the new year! Bible Blast is becoming Spark! Same grade levels (pk-5) are welcome to attend and we will be meeting at our usual time (6:00-7:00). Each Spark meeting is broken into 4 sections, **Gather**, **Open the Bible**, **Activate Faith**, and **Send**.

In **Gather**, kids do a welcoming activity and say an opening prayer In **Open the Bible**, kids explore a Bible story

In **Activate Faith**, kids experience creative activities that integrate Bible learning with everyday life

In **Send**, kids finish with a closing activity and prayer.

This is a fantastic program that meets children where they are in their faith journey and provides the support they need to grow. We hope that your child can join us!

Sunday School: Sundays 10:00 - 10:45 AM

Spark: Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:00 PM

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**YOUTH PROGRAMMING (GRADES 6-12)** 



The youth group will begin a new series, Colaborate, on Sunday, January 23rd at 6:00 PM. The Colaborate Bible Study uses a 3 step model to get students engaged and invested in the lesson.

- 1. Students frame a compelling problem to explore over the course of the lesson.
- 2. Students investigate possible responses to the problem through discussion, Bible readings, and group activities.
- 3. Students work together to express their responses to the initial problem and test out their ideas through individual and group activities.

This will be an interesting, in-depth study of the New Testament. We hope your youth can join us!

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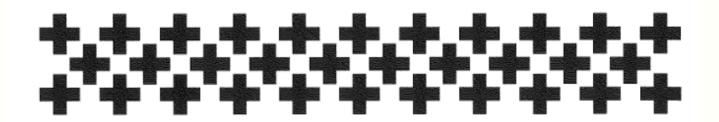
As always, if you have questions about Children and Youth programming, feel free to reach out.

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# **Upcoming Events**

### American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



# Blood Drive Winfield United Methodist Church

Classrooms 20 Radwin Way Winfield, WV

Monday, February 7 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: winfieldumc to schedule an appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.

If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.

Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.





# Volunteer Information

# **Community Breakfast:**

Volunteers Needed!

Saturday, January 15th 8:30 AM -10:30 AM 3-4 volunteers need to help cook and serve Contact Steve Burdette or the church office

# **Nursery Attendants:**

9: Cindy Hess + Reva Capehart

16: Gayla Van Horn + Kim Porter

23: Gayla Terry + Reva Capehart

30: Gayla Van Horn + Cindy Hess

# Sunday Worship Service Volunteers Early Service Late Service

Marcia Pauley & Barbara Edens

Ushers: Bill & Phyllis Stinnette Communion:

Bill & Phyllis Stinnette & Tom & Jane Workman

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The Winfield United Methodist Church Newsletter is published monthly. If you would like to contribute to the February issue, please send your article to Reva Capehart or Gayla Van Horn by Saturday, January 29th.

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