

# Winfield United Methodist Church

**February 2022 Newsletter** 



#### Greetings, church,

Congratulations! We have officially arrived in the middle of winter, which is February 3, 2022. If you're anything like me, you've reached the point where you are eager for the warm weather to return. As much as I love the beauty of snow and the joy on my son's face as he plays in it, I am yearning for Spring!

This month also gives us Valentine's Day. It seems that immediately after the Christmas items were taken down from the stores, Valentines cards, candies, and balloons littered the shelves. Perhaps this month is a time to remind ourselves of what God's love truly means for us. Through Jesus Christ, we are God's beloved children, fully loved and fully known. As the Psalmist tells us, "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14a). There are those in our lives that need this reminder. As the winter months drag on and as we approach Valentine's Day, this may be an especially difficult time for those who have lost spouses and other loved ones. I encourage you this month to make a special effort to reach out to people who are sick, homebound, or may be struggling with grief or loneliness. A simple card or phone call can go a long way to let someone know that God loves them.

I also encourage you to mark your calendars and spread the word about some exciting events happening in the church! Every Wednesday at 6 pm, we have our weekly children's program "Spark" (Pre-K to Grade 5). Invite your children or grandchildren to attend. If

you have a passion for working with children and youth, connect with Gayla Van Horn or call the office at (304)586-3795. We also have our monthly community breakfast on Saturday, February 19 from 8:30-10:30 am. The only thing you need to bring is an empty stomach. Please help us spread the word to those in our community about these two events! As always, if you need anything, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at (304)646-9597.

Grace and Peace, +Chris

## February

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
		1	2 Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM Chasing Vines Book Study: 7:00 PM	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9 Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study:	10	11	12 Food Pantry:	
Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Blood Drive: 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM		6:10 PM Chasing Vines Book Study: 7:00 PM			Winfield Nazarene Church 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	
Children's Ministry Team Meeting: 12:00 PM  Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	14	15	Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM Chasing Vines Book Study: 7:00 PM	17	18	Community Breakfast: 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM	
20 Marketing Team Meeting: 12:00 PM Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Team Meetings: 7:00 PM	22	23 Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM Chasing Vines Book Study: 7:00 PM	24	25	26	
Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Administrative Council: 7:00 PM						





Steve Wandling	3	Lily Jarrell	15	Ruth & Arbie Webb	2
Eugene Hull	12	Lucy Hartley	19	Rick & Cindy Rutledge	18
Erin Handley	14	Steve Burdette	20	Al & Patti Ruebush	25
Cindy Cloxton	14	Phyllis Stinnette	27	Bob & Gayla Terry	26

## 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



Sunday School
All Grades

Sundays: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Spark Grades PK-5 Wednesdays 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

## YOUTH GROUP

GRADES

6 - 12

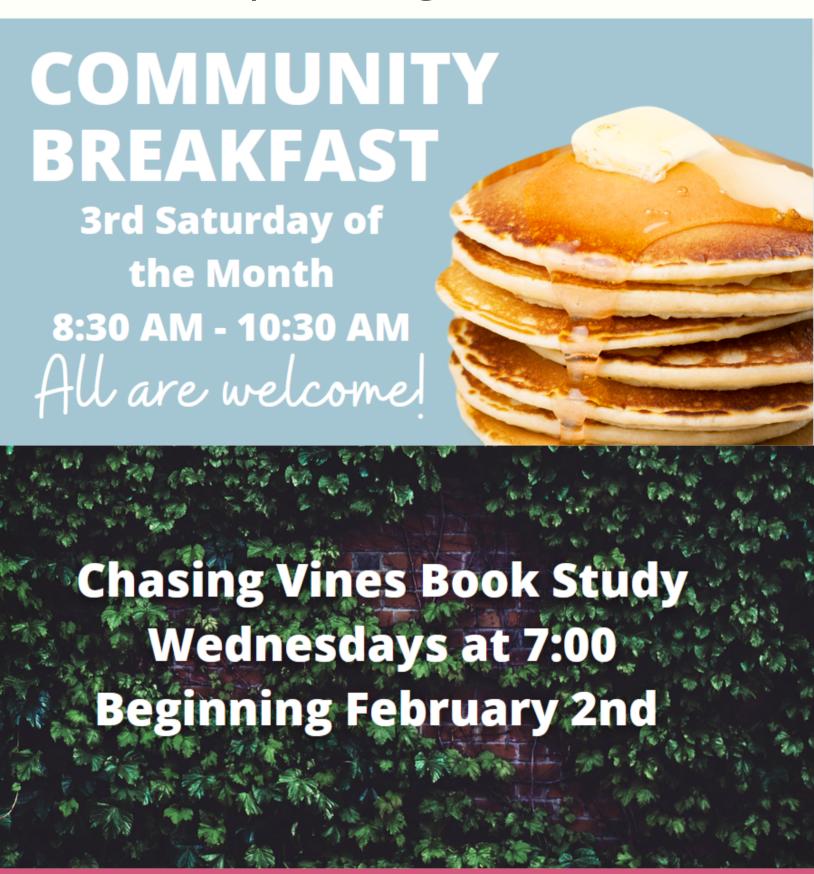
SUNDAYS

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

If you would like to volunteer with our children and youth programs, or have any questions, contact Gayla Van Horn.

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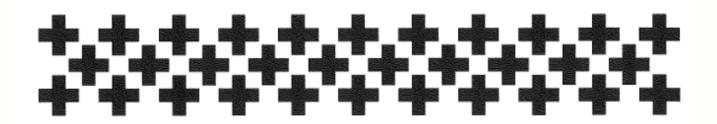
#### **Upcoming Events**



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#### **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.





#### **Upcoming Events**

# UNITED TALENT JOB FAIR

WHEN

February 16th 11am-3pm

WHERE

Putnam County DHHR 3405 Winfield Rd. Winfield, WV 25213

#### **Available Jobs**

**Quality Inspector** 

**Production Associates** 

**Bakery Line Production Associates** 

**Blending Operator** 

Down Stacker & Packer

Class A or B CDL Drivers

Welders

**Fabricators** 

**Commercial Construction Project Manager** 

**Commercial Construction Asst. Project Mang.** 

**Marketing Coordinator** 

Receptionist

**Electrical Estimator** 

**Project Estimator** 

**Logistics Team Leader** 

**Sales Specialist** 

**General Laborer** 

**Civil Engineer** 

Please text or call for more information at (304) 202-4823 or (304) 760-1050

Can apply online at:

www.utalent.com

Allyson Matthews- Staffing Specialist

Ashley Carpenter- Staffing Specialist

#### Volunteer Information

#### **Volunteers Needed**

#### **Community Breakfast:**

Saturday, February 19th 8:30 AM -10:30 AM 3-4 volunteers need to help cook and serve

#### Nursery / Children's Church:

Weekly during the 11:00 AM worship service Contact Gayla Van Horn for more information at: 304-690-1590 or gaylaflora@gmail.com

#### **Sunday Worship Service Volunteers**

#### Communion

Early Service: Pat and Clyde Legg Late Service: Al and Patti Ruebush

#### **Ushers**

Early Service: Pat and Clyde Legg Late Service: Al and Patti Ruebush

#### **Front Door Greeter**

Late Service: Reva Capehart

#### **Sanctuary Greeter**

Late Service: Denny Sansom

#### Nursery

6: Gayla Van Horn + Gayla Terry

13: Kim Porter + Cindy Hess

20: Gayla Van Horn + Reva Capehart

27: Gayla Terry + Cindy Hess



#### Winfield United Methodist Church Administrative Council Minutes January 24, 2022 7:00 PM

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

The Winfield United Methodist Church Administrative Council meeting was called to order by Al Ruebush at 7:00 PM on January 24, 2022.

Opening prayer by Pastor Chris Scott

Minutes from the October 25, 2021 meeting were read. Motion to accept minutes made by Steve Burdette. Motion voted on and approved.

Brief discussion about the format of council meetings. Should anything be changed to make meetings more efficient? Currently, Council chair abstains from voting unless needed for a tie. Depending on motion, a second on the motion is not always required. After some discussion, no current need to change proceedings, but will look at the One Council Model approved by the Discipline, next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Beginning Balance 61,192.05

December Income 23,112.11 December Expense 18,784.83 Ending Balance 65,519.33

#### COMMITTEES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES- Did not meet. Only thing outstanding is the sliding glass door at the parsonage. Door scheduled to be installed February 9, 2022.

STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE- Did not meet. Will meet Wednesday, February 9, 2022.

<u>CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM</u>- Youth made Happy Birthday Jesus bags. Passed out 93 to Brittany Point, and another 40 to the preschool and community. Doing a new Wednesday night program for preK-5<sup>th</sup> graders called Spark. Will be purchasing full program for \$180. It is digital and has a lot of content. Had an impromptu children's church Sunday with 2 new kids. Finished season 2 of The Chosen with Youth and went to the theater to see The Chosen Christmas Movie.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE- Did not meet.

<u>UNITED METHODIST WOMEN-</u> Met via Zoom in January for business meeting. Will do business meeting every six months. Not meeting in February. Will have a project meeting in March. Have "adopted" a nursing home in Buffalo. Discussion of giving out the t-shirt/scarf necklaces that were for sale in the Narthex to the residents for Valentine's Day.

<u>TECHNOLOGY TEAM-</u> Kyle Capehart continuing to help run tech equipment for the Sunday service. Having some tablet issues connecting with the security cameras.

MARKETING TEAM- Met in November. Discussed the status of the newsletter and the need for more submissions for content. Will also be training a few people to help run the new website.

<u>PASTORS REPORT</u>- Crafty Christmas benefit fundraiser went really well. Epiphany Bible Study on the signs of Jesus- 8 signs/miracles in the Gospel of John. In February, at 7 pm on Wednesday's, Kendra Sullivan will be teaching a book study on the *Chasing Vines* book by Beth Moore. Did the chalk ministry. An informal coffee group meeting once a month on a Saturday. Doing premarital counseling. Visitations up. CAMC allowing clergy visits, so will do a visit this week there. A big thank you to everyone that helped keep the Christmas Eve service going with the live feed while in quarantine. New family visited the church Sunday.

OLD BUSINESS- None

**NEW BUSINESS- None** 

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

Submitted, Reva M Capehart, Church Secretary

#### From the Trustees:

Although our finances have been low this past year, we were able to do a few things to improve our church and parsonage. We purchased a special umbrella for the deck of the parsonage to provide shade in the afternoon and evening. We have purchased a new sliding glass door for the parsonage that will be installed next month. We were provided a donation to help pay for this. We also had to fix an automatic opener for one of the garage doors at the parsonage. We were able to have the sanctuary carpet cleaned and will be stripping and waxing the hallways and kitchen floor soon. We have some major projects that will need to be done in the near future, it all depends on the financing.

If anyone has any suggestions for improvement to the church, please talk to one of the trustees or Pastor Chris and we will discuss the matter in our meeting.

From the Adult Sunday School Class:

For the winter of 2021/2022 our theme has been "Engage". Unit one, December, was "Wait for It". Don't we just love to do that? Wait for it was described as hopefully doing without; looking forward with anticipation for God's perfect timing.

Unit two, January, was "Wonder". We have practiced stopping and experiencing awe. We learned that only created things can be shaken. In the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit anointed people for God's purpose. In the New Testament, the Holy Spirit indwells. We learned the trihagion - Holy, Holy, Holy - God in each of the three persons is recognized. We have experienced God's glory through Psalms. The basic theme of the Psalms is living real life in the real world where two dimensions operate simultaneously: one, a horizontal or temporal reality, and two, a vertical or transcendent reality (John McArthur Bible Commentary).

Unit three, February, is "Show and Tell". We will be exploring the ways we can participate in God's work in our community. We aren't saved to "sit and soak". We are saved to make a difference with missions and ministry.

February 6: *The Greatest Commandments*Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Matthew 22:34-40
To renew of commitment to the Great Commandments

February 13: Making God's Light Visible

Matthew 5:14-16

To explore how our actions make God's glory and love for the world evident

February 20: Informing, Transforming Faith

James 1:19-27

To better understand the relationship between belief and practice

February 27: The Great Commission

Matthew 28:16-20

To explore what it means to make disciples

Please join us in our class discussion, Sundays at 10:00 AM

-Marcia

#### From the Finance Committee:

#### Obedience

As you look back on 2021 and move forward into 2022, have you made New Year's resolutions to improve in different areas of your life? What areas were your priority? Were they physical - this is the year to lose 24 pounds, just two pounds a month? Were they mental - learn something new? Were they spiritual - read the Bible through this year? Could you have chosen a better resolution?

Leviticus 26:3-12 tells us that if we follow God's decrees and commands, He will provide what we need in abundance. We will live in safety, He will look on us with favor, He will make His dwelling place among us and He will walk among us. Wow! I want that; how about you?

Remembering that I am working on the log in my eye, not the speck in your, read Malachi 3:7-12. Again, God offers abundance in obedience, this time, concerning the tithe, or 10% of your income. You keep 90%; He gets 10%. Have you ever tested Him in this challenge? He asks you to. When you add in consideration of Leviticus 27:30-21, (where He says, if you don't bring in the 10%, you must add 20% to what is His to be obedient) 10% is a bargain! Of course, you are free to make offerings above the 10%.

As you remove clutter during spring cleaning, Heart and Hand welcomes gently used items that they can offer at reasonable prices to those in need. Can you crochet or knit? Warm items can make a difference in someone's life, and be an offering. Marty has been teaching me to crochet. I have an easy pattern for neckwarmers and as I crochet, I can meditate on scripture, pray for the recipient, thank God, sing praises, and grow spiritually.

Maybe you didn't tithe in January. February is a new moth and a new beginning. Will you test God in February? God will know your heart. Maybe we won't increase your income, but He will have the grocery items you need on sale. Soon, He will be warming the earth with sunshine and reducing your heating bills. Thank Him for wisdom and guidance. Thank Him for the income you do have and ask Him to show you what He's doing on your behalf.

-Marcia

The Winfield United Methodist Church Newsletter is published monthly. If you would like to contribute to the November issue, please send your article to Reva Capehart or Gayla Van Horn by Friday, February 25th.

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