

Greetings Church,

Grace and peace in the name of Jesus Christ! As many of you know, math has never been my strong suit. I struggled through my undergraduate classes in math, and fortunately didn't need to take any math courses in seminary! There aren't very many math problems in the Bible, but the most important has to do with forgiveness. The disciples ask Jesus how many times they should forgive. Some translations say, "seventy seven times" and others say "seventy times seven" (Matthew 18: 21-22). Of course, the exact number is kind of beside the point. Jesus calls us to forgive others as we ourselves have been forgiven. Another math problem? The forty days of Lent. If you count them all up, you learn that there are actually more than forty days. The Sundays in Lent do not as part of those forty. Why? This is a question about numbers that I can answer! Each Sunday in Lent is a day to remember the resurrection of Jesus. In fact, it has been said that every Sunday is a kind of "little Easter." Since Jesus rose on a Sunday, we celebrate His resurrection every time we gather for Sunday worship.

This is a reminder that even though we remember Christ's death, the heart and soul of our faith is His resurrection. Every Sunday is also an opportunity for us to be resurrected, renewed, and redeemed. What parts of our lives need renewal? What things "need to die" (sinful habits, old grudges, etc) so that the new life can grow? We can wrestle with these kinds of questions not only on Sunday, but every day during Lent and Easter. The call of Jesus is nothing less than dying of ourselves and rising with Him. If you still have your "Lenten stone," take a look at it again. What word did you receive? Have you heard your word read in worship yet? The word I received was "TIME." In the midst of a busy

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life, I sometimes struggle to make time for God. I "make the time" in my day, but the Lord has called me to be more present and focused during my prayer time and let go of those distractions and demands that can cause my heart to wander. I also am using this Lenten season to be more focused and connected with my family. To take time to be more present with them. Where is resurrection meeting you? Where do you need the new life of Christ to change and transform you? Consider these things as we continue in our Lent and Easter journey.

Also, we have so many events and opportunities coming up in the month of April! Take a look at the upcoming Easter egg hunts and the community breakfast. Join us during Holy week for a Maundy Thursday (April 14) "Dinner Church" at 6 pm. We will share a common meal and recall Jesus' last meal with His disciples. We'll also gather on Good Friday (April 15) at 7 pm as we remember and give thanks for Jesus' sacrifice for our sins. There are also THREE Easter worship services this year: Easter Sunrise (7 am); Easter Early Worship (8:30 am); and Easter Late Worship (11 am). There will be snacks and opportunities to fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ between the Easter services. I am looking forward to celebrating the risen Christ with you! As always, you can reach me by phone (304)646-9597 or by email at christo.scott@gmail.com. I also hope you'll drop by Burgers n' Bibles on Tuesdays from 12 noon-1 pm at Winfield McDonald's.

Grace and Peace!

+Pastor Chris

April

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
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Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	4	5	Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM Choir: 7:15 PM	7	8	Food Pantry: Winfield Nazarene Church 9:00 AM - Noon Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt: 8:00 PM	
Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	United Methodist Women 6:00 PM	12	Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM Choir: 7:15 PM	Maundy Thursday Dinner Church: 6:00 PM	Good Friday: 7:00 PM	Community Breakfast: 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM Lion's Club Egg Hunt: 9:30 - Noon	
EASTER SERVICES 7:00 AM (Sunrise)* 8:30 AM* 11:00 AM *Refreshments following	18 Team Meetings: 7:00 PM	19	Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM	21	22	23	
Youth: 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Administrative Council: 7:00 PM	26	Spark Kids: 6:00 PM Bible Study: 6:10 PM	28	29	30	





Bill Stinnette	4	Rick Rutledge	17	Carol Stevens	25	Tex & Devona Frye	13
Dwight Pauley	10	Tom Workman	19	Mary Willard	26	Tom & Debbie Orrison	19
Gayla Terry	10	Bruce Brick	20	Alyssa Hudson	27	John & Mary Beth Meyers	20
Sharon Shortridge	15	Dana McDonald	20	Kristy Jarvis	30	Steve & Kathy Wandling	21
Marcel Wright	17	Lica DeBord	21				

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.

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

Children & Youth Programming

Sunday School

Sunday School
All Grades

Spark Grades PK-5 Sundays: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

> 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.

gaylaflora@gmail.com / 304.690.1590

COMMUNITY **BREAKFAST 3rd Saturday of** the Month 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM All are welcome URDAY APRIL 9TH 8:00 PM PK-5TH GRADE BRING A FLASHLIGHT & A BASKET



SUNDE SERVICE

CELEBRATE HIS RESURRECTION
Sunday, April 17 7:00 AM



Our organization has registered with Rural King's Church Week!

What to do:

- Shop at any Rural King store or online at <u>www.ruralking.com</u> April 7-20, 2022.
- Submit receipts to <u>www.ruralking.com/churchweek</u>.
 Receipts must be dated April 7-20, <u>2022</u> and be submitted to the website by May 6, 2022.

Once the event has ended, 10% of each valid and qualifying Rural King receipt's total (after sales tax) will be donated to the registered Christian organization chosen by **YOU**!



Volunteer Information Sunday Worship Service Volunteers

Ushers:

Early Service: Marcia Pauley and Barbara Edens
Late Service: Al and Patti Ruebush

Greeter:

Late Service: Phyllis Stinnette

Front Door Greeter:

Late Service: Kim Porter

Communion:

Early Service: Marcia Pauley and Barbara Edens Late Service: Al and Patti Ruebush, Bill and Phyllis Stinnette

Nursery / Children's Church

3: Gayla Van Horn + Cindy Hess 10: Gayla Van Horn + Reva Capehart 17: Gayla Van Horn + TBD 24: Gayla Van Horn + Gayla Terry



Winfield United Methodist church Administrative Council Minutes: March 19, 2022, 10:30am

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 on March 19, 2022 at 10:30 AM.

Opening prayer by Pastor Chris Scott

Educational Session- Discuss one idea from each member for where God is leading our church for the year ahead within the community (Have a presence at Homecoming, car shows, ball games...).

Minutes from the February 28, 2022 meeting were read. Abston spelled incorrectly. It is Absten. Motion to accept minutes with the amendment made by Steve Burdette. Motion voted on and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Beginning Balance 58,512.01

February Income 14,792.00 February Expense 19,175.54 Ending Balance 54,128.47

Marcia Pauley made mention that the book study group would be collecting money for the price of the book and then using that money to have an ice cream social where donations will be accepted and given to help in the Ukraine.

COMMITTEES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES- Trustees have not met. Will meet Monday.

STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE- No report.

<u>CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM</u>- Do something special for kids on Easter since no egg hunt that day? Change order of sermon to accommodate longer time with the kids and will do something special.

FINANCE COMMITTEE- No report

<u>UNITED METHODIST WOMEN-</u> Met and received completed Easter baskets and worked on wreaths for the nursing home. For April will be making the dinner (soup) for Maundy Thursday service and set sanctuary up for it.

MISSIONS TEAM- No report.

MEN'S GROUP- No meeting.

TECHNOLOGY TEAM- No report.

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<u>MARKETING TEAM-</u>Looking into doing survey about the church attendance. All Ruebush gave her information to look into. Has done some research about area churches and attendance.

<u>PASTORS REPORT</u>- Finished up 7 signs of Jesus in Bible Study. March 30 Bible Study will have a guest speaker. She will be talking about art through the ages and how it connects with Christians. Burgers and Bibles back up and running at Wendy's. Maundy Thursday will be a dinner church.

OLD BUSINESS- None

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>- Kathy Burns asks about changing from putting bread in the communion cups to cutting individual pieces and having the communion stewards use gloves to pass it out. Winfield United Methodist Women will be keeping that as their name. Pastor Chris-preschool question from Joyce. Preschoolers still masking, can they remove the requirement for them? Discussion about it being up to the preschool to make the change/policy. Motion to allow the Winfield United Methodist Preschool to set their own guidelines regarding mask wearing and their students. Bill Davis seconded the motion. Motion voted on and approved.

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

Submitted, Reva M Capehart, Church SecretaryS

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