



# Winterstown UMC

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Monday - Friday

9:00AM - 2:30PM

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday by 10:00AM

Newsletter Deadline

15th of each month

**Worship  
10:00AM**

**Make Disciples of Jesus Christ**

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# March 2024

## Meet Our Staff

**Pastor** - Becky McGee  
717-244-1334  
**Treasurer** - Connie Human  
**Organist** - Nancy Forry

**Sr. Choir Director**  
Sandra Gingrich  
**Senior Youth**  
Sandra Gingrich

**Admin Asst** - Amber Urey  
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Abby Streett  
& Danielle Orwig 717-246-8017

## Bible Quiz

The "Christ hymn" in Philippians 2 proclaims that after Jesus humbled himself even to the point of death, God exalted him, and that eventually all will worship him. What two body parts are named as part of that worship?

- A. knee; tongue
- B. hands; feet
- C. arms; lips
- D. heart; mouth



Answer: A (See Philippians 2:10-11)



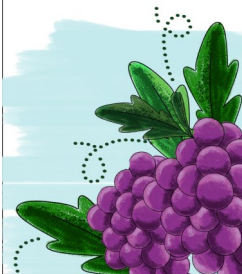
Try this chilly new take on a healthy snack.

### What you need:

- 30 grapes, washed and dried
- ½ cup vanilla yogurt
- 4 graham crackers, crushed
- Toothpicks
- Parchment paper

### What you do:

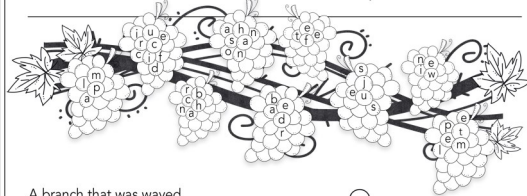
1. On a baking sheet lined with parchment paper, arrange grapes in a single layer. Freeze for two hours.
2. Insert a toothpick into each grape.
3. Dip each grape into the yogurt, coating half of it.
4. Roll each dipped grape in the crushed crackers. Place back on the parchment.
5. Freeze for two more hours. Enjoy!



## A LASTING LESSON

Before dying on the cross, Jesus teaches the disciples an important lesson.

Directions: Use the clues to unscramble the letters in each grape cluster. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete John 15:5, NIV.



- A branch that was waved \_\_\_\_\_
- How Jesus was put to death \_\_\_\_\_
- A stick attached to the vine \_\_\_\_\_
- People shouted this to Jesus \_\_\_\_\_
- Jesus washed these \_\_\_\_\_
- This was broken and eaten \_\_\_\_\_
- The Messiah \_\_\_\_\_
- A drink from grapes \_\_\_\_\_
- Jesus drove the money changers from here \_\_\_\_\_

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear \_\_\_\_\_; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5, NIV

Answer: palm, 'crucified,' branch, 'hosanna, 'feet, 'bread, 'Jesus, 'wine, 'temple; much fruit



WINTERSTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

March 2024

Volume 11, Issue 1



Dear Beloved Children of God,

In preparing for our current Lenten worship series, "Good Enough," based on the marvelous devotional book with that name, I came across an incredible TED talk by Dr. Brenè Brown called "The Power of Vulnerability." Even though she takes a shot at religion, her findings about what can help us to have a strong sense of love and belonging are so important that I want to provide you with the link to her 20 minute talk.



The "Good Enough" worship series, designed by Dr. Marcia McFee of Worship Design Studio, which began on Ash Wednesday, February 14th at Winterstown United Methodist Church, addresses similar points discussed in Dr. Brown's TED talk. However,

I believe the answer as to where we, our children, and all the people of this world can get our sense of love and belonging lies in our knowing the truths that:

- 1) We are made in God's image (Genesis 1:27 CEB,) and God calls us "supremely good." (Gen. 1:31 CEB)
- 2) God is love (1 John 4:16 CEB,) which means we are made in the image of love.
- 3) Therefore, we are all God's beloved children who have inherent worth - which does NOT depend on anything in this world (like money, looks, power, prestige, education, abilities, etc.,) and therefore can never be taken away from us.

If you, and/or anyone you know, question whether you are good enough, if you are tired of trying to be "perfect" by our society's standards, then please come to hear and experience the truth that you are, not only good enough, but you are loved and accepted unconditionally! The "Good Enough" worship series continues

through Holy Week:

- o Palm Sunday, March 24th at 10:00 a.m.
- o Holy Thursday, March 28th at 7:00 p.m.
- o Good Friday, March 29th at 7:30 p.m.
- o Easter Sunrise Sunday, March 31st at 6:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast to follow.
- o Easter Sunday Service, March 31st at 10:00 a.m.

So, there is still time to engage with God during Sunday services and these special worship services.

There is a trailer for the worship series, along with each week's message/theme, here:



I am passionate about sharing this good news with everyone! As the children and teachers of Growing Friends hear every Wednesday during story time, Jesus loves us - no matter what!

In God's Love ,  
*Pastor Becky*

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Winterstown United Women In Faith

The regular meeting of the Winterstown United Women in Faith was called to order March 4th, 2023, by President, Sandy R. There were 12 members in attendance.

Sandy R. opened the meeting with a reading on St Patrick's Day.

During the business meeting Ella Jane

updated the group on the reading program. If you are a reader and would like to join our group in this way, Ella Jane is always looking for ladies to add to her list. Each reader is now asked to read just 3 books/year. See/call Ella Jane if you would be interested! You don't have to be a regular meeting attender, but you do need to read books from our special library.

Next meeting will be April 8th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. where we will celebrate Springtime and our Environment.

Upcoming: May 13, 2024. Mother/Daughter Banquet (mark your calendars and notify your daughters)

All ladies are welcome to join us at any meeting. No attendance requirements, No membership fees!!! Just a time to come together and fellowship as women following Jesus!

Carrie Anderson, Secretary  
Winterstown United Women in Faith



## GROWING FRIENDS

**\*INSPECTION:** Our yearly inspection occurred on Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>! Another year of great onsite inspection! There were some concerns with our playground areas which we stated this is on our spring clean up to do list. We are looking for help with putting new boards around our mulch areas and fixing up the wooden playhouse. Anyone interested please let us know. We appreciate all helping hands!

**Spring Picture Day:** Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. to noon is our spring / graduation picture day in the AP room.

**New Soccer Shots:** Starts Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 p.m. We will utilize the one year old's playground area as weather permits then the AP room as back up.

**Fundraisers:** \*Mid-Land Spring Catalog Popcorn Fundraiser - Catalogs are posted on church/daycare bulletin boards. Orders due with payment by/before March 15<sup>th</sup>. Orders are due to arrive around April 20<sup>th</sup> week! There is no special pick-up time for this fundraiser. Everything comes together and there is less work for us! Sub/Sandwich Fundraiser - Orders (with payment) are due Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Pick up is Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. Each sandwich/sub will come with a bag of chips. The profit from this fundraiser will go towards our summer expenses. We are planning on three (3) sub/sandwich fundraisers this year to all help our summer expenses, March, June, and August. We appreciate your help through this fundraiser as our summer expenses have increased greatly and we want to continue offering a fun filled summer here at Growing Friends.

Email us anytime at:

[GrowingFriendsChildCare@gmail.com](mailto:GrowingFriendsChildCare@gmail.com).

Call us: Monday - Friday

6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(717) 246-8017

Much Appreciation,  
~ Miss Abby & Miss Danielle

**HIDDEN PICTURES  
FOR ONLINE USE**





## Tithes & Offerings

To give on-line one time or for a recurring offering, you can use this QR code:



2023 Shares Of Ministry		2024 Shares Of Ministry	
Benevolent	\$7,701.19	Benevolent	\$7,516.13
Connectional	\$1,461.03	Connectional	\$1,185.61
Clergy	\$12,340.18	Clergy	\$12,043.64
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$31,502.39</b>	<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$30,745.38</b>

## CHRISTIAN SYMBOL - BUTTERFLY



The butterfly symbolizes resurrection, Easter and the new life we have in Christ Jesus. As a caterpillar disappears into a chrysalis, so Jesus' lifeless body was hidden in a tomb. The emergence of the butterfly, rising into the sky in its beautiful new body, reminds us of Christ's resurrection - and ours.



## March Birthdays & Anniversaries



- |                |                     |                   |                   |
|----------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2 Bill Hess    | 13 Dana Kipp        | 21 Barb E. Taylor | 25 Stacey Strine  |
| 4 Carissa Mays | 14 Dianna Henry     | 22 Vince Anderson | 26 Doris Edwards  |
| 4 Lynn Herbst  | 15 Jeremy Cole      | 22 Matt Coby      | 26 Brenda Shaw    |
| 7 Chris Coby   | 17 Jack Shaw        | 23 Bryson Krone   | 27 Teresa Erdman  |
| 7 Mark McGee   | 17 Brian Hildebrand | 25 Steve Lutz     | 30 Sarah Houseman |

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|--|--------------------------|
| 1 Rachel & Jeremy Cole - 11 <sup>th</sup>  | 20 Julie & Tim Krone     |
| 9 Larry & Linda Anderson                   | 29 Keith & Ellen Hostler |
| 12 Ben & Jeri-Lyn Grove - 13 <sup>th</sup> |                          |

## PRAYER list

### PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS:

*Pastor Becky & Mark McGee, Growing Friends, North Hopewell-Winterstown Elementary School, North Hopewell-Winterstown Volunteer Fire Company, Glenn & Donna Grove, Eva Miller, Charlene Emenheiser, Dale Flinchbaugh, Doris Edwards, Chugg Gibbs, Dianna Henry, Barbara Taylor, Barb Huson, Rhada Gladfelter, Randy Criswell, Eleanor Yeakel, Kenton McGinnis, Jerry Joines, Chellie Willis, Lee & Colleen, Becky, Dee & Jim, Sharon & Greg, Freddie Williams, Sharon Hollingshead, Brad, Wynn, Lacey, Sandy Trotter, Brandy, Becky, Lee, Lori, Bob & Diana Bertling, Dan Morrison & Family, Eunice Criswell, Zach, Sam Cooley, Jean Dietz, Steve Shaw, Janet Vanderlipp, Ethel Keller, Shelly, Donna Overmiller, Ann McGinnis, C.J. & his Mom, Jess*



# ENGAGE IN MINISTRY



The first Sunday of every month we accept pennies. There is a container on the table right outside the Sanctuary door. This money goes to the United Methodist Home for Children in Mechanicsburg. Thank you for your contributions.



If you have a heart for visiting our folks who are homebound, then please let the office know you are willing to be a part of a visitation ministry. Your visits are a way for these people to experience love and to know they are not forgotten by their church family. [info@winterstownumc.org](mailto:info@winterstownumc.org) or (717) 244-1984.

## Grocery Gift Card Fundraiser



Orders due by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month  
Grocery cards distributed the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month



Disciples needed to help with the Easter Egg Hunt! Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> is the preparation time. Friday evening, March 22<sup>nd</sup> is the time to hide the eggs. Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> is the day of the Easter story followed by the Easter Egg Hunt, a craft, and snacks. The sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary. Please serve in this important outreach!



# March 2024 Volunteers

### Liturgist

March 3 - Donald G  
March 10 - Eunice C  
March 17 - Bill W  
March 24 - Linda A  
March 31 - Connie H

### Counters

March 3 - Deb S & Brian H  
March 10 - Dawn B & Terri L  
March 17 - Richard J & Brian H  
March 24 - Brian H & Deb S  
March 31 - Dawn B & Terri L

### Sound and Media Shout

March 3 - Buddy M & Brian H  
March 10 - Scott G & Patty G  
March 17 - Bill W & Tammy W  
March 24 - Buddy M & Brian H  
March 31 - Scott G & Patty G

*If you are interested in serving during Sunday services please contact the office.*





**Worship Service**  
**10:00AM**

*"The story of Easter is the story of God's wonderful window of divine surprise."  
~ Carl Knudsen*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
	Bolded Items denotes use of APR				World Day of Prayer	
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent  No Children's Sunday School Directory Photos - 2:00 to 4:00PM Senior Youth - 5:30PM	UWF - 7:00PM	Simply Loved Kids - 3:30PM Leadership - 6:30PM	Storytime - 9:30AM Small Group - 10:00AM Ele Spiritual Practice - 3:45PM Senior Choir - 7:00PM	GF APR Use 10:00AM to 1:00PM Praise Band - 7:00PM Small Group - 7:00PM	APR Use 5:00 to 8:00PM	Candy Making Set-up
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  Daylight Savings Children's Sunday School - 10:00AM	<b>Candy Making Week</b>					
			Storytime - 9:30AM Small Group - 10:00AM Ele Spiritual Practice - 3:45PM	Praise Band - 7:00PM Small Group - 7:00PM	4's PSP APR Use - 9:00 to 11:30AM	Easter Egg Hunt Prep - 9:00AM to Noon APR Use - 2:00 to 4:00PM
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  Children's Sunday School - 10:00AM		Simply Loved Kids - 3:30PM	GF APR Use - 7:30AM to 3:30PM Storytime - 9:30AM Small Group - 10:00AM Ele Spiritual Practice - 3:45PM Senior Choir - 7:00PM	Praise Band - 7:00PM Small Group - 7:00PM	Easter Egg Hunt Set-Up - 6:00 to 8:00PM	Easter Egg Hunt - 11:00AM
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
Palm Sunday  Children's Sunday School - 10:00AM	<b>Holy Week</b>					
		3's PSP APR Use - 8:00AM to 1:00PM Simply Loved Kids - 3:30PM	GF APR Use 8:00AM to 5:00PM Storytime - 9:30AM Small Group - 10:00AM Senior Choir - 7:00PM	Holy Thursday Service - 7:00PM	GF Closed Good Friday Service - 7:30PM	
<b>31</b>	<i>"Being negative only makes a journey more difficult. You may be given a cactus, but you don't have to sit on it." ~ Joyce Meyer</i>					
Easter Day  Sunrise Service - 6:30AM - Easter Breakfast to follow Children's Sunday School - 10:00AM						

