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717-244-1984 Office Fax 717-246-7414 Office Hours Monday - Friday 10:30AM - 1:30PM **Bulletin Deadline** Tuesday by 10:00AM **Newsletter Deadline** 20th of each month



Worship

10:00AM



Pastor - Rev. Becky McGee 757-709-5187 Admin Asst - Amber Urev

Treasurer - Connie Human

Meet Our Staff

Organist - Nancy Forry Pianist - Rick Marks Sr. Choir Director -Sandra Gingrich Senior Youth -

Sandra Gingrich

Day Care Directors -Abby Streett & Danielle Orwig 717-246-8017

Bible Quiz

King Ahab, assisted by his conniving wife Jezebel, appropriated for himself something belonging to a man named Naboth. What did he take?

- A. Naboth's oxen
- B. Naboth's farm
- C. Naboth's vineyard
- D. Naboth's house





What you need: Adult help

- Waffle make
- Blender
- 1 cup old-fashioned oats
- 1 cup cottage cheese
- 6 eggs
- Diced strawberr
- Powdered suga



1. With adult help, preheat the waffle maker.

- 2. In the blender, add oats and cottage cheese. Crack eggs in a separate bowl, then add to the blender. Pulse to combine the mixture. Then blend on medium speed for 10 seconds.
- 3. Coat the waffle maker with cooking spray. Spoon about 1/3 cup batte onto the iron and close.
- 4. Carefully remove the waffle when it's golden brown. Repeat with remaining batter.
- powdered sugar. Makes about 6 waffles.



FOLLOWING OUR FATHER'S WILL

Jesus always did his Father's will. What does our heavenly Father desire of us?

Directions: Using the coordinates, circle the corresponding words. Then add those to the blanks below to complete John 6:40, NIV.

Coordinates

T3, R1, F6, E2, T1, H5, A6, R4, F5, T5, H3, F2, A4, E6

	F	Α	Т	Н	Е	R
1	Father	them	the	believe	that	who
2	have	will	if	heart	to	live
3	perish	whoever	everyone	shall	shall	give
4	God	eternal	send	into	Him	believes
5	in	come	him	Son	rest	with
6	looks	and	forever	Where	life	hope

"For my Father's will is that

and I will raise them up at the last day." John 6:40, NIV



THE WINTERS TOWN CRIER

WINTERSTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Message From the Pastor

May 2024

Dear Beloved Children of God.

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Last month my article shared what was taking place during the General Conference (GC) of The United Methodist Church, and this month's article is a recap of what happened and where things stand right now. I'll provide an outline for us as well as the website where you can dig deeper if you want. I will also share that I wasn't right about which items go before annual conferences next year and which don't have to go through that voting process. I apologize for not knowing that distinction until now. The two items concerning same-sex marriage (church trustee decision whether church will/will not host without repercussions, pastor's decision to/ not to officiate without repercussions) are effective now. And, overturning the ban on homosexual pastors took effect at the close of that vote. So, those three items are final and in effect now. Here is the status of some other items from GC.

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Constitutional Amendments in Need of Ratification

These are the pieces of legislation which need 2/3 of annual conferences to pass in order for them to be ratified:1) Worldwide Regionalization, 2) Racial Justice (¶5) Article V update, 3) Include 'gender' and 'ability' in ¶4, and 4) "Edit of the educational requirements for voting privileges to elect clergy delegates to General Conference (¶35)"

Items which Take Effect in U.S. Jan. 1, 2025

Revised Social Principles, Budget, Deacons and sacraments, Removal of funding restrictions concerning LGBTQ+ ministries and advocacy, Young People's Ministries becoming Young People's Connectional Network, New Retirement plan for US clergy serving local churches – Legislation effective January 1, 2025. New plan goes into effect January 1, 2026

Items Effective Now

Removal of ban of same-sex weddings, Changes to chargeable offenses: returning the wording of the first chargeable offense to its pre-2004 version, Removal of ordination ban against homosexual pastors (came into effect immediately upon adoption),

Other Items with Different Effective Dates

Full Communion with The Episcopal Church upon approval by The Episcopal Church which is not expected until 2027.

US Bishops from 39 to 32. These would take effect September 1, 2024.

Here is the QR code which will take you to the website with more details on these items:



As I've said before, we don't all agree on whether some of these changes are great or awful for the future of The United Methodist Church and for us here at Winterstown UMC. Here are some still very relevant and wise words from John Wesley:

Wouldn't it be an incredible witness to our community to share that we don't think alike on some of these issues, and yet, we will still treat one another lovingly and serve Jesus together as we share his love with our neighbors? I pray wholeheartedly that we can make it so!!!!

In God's Love.

Pastor Becky





"Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike? May we not be of one heart, though we are not of one opinion? Without all doubt, we may. Herein all the children of God may unite, notwithstanding these smaller differences."



GROWING FRIENDS

Happy June! It's summer mode around here at GF!

Thank you to those that expressed and showed their appreciation and gratitude towards the staff here at Growing Friends during teacher appreciation week! We are truly blessed with the outpour of support we receive and truly thank those that took the time to make the week extra special, even starting our week off with a special worship service. Thank you! Thank you to Gabe Hildebrand and the trustee committee for all their help in fixing up the preschool playhouse and tending to our maintenance requests here at Growing Friends! We appreciate your hard work, talent and speediness with our requests. We have many special activities and field trips lined up here this summer at Growing Friends, which tends to change Directors "in" office hours. Directors go from juggling school runs to juggling out of office fun with the kids. Our summer newsletter was delivered to our families in May and it sure is loaded with fun! Directors "in office hours" change over the summer to Monday afternoons, all day Tuesday, some Wednesday and Thursdays (depending on field trips) and in office Friday mornings, even though we are typically still here Monday through Friday, our office time limits. This again is only changed due to the amount we have lined up with the children. Always feel free to email or call the office and we'll get back to you as soon as we can. Our June sub/sandwich sale is currently going on! Orders due (with payment) Tuesday, June 11th with pick up on Tuesday, June 18th here at GF 1-6pm. Thank you for your participation in April, and we hope to have another very successful sale this month! Growing Friends next closed dates include:

Thursday, July 4th and Friday, July 5th. Wishing everyone a wonderful month!

Thank you!

Much appreciation, Ms. Abby & Ms. Danielle

Congratulations Graduates!





Email us anytime at: GrowingFriendsChildCare@gmail.com.
Call us: Monday - Friday 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (717) 246-8017

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CHRISTIAN SYMBOL - BELL

A bell symbolizes the call to worship, reflected in the ringing of bells in many churches to announce or open a service. A bell also symbolizes the proclamation of the Gospel to the world: hence, the ringing of church bells at the close of some services as worshipers depart to spread Christ's good news in their daily lives.



June Birthdays

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- 13 Dawn Burg
- 14 Jean Dietz
- 14 Brian Gladfelter
- 18 Buddy McGinnis
- 21 Dee Saylor
- 22 Randy Criswell
- 23 Dana Anderson
- 23 Bob Bertling
- 24 Harper Tress

- 25 Diane Anderson
- 29 Eunice Criswell
- 30 Charlotte Wetzel
- 30 Colin Wetzel

Anniversaries

- 3 Troy & Julie Hildebrand 24 years
- 6 Sandra & Donald Gingrich 60 years
- 12 Brian & Terri Laird 42 years
- 13 Bob & Lois Arsenault

- 18 Bill & Teresa Erdman 30 years
- 26 Scott & Patty Gingrich 31 years
- 29 Tyler & Morgan Tress 11 years





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, Donalene Grove, Betty Bolyard, Sandy Wallace, 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, Zach, Sam Cooley, Steve Shaw, Janet Vanderlipp, Sandie Rock, Naomi Latimer, Velma Holloway, Trevor Gannon, Lorrie's mother-in-law Susan

JUNE 2024 VOLUNTEERS

Liturgist

June 2 - Linda A. June 9 - Bill W. June 16 -Eunice C. June 23 - Connie H. June 30 - Donald G.

Counters

June 2 - Dawn B. & Terri L. June 9 - Richard J. & Brian H. June 16 -Deb S. & Brian H. June 23 - Dawn B. & Terri L. June 30 - Richard J. & Brian H.

Sound and Media Shout

June 2 - Scott G. & Patti G. June 9 - Buddy M. & Brian H. June 16 -Scott G. & Patti G. June 23 - Bill W. & Tammy W. June 30 - Buddy M. & Brian H.

If you are interested in serving during Sunday services please contact the office at 717-244-1984 or send an email to info@winterstownumc.org

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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.

Send information to: info@winterstownumc.org Or call (717) 244-1984

Grocery Gift Card Fundraiser



Orders due by the 2nd Sunday of the month Grocery cards distributed the 3rd week of the month



TITHES & OFFERINGS

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





2024 Shares Of Ministry 2024 Shares Paid to Date

 Benevolent
 \$7,516.13
 Benevolent
 \$626.34

 Connectional
 \$11,185.61
 Connectional
 \$932.13

 Clergy
 \$12,043.64
 Clergy
 \$1,003.64

TOTAL: \$30,745.38 TOTAL: \$2,562.11

FINANCIAL STANDING

We have just completed the Easter season, a time where we reflected on Jesus and the great love he had for us by willingly going to the cross and taking on all our sins. While the Easter season is over, we need to consider daily the ways we can show our love and thankfulness to Jesus for all he has done for us. One act of kindness done this month was to send a donation to the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in the amount of \$1,315 in honor of Pastor Becky. The money will be used towards financial aid packages for students there. This was the seminary Pastor Becky attended, and while there, she was able to benefit from financial aid. The donation sent to the seminary was all funded by WUMC attendees and the Growing Friends organization. Another way to show love is through volunteering and donating for the upcoming VBS that will be held June 9 through June 13.

Again, we thank everyone for their continued giving and for those that have been able to increase the amount of their tithes and offerings. The trend continues through May that our monthly expenses are running higher than our income. We have been able to meet all our normal operating expenses except for February through May Shares of Ministry. Please continue to prayerfully consider your giving as we thank the one who gave ALL for us on the cross.



United Women in Faith:

The Winterstown United Women in Faith held their annual Mother/Daughter Banquet on Monday evening May 13, 2024, at 6:00 pm. The ladies enjoyed a meal and an evening of fellowship.

A huge thank you to Brian and Danielle Orwig for preparing the delicious meal.

We will not have meetings in June, July, or August. Enjoy your Summer Break!

We will begin meeting again on September 9, 2024 @ 7:00 pm Carrie Anderson

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Worship Service 10:00AM

"Oh, be swift to love, make haste to be kind!"

—Henri-Frédéric Amiel

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Bolded items denotes the use of the All Purpose Room						1	
2 2nd Sunday after Pentecost	3	4	5	6	7	8	
			APR USE 8am-5pm				
9	10	11	14 FLAG DAY	15			
		VBS Week 5:30pm-7:3	Opm				
3rd Sunday after Pentecost		LIONS PRIDE LUNCH BUNCH - 11:30AM					
16 4th Sunday after Pentecost VBS Sunday	17	18	19 JUNETEENTH	20 FIRST DAY OF SUMMER	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
5th Sunday after	Pastor Becky on Vacation						
Pentecost							
				APR USE 8am-5pm			
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6th Sunday after Pentecost

An ode to dads

God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea.

The generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight.

The joy of a morning in spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity, the depth of a family need.

Then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add, He knew his masterpiece was complete, and so, he called it ... Dad.

—Author unknown

You are invited Register here:

Camp Firelight
A SUMMER CAMP Sealon 56:3
ADVENTURE WITH GOD



Children aged Pre-K-6th Grade, join us for Vacation Bible School (VBS) Sun., June 9-Thur., June 13 from 5:30-7:30 pm. It's time for a summer camp adventure with God! Explore timeless Bible stories that demonstrate how people trusted God in the face of their own fears and went on to do great things in God's name.

The children will learn ways they can put their trust in God when they are afraid, challenged, or called to do God's work and share the Good News of God's love through Jesus Christ. The children will lead worship on Sunday, June 16, sharing what they learned in Vacation Bible School.

The United Women of Faith are offering you the opportunity to honor or remember your fathers, grandfathers, and father figures. Please fill out the form and turn it into Deb S by Sunday June 9th. It will be \$1.00 per name. If you need a new form please see the bulletin board outside the all purpose room, extras will be placed there.





A huge thank you to all of you who helped to surprise Pastor Becky! Pastor Becky is being recognized at her alumnae Seminary, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, over the weekend of May 17 & 18. As part of this recognition, leadership was notified of this special recognition and decided to set up an honorarium. The attendees at Winterstown UMC and the Growing Friends Child Care really came through with your generous donations! \$1315.00 has been sent to the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in honor of Pastor Becky for their student financial aid program. This is extra special to Pastor Becky as she was a recipient of financial aid while she attended seminary and now we are able to provide support for our next generation pastors.

Greatly appreciate all who participated in making this opportunity a way that we are making disciples of Jesus Christ!
- Ann McGinnis & the Winterstown UMC leadership team

