

*August 20, 2023*

## Small Group Luncheon & Sign-up... Still not too late to get "plugged in"

If you were not able to join us last Sunday for the Small Group Sign-up and luncheon, it's not too late to plug into one of our small groups this fall. Groups do not begin until September, so pick up a copy of the Small Group brochure and peruse all of the opportunities available for you to be a part of a group. Opportunities include:

### *Fellowship*

- Sharing Meals & Sharing Faith Supper Club
- Children's Music
- Youth Group
- Adult Choir
- Drama
- Walking-Hiking-Running

### *Service Groups*

- Tabitha's Table Sewing Group
- Visitation Ministry
- Stephen Ministry
- Circles (United Women in Faith)
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*Christine Taylor and Sarah-Kate Gravely discuss small groups with Ann Jessup and Sylvia Stevens.*

### *Study & Discussion Groups*

- Book Discussions
- Movie Discussions

If you have any questions about any of these groups and how to "plug in," contact Christine Taylor at [christine@wsmethodist.org](mailto:christine@wsmethodist.org).

**DONATE:**  
TOYS  
GAMES  
KITCHEN  
HOLIDAY  
HOBBY  
FURNITURE  
AND MORE!

THE WSUMC YOUTH ARE HAVING AN  
**INDOOR YARD SALE**



**SEPT. 30TH**  
7:30 am  
to 1pm

**NOT ACCEPTING:**  
BOOKS, TVS,  
CLOTHING OR  
CAR SEATS

**COLLECTING ITEMS  
BEGINNING AUGUST 20TH**

**DROP OFF ITEMS ONLY:  
SUNDAY - THURSDAY  
FROM 9:00 - 3:00PM**

WASHINGTON STREET UMC  
1401 WASHINGTON STREET

# WSUMC Missions to Collect for Alcorn Middle School

Washington Street Missions team is now collecting items for Alcorn Middle School.

Items being collected are:

Adult size socks, pencils, black and white composition notebooks (college ruled), small sizes of shampoo, lotions, soap, toothpaste, and deodorant.

Please drop those items into the designated barrel inside of the Mission Garden across from Threath Hall in the back hallway. Items will be collected through mid-September. Please contact Andrea McAtee with any questions at [acmcaatee21@gmail.com](mailto:acmcaatee21@gmail.com).





**WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?**

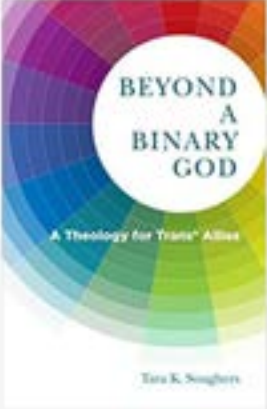
**SUMMER MOVIE DISCUSSION SERIES**

**AUG. 28TH | 7-8 PM**

**WESLEY ROOM & ZOOM**

**SIGN UP ON REALM OR EMAIL [CHRISTINE@WSMETHODIST.ORG](mailto:CHRISTINE@WSMETHODIST.ORG)**

WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



**RECONCILING NEXT BOOK DISCUSSION**

**WED., AUG. 23, 2023**

**6:00-7:00 pm**

**Reformation Lutheran Church**

Fellowship Hall  
1118 Union St., Columbia

Available on Amazon or other outlets.

For more information, contact Jim Lane at [jlane@columbiasc.edu](mailto:jlane@columbiasc.edu)

Facilitators: Wayne Hall & Jim Lane

Group discussion of the book.

# Welcome New Members!

Please help us welcome our newest members of Washington Street!

On Sunday, Aug. 13, we welcomed John, Swann, McCullough, and Thompson Adams, Raymond & Jane Arp, and Taylor Beasley to our WS family.

John and Swann Adams, and their children McCullough and Thompson come to us from Virginia Wingard Methodist Church in Columbia. John and Swann are in the education field. Raymond and Jane Arp, (parents of Swann Adams), come to us from St. Mark UMC. Both are retired. Taylor Beasley is an IT Support Analyst and comes to us from First Baptist Church in Statesboro, GA.



**NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS IN SEPTEMBER...**

**BECOMING THE CHURCH THE WORLD NEEDS**



# Gifts (as of 8-17-23)

**IN MEMORY OF DOTTIE WEBBER**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Charles Pfeiffer  
Circle

**IN MEMORY OF MARSHALL RAMSEY**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF BOB BEAMER**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF JOAN BEAMER**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF JUDY KING**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF JAMES CHRISTIAN**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF MARY BETH KLUGE**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF JOHN ARMSTRONG**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF NELLE PETERSON**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF DEBBY JOYNER**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF DOTTIE WEBBER**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF RICK ROWE**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF LUKE NANCE**  
to the Soup Cellar  
GIVEN BY LYNDA &  
JOHN GALLOWAY

**IN MEMORY OF JIMMY DAWKINS**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

**IN MEMORY OF SARAH THREATT**  
to WSUMC  
Given by Mary &  
Lanneau Lide

## Prayer List

Betsy Alexander  
Karen Basso  
Martha Boynton  
David Byrum  
Mickey Epting  
Lin Feserman  
Pat Griffin  
Rev. Paul Harmon  
Karen Horne  
Lisa Johnson  
Jean Kaness  
Martha Helen King  
Paul McClanahan  
Sharon McCullough  
David Middleton  
Shawn Powers  
Genie & Ron Quinn  
Nancy Williams  
Our homebound

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

As of 8-17-23

#### General Budget: \$866,231

Church	\$404,549
Soup Cellar	\$43,257
Foundation	\$14,850

#### ATTENDANCE (as of 8-18-23)

Aug. 13: 154 (in-person); 83 (online) = 237  
Aug. 6: 116 (in-person); 146 (online) = 262  
July 30: 146 (in-person); 214 (online) = 360  
July 23: 132 (in-person); 122 (online) = 254



# Sunday School Updates

• **The Aldersgate Class:** The Aldersgate Class is studying *Chasing Vines* by New York Times bestselling author, Beth Moore. If you have ever tended your own garden, you know that the fruit is most delicious when you've seen it grow. In this study, she explores the ways God delights in watching things grow—and how the vineyard holds the secret to a more abundant and meaningful life. As she traces the metaphor through scripture, Beth uncovers how every part of our own lives—even the rockiest soil—can be used by God to make a difference for His Kingdom. Please join us in the Aldersgate classroom for a donut, coffee, and excellent fellowship. Our class meets in the Aldersgate classroom on the 2nd floor at 10:00 am. If you have any questions, please call David A. Anderson at 803-318-8821 or email him at [danderson@richardsonplowden.com](mailto:danderson@richardsonplowden.com).

• **The Dawsey Class:** This Sunday, August 20, Janelle Rivers will teach Chapters 21, 22 and 23 in *Do I Stay Christian?* by Bryan D. McLaren. Next Sunday, August 27, Sue Dillon will lead a discussion of Chapters 24, 25 and 26. We will begin our new book, *Why I Left, Why I Stayed: Conversations between an Evangelical Father and His Humanist Son* by Tony Compolo and Bart Compolo on September 17. Class members who join from home will use FreeConferenceCall and should call in between 9:50 and 10:00 am. The call-in number is (701) 802-5115. The access code is 7252934. For more information about the class, contact the class president Caroline Seigler at [caroline.seigler@gmail.com](mailto:caroline.seigler@gmail.com).

• **The Grace Class:** The class continues with "topic of choice." Leaders choose a topic/scripture/reading they want to discuss. On Aug. 20, Ute will offer some explanations on German and American cultural differences in her presentation, "How on Earth Did I Get Here?" On Aug. 27, Mackin and Tom Wall will give a presentation about their recent trip to the border. Join us in person on the third floor, or contact Jim Lane at [jlane@columbiasc.edu](mailto:jlane@columbiasc.edu) for the Zoom

link. We gather on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am for fellowship, and at 10:00 am for spiritual reflection.

• **The John Harper Class:** The John Harper class discusses lessons from Adult Bible Studies published by Cokesbury. For more information, contact Tracy Powers at [tjpowers65@gmail.com](mailto:tjpowers65@gmail.com) or meet with us in the classroom on the first floor by the elevator.

• **The Joy Class:** The class is currently partnering with Solomon's Porch and starting a new study of Psalms. If interested, please contact Lee Haynes at [lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com](mailto:lelandhaynesjr@gmail.com) or Sylvia Stevens at [sylviasaudersstevens@gmail.com](mailto:sylviasaudersstevens@gmail.com).

• **The Open Door Class:** The Open Door Class has started a new study—"Social Media and The Sermon on the Mount." In this study, we will discuss the principles Jesus laid out in Matthew chapters six and seven, and also the impacts of social media on today's society. Visitors are always welcome! The class meets in person on the third floor and via Zoom each week. For Zoom link information, contact Ann Jessup at [jessup.ann@gmail.com](mailto:jessup.ann@gmail.com).

• **The Paul Harmon Class:** The class is participating in a study from The Great Courses titled "How Jesus Became God" by Professor Bart D. Ehrman, the James A. Gray Distinguished Professor of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina. Dr. Ehrman is a New Testament scholar who focuses on the origins and history of early Christianity. We are enjoying the lessons and our discussions. All are welcome to join us on the third floor. If you have questions, please contact Suzanne Joye at [sjoye@sc.rr.com](mailto:sjoye@sc.rr.com).

• **Solomon's Porch:** The class is starting a new study of Psalms. Anyone interested is welcome to join. The class meets in the Traxler classroom on the second floor and is led by Christine Taylor. For more information, contact Christine at [christine@wsmethodist.org](mailto:christine@wsmethodist.org).

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Subject to change. \*Denotes non-member event; **blue type** indicates WSUMC event or meeting. Please contact Jammie Watters at [jammie@wsmethodist.org](mailto:jammie@wsmethodist.org) to schedule an event.

### **DROP OFF-YARD SALE; AUG. 21-SEPT. 28** **HOLROYD ROOM**

#### **MONDAY | AUGUST 21**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

#### **TUESDAY | AUGUST 22**

**10:00-11:00 am | Staff Meeting | Wesley Room**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

**6:00-7:30 pm | Church Council | Zoom**

6:30-8:00 pm | Private Meeting | Room varies\*

#### **WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 23**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

#### **THURSDAY | AUGUST 24**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

**5:30-6:30 pm | Missions Meeting | Open Door**

**6:00-7:00 pm | Reconciling Next Book Discussion-Beyond a Binary God | Reformation Lutheran Church Social Hall & Zoom**

#### **FRIDAY | AUGUST 25**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

#### **SATURDAY | AUGUST 26**

1:00-4:00 pm | Moms Demand Action meeting | Aldersgate classroom\*

**3:00 pm | Drama Group first meeting | Threatt Hall**

#### **SUNDAY | AUGUST 27**

**11:00 AM -12:00 pm | Worship Service | Sanctuary & livestream**

#### **MONDAY | AUGUST 28**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

**7:00-8:00 pm | Movie Discussion-Who Is My Neighbor?—"Where the Crawdads Sing" | Wesley Room & Zoom**

#### **TUESDAY | AUGUST 29**

11:30 am-12:30 pm | Soup Cellar Serving | Soup Cellar  
1:30-2:30 pm | NA Meeting | Soup Cellar\*

**5:00-6:00 pm | RJAT | Zoom**

**6:30-8:00 pm | Private Meeting | Room varies\***

FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE CALENDAR, CHECK OUT THE CALENDAR ON REALM!