

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

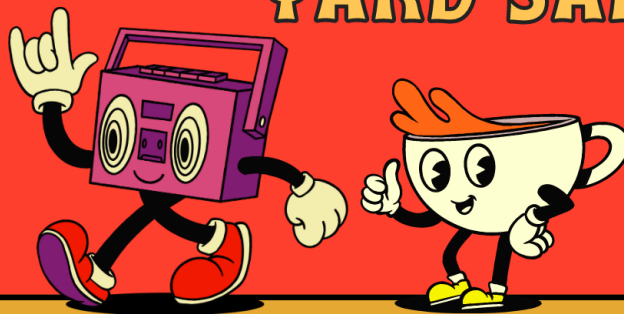
- Book Discussions
- Movie Discussions

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

THE WSUMC YOUTH ARE HAVING AN

INDOOR YARD SALE

DONATE:
TOYS
GAMES
KITCHEN
HOLIDAY
HOBBY
FURNITURE
AND MORE!



SEPT.
30TH

7:30 am
to 1pm

NOT ACCEPTING:
BOOKS, TVS,
CLOTHING OR
CAR SEATS

COLLECTING ITEMS
BEGINNING AUGUST 20TH

WASHINGTON STREET UMC
1401 WASHINGTON STREET

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

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 Threatt Hall in the back hallway. Items will be collected through mid-September. Please contact Andrea McAtee with any questions at acmcaatee21@gmail.com.



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.



John & Swann Adams



McCullough & Thompson Adams



Raymond & Jane Arp



Taylor Beasley

BASED ON THE GLOBAL BEST-SELLING PHENOMENON

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

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

Facilitators: Wayne Hall & Jim Lane
Group discussion of the book.

ELCA REFORMATION LUTHERAN CHURCH
A Reconciling in Christ Congregation

WASHINGTON STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
PRIDE MEMBER OF

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 Fesperman
Pat Griffin
Rev. Paul Harmon
Karen Horne
Lisa Johnson
Jean Kanen
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

Sing-Along Messiah

WASHINGTON STREET
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Monday, December 11, 2023
7:00 pm | Sanctuary
Reservations open Nov. 1

wsmethodist.org/sam

\$15,000	Goal
\$7,816.07	Raised

GIVE NOW!

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.

• **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.

• **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 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 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 or Sylvia Stevens at 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.

• **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.

• **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.

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 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 | Threath 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!