

This place was made for YOU!

9:00am Adult Sunday School

10:15am Sunday Worship

6:00pm Thursday Prayer Time

Our Staff:

Bishop Al Gwinn, Senior Pastor

Anne Willis, Director of Music

Susan Riggs, Choir Accompanist

Tracy Gillespie, Director of Little Learners

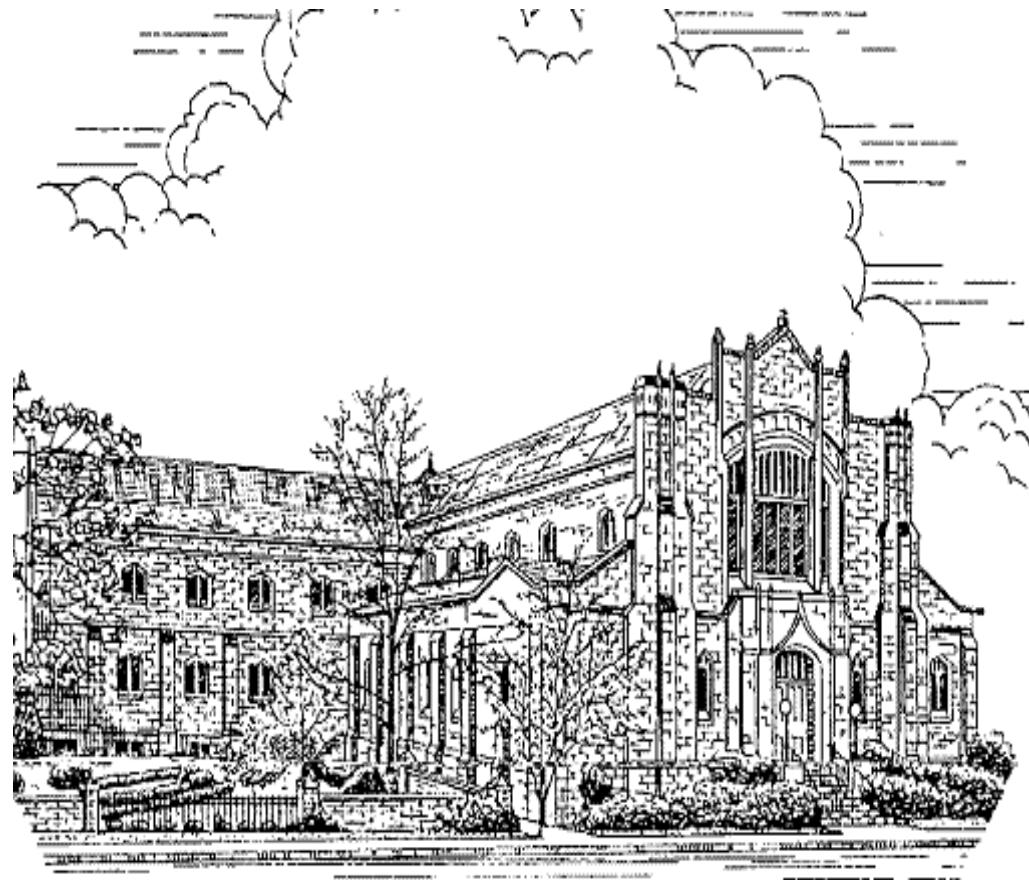
Sarah Beth McClure, Administrative Assistant

Eric Caudill, Custodian

Do you want to participate in the offering today but don't have a check or cash with you? You can give directly from your mobile device at winfumc.org/give.



You can also now give via text message using our unique number, 859-965-9698. Just text the amount you want to give; for example: "\$50 general fund". The first time only you will be asked to register your information.



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**Order of Worship
January 1, 2023**

Prelude *His Eye is On the Sparrow* **Susan Riggs**
arr. Phil Hamm & Martha Mier

Greeting **John Patterson, Liturgist**

***Call to Worship**

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Sing to the Lord, praise his name;

Proclaim his salvation day after day.

Declare his glory among the nations,

His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise. Ps. 96:1-4

***Hymn** *And Can It Be that I Should Gain* **UMH 363**

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* **UMH 384**

Offering

Offertory *Theme from Second Movement
of Beethoven's Symphony No. 5* **Susan Riggs**
arr. John Thompson

Scripture Reading **John 12: 1-8**
(Matthew 26: 6-13)

Message *What Does Jesus Want* **Dr. Bill Davis**

***Hymn** *In the Bleak Midwinter* **UMH 221**

Sending Forth

Postlude **Susan Riggs**

****Stand as you are able.***

There are candles at the altar. If you have prayer requests, please light one (or several) to lift those prayers to God.

Welcome to our visitors! We feel very honored to have you with us this morning! We hope you have felt warmly received and you will leave knowing that God has been in this place! Your willingness to complete the Connection Card found in the pew rack will give us an opportunity to share more of our appreciation for your presence.

Please remember to use the blue **Connection Card** in the pew racks for any prayer requests or thoughts you may have. Be assured that your requests are prayed over every Thursday evening in our Prayer Gathering! We begin at 6:00pm and pray until 7:00 and every week sense the Lord's presence in a special way. Come and experience this mid-week blessing!

Will you share the good news? Our worship service is now streamed online each Sunday! So, please share this word with your family and friends. The web address is www.winfumc.org/video-stream/. You may see a recording of the service by using the same address.

ARE YOU GETTING OUR CHURCH MESSAGES through Flocknote? If not, we do not have your email address, or correct address and/or your telephone number for a text message. Flocknote is a wonderful way to inform the entire congregation quickly! When we learn important news that we want all our members to know, you will know it minutes after we know! Please call the church office if you are not getting Flocknote!

Announcements

NEXT SUNDAY, January 8– A New Sunday School Class will begin in Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. ! Donuts and Coffee included! Bishop Gwinn will be teaching. Why not begin the New Year with a Bible Study?

Wednesday, January 11– A New Opportunity for Wednesday Evening Study! We will gather in Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. You don't want to miss this special time to grow in your love for Jesus! It's an informal experience and a great time and place to invite someone who may be a bit timid about "Church"!

The **church office will be closed** tomorrow, January 2, 2023, in observance of New Year's.

All \$1 bills and loose change collected in the offering plate will go in a fund to assist the emergency needs of those in our community.

Remember to remind your family and friends that our **nursery and toddler rooms are open** should they choose to use them.