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WINDCRES United Methodist Churc **ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR**



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023



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ENTERTAINMENT · PLANT SALE

PUMPKIN PATCH · BOOK SALE

BAKE SALE · RUMMAGE SALE

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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On Sunday, October 1st, at 3:00 pm, our truckload of pumpkins will arrive and need to be unloaded. Please mark your calendars and plan to help. Sign up to serve in the patch! https://signup.com/go/nWavstU We hear over and over how much fun it is to work in the pumpkin patch. We also hear how many people were intimidated to do it but that once they completed their first shift, they were amazed about how easy it really is. The pumpkins literally sell themselves! If you are nervous, we can pair you up with a veteran patch volunteer. If you have served in the past, thank you and we look forward to you being on our pumpkin patch team again this year.

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Text in Church 210-817-7007

Text To Give 210-903-5589

Call to Listen 210-202-2811 Worship Services - Sundays: Traditional—9:00 am · Praise—11:00 am

Services are also streamed live on Facebook at WUMC Facebook and posted for you to view at anytime on the WUMC Website, you may also view on the Windcrest United Methodist YouTube channel.

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From Pastor Robert Waddle

Focusing on Jesus is the key to joy, even during times of distress. In Philippians 1:1-8, the apostle Paul demonstrated that spiritual joy is possible even during times of adversity. In fact, his epistle to the Philippians, written during a time of imprisonment, is known for its repeated references to rejoicing. But have you ever felt as if you've lost your joy? This can happen for several reasons:

- 1. **Wrong focus** By centering on Jesus, Paul was able to praise God despite harsh trials. Concentrating on difficulties can cause delight to vanish. Refocus through praise to bring it back.
- 2. **Disobedience** Sin steals our joy because it disrupts our fellowship with God (Ps. 66:18). As we receive His forgiveness and obey Him, joy returns.
- 3. **Regret** We crowd out gladness when we dwell on past mistakes. The Lord has forgiven us (1 John 1:9). He wants us to choose to live in His grace and move ahead.
- 4. **Fear** Joy and fear cannot coexist. We are called to live by faith, asking God to meet today's needs and trust Him with the future.
- 5. Others' suffering How can we rejoice when others are hurt? Romans 12:15 says we're to weep with them, but we are also to offer the hope of God's presence, power, and provision. A consistently downcast spirit is a poor witness for hope (Ps. 42:11). Fix your gaze on the Savior and let His joy become yours. Then it can overflow to those around you.





I pray that every eye that reads this knows there is no problem, no circumstance or situation greater than God; and I pray that these words be received into the hearts of every eye that see it in Jesus' name. Amen!

Thank you, Lord, for your grace and mercy! As we enter the fall season we hope for cooler weather and plentiful rain! Let's focus on the joys of life. Let us not worry about things we can't change and focus on Christ who can change all things. Do this and watch our stress level decrease and our spiritual life increase!

With Love,

Pastor Robert Waddle

Pastor Robert Waddle r.waddle@windcrestumc.org

Pastor's Bible Study

Pastor Waddle invites you to join his weekly Bible study where we will study the book of James. Every Wednesday from 11:00 am until 12:00 pm. We will meet in Room 105 (Youth Room) in the Hilliard building. Come join us as we get closer to God through the scriptures.

From the Windcrest UMC Church Office

Please welcome our new member



Shirley Gilbreath



We are a Lighthouse Congregation

For more info go to windcrestumc.org

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WUMC Birthdays/Ministry



- 1 -Tom Beckley Stephanie Fraser-Buckner
- 2 Veronica Sossamon Justin Tidwell
- 3 Frank Bristow Ron Hoch Martin Cisneros
- 4 Jon Del Pozo Travis Hoch
- 5 Helen Vatankhah
- 6 Kristen Abel **Cindy Jarvis Bailey Dean**
- 8 Mary Anne Feltner
- 9 Kitty Baccus
- 10 Eleanor Hartman
- 11 Al Kelso George Gwaltney
- 12 Reagan JuVette
- 13 Tava Pitman
- 16 Nancy Khan
- 17 Bill Rogerson Diane Beckley Susie McClung Janet Forhetz Jarek Ellis Patrick Patton

- 18 Dick Davis
- 19 Samara Herrera
- **Nadine Mansour**
- 22 Corinne L. Strong **Erin Peterson**
- 23 LaDelle Conger Nathan Peterson
- Samantha Turner John Hernandez
- 25 Fran Ross
- 28 Susan Crites
- 30 Mike Pitman

- Byron Miller
- 20 Sandy Sprit
- 24 Terri Bonn
- 27 Ruth Graham Dan Reese Randy Andrews

- 31 Bob Avella

We don't want to leave anyone out! If you have a October birthday but don't see your name on the list, please notify the church office. It could be that for some reason we don't have your birth date in our database.

Submissions due by Wednesday October 13 for the **November Connection**



WEDNESDAY NIGHT POT-LUCK SERVICE

Join us in Bayless Hall at 5:45 pm every Wednesday for an informal service, fellowship, and....POTLUCK!!! Bring an entree, side dish, salad, or dessert and enjoy a midweek dinner and communion with your church family! One thing we can guarantee is the sound of children's laughter, boisterous conversation, and a weekly reminder of all our blessings and love for the Lord. Hope to see you there... and feel free to bring a friend!

If you're getting out of work late or you just don't feel comfortable in your baking skills, don't let the fact that you don't have anything to bring stop you from joining us.

> Calling all drivers!

> > "Northeast Senior Assistance (NESA) is in need of volunteer drivers to take seniors to doctor appointments and grocery shop. If you and/or you know of someone who may be able to

help as a driver, please contact us at (210) 967-6372. Mileage is reimbursed, and it's truly a fulfilling experience to serve the community as a driver!"



WUMC Ministry

Stay Fit and Help Beautify Windcrest UM Church!

Are you having trouble hitting the mark on your daily steps? Looking for a way to keep fit while serving God and your church? We have a way you can get your daily steps as well as helping our church stay clean and beautiful! We are organizing a group of people to serve on a team to keep trash picked up around the church campus. The group can work together on designated



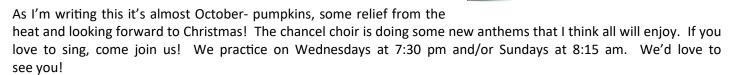
days and times or choose to work individually at a time that is convenient for you. Our little corner on Walzem and Midcrown Drive tends to collect a lot of trash around the campus — especially when the wind blows!!! We need a team of people who are willing to come around and keep us trash-free! If you are interested, please contact Marcy at the church office by emailing her — m.williams@windcrestumc.org. Or you can call her at 210-654-0404!

Trustees Schedules Work Day

The Trustees Action Team is planning an all-church workday on Tuesday, October 3 beginning at 9:00 a.m. They are inviting anyone who can be available to come over and help out with some fall cleanup work such as – gutter clean out, window washing, and any other small projects that come along. Wear your work clothes, bring your gloves, and show up for the fun!! We should have more detailed projects next month so stay tuned. Thank you!

WUMC Music Ministry

Music Notes!!



The Joyful Ringers are off and ringing and by the time you read this they will have played for the first time since taking the summer off! We welcomed a new ringer, Abby Kilpatrick. As most of you know she is the drummer for the Praise Team at 11:00. Welcome Abby! Also, we welcomed back Christina Wood who took off for a while but is helping us out this semester. Thanks Christina! We're already working on our Christmas music for Christmas Eve. It will be a great concert.

The Childrens choir is working on some recorder music to play on Children's Sabbath which will be on October 29th. They are doing a great job. The younger children will be singing a song they've learned. Please bring your child to choir at 4:00 pm every Sunday. The older children work on recorder music while the younger children work on age-appropriate songs. We will also begin working on our Christmas musical scheduled for December 10th. We'd love to have your child join us!

Psalm 95:1-2

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us Come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

In joyful noise,

Debbie Andrews

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WUMC October Calendar

1 Pumpkin Unloading Choir Rehearsal 8:15a Traditional Worship 9a Praise service 11a Youth group 2-4p, 105 Puppet practice 12p Children's Choir 4p	Chair Yoga 2:30p,BH Sit and Grief Su Cub Sco	3 Sit and Be Fit 9a, BH Grief Support 9:45a BH Cub Scouts, 6:15p BH	4 Chair Yoga 10:30a BH Wed. Pot-luck 5:45p AA Meeting 6p, 303 Handbell reh. 6:30p Chancel Choir 7:30 p	5 6 NHN/SA Food, 8a Chair Yoga 10 Sit and Be Fit 9a, BH Tops 6:30p, BH Praise Team, 7p	6 Chair Yoga 10:30a BH	7
8 Choir Rehearsal 8:15a Traditional Worship 9a Praise service 11a Youth group 2-4p, 105 Puppet practice 12p Children's Choir 4p	9 Senior Adult Games Day 10:30a, BH Chair Yoga 2:30p,BH	10 Sit and Be Fit 9a, BH Grief Support 9:45a BH Cub Scouts, 6:15p BH Church Council meeting, 6:30p, 303	11 Chair Yoga 10:30a Pastor's bible study 11a Wed. Pot-luck 5:45p AA Meeting 6p, 303 Handbell reh. 6:30p Chancel Choir 7:30 p	12 Sit and Be Fit 9a, BH NHN Food Pantry, 10a Tops 6:30p, BH Praise Team, 7p	13 Chair Yoga 10:30a, BH	14 Fall Bazaar 10 am—3 pm, all campus
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29 Children's Sabbath Choir Rehearsal 8:15a Taco Sunday, 8a-12p, BH Traditional Worship 9a Praise service 11a Youth group 8a-12p, BH Puppet practice 12p Children's Choir 4p	30 Chair Yoga 2:30p,BH	31 Sit and Be Fit 9a, BH Grief Support 9:45a BH Cub Scouts, 6:15p BH	Pumpkin Pa	tch 10/02, ope	Pumpkin Patch 10/02, open daily 9:30 am - 7:00 pm WINDCIES Windcrest, TX 78239 210.654.0404 United Methodist Church Facebook.com/windcrestumc.org Facebook.com/windcrestumc Instagram windcrestumic	aily 9;30 am - 7:00 pm Name

*This is the active calendar as of 8/30/2023—Please refer to website calendar for updates at Windcrestumc.org

WUMC Upcoming Events





Mark your calendars for the WUMC Annual Fall Bazaar Saturday, October 14th, 10:00 am—3:00 pm.

Contact Doris Bristow for prices on vendor spots.

Rummage spots for sale \$10 per parking space contact Doris Bristow to reserve rummage spots and for more information. 210-946-8305.

Women In Faith will NOT be hosting a rummage sale.

Fall Bazaar – The choir is hosting the used book sale for the Fall Bazaar! You can bring your used books to the church anytime between now and October 14. We will also accept CD's, DVD's, and audio books. NO magazines please!

WUMC October Events—Save the Dates

October 1, 3:00 pm, Pumpkins arrive!
October 6, 7:30 pm, Movie in the Patch
October 14, 10:00 am—3:00 pm, Fall Bazaar
October 15, 4:30pm, Pumpkin resupply
October 20, 7:30 pm, Dance party in the Patch
October, 21, Scouting in the Patch
October 28, 6:00—8:00 pm, Trunk-or-Treat
October 29, Children's Sabbath



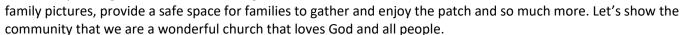
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WUMC Children Ministry

Pumpkin Patch Volunteers needed all month! Why?

The children, youth and family ministry of our church need volunteers to serve in the pumpkin patch two-hour shifts from 9:30am-7:30pm. The money raised from this outreach ministry helps pay for: Youth Retreats/Camps, Bibles, Sunday School curriculum/supplies, Vacation Bible School, Advent Workshop, Angel Breakfast, Lenten activities, Puppet Ministry, and so much more.

We need volunteers to serve in the patch because this is one of our biggest outreach ministries. It gives us the opportunity to share the love of Jesus with the community through our actions: how we greet them, smile at them, assist with



You will be blessed sitting among the pumpkins. It is FUN!



Thank you to our 2023-2024 teaching team:

Jaime Daigle

Mark Daigle

Krista Evans

Melissa Garza

Kelly Kilpatrick

Kristin Rodriguez

Ryan Segura

Youth Sunday School

Thank you to our 2023-2024 teaching team:
Lorraine Flakes
Hana Velik







SOCKtober is back!

The Children & Youth will be collecting NEW socks for the month of October that will be donated to Agape Ministries. Bring your sock donations to the Gathering Place or the church office. Socks are the least donated item.

Children's Sabbath

We will celebrate Children's Sabbath on Sunday, October 29. Look forward to some additional participation by some of our children!









WUMC Youth Ministry

Puppet Ministry

We will have lunch and practice every Sunday in October. Thank you, Tony Neve, for providing us with a wonderful lunch on September 10, 2023. We appreciate you and your continued support.

October Youth Group

October 1st, 3:00 pm: Help unload pumpkins.
October 2nd ,1:30—3:30pm: Work the Pumpkin Patch
October 15th, 1:30—3:30pm: Work the Pumpkin Patch
October 15th, 4:30 pm: Pumpkin resuppl
October 22nd, 1:30-3:30pm: Work the Pumpkin Patch
October 29th, 1:30-3:30pm: Work the Pumpkin Patch

Bring a refillable water bottle to work in the patch!

College Student Ministry

Are you a college student or a parent of a college student? College students are important to us! We like to stay in touch by sending out a surprise or two during the year. To do this, we need each college student's address. Please send this information to .crews@windcrestumc.org no later than October 15, for the midterm encouragement mail out. If you feel called to help with this ministry, please let Dawn Crews or the church office know of your interest.

Taco Sunday hosted by the youth







Mission Focus



Mercy Ships, is a global charity that has operated hospital ships in developed and developing nations since 1978 impacting well over 2.5 million people. This ministry, now with two ships operating simultaneously, brings hope and healing to the forgotten poor by mobilizing people and resources worldwide, and serving all people without regard for race, gender, or religion. Mercy Ships follows the 2000-year-old model of Jesus, bringing hope and healing to the world's forgotten poor and seeks to become the face of love in action, bringing hope and healing to the poor.

Since 2012 our Church has been blessed to provide almost \$100,000.00 to support Mercy Ships. These funds have been used a number of ways including: supporting a volunteer from the Houston area, paying for renovations to rehab clinics, building an operating room and providing after surgery care for patients. If you would like to learn more about this ministry, simply go to their web site www.mercyships.org and if you would like to support this ministry financially, make your check out to WUMC and include "Mercy Ships" on the memo line. Cash donations can be placed in an envelope and also should be marked "Mercy Ships."

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Neighbors Helping Neighbors

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS MINISTRY

Thank you all for your interest in this ministry through the Ministry Fair held on Sept 10 and Sept 17, in the Gathering Place. It was a lift to see how this church goes to great perforts to be the hands and feet of Christ. A busy church is a healthy church!



If you missed the Ministry Fair, we do have volunteer opportunities still available AND neighbors some can be done from home. Please reach out if you would like to know more.

The church office is seeing an increase in those individuals that are unsheltered and in the need of food. We have resumed providing "bags of grace" to assist those in need throughout the week so the church staff can give them a snack bag. When they do come to the Pantry we try our best to provide them with pop top canned goods or a can opener as well.

On the first Thursdays each month, we use numerous shopping carts to carry food from the San Antonio Food Bank Distribution to our neighbors cars. We are in need of about 6-7 carts and appreciate any information you may have regarding how we could obtain these items. Thanks in advance for any ideas!

The Lord Bless You and Keep You (Numbers 6:24)

Thank you for your continued interest and support of the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Ministry.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions. Please contact Francyne Underwood at francyne@prodigy.net or at 210-355-1559.



Food Pantry every Thursday, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm (with the exception of the first Thursday)

Neighbors Helping Neighbors food pantry distributes food every Thursday, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at Windcrest United Methodist Church, 8101 Midcrown, Windcrest, Texas 78239. Please follow the signs for location of food pantry.

Volunteer and giving opportunities

If you would like to volunteer to help in the food pantry, call the church office for more information at 210-654-0404 or email francyne@prodigy.net.

Although contributions of non-perishables and checks are generous, please, consider placing one or two of these items on your grocery lists:

Beans Vegetables Peanut Butter
Pasta Canned Meat Crackers

Sauce Fruit cups Pop-top (ravioli, spaghetti, etc)

Rice Mac & Cheese Little boxes of Cereal



The San Antonio Food Bank will distribute food on the first Thursday of each month in an effort to serve the projected 250 households with much needed food. Food insecurity is still a reality and with the summer months approaching and kids out of school, the need for food increases. While Supplies Last, first come first serve.

We ask for YOUR help. We need your plastic grocery bags (about 500 every month), volunteers to welcome and register our "neighbors", volunteers to bags groceries and help with getting these bags of food in cars as they drive through the food line. The food truck will arrive between 7:00 am—8:30 am and the food distribution will be from 9:00—11:00 am. Please consider how you may help and see the ways the community comes together in times of need.

WUMC Sunday School

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

SUNDAYS @ 9:30 AM

The Searchers-McClung Bldg., 303

SUNDAYS @ 10:05-10:55 am

The Inquirers-McClung Bldg., 301 Growing Family - McClung Bldg., 306 Builders Class-McClung Bldg., 301 The Procrastinators-McClung Bldg., 305 Children and Youth Sunday School @10:05-10:55 am
Children Sunday School @ 10:05—10:55 am All children in
grades 5th and younger will be signed in in the hallway of the
Jones Building. Drop off at 10:05 am.

Youth Sunday School @ 10:05—10:55 am All Middle and High School student meet in room 105 (Youth Space)

Community Outreach

Sit and Be Fit - Tuesdays and Thursdays

The senior adults enjoy a time of light exercise on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 am in Bayless Hall.

Chair Yoga

Mondays 2:00 pm in Bayless Hall. Wednesdays 10:30 am in Bayless Hall. Fridays 10:30 am in Bayless Hall.

Senior Adult Games Day

Every 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month, 10:30 am – 1:30 pm in Bayless Hall. Currently, there's Mexican Train, Hand and Foot, Rummikub, and Pinochle, but there might be others that we could start. Bring a sack lunch, and there will be a snack table if you choose to bring anything else to share. (optional)." All are welcome.

R.O.O.T.S - Royal Order Of Terrific Seniors

Meets from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm on the third Monday of each month in the Fellowship Hall. **Everyone is welcome regardless of age.** Come and bring a friend or make a friend. We always have a great potluck & good speakers. Our motto is "Life is short, Eat Dessert First" and we do.

Grief & Life-Change Support Group—Join us every Tuesday at 10:00 am in room 105

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Thursdays in Bayless Hall, 6:30—8:00 pm

AA Meetings

Wednesdays, room 301, 6:00-7:00 pm

Youth Group (6th—12 grade) - Sundays 2:00—4:00 pm, youth room

WUMC Leadership Council

Council Chair Chester Varner

Lay Leader Larry Shanklin

Chair of SPRC Grace Habicht

Chair of Finance Deborah Cannon

Chair of Trustees Shae Wiens
Lay Delegates Dan Reese
Larry Shanklin

Committee Members Amy Batiste

Dick Davis Stan Hess Barbara Moody Christina Wood WORSHIP

Sundays—Traditional @ 9:00 am
Praise @ 11:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

Office Hours—Monday –Thursday, 9:00 am—5:00 pm Friday, 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Please find contact information in the church Guide Book and Directory.

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Office Staff

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Custodian (weekend)				
Day School Director	Linda Wilcoxen	120	l.wilcoxen@windcrestumc.org	M-F
Wesley Nurse	Daniela Kulyas	142	DKulyas@mhm.org	

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