

# THE HIGHLIGHTS

## Woodland Heights Baptist Church

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*One in Worship...Many in Service*



# July 2023

## FREEDOM REIGNS!

*Where the Spirit  
of the Lord is,  
There is Freedom.*

Jason Upton

## Father, Hear Our Prayers for ...

Ashlyn Rhodes & Londyn  
The Rhodes Family  
Jane Barden  
Nancy Samuels' Loved Ones  
The Austin Family  
The Ivey Family  
Clinton Anderson  
Linda Ficklin & family  
Edna Fleming  
Clayton Gates  
Peggy Gross  
Marguerite Hughes  
Anne Lowery

Peggy Jordan  
Carolyn Keller  
Virginia Massey  
Mac & Sandy McGee  
Fern Nolan  
Ramona Perry  
The Rudd Family  
Christine Severson  
Jane Tanner  
Betty Tiller  
Carol Wingo  
Charles Wingo  
Su Zachary

### Financial Stewardship

#### Receipts & Expenses YTD

Receipts thru 05/31/23	\$ 48,622.00
Expenses thru 05/31/23	\$ 70,181.66
Expenses over Receipts	\$ (21,559.66)

#### Special Offerings - May

Designated to Kitchen Update	\$ 2,000.00
Associational Missions	\$ 25.00



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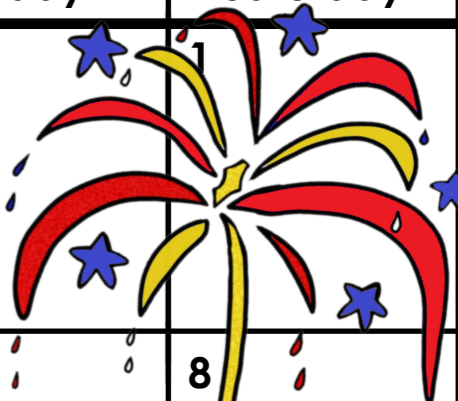

## A Message from Our Interim Pastor Rev. Dorryce Ann Rudd

July 2023 is here! It is a time of fireworks, picnics and parades. We celebrate the time that 52 men declared that the people of the thirteen colonies were going to be independent. This started our experiment in being a democracy and not ruled by a select few. Let us celebrate this momentous occasion with excitement. I request that during this happy time each member of WHBC set aside a time to pray for our country. Pray for peace and respect. We have never been a country where everyone thought the same way, but managed to respect the ability to coexist with our differences. Pray that people will learn again how to live together, use words not guns, and work for the common good. Pray that the Lord's love and peace will reign in our lives, in our states, and spread to the world. May the Lord's love and protection be with you this month.

### 2023 Love Offering

Thank you for your generous gifts & prayers! In June, our church upheld a time-honored tradition of successful Love Offering campaigns by ingathering \$21, 945.00. We will keep you informed about the progress of the repairs, and maintenance of our sanctuary.

# July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<div style="background-color: #0056b3; color: white; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <b>Discipleship Study</b>            Our Discipleship Study group will take a break in July and August.  <b>Look for a return of the group in September!</b> Thank you,            Robert Johns II, for your time and leadership.         </div>					
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Weekly Church Activities</b> <b>Sundays</b> 10:30 am Worship, In person & on Facebook. <b>Wednesdays</b> 12:30 pm Bible/Book Study <b>Thursdays</b> 10:00 am Food Pantry Ministry	<div style="background-color: red; color: white; padding: 2px; display: inline-block;">Communion</div>  Sermon: <i>Compassionate Welcome</i>	 Independence Day	Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Sermon: <i>Too Little or Too Much</i>		Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm		<b>Deadline:</b> August The Highlights Submissions	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Sermon: <i>A Challenge to Look Up</i>	<b>Vacation Bible School 9:30 am - 12:30 pm</b>				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
VBS Service  Deacons' Meeting 30	Choir Rehearsal after Worship  31		Quarterly Business Meeting, 6:30 pm			
				<b>A Look Ahead!</b> October 18, Quarterly Business Meeting. November 5, All Saints' Service.		

**WHBC Food Pantry**  
 In the month of May our Food Ministry served 83 individuals, supplying 66 bags of food to people in need!

**Donations Needed:**  
 Cereal, Canned Fruits, Canned Vegetables, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Macaroni & Cheese, Tuna, Vienna Sausages, Bottled Water & Brown Paper Bags with handles.

You're Invited to an  
Independence Celebration Cookout  
& Anniversary Party!

Sunday, July 2nd, 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

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Rain or Shine!

Food, Drinks, Music, Games & Fellowship!



Register Now for Vacation Bible School

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July 17th - 21st, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

\*For Children age 3 through the completion of 6th grade.\*

Spin the Spinner, Beat the Clock,  
Skip Ahead, Level Up, and Play to Win!



TWISTS & TURNS VBS is a fantastical  
celebration of games of all kinds!

Kids will play their way through all the twists & turns of  
their lives, but they'll discover that even when they mess  
up, it's never "Game Over!"

Please, fill out the registration form found at  
<https://www.whbcva.org/vbs2023> & email to  
[register@whbcva.org](mailto:register@whbcva.org) OR drop it off at the church [put into  
mailbox at W. 31st Street entrance (corner of building)].



VBS Items Needed, Please

- Colored Tissue Paper
- Toilet Paper or Paper Towel Rolls
- Rice or Popcorn Seeds
- Small Spiral Notebooks [4" x 6" or 5" x 7" (can be bought in bulk on Amazon)]
- Thick Paper Plates (no styrofoam, please)
- Monetary Donations for Spirit Sticks.
- Terracotta Pots
- Twister Games (Mats & Spinners)
- Checkerboards and Checkers
- Scrabble Games (especially Letter Tiles)
- Goldfish Crackers
- Cheerios
- Mini Marshmallows
- Chocolate Chips
- Icee Pops

If you have any questions, please  
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