WAMEGO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

HOMECOMING 2021

#TogetherAgain



TOGETHER AGAIN

After a long, hot summer, we're ready to be together again and our syllabus is full of opportunities for the whole family to enjoy!

We'll be on campus, primarily on Sunday mornings for "Game Day" and Wednesday evenings for Magnify U.

Looking for extracurriculars? We also have special events, Bible studies, small groups and other opportunities coming this month. FALL 2021



GAME DAY

(Sundays at Wamego UMC)

Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 AM

Nothing new to see here! We'll be worshipping in the sanctuary and online each Sunday as usual. Tune in at facebook.com/wamegoumc.org.

Fellowship Time 9:30 AM Fellowship Hall

Fellowship Time is back in full swing! Pop in between services. You might come for the handcrafted coffee and breakfast bites but you'll stay for the fellowship.

New Sermon Series September 5-26

We share this planet with some amazing animals and this month we're gonna celebrate them! "All Star Animals of the Bible" is an all-ages exploration of creatures like fish, doves, donkeys and sheep. Don't miss it, that would be bahhhd.



Coffee and Conversations September 12 Kickoff 10:00 AM Room 109

Every week during the Sunday school hour, Pastor Mitch and Amanda Oakley will lead a casual, heavily caffeinated conversation for grades 9-12. Topics will range from plain weird, to philosophical, to Biblical.

Confirmation Class

September 12 Kickoff 10:00 AM Basement Lounge

This year we'll begin a bold new vision for confirmation class designed to build spiritually mature Christians! 7th and 8th graders will meet on Sunday mornings for a 2year exploration of faith, the Church and community. (This year's 8th graders will do one year, those following will do two.)

Pastor Mitch and Amanda will colead the class, with a hands on approach to learning doctrines of the church, history and how to be a Christian in today's world. Throughout the year we will visit different types of churches and go on a retreat in the spring to cap off our year of learning and fellowship.

Faith Builders September 12 Kickoff 10:00 AM Room 140

Are you busy building your career? Raising kids? Making a home? If you're relentlessly striving to build your life but feel like something is missing, it's time to look at faith.

In our new Sunday school class for young adults, led by Christi Oakley, we will build our faith to gain strength, energy, direction and purpose to build our lives with.

We'll kick things off with "Wonderstruck: Awaken to the Nearness of God." Through seven sessions filmed in the Canadian Rockies, we'll explore the wonders of God as found in the Scripture.



Children's Sunday School

September 12 Kickoff 10:00 AM Multipurpose Room

Children ages three through 5th grade can join us for rotation style Sunday school. All ages will gather in the multipurpose room and then disperse throughout the building to their rotation for the week — games, crafts, science or cooking.

After four weeks, they will have learned one Bible story in four ways. (We use a rotational format because we all absorb knowledge through different learning styles and retain information better when it's repeated to us in different formats!)

We're kicking things off this fall by studying the story of Ruth and Naomi and discovering different ways we can do good. On October 10, we will move on to the story of King Solomon and how God granted him great wisdom.



Faith Weavers September 12 Kickoff 10:00 AM Room 139

6th graders can join us for a class led by Ron Boerner. Using FaithWeavers Now curriculum, we'll cover engaging, age appropriate lessons with a focus on fun and fellowship.

The Chosen September 19 Kickoff 10:00 AM Room 114

This adult Sunday school class is based on the new revolutionary series, The Chosen! The video series invites the viewer into His story. We'll watch each episode in class, getting a glimpse at what the daily and extraordinary life of Jesus and his disciples might have looked like 2,000 years ago, then discuss it.

Faithful Followers

September 5 Kickoff 10:00 AM Room 113

Faithful Followers is an informal class, led by Dorothy Garrett, made up of believers from many different backgrounds. This fall, we will study "And The Angels Were Silent: The Final Week of Jesus."



MAGNIFY U

(Wednesday Nights With Wamego UMC)

Magnify U

September 22 Kickoff 5:15 - 7:00 PM 600 Lincoln

Our new vision for Wednesday nights truly provides opportunities for all ages to magnify the Lord!

Our lineup includes old favorites — Grace Cafe and Bible Club as well as two new opportunities for adults of all ages — 5 Cups of Coffee and a New Member Class. With your busy schedules and our dedicated volunteers in mind, the schedule will look different as well.

Magnify U activities will run for three, six-week sessions. Join us for one, two or all three trimesters!

Fall — September 22 - October 27 Winter — January 12 - February 16 Spring — March 23 - April 27

And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord". — Luke 1:46

Grace Cafe September 22 Kickoff 5:15 - 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall

Grace Cafe is an opportunity for the whole community to break bread together! Delicious, hot meals will be served between 5:15 and 6:00 PM. To help offset the cost of this service, donations are welcomed.



Bible Club

September 22 Kickoff 5:45- 5:55 (Check-in, Gathering Area) 5:55 (Opening, Sanctuary) 6-7 (Rotations, Classrooms) 7:05 PM (Pick-Up, Fellowship Hall)

At Bible Club, ages three through 5th grade can learn about the Word of God through art, games, music and story. We will spend our fall sessions studying the 10 Commandments.

Please <u>register each clubber</u> by Monday, September 15! **5 Cups of Coffee** September 22 Kickoff 6:00 - 7:00 PM Basement Lounge

Grab your favorite coffee mug and join Laci Adams and Laura Sylvester for a fun and casual conversation!

Using the <u>5 Cups of Coffee</u> <u>framework</u>, our discussions will loosely be centered around discipleship, spiritual life experiences and our callings.

New Member Class October 27 6:00 - 7:00 PM Room 140

Interested in joining our church? You can learn more about our missions and ministries, membership and our denomination in our new member class.

If you're ready, we'll welcome you as members during worship on the following Sunday — October 31. (If these dates don't work, we welcome members throughout the year too!)





EXTRACURRICULARS

(Try Something New)

Mental Health Training

Wednesday, September 1 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM Fellowship Hall

Did you know you are more likely to encounter someone in an emotional crisis than someone having a heart attack? Learn how you can take action by attending our Mental Health First Aid Training, led by Officer Coleman. This year, the cost of this valuable training has been covered for up to 30 people! Just sign up using this <u>Google</u> <u>form</u> by August 25. **Joan Manor Book Club** September 8 Kickoff 12:00 – 1:30 PM Multipurpose Room

Share your love of books with women from all walks of life! This group was named after the late Joan Manor, the woman who brought together the book lovers among us. Our book club meets on the second Wednesday of each month, noon to 1:30 PM. In September, we will discuss "The Little Old Lady Who Broke All the Rules."

Third Grade Bibles

Sunday, September 12 8:30 & 11:00 AM Worship Wamego UMC Sanctuary

Each year, we gift our third-graders an Adventure Bible — a fun an exciting journey through God's Word which we will continue using in our ministries throughout their adolescence. This year, Bibles will be blessed by Pastor Mitch and gifted to each child during both worship services on September 12. Then on the following Wednesday, we will host a Bible Adventure!

To ensure your child is included in both (or either) of these opportunities, please fill out this <u>Google form</u> by September 3.

Bible Adventure

Wednesday, September 15 3:45 - 5:30 PM Multipurpose Room

After your third-graders receive their new Bibles on September 12, they are invited to join us for a Bible Adventure! Our fearless leader, Ann Myers, will guide our explorers in games and activities which will help them learn to use their Adventure Bibles. For sustenance on our journey, snacks and drinks will be provided.

LIFT August 30 Kickoff 6:30 - 7:30 PM Multipurpose Room

LIFT (Ladies in Faith Together) is a group of young women who lift each other up as they study God's word and share their lives together! The ladies meet on the first and third Monday of each month.

August 30 will be an introductory meeting — an uplifting time to get to know each other and learn more about our fall study — "The Broken Way" by Ann Voskamp. The study will then begin on September 20.

Disciple One September 15 Kickoff 9:30 – 11:00 AM Multipurpose Room

This fall, Ann Myers will lead Disciple One! This class is a big commitment but a worthwhile challenge! We will meet every Wednesday for 34 weeks and there are daily reading assignments. Throughout the experience, you'll gain deep connections with the class and a deeper understanding of the Word! To begin, you'll need a good study Bible and the Disciple study manual (\$32). If you're interested, please <u>sign up</u> by September 5.

Cornerstone Youth

Bi-Monthly Sunday Gatherings 6:00 - 7:00 PM Basement Lounge

Middle and high schoolers are invited to join us on Sunday nights to explore the Bible in creative and active ways like human hungry hippos, water fights, kickball games, photo scavengers hunts and more!

We will meet twice a month from 6:00 to 7:00 PM. The dates of our gatherings and the wacky things we'll get into will be announced on our private Facebook group. Youth and their guardians can get connected at facebook.com/groups/wamegoyouth.



Bell Choir September 1 Kickoff 6:15 - 7:15 PM Sanctuary

After a short break for summer, our bell choir will begin rehearsing every Wednesday evening on September 1. They will then perform at our traditional worship service (11:00 AM) on September 19. **Chancel Choir** September 1 Kickoff 7:15 – 8:15 PM Sanctuary

After performing and rehearsing in small groups over the last year, our choir is excited to get together again for weekly rehearsals beginning September 1. They will then perform at our traditional worship service (11:00 AM) on October 10 and 24.

You can make a great difference in the quality of our worship services by donating your time at bell and chancel choir rehearsals! If you are interested, contact Chris Day, our Choir Director: dosdays2@gmail.com

Let's Get Back #TogetherAgain

1. Vaccines are the most effective way we can deal with COVID.

2. Because kids under 12 are unable to get vaccinated, we strongly encourage them to mask.

3. Our COVID team is meeting regularly.

4. BE KIND!

