

Wheatland's Wit & Wisdom  
JANUARY 2017

WELCOME TO WHEATLAND  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

A graphic featuring the words "Happy New Year!" in a large, blue, 3D-style font. The text is decorated with numerous colorful, flowing streamers in shades of green, purple, pink, brown, yellow, and blue, creating a festive and celebratory atmosphere.

Happy  
New Year!

## **MUSINGS** **JANUARY 2017**

It is 5:30 a.m. on Tuesday morning, December 27, and it is pleasantly quiet. With my cup of tea, a notebook and pen, I settle in to share with you a glimpse of what we can expect for the new year.



2016 was very busy year for the Wheatland family. Despite the ups-and-downs that come with “church work” and the “work of the church” (they are different), we are optimistic about our future.

Our spiritual direction for 2017 will be based on Psalm 23:1, “The Lord is our Shepherd and we shall not be in want”. It is easy to color the present with the past and forget the promises God has made to us as the body of Christ. It is also easy to forget that we are co-laborers with Christ as we manage the affairs of our local churches. Yoked together with Christ, we are resolved to move toward the future with the blessed assurance that His will for Wheatland will be done.

We must be intentional in sharing the love of Christ with ALL people. Our church should be a place for them to come, learn of Christ, and return to the world to tell others. It is the same mandate that is given to us who already know Christ in the free pardon of our sins.

2017 must be a year of increased prayer; one of dialogue not monologue. We must remember that God does hear and answer prayer in accordance with His will. That also means that it is imperative that Bible study become even more of an integral part of the Wheatland experience if we are to grow. We must explore new ways of doing old things if we are to continue the Wheatland legacy and carry the gospel to a rapidly changing world.

Our responsibility as Christians is to make other disciples as we live out our own personal salvation. I know moving away from what you are used to is fearful, but I am not asking you to move away from the Wheatland tradition, but to move forward in love so that others may be a part of the legacy. Perfect love casts out all fear. I remind you that a legacy is always being expanded because God is not finished with us yet. What we did yesterday is today’s history and tomorrow is the future that we hope in.

In anticipation of what the Lord has in store for us. ~Pastor Sandi

**CONSIDER THIS:**

~Your kids are becoming you..... but your grandchildren are perfect!

~Going out is good... Coming home is better!

~You forget names.... But it's OK because some people forgot they even knew you!!!

~You realize you're never going to be really good at anything like golf.

~The things you used to care to do, you aren't as interested in anymore, but you really don't care that you aren't as interested.

~You sleep better on a lounge chair with the TV 'ON' than in bed. It's called "pre-sleep".

~You miss the days when everything worked with just an "ON" and "OFF" switch..

~You tend to use more 4 letter words ...  
"what?" ... "when?" ... ???

~You notice everything they sell in stores is "sleeveless"?!!!

~What used to be freckles are now liver spots.

~Everybody whispers.

~You have 3 sizes of clothes in your closet...2 of which you will never wear.

~~~But Old is good in some things: Old Songs, Old movies, and best of all, OLD FRIENDS!!

Stay well, "OLD FRIEND!"

Submitted by Eddie Power

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Methodist Church**

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Methodist Church – the  
country church in the city  
– strives to be a  
welcoming congregation  
worshipping God  
together; increasing in  
faith and discipleship  
through prayer, Bible  
study and fellowship;  
caring for one another;  
and reaching out to the  
community and the  
world.*

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| SUNDAY                                                                                                                                              | MONDAY    | TUESDAY                                 | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY                                                       | SATURDAY                                                                                           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b><br>Adult Bible Study 9:00<br>Fellowship Hall<br>Worship 10:30<br>Property Management<br>Meeting Fellowship Halol<br>11:45 AM               | <b>2</b>  | <b>3</b>                                | <b>4</b><br>Sunshine Fellowship<br>10:00<br>Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm<br>Route 66 7:00 pm<br>Prayer meting<br>6:00 PM       | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>                                                     | <b>7</b><br>Finance Committee<br>Meeting Fellowship Hall<br>10:00 AM<br><br>Millie Scales Birthday |
| <b>8</b><br>Adult Bible Study 9:00<br>Fellowship Hall<br>Worship Service 10:30<br><br>Administrative Council<br>Meeting Fellowship Hall<br>11:30 AM | <b>9</b>  | <b>10</b>                               | <b>11</b><br>Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm<br>Route 66 7:00 pm<br>Prayer meting<br>6:00 PM<br><br>Gene Hudson's Birthday        | <b>12</b> | <b>13</b><br><br>Ned and Chelsia<br>beiser'S Wedding<br>Ann. | <b>14</b>                                                                                          |
| <b>15</b><br>Adult Bible Study 9:00<br>Fellowship Hall<br>Worship Service 10:30                                                                     | <b>16</b> | <b>17</b>                               | <b>18</b><br>Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm<br>Route 66 7:00 pm<br>Prayer meting<br>6:00 PM<br><br>Victorene Green's<br>Birthday | <b>19</b> | <b>20</b><br><br>Marie Libby's<br>Birthday                   | <b>21</b><br><br>Chelsia Beiser's Birthday                                                         |
| <b>22</b><br>Adult Bible Study 9:00<br>Fellowship Hall<br>Worship Service 10:30                                                                     | <b>23</b> | <b>24</b><br><br>Ann Powell's Bi9rthday | <b>25</b><br>Wheatlandettes 6:45 pm<br>Route 66 7:00 pm<br>Prayer meting<br>6:00 PM                                      | <b>2</b>  | <b>2</b>                                                     | <b>28</b>                                                                                          |
| <b>29</b><br>Adult Bible Study 9:00<br>Fellowship Hall<br>Worship Service 10:30<br><br>Fellowship Lunch 11:45                                       | <b>30</b> | <b>31</b>                               |                                                                                                                          |           |                                                              |                                                                                                    |