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"The Nugget of Truth"

As seen from the Meadows. . .

November 2015

November is a great time of year with it's beautiful fall colors and a great time to remember all that we have to be thankful for. There are just a few things I want to bring to your attention in the midst of the enjoyment of November. I have a little more information about the spiritual gifts assessment. Also, I want to remind everyone about the November 7th Bonfire and night of fellowship. Finally, I need to make you aware of how to contact your pastoral staff during the holiday season.

On Sunday, October 25th, I made mention of a spiritual gift assessment that would be helpful as you fill out the service commitment form which can be found in the bulletin the next few weeks, or you can pick one up from the church office. It is hard to know what to check if you have no idea what your gifts truly are. This assessment is one of many out there and it is only intended to give you an idea of what your strengths are in relation to the spiritual gifts listed in the Bible. Some will follow the process and be surprised, while others will answer the questions and the results will be what they expected. Either way it will be helpful, so you are better able to know where you can be a healthy part of the body of Christ. Here is the link to the assessment. Spend some time with it and pray about the results.

<http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts>.

I hope you are making plans to join your fellow JUMC members at the Bonfire on Saturday, November 7th, 7:30-9:00 pm for a great night of fellowship. We will have music, s'mores and just good old conversation. Sadly we don't take time for this kind of fellowship anymore. Most of our gatherings have to have ballgames, dance recitals or some other activity to bring us together. This night is just about being together. Take time to invite folks who have either been missing from church, or new to our church. Pray about it and invite folks!!

November is also a time to be with family. We are blessed here at JUMC with a great staff who love God and love the ministry to which they have been called. Like all other professions your staff needs to be with family. So as we enter into Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas please realize there will be times the office will be closed, or times when there is no one to answer the phone. So, please call before you drop by and offer some grace, as we, your staff spend time with our extended family. Also, know that Preston and I can be reached at any time by text or by calling our cell phones; Preston Jones, 706-531-4339 and Greg Meadows, 770-851-8305. Even if I am in Tarrytown, Georgia enjoying outdoor therapy I will return your text or call as quickly as I can. I know Preston feels the same way. The staff of JUMC thanks you for your support, prayers and understanding. We also thank you for the opportunity to share ministry with you.

One last thought for November. One of the best blessings of my life was given life on November 30th. I would not be who I am without her in my life. She is the mother of our children, my best friend, my wife, my Lydia and for that reason November is one of my favorite months! I hope you enjoy November as much as I do. I am thankful for this blessed time of year!

Yours in Christ,

Greg

CHARGE CONFERENCE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH, 7:00 pm
at Ellijay United Methodist Church

UPCOMING DAY TRIPS. . .

Sunday, November 15th
**REINHARDT CONCERT CHOIR AND
CHAMBER SINGERS CONCERT**

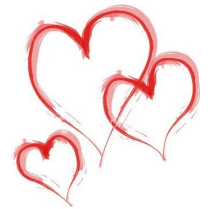
Meet at the church at 2:00 to ride the bus.
Concert begins at 3:00 pm.
\$8.00 per person. Tickets are limited.
Contact Juanita Tatum or Rosemarie Heindel
to reserve your spot.
jtatum@jasperumc.org, 706-253-2100
or rheindel1@tds.net



HEART AND SOUL CONCERT

Thursday, December 3rd
Come enjoy some beautiful melodies of the
season and fellowship with your church family.
ALL are welcome!

10:30 for coffee, goodies and fellowship.
Concert begins at 11:00.
Lunch at the Woodbridge Inn to follow.
Deadline to sign up-Monday, November 30th.



MALL OF GEORGIA

Friday, December 11th, 9:00 am
Annual Christmas shopping trip

We will shop til' we drop at the many stores.
Lunch on your own in the food court.
Deadline to sign up-Monday, December 7th.

*"In the same way, let your light shine before others,
so that they may see your good works
and give glory to your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16*



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

PACKING PARTY, SUNDAY NOV. 22ND
directly after the 11:00 worship service.

Pizza and drinks will be provided for those who stay to help. For more
details: Please contact Linda Jones, 706-253-2637 or email her
atimi121470@yahoo.com OR Joyce Leist, 770-737-2767 or email her at
joyce156@tds.net.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

No KOK on Wednesday, November 25th due to Thanksgiving Holidays.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, Dec. 5th, 9:00-11:00 am

Ticket prices: Children 12 and under=\$5.00; Adults and youth over age 12 who are only eating pancake breakfast=\$4.00. Tickets will be available through the church office beginning Monday, November 16th.



Cost of tickets includes:

- Pancake breakfast (served until 10:30 am)
- Visit with Santa-don't forget your camera!
- Christmas crafts for the kids
- Ticket for door prize
- Face painting
- Coloring contest

Music in Ministry

November is a wonderful opportunity to be thankful and dedicate ourselves to the word of our Lord every fall. Please find the schedule for this month below and make sure you are at rehearsals so we can give our best to our Lord.

November 1st-All Saints Sunday with Communion
11-Chancel Choir and Preschool KOK
November 24th-Thanksgiving Sunday
11-Chancel Choir and Chancel Bells

IMPORTANT DATES:

December 6th-Children's Choirs, Youth Choir and Youth Bells
December 13th-Chancel Choir's Cantata-CHRISTMAS FANTASIA with Orchestra
December 14th-Golden Bells Of Atlanta Concert, 7:30 pm
December 20th-Chancel Choir and Chancel Bells
December 24th-Christmas Eve-6 pm-Chancel Choir, 9pm-College/Career Ensemble

Week of June 5th-SUMMER MUSIC TOUR 2016 to Nashville, TN and Mountain Top (deposit of \$50 per youth and chaperone was due the end of October)

Many thanks for sharing your gifts and talents thru our ministry of music/worship arts.

Soli Deo Gloria, Roxanne



The United Methodist Women would like

to invite everyone to come out on

Monday, Nov. 23rd, 7:00 pm to help

decorate our beautiful Christmas Tree for the Advent Season.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

*“Let the little children come to me,
and do not hinder them,
for the kingdom of God
belongs to such as these.” Luke 18:16*



NOVEMBER JUMC PRESCHOOL CALENDAR

THEMES:

- Nov. 2-4 Good Manners
- Nov. 9-11 We are Thankful
- Nov. 16-18 The First Thanksgiving
- Nov. 23-25 Thanksgiving Holiday, Preschool closed
- Nov. 29 Good Nutrition

SPECIAL DATES:

- Nov. 2 Tuition Due
- Nov. 3-17 JUMC Preschool Food Drive
- Nov. 4 Color Day! Wear something brown
- Nov. 10 Harvest Day! Dress western
- Nov. 11 Veterans Day
- Nov. 17 Thanksgiving Feast (children)
- Nov. 23-25 Thanksgiving Holiday, Preschool closed
- Nov. 23-27 (Pickens Co. Schools Closed)
- Nov. 26 THANKSGIVING DAY

UPCOMING PRESCHOOL DATES:

- Dec. 1 Preschool Christmas Pictures with Santa
- Dec. 5 JUMC Breakfast with Santa
- Dec. 1-15 Preschool Toy Collection, “Toys for Tots”
- Dec. 10 JUMC Preschool Christmas Program
(all children), 7:00 pm
- Dec. 16 Preschool Christmas Parties, 11:00
- Dec. 21-Jan. 4 Christmas Holidays, Preschool closed
(Pickens Co. Schools closed)
- Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

JUMC PRESCHOOL



FOOD DRIVE

NOVEMBER 3rd-17th

Food items will be
donated to CARES.
There will be donation
boxes located outside
each classroom.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday Night Youth, 6:00-7:30 pm (meet in
sanctuary)

November 1st, 8th, and 15th.

Snack supper is provided.

Bring \$3.00.



Daylight Savings time ends on Sunday, November 1st.

Saturday, November 7th, 7:30-9:00 pm

Come enjoy FREE music, hot chocolate and s'mores

at Eagle Park (back parking lot)

EVERYONE INVITED!



Mission ministry. . .

- **Christmas!** What do you give to that one who needs nothing??? Always a dilemma! How about something permanent, reusable, enjoyed by many, needful and service oriented? The "The Jewels Hall" and "Kids of the Kingdom" Obaga, Kenya need a center for feeding children, housing crafts, storing common tools and products, selling produce and rental. Give a gift to "The Jewel's Hall" in honor of your loved ones. Together we can make a real difference in lives in Kenya! Gift enclosure cards will be provided by December.
- **KENYA MISSION TEAM: June 16-29, 2016.** Curious? A tug in your heart? Sign up on bulletin board or contact Dex: hammerlover60@hotmail.com
- **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY JASPER** project will use volunteers all 4 Saturdays in November. Let's see JUMC out in force! Sign up at the Welcome Center. 8:30-3:30, lunch provided. No experience necessary.

*"Trust in Him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to Him,
for God is our refuge." Psalm 62:8*

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
AT MT. ZION CHURCH, 7:00 PM.**



A SATURDAY AARP "SMART DRIVER" COURSE OFFERED NOVEMBER 14th



This informative, research-based defensive driver class is taught in 6 hours. It is being taught on a Saturday so that people who work during the week might be able to attend, and is the final course for this year. Do you need to cut costs? Complete this class and earn a 10% discount each year for the next three years on our auto insurance premiums. Check with your insurance company to make sure the discount would apply to you. The next AARP Smart Driver Course is offered on Saturday, November 14th, at Jasper UMC, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

This course is offered to licensed drivers of all ages and no matter how many years you have been driving, you can learn something new in this class. Learn driving strategies to help protect yourself and your loved ones. There is a workbook, video segments, and class discussion-no tests. Cost is \$15.00 for AARP members and \$20.00 for non-members. Class size is limited, so please call volunteer Instructor Roberta Sarchet for registration (770) 893-1814.



Stan & Paula Adams	November 20
Kevin & Cindy Gantz	November 14
Brian & Suzanne Gehring	November 3
Alan & Mary Ellen Johnson	November 26
Jared & Theresa Jordan	November 24
Tom & Mary Kleinberg	November 3
Terry & Christie McCormick	November 26
Chris & Amy Thompson	November 13



Lydia Meadows
 Barry East
 Herman & Bonita Cochran
 John & Anne Sneve
 Mack & Linda Cochran
 Kent & Janice Brooks
 Tom Ashbeck
 Bill & Letty Tresslar
 Lawrence & Ashley Missel
 Bob & Carole Fallgren
 William & Laura Clayborn
 Nathaniel Singletary



Maureen Atkins, Jackson Martinez, Abbey Butler, Hamilton Buchanan, Sarah Cash, McKenzie Cash, Tracy Clayton, Alex Howard, Amber Elkins, Tricia Gallagher, Ethan Gallahan, Brian Gehring, Andy Golden, Josh Golden, Abby Gooch, George Goodrum, Ashley Hamby, Miriam Hardage, Barry Hardison, Jeff Harris, Lily Holloway, Kathryn Hutsenpiller, Lynn Johnson, Jeffery Jones, Preston Jones, Amanda Ledford, Marcia Lee, Magdalene Martin, Madison McGuire, Laurel McGuire, Arthur McIntyre, Lydia Meadows, Meredith Miller, Bill Neville, Mary Pauley, Grady Pearson, Martha Prince, Bradley Rogano, Seth Romine, Michael Rumsey, Jack Russell, Oliver Shaw, Madilyn Shelton, Allison Short,

Casey Shostak, Robin Simpson, Mackenzie McKean, Matthew Stewart, John Tatum, Garrett Thompson, Rosie Wigginton, Tristin Woodall

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN. . .

UMW Circle Meetings
 Thursday, November 12th,
 5:30 pm-Seekers Circle
 6:45 pm-Dorcas Circle



UNITED METHODIST MEN. . .

United Methodist Men will meet on
 Thursday, November 12th, 7:00 pm.
 All men are invited and encouraged
 to come.

SEEKERS COOKIE WALK-

Sunday, November 22nd, before and after each service



UMW CHRISTMAS BANQUET
 Tuesday, December 1st, 6:30 pm
ALL LADIES INVITED
 Watch your upcoming bulletins for
 more info.

UPCOMING

COMMITTEE MEETINGS. . .

Trustees, Tuesday, November 3rd, 7:00 pm
 Finance, Wednesday, November 4th, 7:00 pm
 Staff Parish, Tuesday, November 10th, 7:00 pm
 Finance, Tuesday, November 17th, 6:00 pm
 Church Council, Tuesday, November 17th, 7:00 pm

JUMC SERVANTS FOR NOVEMBER

November 1st

Acolytes: Mary Beth Jackson, Lydia Moore
Nursery: Scott of Diane Jackson
Children's Church: Lauren & Michael Bail (K & 1st), Kristie & David Finney (2nd & 3rd),
Christie McCormick (4th & 5th)
Fellowship Coffee: Gerald & Lynda Thurman
Welcome Center: (8:15) Karen & Bobby Fowler, (9:15) Open
Sound Ministry: (8:30 & 11:00) Paul Singletary
Financial Counters: Connie Tudor, Rachel Hoffbauer
Greeters & Ushers: Barry & Suzanne Hardison, Ed & Judy Preston, Homer Key, David Lovern,
Charles & Anne Roberts
Bus Drivers: (Driver) Scott Jackson, (Rider) Diane Jackson

November 8th

Acolytes: Anna Grace Finney, Shelby Martin
Nursery: Allison Ward
Children's Church: Gary & Melissa Maple (K & 1st), Juanita Tatum (2nd & 3rd), Shelly Vincent (4th & 5th)
Fellowship Coffee: Nellie Brownell
Welcome Center: (8:15) Karen & Bobby Fowler, (9:15) Open
Sound Ministry: (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Brian Gehring
Financial Counters: Patsy Rollins, Gordon Norman
Greeters & Ushers: Ed & Judy Preston, Tom Lindsey, Frances Scott, Mark & Maureen Atkins, Tim & Sally Long
Bus Drivers: (Driver) Mike Melton, (Rider) Lauren Melton

November 15th

Acolytes: Christopher & Jerry Knight
Nursery: Emily Countryman
Children's Church: Keith & Jennifer Galligan (K & 1st), Brandi McEntire (2nd & 3rd),
Rhonda & Milton Hunt (4th & 5th)
Fellowship Coffee: United Methodist Men
Welcome Center: United Methodist Men
Sound Ministry: (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Quandee
Financial Counters: Richard Rollins, Bill Traynham
Greeters & Ushers: United Methodist Men
Bus Drivers: (Driver) Mike Ledford, (Rider) Luella Ledford

November 22nd

Acolytes: Angela Moore, Jazzman Evans
Nursery: Keith of Jennifer Galligan
Children's Church: Open
Fellowship Coffee: Open
Welcome Center: (8:15) Karen & Bobby Fowler, (9:15) Open
Sound Ministry: (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Wigington
Financial Counters: Susan Lindsey, Barry Hardison
Greeters & Ushers: Bill & Dianne Traynham, Ruth Lovern, Linda Jones, Deborah Dickinson, Judy Hines,
Richard and June Rambler
Bus Drivers: (Driver) Homer Key, (Rider) Cathy Key

November 29th

Acolytes: Camden & Sara Kate Smith
Nursery: Juanita Tatum or Ann Roper
Children's Church: 5th Sunday-Family Worship
Fellowship Coffee: Open
Welcome Center: (8:15) Karen & Bobby Fowler, (9:15) Open
Sound Ministry: (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Wigington
Financial Counters: Connie Tudor, Rachel Hoffbauer
Greeters & Ushers: UMW
Bus Drivers: (Driver) Mike Ledford, (Rider) Luella Ledford