

# "THE NUGGET OF TRUTH"

*As seen from the Meadows. . .*

It was just over a year ago that I was informed I would be appointed to the Jasper United Methodist Church. It is hard to believe a year has almost come and gone. As we finish our first year together I want to offer words of thanks and remind us to be in prayer for people and for ministry going on this summer.

Thank you is a phrase we really don't say enough and yet it is very powerful and also filled with God's grace. Therefore I want to thank the staff of JUMC for being so welcoming and making me feel at home. I also want to thank them for being open to my style of leadership and allowing me to join their family. To Nathan Dickens, Rev. Preston Jones and Isabella Novaes, thank you for allowing me to be part of your world if only for a short time. These three young ministers shared so very much with me and showed me that ministry is not over; there is hope for all of us if we have young Christians like these three involved in the church. Next I want to thank the leadership of this congregation. There is not room to list everyone but for all those who have served on the committees and that I have had to honor of meeting with, thank you for your heart and the willingness to give your time to the ministry of this church. You have made the meetings worthwhile and you have maintained a focus on making disciples. I am excited to see where God will lead as we move forward. Now thank you to all those who allowed me to lead you in a small group this past year. I enjoyed every opportunity to share life with you. Your willingness to read and desire to grow in your understanding of faith and parenthood has been moving for me. Finally I want to thank you the church for your support, your prayers and your patience as we have been commuting from Blue Ridge. Our prayer is we will not be doing that too much longer. This move was not an easy one as we left a place where our children grew up and we celebrated college graduation, a marriage proposal for Rebekah, high school graduation and moving to college for Gregory and Wesley; not to mention a new job for Lydia. It has been a good road but it has had some bumps. You have been there with prayers through it all and for that I am grateful. Thank you is not a long phrase but when heart felt it has the grace and love of God and this is what I offer to all of you this day, so thank you from the hearts of the Meadows family.

Summer is here and even though it is often the lowest attended time of year, ministry still happens. Remember to pray for our Youth Choir as they begin their tour on June 5th. VBS is June 20-24; our youth will meet and share during the summer as well; our Kenya mission team will be travelling June 14-26 and your Staff Parish Relations committee will be at work interviewing and preparing to fill our vacant staff positions. There are other committees and small groups that will be meeting as well, so please remember to pray for JUMC and when you are home on Sunday, worship is a great place to come and give God thanks for your blessings. I also want to encourage us to remember our giving during the summer. We are doing so great let's not allow it to falter. Let's plan to stay ahead of budget and give thanks to God for the blessings.

In closing, enjoy the summer and all that God has created. We hope to get away some this summer and see family. We also hope to find a house here in the Jasper area. Life is always fun and always filled with change, embrace it and allow God to work in it and through it as we strive to be disciples.

Yours in Christ,

*Greg*

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## KID'S KORNER



**SAVE THE DATE!!**  
**VBS 2016, Surf Shack**  
June 20th-24th,  
9:00 am-noon  
Ages 4 (by Sept. 1st)-  
rising 6th graders.

On-line registration at  
[2016.cokesburyvbs.com/jasperumc](http://2016.cokesburyvbs.com/jasperumc)

### Fun in the "Sun" Summer Activities

- Annual VBS Celebration! Pool Party and Hot Dog Cook Out on Friday, June 24th, 6:00-9:00 pm at Arrowhead Country Club. Bring a side dish to add to our Cook Out. Children younger than 5th grade must be accompanied by an adult.



**JUMC**  
**Day Trippin'**  
**August 21st**  
**Day Trip to Blue Ridge Community Theater**  
to see "The Last Romance".  
Tickets \$20 per person, \$18 for Senior adults 65+.

Please contact Juanita Tatum to order your ticket, 706-253-2100/jtatum@jasperumc.org OR Rosemarie Heindel, 404-861-1857/rheindel1@tds.net. It is necessary that you make your reservation by Sunday, July 31st. We will leave church at 11:00 and have a traveling brunch on the way to Blue Ridge with an early supper on the return trip.

\*P.S. Ask me about our Senior Enrichment fund for financial assistance.

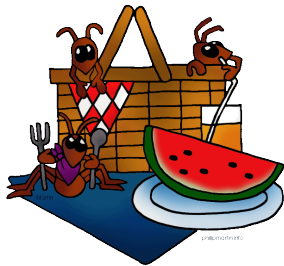


### **A Note of Gratitude to the JUMC Congregation. . .**

Dear JUMC,  
Words could never express how thankful I am for ya'll giving me a place to serve and grow in my calling these last 5 years. It was such an incredible honor to be able to walk beside you at church, visit you at your homes, come to concerts, ball games, or the hospital. Thank you for allowing Eydie, Jackson, and me to be a part of the congregation also. Ya'll will never know just how much you have touched my family in the way ya'll have loved and cared for us. There is something incredibly special about Jasper United Methodist Church and that has to do with the love of God that is so present and alive in this congregation. My family and I will forever be grateful for our time at JUMC, and we will always carry this place and the relationships we have made with us in our hearts forever. So I say from the bottom of my heart, we love you, thank you, and we will miss you.  
As time has closed I have so appreciated your well wishes, hugs, and support. I also want to say thank you for the cards and gifts.  
Love, Preston

*All VBS Leaders and Helpers*  
Come catch the wave of God's Amazing Love at the Surf Shack! Monday, June 13, 7:00-8:00 pm, in room 206. You will receive your schedules, a fun preview of the week to come and meet your fellow workers! Call Juanita in advance if you will have childcare needs.  
[jtatum@jasperumc.org](mailto:jtatum@jasperumc.org) / 706-253-2100

## FAMILY FUN



**Church Wide Picnic**  
at Bent Tree Pavillion  
Wednesday, June 15th

Arrive at 5:00 pm to swim, play, fellowship. Covered dish picnic begins at 6:30 pm. Bring your favorite dish to share. Drinks and paper goods supplied by Dorcas and Seekers Circle.

# Music in Ministry

Please keep our Youth Choir and Chaperones in your thoughts and prayers as we travel, work together, grow closer to each other and to our Lord and Savior during our Annual SUMMER MUSIC TOUR. Thank you for your constant financial and prayer support for our Youth. We have the best and they represent this church well every summer as we travel spreading the Word and Light of Christ thru our hands and voices.

## Here is our schedule for SMT 2016:

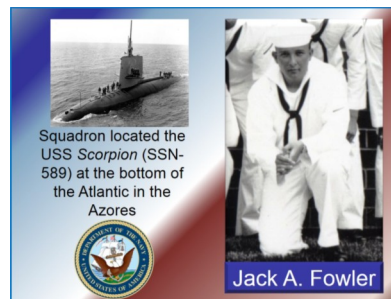
- Sunday, June 5th-present our musical here at JUMC at 11:00 am, eat lunch here, then head to Chattanooga to sing the National Anthem at the Lookouts Baseball Game at 5:15 pm.
- Monday-June 6th-spend the day at Lake Winnie's Amusement and Water Park then travel to First UMC of Murfreesboro
- Tuesday, June 7th-Tour Nashville
- Wednesday, June 8th-sing at the Upper Room Chapel service at 8:30 am then take their tour, tour 2 Cathedrals then present our musical and share dinner at Murfreesboro UMC before heading to Mountain T.O.P. for the night
- Thursday-Saturday, June 9th-11th-meet up with other youth groups for mission projects and evening worship

- ⇒ VBS-third week of June (June 20th-24th)
- ⇒ Patriotic Service-July 3rd at 11:00 am
- ⇒ Annual Chancel Choir Retreat at Lake Junaluska-July 22nd-24th (final payment due to Annie by June 30th)
- ⇒ Needed: Music helpers for VBS are needed. Please see Roxanne if you can help.
- ⇒ For the Summer Months we will feature special "Jazz in June and July" and then our COCA (Come One, Come All) choir will sing simple gospel music in August.

Have a great summer and please remember "when in town, in church."

Soli Deo Gloria, Roxanne

## PATRIOTIC SERVICE. . July 3rd



Like Uncle Sam, we want you! We invite all former military and current military persons to participate in the Patriotic Service. Good news, if you are already participating, you don't have to do a thing, unless you have changes. If you are new to the congregation, we would love the chance to honor you in our service. Please contact Sara W. Fowler at [sawfowler@aim.com](mailto:sawfowler@aim.com) or 706-692-6054, or contact the Church office at 706-253-2100 for more details. Information needed: name, branch of service, photo. Optional information: rank, where you served, interesting facts. **Deadline is June 20th.**



## UNITED METHODIST MEN. . .

United Methodist Men will meet on Thursday, June 9th, 7:00 pm. All men are invited and encouraged to come.

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN. . .

### UMW Circle Meetings

Thursday, June 9th  
5:30 pm-Seekers Circle

## MISSION MATTERS. . .

Kenya Collections:

1. Forehead or digital **thermometers**
2. 1 good manual blood pressure cuff and **stethoscope**
3. 2-3 battery operated, **automatic blood pressure cuffs**
4. **Write letters to children**-choose one name or more from the jar, and jot them a note. Let that child know that you think of them and pray for them. Do not put in an envelope. Return your slip of paper with the letter to the mailbox.
5. **Flip flops-64 pairs**-all sizes for KOK's Obaga (KOK Jasper gave 56)
6. **Underwear for 40 girls**-sizes 6 & 8 white cotton briefs. **Total 120 pair.**
7. **Bubble wands**-just old small wands. We will make bubble liquid in Kenya
8. **Toothbrushes**
9. Small sample size **toothpaste**

**Deposit in bin in narthex by June 5th.**

# PRESCHOOL MINISTRY



**JUMC Preschool  
Class of 2016**

## JUMC PRESCHOOL GRADUATES:

Matthew Javier Barron, Spencer Allen Brown, Bryson Reed Jackson, Miles Patrick Kearney, Ashton Brooks Lowe, Sophia Grace Owens, Luke Alan Morris, Kalli Anne Parker, Langley Grace Spires, Carson Dane Townley, Matthew Vincent Valeriana, Sophia Isabelle Watkins

**A special thanks** to our Preschool Staff for all of the love and dedication to the children of JUMC Preschool. You are greatly appreciated!!

Amanda Anderson, Diane Boyles, Paulette Bruce, Margaret Chastain, Pam Edwards, Shelia Elrod, Barbara Gaddis, Jammie Hopkins, Stephanie Jones, Paulette Massey, Lisa Ray, Gloria Roberts, Janie Watson and Deborah Goodrum

## 2016-2017 JUMC Preschool Calendar:

Aug. 31 & Sept. 1	Staff Pre-planning, 8:00 am-12:00 noon
Sept. 1	Open House, 5:00-8:00 pm
Sept. 6	First Day of Preschool

# JUMC SERVANTS FOR JUNE

## June 5th

**Acolytes:** Jerry & Christopher Knight  
**Nursery:** Emily Countryman  
**Fellowship Coffee:** John & Elaine Tarantini  
**Welcome Center:** Randy & Connie Tudor (8:15-8:35),  
 Open (9:15-9:35), Open (10:15-10:35)  
**Sound Ministry:** (11:00) Paul & Nato Singletary  
**Financial Counters:** Patsy Rollins, Gordon Norman  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Barry & Suzanne Hardison, Ed & Judy Preston, Ed Sherrell, David Lovern, Tom & Donna Dicus  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Scott Jackson,  
 (Rider) Diane Jackson

## June 12th

**Acolytes:** Lydia Moore, Mary Beth Jackson  
**Nursery:** Erin Martin  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Serendipity Class  
**Welcome Center:** Randy & Connie Tudor (8:15-8:35),  
 Open (9:15-9:35), Open (10:15-10:35)  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary,  
 (11:00) Brian Gehring  
**Financial Counters:** Bill Traynham, Jack Knight  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Ed & Judy Preston, Tom Lindsey,  
 Letty Tresslar, Maureen & Mark Atkins, Tim & Sally Long  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Mike Melton,  
 (Rider) Lauren Melton

## June 19th

**Acolytes:** Cade Turbeville, Quin Estrada Costales  
**Nursery:** Lettie Tresslar  
**Fellowship Coffee:** United Methodist Men  
**Welcome Center:** United Methodist Men  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary,  
 (11:00) Allen Quandee  
**Financial Counters:** Rachel Hoffbauer, Joann Montgomery  
**Greeters & Ushers:** United Methodist Men  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Mike Ledford,  
 (Rider) Luella Ledford

## June 26th

**Acolytes:** Angela Moore, Jazzman Evans  
**Nursery:** Juanita Tatum or Ann Roper  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Open  
**Welcome Center:** Randy & Connie Tudor (8:15-8:35),  
 Open (9:15-9:35), Open (10:15-10:35)  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary,  
 (11:00) Allen Wigington  
**Financial Counters:** Richard Rollins, Jerry Cohn  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Charles & Anne Roberts, Ruth Lovern, Elaine Hannah, Judy Hines, Richard & June Rambler, Deborah Dickinson  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Homer Key,  
 (Rider) Cathy Key



Bob & Jeanie Brantley  
 Richard & Darlene Crenshaw  
 Jim & Suzie Fowler  
 Jimmy & Roxanne Golden  
 Stephen & Nancy Hammer  
 Hoyt & Carolyn Jenkins  
 Jack & Janie Knight  
 Don & Betty Larson  
 David & Sheila Lovern  
 Phil & Erin Martin  
 Arthur & Amelia McIntyre  
 Ernest & Jeanene Moore  
 Guy & Rennie Owen  
 Richard & June Rambler  
 David & Shelly Vincent



Donna Andrews, Ricky Anglin, Jamisen Bail, Judy Bailey, Greg Bauer, Leslie Rieling, Roland Buchanan, Kameron Kincaid, Sara Chumley, Karen Cole, Richard Crenshaw, Darlene Crenshaw, Justin Davis, Brandi Dean, Mark Dickerson, Melanie Farron, Bobby Fowler, Chrystal Gabriel, Cindy Gantz, Kathy Glenn, Hannah Hardison, Reagan Hardison, Mady Hoffbauer, Bill Hutsenpiller, Morgan Jackson, Megan Jennings, Pat Jewell, Ronnie Johnson, Jackson Jones, Joanna Kearns, Cathy Key, Natalie Klein, Tom Kleinberg, Jack Knight, Garret Maple, Jackson Melton, Asher Miller, Dex Phillips, Mack Phillips, John Pool, Allen Quandee, Fred Riddell, Tricia Rollins, Emily Rumsey, Wesley Shelton, Chiara Simoneschi, Jacob Tatum, Hunter Thompson, Eugene Troglin, Debby Utiss, Cathy Vickers, Jake Waller, Jane Waller, Mary Peterson, Lekeisha Myles, Jim Weeks, Sharmon Weeks, Allen Wigington, Jacob Wilson, Thomas Wilson, Daniel Wisniewski, Charlie Wright

**Pray for those who are in need of our Lord's Healing Touch:**

Toni Larson Waters, Bebe Gibbs, Shirley Pool's mother, Annette Dodd, Harrill Wood, Bob Jorns, Mary Hunt-Milton Hunt's mother, Lucy Arp-Pat Jewell's mother, Juliebeth-Jimmy Golden's sister, Emily Clayborn, Matt Bryan, Pam Singletary-upcoming surgery, Jill Jenkins, Betty Harrison-Angela Ervin's sister, Shirley Evans, Pam Edwards' sister, Louise Norman-Gordon Norman's mother, James Rizoti, Arthur Pendley-preschooler, Wayne Jewell, Steve Lawrence, Cornelius Brown-Ruth Lovern's brother, Dorothy Hames, Bill Turbeville-Brent Turbeville's father, Rev. Sammy Clark-stroke, Boyce and family-Laura Kearney's brother, Ricky Anglin

**Expectant Mothers:** Ginny (White) Ledford-July 5th, Stephanie (Sewell) Bulloch-July 30th

**Missions:** Action Ministries, Deetlefs family in South Africa

**Our active military family:** Brett Rush, Jeremy Dean, Jeremy Willis, Devin Roberts, Andy Pickering, Nathan Watson, David Grossman, Peter Nunn, Shawn Hancock, Steven Walsh, Max Edward Caylor, Dustin Hall, Jason Kiernan, Jeff Darwin, John Kiernan, Matthew Brewster, Cameron Hayworth, Jason Stanley, Emerson Gantz, Stanley Peters, Alex Davis, Austin McCormick, Eric Hunter, Jessie Sams, Geoff Houghwout, Elliot Gallagher, Mitch Rich, Ray Gonzalez-Tresslar, Justin Mosiello, Brian Mosiello, Kalyne Brooks

**Deployed (to Angola for Yellow Fever Outbreak):** Laura Adams

**Northeast Atlanta Health & Rehab:** Delle Marie O'Neal

**Grandview:** Myra Hall (Mike Whitten's mother)

**Serenity Mtn. Manor:** Tilli Savage

**The Oaks:** Lee Dunn, Novella Foster (Phyllis Pool's mother)

**Rock Creek Manor:** Anna Jane Lindsay (Deleise Lindsay's mother)

**Emeritus at Riverstone:** Louise O'Bryant

**Wildwood:** Sue Hutsenpiller (Bill Hutsenpiller's mother), Flora Godfrey (George Godfrey and Ava Saye's mother)

**Pruitt:** Bennie Bird

**Memorial Manor in Bainbridge:** Betty Larson, 1500 East Shotwell St., Room 12, Bainbridge, GA 39819

**Windsor House Assisted Living in Canton:** Tom & Ardith Stanley

***Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern, update or to notify us of any family illnesses, deaths or hospitalizations.***

For any emergencies after office hours, Greg can be reached on his cell #770-851-8305.