

# "THE NUGGET OF TRUTH"

FEBRUARY 2018

## As seen from the Meadows. . .

Well 2018 is off and running; here we are in February. As we begin this new month there are a few items I would like to highlight. In January 28th bulletin you received our 2018 budget and leadership list. We are still in need of greeters each Sunday and it is not too late to register for the 2018 Better Marriage Getaway, February 23-25.

I pray at this point you have taken the opportunity to spend some time with your 2018 budget and leadership list shared with everyone on Sunday, January 28th. If you were unable to attend church that Sunday, you are encouraged to pick one up from the church office, 8:30am-4:30pm Monday-Thursday, 706-253-2100. I hope you will keep both of these in eye sight to remind yourself to pray over them on a regular basis. We have been blessed by God's grace and love that has inspired us all to be generous. Your generosity has enabled God to touch the lives of many people both here in Jasper and other places around the world. Jasper UMC will continue to be a light in this dark world with prayer and a willingness to be God's disciples.

Calling all folks with a gift or a love of hospitality!! Every Sunday I encourage our folks visiting our congregation to go by the Welcome Center and pick up information about our wonderful church. It is better if a smiling face of a hospitable church member greets that visitor. The restaurant world understands the need to greet and welcome folks as they come in the door, so do gas stations and retail stores. It is important for us and the church as well. We need folks to sign up to serve in the Welcome Center every Sunday morning. This is a great opportunity of service and needed as we enter and leave our worship. Get in touch with Bill and Dianne Traynham, Connection Committee Chairs, to get more information or to serve.

In 2001, a wonderful couple invited Lydia and I to join a Marriage Enrichment Group or MEG. The goal was to enrich the relationship and make it an important part of our life. Marriage is not easy. It takes effort. Love is more than a feeling, it is action. Better Marriage Georgia has been a wonderful addition to our life and we have tried to share it in the churches we have served. I want to encourage you to go to the webpage <http://bettermarriagesga.org>. This is the information for the Better Marriage Getaway planned for February 23-25, 2018 in Chattanooga, TN. It looks to be a great weekend. Lydia and I will be sharing this year as workshop leaders. If you have questions do not hesitate to ask. If we have a couple or two attend the Getaway, we can then explore the possibility of hosting a Marriage Enrichment Group here at Jasper UMC.

Here are just a few opportunities to serve God here at JUMC and a great experience to share with your spouse. I encourage us all to seek how we can serve God and strengthen our day-to-day life. In doing so we can become the disciple of Jesus to which we are be called.

Yours in Christ, *Greg*

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# IMPORTANT NOTES. . .

*“And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.” 1 Corinthians 13:13*

This month is best known as the month of love but here in our Music and Worship World it's a month of preparations for Lent, Easter, Spring Musicals and Summer Music Tour. Just as Lent is our time of preparation for Easter, these weeks are also very important in our rehearsals as we prepare for Ash Wednesday, the season of Lent, Palm Sunday, Easter, Children and Youth Musicals, Summer Music Tour and beyond!!!

## Here are some important dates to remember:

**YOUTH CHOIR:** Please make sure you have \$150 in your account at this time. This is the time I start buying tickets and making deposits so it's very important that I have an accurate number. All Chaperones also need to have at least \$100 in their accounts. (total cost of SMT 2018 is \$375 for youth and \$275 for chaperones) SMT 2018 is June 3rd-10th.

**CHANCEL BELLS:** Please make sure you have turned in your money for New Ebenezer Handbell workshop (Feb. 16th and 17th).

**CHANCEL CHOIR:** Our Annual Choir Retreat at Lake Junaluska will be held the last weekend of July. Please make sure your \$35 deposit (per person) gets to Annie ASAP.

**KIDS OF THE KINGDOM:** Spring Musical rehearsals are underway so please make sure you attend all Wednesday afternoon rehearsals. Letters will be sent out soon with all dates for the Spring.

**PRESCHOOL KOK:** February 11th at the 11:00 am service

As you can see, we are back into full swing so please make sure you are present for rehearsals so we can give to God our very best.

Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions or problems.

Soli Deo Gloria, Roxanne

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS. . .



**February 7th:** Chicken Parmigiana, tossed salad, applesauce, bread, dessert  
**February 14th:** Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert  
**February 21st:** Chili, baked potato bar, crackers or cornbread, dessert

**February 28th:** Soup night, navy bean or chicken and a wild rice, toasted cheese sandwich, crackers or cornbread, dessert

## MISSIONS MATTERS

- **February 19th-A night with ABE LINCOLN!** Our own Homer Sewell and Joan Britton will bring history alive as Abe and Mary Lincoln. A great night of entertainment as well as learning for all ages. Encourage your school children, bring their friends. . . and your friends. Your donation for an evening with Abe will help the JUMC June Kenya team to build a house for a widow, buy medicines for their free clinic, and much more. Abe and Mary look forward to seeing you! HONESTLY! February 19th, 7:00 pm.
- **Want to go to Kenya?** It's not too late For more information, contact Dex-470-203-9595.

## Kid's Korner

The first of many "Save the Dates" between now and June. . .SAVE THE DATE for Vacation Bible School, the third week of June, June 18-22, "Rolling River Rampage". Be praying about how God can use YOU that week!

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### SUNDAY SCHOOL. . .

Just a reminder: if you haven't plugged into a Sunday School Class at 9:45 on Sundays and would like to do so, please contact Juanita Tatum for more information.

- Sunday Morning Kids Klub for Kids, K-5th grade meet upstairs for juice and doughnuts and friendship stations at 9:45 on Sunday mornings. . . Join us for Giant UNO cards, Jumbo checkers, Connect 4 and other games before Sunday School.
- **AND PARENTS.** . . There is a class for YOU right down the hall. The "Better Late Than Never" class would love to have you be a part of their small group in studying the Bible and applying it to your life.  
Juanita/jtatum@jasperumc.org, 706-253-2100

**YES!** We will be going to Confirmation Retreat 2018 at Camp Glisson. All youth who are participating in Confirmation class are invited and encouraged to attend. Feb. 23rd-25th. Sign up with Abby or Juanita. More details to be distributed in class!



February 14th, 7:00 pm

Chancel Choir

# PRESCHOOL MINISTRY



*"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*

## JUMC PRESCHOOL 2018 FEBRUARY CALENDAR

### THEMES:

- Feb. 5-8 PRESIDENTS
- Feb. 12-14 LOVE AND VALENTINES
- Feb. 19-20 WINTER BREAK, PRESCHOOL CLOSED
- Feb. 26-28 BOOKS AND STORIES

### FEBRUARY SPECIAL DATES:

- Feb. 2 Groundhog Day
- Feb. 5 Tuition Due
- Feb. 7 Pajama Day! Wear favorite PJs
- Feb. 8 Preschool Bonus Day  
(regular Preschool hours)
- Feb. 12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
- Feb. 13 Color Day! Wear something red or pink
- Feb. 14 Valentine's Day!  
Parties, 11:00 am  
Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00 pm
- Feb. 19 PRESIDENT'S DAY
- Feb. 19-20 Winter Break, preschool closed
- Feb. 22 George Washington's Birthday
- Feb. 27 Book Day! Bring favorite book to share
- Feb. 28 Dr. Seuss  
Celebration Day!  
Dress up like a Dr. Seuss character

**JUMC PRESCHOOL WILL CLOSE DUE TO  
INCLEMENT WEATHER WHEN PICKENS  
COUNTY SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED**



# DAY TRIPPIN' ADVENTURES. .



## Day Trippers Spring Tour

- March 11th-"Nunsense"-Blue Ridge Community Theatre. Cost \$20.00 in advance, \$25.00 day of the trip. We will leave JUMC around 12:30 after worship. Show starts at 2:00 pm. "Nunsense" begins when the Little Sisters of Hoboken discover that their cook, Sister Julia, Child of God, has accidentally poisoned 52 of the sisters, and they are in dire need of funds for the burials. The sisters decide that the best way to raise money is to put on a variety show, so they take over the auditorium, which is currently set up for the eighth grade production of "Grease".
- April 13th, 7:00 pm-"The Hardt Breakers" at Reinhardt University-free event with a love offering. The Hardt Breakers are the first female a cappella group from Reinhardt University and was founded by Laura Sellers and Natalie Beaty in the Fall of 2014. The group sings a wide variety of genres including rock, pop, classic hymns and praise songs.
- May Trip-Tellus Science Museum and lunch in Cartersville. Date and time TBD.

Contact Rosemarie Heindel at  
[rheindel1@tds.net/404-861-1857](mailto:rheindel1@tds.net) or  
Gerry Gleason at [gerry.gleason@ngumc.net/770-480-0711](mailto:gerry.gleason@ngumc.net)  
to reserve your spot.

## COLLEGE AND CAREER MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER



Come see the movie "Groundhog Day" on Groundhog Day, Friday, February 2nd, 6:30 pm. FREE MEAL AND CHILD CARE. Love offering will be collected. All beef hot dogs, chili, slaw and more. Come spend Groundhog Day having fun and helping raise money for mission project in San Jose in the Dominican Republic for our College and Career Mission trip this May. We will be installing concrete floors into home with existing dirt floors and working with street youth in the coastal town of Boca Chica.

## VALENTINE DINNER. . .

Our Annual United Methodist Men's Valentine Dinner for the women is coming up, Thursday, February 8th, 6:30 pm. Everyone is invited. We will be serving the Larson Brothers special family recipe. You don't want to miss it!



# JUMC SERVANTS FOR FEBRUARY

## February 4th

**Acolytes:** Shelby Martin, Anna Grace Finney  
**Nursery:** Mary Kleinberg  
**Children's Church:** Lauren Bail (K-3rd),  
 Christie McCormick (4th & 5th)  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Barbara Ledford, Debby Utiss  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Wigington  
**Financial Counters:** Patsy Rollins, Gordon Norman  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Tom Harrison, Dayton Adams, Charles Roberts, Bill Hutsenpiller, Ed Sherrell, David Lovern, Elaine Hannah, Merry Grey Caylor  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Mike Lohman, (Rider) Judy Lohman

## February 11th

**Acolytes:** Sara Kate Smith, Pearl Sanders  
**Nursery:** Melanie Farron  
**Children's Church:** NO Children's Church-Family Worship  
**Fellowship Coffee:** John & Elaine Tarantini  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30 & 11:00) Paul Singletary  
**Financial Counters:** Bill Traynham, Jack Knight  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Tom Harrison, Dayton Adams, Tom Lindsey, Merry Grey Caylor, Maureen & Mark Atkins, Tim & Sally Long  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Mike Melton, (Rider) Lauren Melton

## February 18th

**Acolytes:** Addie Kleinberg, Kaela Kearney  
**Nursery:** Lara Crowe  
**Children's Church:** Brandi McEntire (K-3rd),  
 Juanita Tatum (4th & 5th)  
**Fellowship Coffee:** United Methodist Men  
**Welcome Center:** (9:45 & 11:00) United Methodist Men  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Brian Gehring  
**Financial Counters:** Rachel Hoffbauer, Joann Montgomery  
**Greeters & Ushers:** United Methodist Men  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Open, (Rider) Open

## February 25th

**Acolytes:** Mary Beth Jackson, Ella McEntire  
**Nursery:** Emily Country  
**Children's Church:** NO Children's Church-Family Worship  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Quandee  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Al & Rosemarie Heindel  
**Financial Counters:** Jerry Cohn, Bill Dean  
**Greeters & Ushers:** Charles Roberts, Bill Hutsenpiller, Ruth Lovern, Elaine Hannah, Tom Lindsey, Richard & June Rambler, Merry Grey Caylor  
**Bus Drivers:** (Driver) Homer Key, (Rider) Cathy Key

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

Bebe Gibbs, Shirley Pool's mother, Emily Clayborn, Jessie Garcia, Yukie Mann, Ernest Moore, Harrill Wood, Courtney Smith, Don Dicus, Stephanie Shadder, Juliebeth Golden (Jimmy Golden's sister), Len Hill, Savannah Northrup-leukemia, Bob & Julia Jorns, James Sumner-cancer, George Starsmeare, Dewey Eidson-cancer, Kay Cash, Pat Parker-spine & lung cancer, Lucy Arp (Pat Jewell's mother), Sam Peddicord, Vicki Wickham, Dean Ferris, Kathy Moniz-Suzanne Gehring's sister, Patti Gehring-Brian Gehring's sister, Bill, Dianne & Catherine Rollins (death of son/husband), Cynthia Hensley-eye cancer, Martha Foster, Jane Waller, Pat Neville, Angela Ervin, Wilma Mayfield-broke hip (Martha Foster's sister)

Missions: Local Missions

Our active military family: Brett Rush, Jeremy Dean, Jeremy Willis, Devin Roberts, Nathan Watson, David Grossman, Peter Nunn, Shawn Hancock, Steven Walsh, Max Edward Caylor, Dustin Hall, Jason Kiernan, Jeff Darwin, John Kiernan, Cameron Hayworth, Jason Stanley, Emerson Gantz, Stanley Peters, Alex Davis, Austin McCormick, Eric Hunter, Jessie Sams, Elliot Gallagher, Mitch Rich, Justin Mosiello, Brian Mosiello, Kalyn Brooks, Dillon Gasaway, Jacob Grier, Alec Gryski, Jesse Vaughan

Northeast Atlanta Health & Rehab: Delle Marie O'Neal

Serenity Mtn. Manor: Tilli Savage

The Oaks: Novella Foster (Phyllis Pool's mother)

Emeritus at Riverstone: Louise O'Bryant

Wildwood: Flora Godfrey (Ava Saye's mother)

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.



Steve & Judy Lawrence  
 Jerry & Shirley Lewallen  
 Bob & Mary Ann Mcelhaney

Gerard & Tracy Mosiello  
 Allen & Ann Quandee



Paula Adams, Ryleigh Baggett, Louise Brown, Robert Countryman, David Culbreth, Bob Edwards, Ron Flowers, Dan Gabriel, Stella Galligan, Suzanne Hardison, Nancy Henson, Margaret Higgins, Maureen Huntington, Luke Jennings, Homer Key, Tori Kleinberg, Barbara Ledford, Susan Lindsey, Ruth Lovern, Melissa Maple, Susannah Melton, Ellie Miller, Pat Neville, Delle Marie O'Neal, Larry Pauley, Barbara Peddicord, Sheila Reed, Patsy Rollins, Carole Schlitiz, Rhonda Stancil, Sandy Tatum, Agatha Tatum, Betty VanValkenburgh, David Vincent, Shelly Vincent, Hannah Warden

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Leslie Coleman	Administrative Assistant
Suzanne Gehring	Financial Manager
Deborah Goodrum	Preschool Director
Judy Francis	Nursery Coordinator
Angela Ervin	Organist
Ellen Whitten	Associate Director of Music
Nathaniel Singletary	Contemporary Worship Leader
Susan Gooch	Pianist
Elise Davis	Music Intern