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FEBRUARY 2019

As seen from the Meadows. . .

I do not know about you but I am still having trouble writing 2019 on checks and forms. Regardless of that, it is still February 2019 and that is hard to believe. 2019 has a couple of big events in my life to share with you and I need to share some information concerning pastoral care.

Two events in 1989 would change my life going forward. In March of 1989 I was hired to be the Associate Pastor/Minister to Youth at Sam Jones Memorial First United Methodist Church in Cartersville, Georgia. This began a career that I will celebrate 30 years of growth, joy and blessings with so many folk with whom I have been blessed to share life. March 2019 marks 30 years of ministry as a pastor in the United Methodist Church. I am both humbled and in awe that I could have been used in such a way for so long and I pray I can continue to serve to the best of my abilities moving forward. The other event of August 1989 that has made the first event mean so much more took place on Saturday, August 5, 1989 at 6:00pm at Tarrytown Baptist Church in Tarrytown, Georgia. The most amazing young lady showed up and allowed this young man the honor to be her husband. My 30 years in ministry are much better because of my 30 years of marriage to Lydia! Words all fall short when trying to explain how I feel about my wife and best friend. She has known me at my best and my worst and she still finds a way to forgive and love me. Loving her has truly taught me more about God's love. Therefore, 2019 is a big year in my life as I give thanks to God for both a wonderful 30 years marriage to the woman of my dreams and 30 years of ministry with the people I love called United Methodist.

I had a conversation this week concerning my view and understanding of pastoral care. I was informed that I needed to share these thoughts with the congregation of JUMC, so I am going to try to share some thoughts as best I can. Here at JUMC, we have on staff a Director of Congregational Care (DCC). This position assist the Lead Pastor in the area of pastoral care. Most of the time, the DCC will be the first contact concerning a need. The DCC will be the one making regular contact to home bound, long-term hospital and rehab church members. Contact will be done by phone, text, email or visits. The DCC keeps the Lead Pastor informed of these members and those who have asked for or inferred they need a contact from the Lead Pastor. The DCC is an extension of the Lead Pastor's office. Other ministry staff will also check and inform the DCC and Lead Pastor concerning pastoral care needs of the congregation. As for our Prayer list in the bulletin and the congregation concerns on our board in the office, I feel a person needs to give their permission to be placed on either of these lists. This is an attempt to care of a person's privacy. Many folks want to be on the prayer list, but some would rather not. As Lead Pastor, I always assume you would rather not be on the list unless I or the other staff are told otherwise. Please do not ever assume someone else will call the church office or that a staff member knows. Always contact someone connected to the staff if you want the DCC and the Lead Pastor to know about a need in your life. My cell phone number and email can be found in multiple places. Another thought is that for those on the prayer list and the board in the office, you as a member of the church, can reach out to those you know and show care and concern as a member of the ministry here at JUMC. One last thing to share, if you feel you are not hearing from me, your Lead Pastor enough, contact me. Call me, text me, email me, tell the DCC when he contacts you and say, "Greg, I would like to see you". Do not assume I know. My cell phone is always on to receive phone calls day and night. Around 10:00pm, I do silent the text and email notifications. Emergencies are handled the best way we can with what is going on at the time.

That is a lot to take in here in this second month of 2019. I am glad to talk with anyone about any and all that I have shared in this newsletter. My door is always open. As I close, I want you to know it is an honor and privilege to serve as your pastor and my family thanks you for your love and prayers. There is much yet to come in 2019 and if we remain focused on God and seek His path, we will experience His transforming love and grace.

Yours in Christ,

Greg

Pastor: Rev. Greg Meadows
Director of Christian Education: Teal Sanders
Director of Congregational Care: Gerry Gleason

Music/Worship Leader: Roxanne B. Golden
Director of Youth Ministry: Abby Stuckey

IMPORTANT NOTES. .

*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is love." I 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 preparations 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 2019 is \$395 for youth and \$295 for chaperones) SMT 2019 is June 2nd-9th.
- **CHANCEL BELLS:** Please make sure you have turned in your money for New Ebenezer Handbell Workshop (Feb. 22nd-23rd) and Lutheridge Festival (March 1st-3rd).
- **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.
- **SCOUTING MINISTRIES SUNDAY** will be Feb. 10th and the Preschoolers will be singing the Call to Worship at the 11 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 or email if you have any questions.

Soli Deo Gloria, Roxanne

**Ash Wednesday Service,
March 6th, 7:00 pm, Chancel Choir**



UNITED METHODIST MEN. . .

The North Georgia Men's Christian Fellowship (NGMCF) will meet for breakfast, praise music, prayer and to hear a testimony of God's Grace, Saturday, February 9th, 8:30 at Georgia Mountains Hospice, Hwy. 53 E. at Good Samaritan Drive. Membership is open and guests are welcome.

Call 770-893-8595 with any questions.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY. . . The UMM will again be sponsoring a winter Men's Bible Study on Saturday mornings. This study is entitled "Common Man, Uncommon Life" and was written by a former Navy Seal. This study will start on Saturday, March 2nd at 9:00 am and run for seven weeks until April 20th. The study will be facilitated by Jimmy Golden. Please sign up at the Welcome Center so books can be ordered. The cost of the book is \$13.

MISSIONS MATTERS

- **March 12-April 12 Thomas Agutu** and his wife, Merab will be in Jasper. See Dex to schedule them to your Sunday School class or small group.
- **Kenya Team NEW DATES:** Now February 19-March 3, 2020!! More time to prepare and save! Next team meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 12th, 6:00 pm in room 106.
- **Missions Matters Members** meet February 12th, 7:00 pm. All welcome.
- Kenya Team 2020 fund raiser-**Pancake Breakfast at Fatz**, March 16, 8:00-10:00 am. Tickets available soon!



FEBRUARY. . .

3-Super Bowl Party
10-Elevate
14-High School Prayer Breakfast
17-NO Elevate
24-Elevate

MARCH. . .

3-Elevate
8-10 Confirmation Retreat
10-Elevate
17-Elevate
22-24-Spiritual Life Retreat
24-NO Elevate
28-High School Prayer Breakfast
31-NO Elevate

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PRESCHOOL MINISTRY



JUMC PRESCHOOL 2019 FEBRUARY CALENDAR

THEMES:

Feb. 4-6	PRESIDENTS
Feb. 11-13	LOVE AND VALENTINES
Feb. 18-20	WINTER BREAK, PRESCHOOL CLOSED
Feb. 25-27	BOOKS AND DR. SEUSS!

FEBRUARY SPECIAL DATES:

Feb. 2	Groundhog Day
Feb. 4	Tuition Due
Feb. 11	Pajama/Pancake Day! Wear favorite PJs
Feb. 12	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday
Feb. 13	Valentine Parties, 11:00 Color Day! Wear red or pink
Feb. 14	VALENTINE'S DAY
Feb. 18	PRESIDENT'S DAY
Feb. 18-20	Winter Break, Preschool closed (Pickens Co. Schools closed Feb. 18-22)
Feb. 22	George Washington's Birthday
Feb. 26	Book Day! Bring a favorite book to share
Feb. 27	Dr. Seuss Celebration Day! Dress up as a Dr. Seuss Character

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



WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

5:45-6:30 pm
\$5.00/Adult, \$3.50/child
\$20.00 maximum cost for family

February 6th: Chicken Tetrazzini, roasted broccoli, fruit, bread

February 13th: Ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert

February 20th: **NO supper**-Pickens County Schools Winter Break

February 27th: Beef stew, apple cranberry slaw, fruit, bread, dessert

**Please make your reservations
by Mondays at 12:00 noon.**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY...

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to the newest member of our Children's Sunday School team: Ms. Morgan Jackson. You may have met her during her time serving in the Nursery. Beginning in February, she will teach the Kindergarten- 2nd grade class. Ms. Morgan will alternate that class with Ms. Janie Knight. The 3rd-5th grade class is taught by Ms. Betty Francis. If you have not ventured to the Preschool/ Nursery side of the building (located through the Sanctuary, toward the library), please take a moment to get acquainted to that side of the building. While you are over there, you can meet Ms. Judy and Ms. Barbara who are our full-time nursery and pre-school team. All of these ladies do amazing work with the children. They are excited to see our kids each and every Sunday!

- **If you have not had the opportunity to attend one of our Sunday School Classes**, I encourage you to give one a try. Sunday School is a place where you can cultivate relationships. Through the Sunday School classroom, you will grow in your journey with Jesus Christ alongside your brothers and sisters in Christ. We offer classes ranging from Preschool to Adults.
- **Sunday School takes place** in classrooms throughout the building beginning at 9:45am. 2-5yr old classes are held in the Preschool/Nursery area. Kindergarten-12th Grades have rooms upstairs. Adult Classes are in rooms 101-200
- **If you need any directions** or have any questions please ask myself, the person sitting next to you or whoever is sitting at the desk out front. We are here to help you find your place!

Kids of the Kingdom (4:15-5:45) Wednesday

- No KOK- February 20th
- Kids of the Kingdom offers an opportunity for children 3 years of age through 5th grade to be together and have fun. This is our free Children's Ministry Program. The kids will receive a snack before rotating to various stations throughout the building. During KOK hours, the children have the opportunity to participate in Music, Recreation, and Lesson or Craft. The program is open enrollment-come when you can, no RSVP required. If you have not had the opportunity to attend, I encourage you to bring the kids this Wednesday. Parents are welcome to stay or leave. Don't forget dinner is served beginning at 5:30pm on Wednesday's; make it an easy night out!

Children's Church

Every other Sunday we invite the Children, Kindergarten through 5th grade, to join Ms. Teal upstairs for Worship. We will gather after Pastor Greg has completed Children's Moment during the 11am service. Worship packets are available in the back of the Sanctuary for the children during the weeks we do not have Children's Church.

SAVE THE DATE

- Confirmation Camp- March 8th-10th
- Easter Egg Hunt- April 17th. This is a community event. Feel free to invite your friends and family. More details to follow.
- KOK Spring Musical Performance- May 12th
- VBS- June 17th – June 21st.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have ANY questions or need clarification with any of our events!

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

Bebe Gibbs, Emily Clayborn, Jessie Garcia, Harriell Wood, Courtney Smith, Juliebeth Golden (Jimmy Golden's sister), Len Hill, Bob & Julia Jorns, James Sumner, Kay Cash, Chris Ferris (Dean & Judy's son), Kathy Moniz (Suzanne Gehring's sister), Patti Gehring (Brian Gehring's sister), Linda Jones, Wayne Jewell, Linda Roseberry (Patsy Rollins' sister), Kathy Love, Bob & Judy Bailey, Jeremy Hart, Ed Wallis (Jean Norman's brother), Pam Turner, Elaine Hannah, Jim Ryan, Judy Kennemur, James M. Wilson, Charles Little (Roxanne's stepdad), John Craft, Bill Boggs, Cheryl Darnell (Tom Lindsey's sister), Emma Ashbeck (Tom Ashbeck's granddaughter), Tim Butler, Becky Stafford, Heidi Smith, Faye Bailey-cancer (cousin of Phyllis Pool), Archie Crain-cancer (Fred Crain's brother), Sue Mann-Parkinson's (Judy Crain's sister), Paul Singletary's mother and father

Missions Matters: Fresh starts for all the ministries supported by JUMC.

Expecting: Lacey (Bauer) Rich-February, Stephanie (Sewell) Bulloch-March, Jolie (Bauer) Justice-May 26, Jesse (Tatum) Ford-June

Our active military family: Brett Rush, Jeremy Willis, Nathan Watson, David Grossman, Peter Nunn, Shawn Hancock, Steven Walsh, Max Edward Caylor, Dustin Hall, Jason Kiernan, John Kiernan, 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, Alec Gryski, Jesse Vaughan, Nathan Russell, Bryce Skillington

Northeast Atlanta Health & Rehab: Delle Marie O'Neal

Serenity Mtn. Manor: Tilli Savage

Sonshine Manor PCH: Novella Foster (Phyllis Pool's mother)

Wildwood: Flora Godfrey (Ava Saye's mother), Beverly Fontaine (Steve Griffin's mother), Marilyn Hannah

Windsor House Assisted Living in Canton: Tom & Ardith Stanley

Pruitt: Bob Bailey

Brian Center: Marilu Weeks

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
Gerard & Tracy Mosiello
Jerry & Shirley Lewallen
Allen & Ann Quandee
Bob & Mary Ann Mcelhaney
Albia & Brenda Yeast



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

JUMC SERVANTS FOR FEBRUARY

February 3rd

Acolytes: Eydie Countryman, Pearl Sanders

Fellowship Coffee: Lunch Bunch

Sound Ministry: (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Wigington

Financial Counters: Amelia McIntyre, Susan Lindsey

Church Lockup: Cindy Gantz

Greeters/Ushers: Tom Harrison, Dayton Adams, Charles & Anne Roberts, Ed Sherrell, David Lovern, Bill Hutsenpiller, Merry Grey Caylor

Bus Drivers: Robert Trowell, Mike Lohman

February 10th

Acolytes: Gabriel Howell, Asher Farron

Nursery: Diane Jackson

Sound Ministry: (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Quandee

Fellowship Coffee: Open

Financial Counters: Joann Montgomery, Jesse Hunter

Church Lockup: Cindy Gantz

Greeters/Ushers: Tom Harrison, Dayton Adams, Tom Lindsey, Mark & Maureen Atkins, Tim & Sally Long, Merry Grey Caylor

Bus Drivers: Ted Schlitz, Mike Melton

February 17th

Acolytes: Ellah McEntire, Stella Galligan

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: Bill Wickham, Gordon Norman

Church Lockup: Cindy Gantz

Greeters & Ushers: United Methodist Men

Bus Drivers: Terry McCormick, Greg Bauer

February 24th

Acolytes: Maggie Martin, Shelby Martin

Sound Ministry: (8:30 & 11:00) Paul Singletary

Fellowship Coffee: Open

Financial Counters: Bill Dean, Jack Knight

Church Lockup: Cindy Gantz

Greeters/Ushers: Charles & Anne Roberts, Ed Sherrell, Bill Hutsenpiller, Tom Lindsey, Richard & June Rambler, Merry Grey Caylor

Bus Drivers: Homer Key, Darryl Evans

Greg Meadows	Pastor
Roxanne B. Golden	Music/Worship Leader
Abby Stuckey	Director of Youth Ministry
Gerry Gleason	Director of Congregational Care
Teal Sanders	Director of Christian Education
Leslie Coleman	Administrative Assistant
Suzanne Gehring	Financial Manager
Deborah Goodrum	Preschool Director
Judy Francis	Nursery Coordinator
Nathaniel Singletary	Contemporary Worship Leader
Isabella Wilbanks	Music Assistant/KOK Music
Angela Ervin	Organist
Susan Gooch/Ellen Whitten	Pianists