



# Jasper United Methodist Church



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## As seen from the Meadows. . .

With November comes Thanksgiving and thoughts of God's blessings! Therefore, to help you consider your blessings allow me to share mine. We have and are making some changes to our staff and I need to make you aware. Finally, a reminder as the holiday seasons begin, be aware our staff will be out of the office in order to spend time with family.

With Thanksgiving being in November, we are encouraged to think about all we have to be thankful for in our life. To encourage you to spend some time giving thanks, I want to share some thoughts from my thankful heart. When I think about thankfulness, one thing that always comes to mind is my family. Growing up in a small community where all my grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins lived close were amazing. Every Sunday we had family lunch and dinner; the time together blessed my life and fills my heart with great memories. I am blessed as well with a mom and dad who knew church and faith were important parts of life and we were in church every Sunday. They taught me about unconditional love and guided me to a relationship with Jesus. Even though it was sometimes a struggle when we were younger, there is no better person to have grown up with than my younger brother. Learning to share and interact helped me grow into the person I am today. Today my brother is my go-to-person who I can depend on and trust. As I think about my blessings, my children are at the top. God's gift of Rebekah, Gregory and Wesley has been and continues to be amazing. I do not know anyone who is as faithful, real and loving as my children. They will continue to be a blessing not just to me but to everyone they meet. This is mostly due to my blessing at the very top of the list and that is my wonderful, intelligent and beautiful wife, Lydia! I watched Lydia go around a room of her extended family not too long ago and she made every one of them feel special. She just has the way about her that comes from her deep love for God and humanity. I have learned so much from her through the years and I will be forever thankful for the blessing God gave me in her. I hope these words jump-starts your thanksgiving list and I pray you will try to share your list with others.

Many of you are already aware that our Treasurer, Suzanne Gehring has taken a full time position at Good Samaritan. That began the end of August. We have hired Peggy Litherland to fill this position and Peggy is learning quickly how things work. Peggy is in the office Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 1:00 pm-4:30 pm. Suzanne has been and continues to be very helpful in this transition. Words cannot express how much I appreciate Suzanne and the time we have worked together these last few years. I am thankful for her dedication to the job but more than that, I am thankful for her friendship. I am looking forward to sharing ministry with Peggy and I invite you to come introduce yourself as well.

There will be another change in our staff over the next few months. Leslie Coleman, Office Administrative Assistant, has been with us for 21 years and would like to retire. The SPR has moved her to part time status through the end of the year, at her request. I will be receiving resumes now until Monday, November 18th. At that point, interviews will be set and a new person hired and trained. If you know of someone who is interested in a full time job and has ample computer skills, please have them get in touch with me or email me a resume. I am not sure how I can come to work and not have Leslie here overseeing this office. She looks after us all and we will all miss her. I will miss the friendship we have shared.

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 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, 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 Gerry and I can be reached at any time by text or call with our cell phones, Gerry Gleason-770-480-0711 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 Gerry feels the same way. The staff of JUMC thanks you for your support, prayers and understanding. We also thank your for the opportunity to share in ministry with you.

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/Marketing: Eric Justice

# IMPORTANT NOTES...



*"With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the Lord." Ezra 3:11*

The above verse reminds us so much of November. We have such a wonderful opportunity to be thankful and dedicate ourselves to the work of our Lord each year at this time. Please find the schedule for this month below and make sure you are at rehearsals so we can give our best to our Lord.

### Music at 11 am services:

November 3rd-All Saints Sunday with Communion-Chancel Choir  
November 10th-Chancel Choir  
November 17th-Chancel Choir and Kids of the Kingdom  
November 24th-Thanksgiving Sunday-Chancel Choir and Chancel Bells

### IMPORTANT DATES for DECEMBER:

December 1st-Chancel Choir-11 am  
December 8th-Chancel Choir's Cantata-A CHILD THIS DAY with Orchestra, KOK, Youth Choir and Praise Band -11 am  
December 15th-Youth Bells and Youth Choir at 11 am  
December 20th-(Friday night) Golden Bells of Atlanta Concert at 7:30 pm with our Chancel Choir and Youth Choir  
December 22nd-Chancel Choir and Chancel Bells-11 am  
December 24th-Christmas Eve Candlelight/Communion Services  
5 pm-Praise Band  
7 pm-College/Career Ensemble and Chancel Choir  
December 29th-(two services only that morning)  
8:30 and 11 am

**YOUTH SUMMER MUSIC TOUR 2020**-May 31st-June 7th to Richmond, VA; Washington DC and Lake Junaluska, NC (\$50 should be in each one's account as of Oct. 1st)

Many thank for sharing your gifts and talents through our ministry of Music/Worship Arts.  
Soli Deo Gloria, Roxanne



### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOXES

I hope everyone has picked up an Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box. You may take as many as you like. Hopefully, you and your family are enjoying picking out little gifts for a special boy or girl. Please remember the gifts are not the most exciting part of the boxes; it's the Bible materials and lessons they will receive telling the good news of Jesus! Just imagine all the people that you will reach who have never heard of God and His son. Last year we collected 177 OCC boxes, and this year my goal for JUMC is 200 OCC boxes. I know we can do this, as we are a caring, giving church that wants everyone to know God like we do. As soon as you fill your boxes and add the \$9.00 check per box, please return them to the church. The ABSOLUTE last day to return your boxes is Sunday, November 24th.

**Any questions, please contact Brandi Dean, 334-494-0178.**

**NEW ORGAN FUND PROJECT:** Flyers can be found in the narthex or the church office for our brick project which should finalize the funding of our new organ. There are only 600 available spots for new bricks under the portico. The new bricks will be the same font and color as those already there. A plaque on the organ console will be given to the first donor of \$10,000. Completed forms and payments can also be delivered to the church office. If you have any questions see Roxanne or a member of the Organ Committee (Lea Gallagher, Tom Lindsey, Christie McCormick and Angela Ervin)

## 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 2019 NOVEMBER CALENDAR

#### THEMES:

Nov. 4-6 GOOD MANNERS  
Nov. 11-13 HEALTHY EATING  
Nov. 18-20 WE ARE THANKFUL  
Nov. 25-27 THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

#### NOVEMBER SPECIAL DATES:

Nov. 4 Tuition Due  
Nov. 4-19 JUMC Preschool Food Drive  
Nov. 6 Hillcrest Orchards field trip, Pre-K 4 & 5 yr. old class, 9:30 am  
Bus leaves the church at 8:45 am (rescheduled)  
Nov. 11 VETERANS DAY  
Nov. 13 Harvest Day, Dress Western  
Nov. 18 Color Day, Wear something brown  
Nov. 19 Thanksgiving Feast (children), 11:00 am  
Nov. 25-27 Thanksgiving Holidays, Preschool closed  
Nov. 28 THANKSGIVING DAY

#### UPCOMING DECEMBER DATES:

TBA-Nov./Dec. Christmas Pictures with Santa  
Dec. 3-17 Preschool "Toys for Tots" Drive  
Dec. 9-11 Christmas Program practice in Sanctuary  
Dec. 12 Preschool Christmas Program, 7:00 pm (all classes)  
Dec. 18 Christmas parties, 11:00  
Dec. 25 Christmas Day  
Dec. 23-Jan. 6 Christmas Holidays, Preschool closed

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT GROUP, MEG**, will meet Saturday, Nov. 9th, 6:00 pm. Dinner provided and nursery provided if needed. Please email Greg Meadows, [greg.meadows@ngumc.net](mailto:greg.meadows@ngumc.net), to make a reservation for dinner and nursery. MEG is a place for couples to join together in conversation with other couples and each other to enrich and better our marriages.



We have had a lot of stuff going on and we will continue to have a lot of stuff happening at Elevate! Please subscribe to our weekly newsletter that is sent out via email. If you go to the church website, click on ministries → youth → then subscribe to Elevate newsletter. You will not regret staying up-to-date with what your Youth are doing!  
Blessings, Eric

Eric Justice  
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**DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR ON SATURDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 2nd**

### MARBLE FESTIVAL ROAD RACE T-SHIRTS

A left-over 2019 Marble Festival Road Race shirt can be several things. . . A comfortable, well made, long sleeve shirt for a low price (\$15 for adult sizes or \$10 for youth sizes); a nice Christmas present for a loved one; or, most importantly, an opportunity to provide a donation which will benefit organizations that help women and children. All sizes are available except Adult Large. See any member of the Dorcas Circle if you would like to purchase a shirt.

Everyone is invited to join us for our new knitting and crochet group called, **Stitch and a Prayer**. We will meet on Mondays, 10:00 am-12:00 noon. Come enjoy some spiritual stitching time in this new ministry and help us work on small projects (or work on your own) for those who need to know people are thinking and praying for them. Any questions, you can contact Brandi Dean, 334-494-0178 or Cathy Riley, 618-384-6254.



## Missions Matters...

- ♦ Kenya Team **Pancake Breakfast** at Fatz!! Nov. 16, 8:00-10:00 am. Tickets on sale NOW!! \$10 helps buy sports equipment in Kenya.
- ♦ **Missions Matters Meeting**, Nov. 12, 6:00 pm. All welcome.
- ♦ 6 new students in high school in Kenya need sponsors for 2020. See Dex



**THANK YOU** to everyone who supported our Trunk or Treat through donations, prayers and your trunks! We could not host community events without the help of all of you. Everyone of you are truly a blessing to our Children's Ministry.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**-December 7th, 9:00-11:00 am  
We are currently working on the Sunday School Classroom donation request. Your Sunday School class will be getting the request early this month. If you have never participated during this event and would like to get involved, please let me know! We can always use an extra serving hand and heart. We are expecting this event to be pretty large this year as we are teaming with our neighbors at First Baptist Church. Thank you in advance for all your help in making Breakfast with Santa possible!

**LOOKING AHEAD:**  
NO KOK-November 27th-resumes January 8th

Before the bustle of the Holiday Season begins, we will begin talking about Advent and the Christmas Season with the Children during Children's Church. It is my hope to give them knowledge before the season begins so as they are going through the season, they are able to relate and understand the reasoning behind the stories and what we are doing in Church. During the Holiday Season we may not have Children's Church on regular rotation due to events happening which are better walked through as a family.

Please take note of our new worship Packet Station set up in the back of the Sanctuary. It's the tall white plastic bin. Each drawer contains a different item for children to choose; they may take something from each drawer. There is a plastic bag in the top drawer for them to fill. Once service is over, they should return their unused items to the bottom drawer. Each week they will find new worksheets and color sheets pertaining to the service. As we go through the holidays, please encourage the children to grab from the station as the sheets can be insightful and something they may use to reflect throughout their week. Lastly, there is a small booklet called "Pockets" in one of the drawers. Your child is welcome to take one and keep it at home. This catalog contains daily activities and devotionals for the kids throughout the month. This is a great way to get them reading and pulling out their Bible. Please let me know if you have any questions. I am always happy to help!

*Please don't hesitate to contact me for more info.*  
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### WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER

Wednesdays, 5:45 pm

Just a reminder that reservations are due by noon on Monday each week so we can adequately provide food for those with reservations. If you would like to have your name added to the permanent reservation list, please call the church office and ask Leslie to add your name. In the event you are unable to attend, **please notify the church office to cancel your reservation for that week. Your attention making and canceling reservations helps ensure we have enough food without having food left over.**

# JUMC SERVANTS FOR NOVEMBER



## November 3rd

**Acolytes:** Gabe Howell, Brody Wilds  
**Fellowship Coffee:** New Horizon's Sunday School  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Quandee  
**Financial Counters:** Bill Dean, Jack Knight  
**Usher/Greeter:** Tom Harrison, Richard Rambler, Charles & Anne Roberts, Ed Sherrell, David Lovern, Bill Hutsenpiller, Merry Grey Caylor  
**Church Lockup:** Nancy Henson  
**Bus Drivers:** Robert Trowell, Mike Lohman

## November 10th

**Acolytes:** Mackenzie McKean, Pearl Sanders  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Lunch Bunch  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30) Paul Singletary, (11:00) Allen Wigington  
**Financial Counters:** Rachel Hoffbauer, Carole Schlitz  
**Usher/Greeter:** Tom Harrison, Richard Rambler, Tom Lindsey, Maureen & Mark Atkins, Tim & Sally Long, Merry Grey Caylor  
**Church Lockup:** Nancy Henson  
**Bus Drivers:** Ted Schlitz, Mike Melton

## November 17th

**Acolytes:** Asher Farron, Miles Kearney  
**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:** Debbie Hunter, Patsy Rollins  
**Usher/Greeter:** United Methodist Men  
**Church Lockup:** Nancy Henson  
**Bus Drivers:** Terry McCormick, Greg Bauer

## November 24th

**Acolytes:** Sophie Lindsey, Ellah McEntire  
**Fellowship Coffee:** Open  
**Sound Ministry:** (8:30 & 11:00) Allen Quandee  
**Financial Counters:** Amelia McIntyre, Susan Lindsey  
**Usher/Greeter:** Charles & Anne Roberts, Ed Sherrell, Dayton Adams, Tom Lindsey, Richard & June Rambler, Merry Grey Caylor  
**Church Lockup:** Nancy Henson  
**Bus Drivers:** Homer Key, Darryl Evans

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

Ruth Lovern, Etta Cramer, Jessie Garcia, Harrill Wood, Courtney Smith, Juliebeth Golden, Bob & Julia Jorns, James Sumner, Chris Ferris, Joseph and Kathy Moniz, Patti Gehring, Judy Bailey, Jeremy Hart, Pam Turner, Jim Ryan, James M. Wilson, Charles Little (Roxanne's step-dad), Cheryl Darnell, Emma Ashbeck, Tim Butler, Faye Bailey (Phyllis Pool's cousin), Sue Mann-Parkinson's, Becky Singletary, Tom & Susan Spehar, David Jenkins, Cathy Willard, Jan Davis, Jerry Butcher, John Cash, Emily Clayborn, John Mack-cancer (friend of Allen and Ann Quandee), Delores Wagner, Deborah & Amber Goodrum, Alison (Goodrum) Hill, Roberta Sarchet, Ann Beach and daughter, Richard & June Rambler, Linda Jones, Diane Hall-Rhonda Hunt's sister, Kimberly & Gerard Mosiello, Donna Andrews, Maureen Huntington, Jim & Marilu Weeks, Carol Wilson-recovering from knee replacement, Jenna Mann Fuller (Heidi Smith's sister), Karla Stanaland-chemo (Beth Boggs relative), Joan Kuhn (friends of the Coles), Joyce Leist, Evelyn West, Charlie Edem, Tara Davis, Dexter Riley (Scott Riley's son), Amy (Tom Ashbeck's daughter), Hannah Landreneau-car accident

**Expectant Mothers:** Jenny Wilson-December 3rd, Rachel (Tatum) Finch-February 19th

**Missions Matters:** Deetlefs family-Praise: Marius is in Jasper, prayer for his health.

**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, Lily Bowen, D. John Thomas, Kinsley Moss, Ahmed Sohail

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

**Serenity Mtn. Manor:** Tili Savage

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

**Wildwood:** Beverly Fontaine (Steve Griffin's mother), Marilyn Hannah (Elaine Hannah's sister-in-law)

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

**Brian Center:** Marilu Weeks

**Rock Creek Manor:** Sam and Barbara Peddicord

**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.



Jennifer Anglin, Maureen Atkins, Mckenzy Cash, Eydie Countryman, Jim Fowler, Tricia Gallagher, Brian Gehring, Josh Golden, Abby Gooch, Miriam Hardage, Barry Hardison, Lynn Johnson, Jeffery Jones, Aaron Kearney, Miles Kearney, Amanda Ledford, Maggie Martin, Arthur McIntyre, Lydia Meadows, Meredith Miller, Bill Neville, Mary Pauley, Martha Prince, Michael Rumsey, Jack Russell, Oliver Shaw, Mackenzie McKean, Matthew Stewart, John Tatum, Garrett Thompson, Rosie Wigington, Benjamin Wigington, Brody Wilds, Orvall Yeast



Stan & Paula Adams  
 Kevin & Cindy Gantz  
 Brian & Suzanne Gehring  
 Alan & Mary Ellen Johnson

Tom & Mary Kleinberg  
 Terry & Christie McCormick  
 Chris & Amy Thompson

Greg Meadows	Pastor
Roxanne B. Golden	Music/Worship Leader
Gerry Gleason	Director of Congregational Care
Teal Sanders	Director of Christian Education
Eric Justice	Director of Youth/Marketing
Leslie Coleman	Administrative Assistant
Peggy Litherland	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