



# Jasper United Methodist Church

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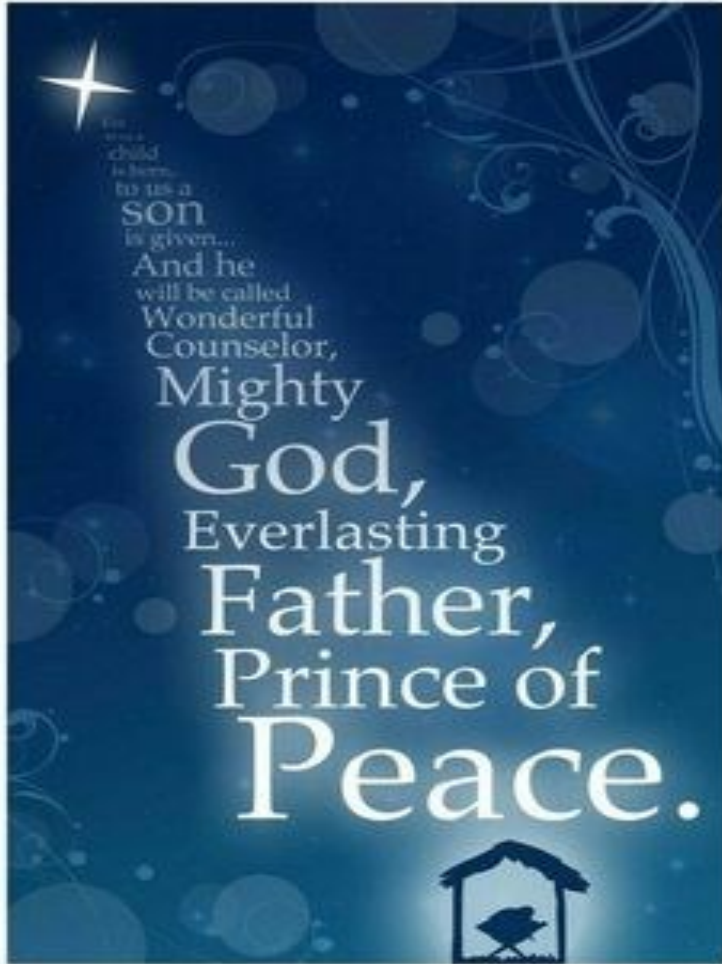
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## December 2020



### Advent Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am Awakening Contemporary

11:00 am Traditional Service

### “THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS”

(Advent Sermons)

**November 29th**

Luke 1:26-38

“The Glory of Christmas: Hope”

**December 6th**

Matthew 1:18-25

“The Glory of Christmas: Peace”

**December 13th**

Luke 2:8-15

“The Glory of Christmas: Joy”

**December 20th**

Matthew 2:1-2,9-11

“The Glory of Christmas: Love”

**December 24th**

**Christmas Eve**

**5:00 pm Candlelight Service**

Matthew 5:14-16

“The Glory of Christmas: Christ”

Online Services can be seen on:

**Facebook**

**Jasper United Methodist Church**

**YouTube**

**Jasper UMC GA**

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#### JUMC STAFF:

Greg Meadows .....	Pastor
Roxanne B. Golden .....	Music/Worship Leader
Eric Justice .....	Director of Youth Ministry & Marketing
Gerry Gleason .....	Director of Congregational Care
Teal Sanders .....	Director of Christian Education
Cathy Riley .....	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



*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 2020 December CALENDAR

### THEMES:

- Dec. 1 & 2 PREPARING FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON
- Dec. 7-10 THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS
- Dec. 14-16 CHRISTMAS FUN AND CELEBRATION

### DECEMBER SPECIAL DATES:

- Dec. 1-15 'Toys for Tots' Drive
- Dec. 1 Tuition Due
- Dec. 2 Hat Day! Wear Holiday hat
- Dec. 8 Sock Day! Wear Holiday socks
- Dec. 9 Color Day! Wear Holiday colors
- Dec. 10 Parents morning out! (Bonus day)
- Dec. 14 Sweater Day! Wear Christmas sweater or shirt
- Dec/ 15 Pajama Day!
- Dec. 16 Christmas parties, 11:00 am
- Dec. 21 First day of winter
- Dec. 21-Jan. 5 Christmas Holidays
- Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

### UPCOMING JANUARY DATES:

- Jan. 1 New Year's Day
- Jan. 5 Children return to school
- Jan. 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Holiday (schools closed)



## JUMC Preschool Toy Drive December 1st-15th

Please donate NEW unwrapped toys. They will be distributed to children in our community.

## 2020-2021 JUMC PRESCHOOL REGISTRATIONS

Email or call:  
jaspermethodistpreschool@gmail.com  
Preschool 706-253-2109  
Church 706-253-2100  
Fax 706-253-2110

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY...



### Breakfast with Santa- December 5<sup>th</sup> 9am-11am

Invite your neighbors, family and friends to kick off the Christmas Season here at Jasper UMC! There will be breakfast, crafts, and most of all Mr. & Mrs. Claus. We are limiting our numbers and requiring a reservation. Reservations should be made via Evenbrite. The link is available on our website and facebook page. If you need the link emailed, please let me know. We are asking for a \$10 donation per family at the door. We are looking forward to bringing you this tradition for the 21st year!

### Rock Solid Retreat for 5th Graders January 30-31

Our fifth graders will be traveling to Camp Glisson for a one night faith building retreat. The cost is \$98 per child. All fifth graders are welcome to join us. If you need a form for your child let me know, the deadline is Monday, January 11th.

### Kids of the Kingdom

We will have KOK the first two Wednesdays in December (2nd & 9th). In January, we will need someone who is interested in working with our 1st-3rd graders during lesson time. If you have an interest in teaching kids about the love and life of Jesus let me know.

Teal Sanders, Director of Christian Education  
[tsanders@jasperumc.org](mailto:tsanders@jasperumc.org)



*Located in the Church Office  
Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm*

## Happy Birthday!

Bill Boggs, Madeline Brownell, Richard Crenshaw, Deborah Dickinson, Shelbi Fowler, Keith Galligan, Tiffany Gleason, Margaret Goode, Madelyn Goode, Julie Hickman, Rachel Hoffbauer, Noah Hoffbauer, Belinda Howard, Adam Hunt, Ron Jager, Linda Jager, Paige Klein, Don Larson, Shirley Lewallen, David Lovern, Valerie Maple, Carter McEntire, Maceigh Meaders, Gerard Mosiello, Tracy Mosiello, Alexander Nix, Sue Nunn, Lauren Pitkins, Abby Powell, Harry Reed, Bronwyn Rumery, Ava Rumsey, Christian Stewart, Martha Talbert, Josh Tatum, Hilary Tatum, Leigh Williams, Carol Wilson, Albia Yeast, Linda Yeast

## Happy Anniversary!

Bill & Linda Atkinson	Homer & Cathy Key
Greg & Jackie Bauer	Tom & Susan Lindsey
David & Gloria Beaudet	Larry & Mary Pauley
Bill & Brandi Dean	Tom & Kathy Pickering
Brad & Kathy Glenn	Scott & Cathy Riley
Barry & Suzanne Hardison	Paul & Pam Singletary
Milton & Rhonda Hunt	Orvall & Linda Yeast
Scott & Diane Jackson	



Our theme for the year is *Truth in Love*: discovering our identity in Christ and not in the World. This past month was so fruitful! In our worship times we spoke on how critical it is for us to be encouraging to one another as disciples of Jesus. We also helped with setting up the Chrismon tree in our sanctuary. Our focus for this coming month will be worship for 2 Sunday's and then our interactive Christmas party that our leadership is planning!

We have been meeting on Sunday mornings for Bible Study in the youth room, going through the gospel of John breaking it down passage by passage, verse by verse.

God has also led us to begin meeting with students during the week in our Youth Discipleship Program where a leader will meet with a student of the same gender to help them grow in their walk with Christ. Please let me know if you have a student who wants to get plugged into this program.

Thank you for your continued love, support and prayers for Elevate as we focus on being intentional and following where the Holy Spirit is leading us.

Our youth gathering time is 5:30 pm-7:00 pm.

December 6th: Elevate Worship

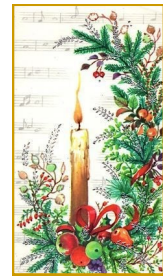
December 13th: Elevate Worship

December 20th: Interactive Christmas Party

In Christ,

Eric Justice, Director of Youth & Marketing,  
Cell: 706-669-8296

*Arise, shine; for your  
light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord  
has risen upon you.  
Isaiah 60:1*



May the Christmas Carols and Songs you hear this month bring Hope, Peace, Joy and Love to you and your family during this season. Our prayer is that God will use our music to bring others to Himself and that the Christ Child may be born anew in you this Christmastime.

Music for our Advent/Christmas Season will be pre-recorded vocal choirs along with Sara Fowler's photography as well as a Handbell Quartet and our Praise Band. The Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be at 5:00 pm and feature the Praise Band (the Awakening), Christopher and Nato's bell duet (pre-recorded), Isabella and our Chancel Choir (pre-recorded), Mary Zuidema and our College/Career Ensemble (pre-recorded) along with "Silent Night" sung by Greg and myself to close the service. (Reservations are required for all of our services through the church office and can be seen live on Facebook and YouTube).

You are also invited to Golden Bells of Atlanta 25th Anniversary Concert, a Virtual Concert, on Monday, December 7th premiering on Facebook and YouTube at 7pm

Words cannot express our gratitude (mine, Susan's, Ellen's, Angela's, Nato's, and Isabella's) to all of you who give so graciously of your gifts, talents and time to this powerful ministry in our great church.

Soli Deo Gloria,  
Roxanne

**MISSION MATTERS:**

**Advent** funds will go to help the local ministries that are suffering during this pandemic: Offering envelopes are in the sanctuary chair backs. On-line giving noted for Advent

**DIAPER DRIVE** for the Pregnancy Center (any size, especially 3, 4, & 5) and/or diaper wipes. Look for receptacles in the narthex and church office. Diapers for an expected baby seems appropriate.

**Kenya Christmas:** Make Christmas merry in Kenya with a gift for the Jewels and KOK's Obaga marked Kenya ministries.

**Praise:** JUMC/Serve Ministries partnered in November to distribute 50 boxes of SERV nonperishable foods to Jasper families in need. Praise the Lord!

**Timothy House** has ongoing need for pantry items of sugar, flour, tea, Kool aid, ketchup, mustard, BBQ sauce, mayo, corn meal, eggs, sausage, hot dogs, buns, paper products. Take items to the church office.

**JUMC Email Prayer Chain**

Prayer concerns can be requested by email or phone the church office and an email will go out to all addresses on the prayer chain.

If you would like to be part of the JUMC email prayer chain group, contact the church office by emailing [criley@jasperumc.org](mailto:criley@jasperumc.org)

**TITHES & OFFERINGS AS OF November 24, 2020**

General Operating Annual Budget	\$690,168
Needed Weekly	\$13,272
General Operating Budget YTD	\$623,806
General Operating Received YTD	\$542,802
General Operating Budget (Shortfall)/Overage YTD	(\$81,004)
General Operating Expenses YTD	\$555,280
General Operating Expenses YTD (Over)/Under	\$68,526

Actual \$(12,478)

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

Ruth Lovern, Jessie Garcia, Harrill Wood, Bob & Julia Jorns, James Sumner, Chris Ferris, Joseph and Kathy Moniz, Patti Gehring, Judy Bailey, Jeremy Hart, Pam Turner, James Wilson, Cheryl Darnell, Tim Butler, Faye Bailey (Phyllis Pool's cousin), Becky Singletary, Tom & Susan Spehar, David Jenkins, Cathy Willard, Jan Davis, Jerry Butcher, John Cash, Emily Clayborn, Delores Wagner, Deborah and Amber Goodrum, Alison (Goodrum) Hill, Nancy Moffitt, Roberta Sarchet, Ann Beach and daughter, Richard & June Rambler, Diane Hall-Rhonda Hunt's sister, Kimberly & Gerard Mosiello, Maureen Huntington, Karla Stanaland (Beth Boggs relative), Joan Kuhn (friends of the Coles), Joyce Leist, Charlie Edem, Amy (Tom Ashbeck's daughter), Bob Fallgren, Tommy Daniels, Lucy Bailey, Bill Boggs, Beth Boggs, Robert Countryman, Karen Cole, Foster Judkins (grandson of Tom & Linda Judkins), Cindy Koehler, Peggy Higgins, Llewyn Jones, Jake Waller, Stacey Brown, Rick Cash, Donna Dicus, Bobby & Karen Fowler, Donna Andrews, Marcy Walker

**Expectant Mothers:** Courtney (Pinnell) Haughwout-November, Melissa (Pinnell) Christopher-December, Isabella Wilbanks-April

**Mission Matters:** The hungry of Kenya who cannot work due to virus.

**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, Ahmed Sohail

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

**Serenity Mtn. Manor:** Tilli 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)

**Retreat at Canton Assisted Living:** Tom Stanley

**Retreat at Jasper Assisted Living:** Mazie Nell Melton

**Chestnut Ridge in Cumming:** Marilu Weeks

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

*Christian sympathy is extended to Mary Russell and family on the death of her husband, Don Russell.*

*Christian sympathy is extended to Donna Dicus and family on the death of her husband, Tom Dicus.*

**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.

**LECTIONARY READINGS FOR December 2020:**

*A lectionary is a collection of readings from Sacred Scripture. Readings are arranged according to the Church's calendar and are intended to be read at the regular, weekly gathering of God's people. The weekly readings include scriptures from the Old Testament, Psalm, New Testament and a Gospel.*

If you would like to read along with the lectionary, the following are the December scriptures from the United Methodist Church Program Calendar:

December 6, 2020	Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8
December 13, 2020	Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28
December 20, 2020	2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16; Luke 1:47-55; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38
December 24, 2020	Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-20
December 25, 2020	Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98; Hebrews 1:1-4 (5-12); John 1:1-14
December 27, 2020	Isaiah 61:10-62:3; Psalm 148; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:22-40
December 31, 2020	Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8; Revelation 21:1-6a; Matthew 25:31-46

# JUMC Preschool Thanksgiving Feast 2020

