



Jasper United Methodist Church



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December 2021

As seen from the Meadows...

Renovations needed at Eagle Park at George Goodrum Field

If you have not been past Eagle Park at George Goodrum Field, you will see that work has begun to repair some issues with the water drainage around the basketball court. The Trustees have started this work due to a donation of \$6,000. The work that is needed will take close to \$10,000-\$12,000. The Trustees and the Church Council are seeking donations to insure all the work that is needed to make Eagle Park at George Goodrum Field usable and enjoyable is completed. Donations can be made in honor or in memory of folks in your life. Make checks payable to JUMC and mark it for Eagle Park renovations. If you have questions please contact me.

Yours in Christ, *Greg*



“WITNESS HIS MAJESTY”

(Advent Sermons)

November 28th

James 2:14-26
“Innkeeper’s Son”

Dec. 5th

Matthew 1:18-25
“Joseph”

Dec. 12th

Luke 1:26-38
“Mother of Mary”

Dec. 19th

Luke 2:8-20
“Shepherd’s Wife”

Dec. 24th

Luke 2:1-20
“He’s Here!”

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 4th, 8:00 am

GOLDEN BELLS OF ATLANTA CONCERT

Monday, December 6th, 7:30 pm

LADIES CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Tuesday, December 7th, 6:30 pm

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Thursday, December 16th, 7:00 pm

SPECIAL MUSIC

Sunday, December 5th, 11:00 am

Chancel Choir, & Kids of the Kingdom

Sunday, December 12th, 11:00 am

Chancel Choir, Youth Choir & Youth Bells

Sunday, December 19th, 11:00 am

Chancel Choir & Chancel Bells

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT

COMMUNION SERVICES

Friday, December 24th

5:00 pm-Contemporary, 7:00 pm-Traditional

Sunday, December 26th

11:00 am-One service only

9:45 am-Sunday School

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 2021 DECEMBER CALENDAR

THEMES:

- Dec. 1 PREPARING FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON
Dec. 6-8 CHRISTMAS FUN AND CELEBRATION
Dec. 13-15 THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS

DECEMBER SPECIAL DATES:

- Dec. 1-15 JUMC Preschool 'TOYS FOR TOTS' toy collection
Dec. 6 Tuition due
Hat Day! Wear Christmas Hat
Dec. 7 Sweater Day!
Wear Christmas sweater or shirt
Dec. 8 Sock Day! Wear Christmas socks
Dec. 13 Color Day! Wear Christmas colors
Dec. 14 Christmas parties, 11:00
Dec. 15 Pajama Day! Wear favorite PJ's
Dec. 16 Preschool Christmas Program (all classes) 7:00 pm
Dec. 21 First day of Winter
TBA Christmas pictures with Santa
Dec. 25 Christmas Day
Dec. 20-Jan 4 Christmas Holidays
Preschool closed

UPCOMING JANUARY DATES:

- Jan. 1 New Year's Day
Jan. 4 Children return to Preschool after Christmas Holidays
Jan. 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, preschool closed

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Music and Worship Arts

May the Christmas Carols and Songs you hear this month bring Hope, Peace, Joy and the Love of the Christ Child 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 at this Christmastime.

Here's the schedule for the 11 am service for December:
Dec. 5th-Chancel Choir and Kids of the Kingdom
Dec. 12th-Chancel Choir, Youth Bells and Youth Choir
Dec. 19th-Chancel Choir and Chancel Bells

Dec. 24th-CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES-5 pm-Contemporary, 7 pm-Traditional-College/Career Ensemble
Dec. 26th-one service only at 11 am-Contemporary
Jan. 2nd-Epiphany

Looking Ahead:

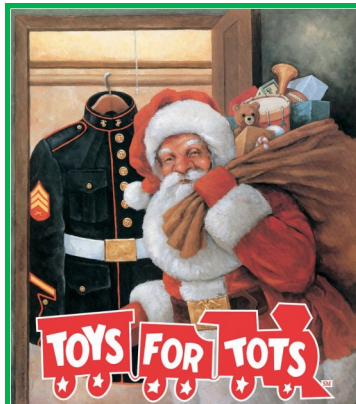
Wednesday, Jan. 5th-6:30 pm-De-Decorating 'Beat the Blues' Party with music and cookies with a short Chancel Choir rehearsal to follow
Wednesday, Jan. 5th-KOK and Chancel Bells resume rehearsals
Sunday, Jan. 9th-Youth Bells and Youth Choir resume rehearsals.
Sunday, Jan. 30th-Youth Choir Parents Meeting at 4:45 pm.

THE GOLDEN BELLS OF ATLANTA will be in Concert here at Jasper UMC on Monday night, Dec. 6th at 7:30 pm (more concerts are listed on their website)

YOUTH CHOIR: SUMMER MUSIC TOUR 2022 is May 29th-June 5th to Charleston, SC. The total cost for the SMT is \$475 (this includes everything: housing, food, tickets, t-shirt and transportation). We will base ourselves at the 1st Baptist Church of Charleston's beach house with mission projects, touring and singing during the week. More details given at the Parents' Meeting on January 30th at 4:45 with a final Parents' meeting on May 1st. Here's the payment schedule: \$100 is due now, \$100 on January 30th, \$100 by the end of March and final payment at Parents' Meeting on May 1st. Please let me know if this is a hardship and I will do my best to find the funds so that all youth are able to go on our SMT. 6th-12th graders are encouraged to join us as we spread the Good News by being His Hands, Feet and Voice!!!

Please don't hesitate to email me at rgolden@jasperumc.org if you have any questions or concerns.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Roxanne B. Golden



JUMC Preschool Toy Drive December 1st-15th

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



As we are approaching the end of the year, there is a lot to reflect on. The most important thing to reflect on is our Heavenly Father. He is the only one making this ministry thrive. If we strive and God is not present, then we strive in vain. May we never forget this truth and reality as we approach this next year as we faithfully serve Him in this ministry. If you are interested in serving in this thriving Youth Ministry (Elevate), please let me know and we can make sure to find a spot for you to serve!

Those attending our Winter Retreat, please turn in your checks for the full amount by December 12th. We are excited for this awesome opportunity to spend some quality time with you!

Keep praying for our confirmands as they are being challenged weekly as the gospel is presented and their faith is deepening in the Lord Jesus Christ. Thank you for your continued support!

To be up-to-date on all things Youth, please follow Elevate Youth on social media or sign up to receive our newsletter at JUMC Website!

Please check our Youth Newsletter for more details!!

December 1: Confirmation (Discipline: Scripture and Prayer)

December 5: Bible Study (9:45-10:45) & Elevate (5:30-7:00)

December 8: Confirmation (Discipline: Put Off/Put On)

December 12: Bible Study (9:45-10:45) & Elevate Christmas Lights at Cherokee Veterans Park (5:30-7:00 pm)

December 15: Confirmation (Discipline: Commitment)

December 19: Bible Study (9:45-10:45) & Elevate Christmas Party/White Elephant/Progressive Dinner (5:30-7:00)

Soli Deo Gloria,

Eric Justice

Director of Youth & Marketing at JUMC



Ladies' Christmas Dinner

All the ladies are invited to the Ladies' Christmas Dinner on Tuesday, December 7, at 6:30 pm. Please join us for an evening of festive food and fellowship. The ladies of the Dorcas Circle will provide chicken tenders for all to enjoy. Please bring a covered dish to share. You'll also want to contribute a White Elephant gift for our silly gift exchange tradition. Additionally, the "Mission Money Tree" will be available for donations to support our annual giving to the Murphy-Harpst Children's Center.



Children's Ministry

Santa's Coming to Breakfast!

Please join us on **Saturday, December 4** for our annual Breakfast with Santa from 8:00 - 11:00. Santa needs elves to help make this day a success for the children in our community! A Sign-up Genius has been created for Santa's happy little elves to help before, during, and after the event. The link can be found on the church website, Facebook page, and the Jasper UMC Children and Family Ministry Facebook page. Thank you for your help!



Kids of the Kingdom: Children 3 years old through 5th grade are welcome to join us on Wednesdays from 4:00 - 5:45. Join us for snacks, Bible lessons, recess, music, and much more!

Children's Church: We are in need of teachers for children's church during the 11:00 service. Children's church will be on the first and third Sundays of each month. Call Kelly in the church office if you are interested or have questions.

Kelly Wisniewski

Director of Christian Education & Children's Ministry

Missions Matters...

Fourth quarter local budgeted funds will be shared between CARES (\$500) and Cherokee Thanksgiving (\$500) as they take care of folks through the holidays

Kenya: The fund raising goal of the Taste of JUMC/ Silent Auction of building a toilet at the Jewels garden was met with some leftover for small Christmas gifts for the ladies and children and more to go to other needs. Praise the Lord. Giving can be marked for "Kenya Ministries".

More students have sponsors. More students NEED sponsors. See the bulletin board.

Advent Gift to Missions in honor of someone special will benefit the Jewels sewing project for machines, supplies and instruction. Gift cards are on the usher's table.

Want to go to Kenya? Team 2022-February 22-March 8. Sign up on bulletin board or see Dex for more information.

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	



Thank you for all the prayers, cards, calls and food sent to us after my recent fall. Special thanks to the staff for filling in for me in the office. It is great to be back to work, I missed you all!
In His Service, Cathy Riley

December Prayer List

Call the church office to have names put on the list.
(Names will be on the list for 2 months)

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

Peggy Higgins, Annie Gunnin, Merry Grey Caylor, Barbara Ledford, Bill Traynham, Joan Britton, Richard & June Rambler, Joyce Leist, Bob Fallgren, Bill & Beth Boggs, Robert Countryman, Etta Cramer, Emily Clayborn, Marcy Walker, Patti Gehring, Kelly Whitmore, Lois Johnson, Chrystal Gabriel, Martha Foster, Scott Rumery, Bob and Suellen Reitz, Stan Adams, Terry McCormick and family

Phoenix at Canton: Ruth Lovern

Northeast Atlanta Health & Rehab: Delle Marie O'Neal

Wildwood: 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 & Barbara Peddicord, Jerry & Jill Cohn, Carolyn Omundson, Donna Dicus

Cedar Hurst Assisted Living: George Hall

Our active military family: Kalyn Brooks, Lily Bowen, Max Edward Caylor, Alex Davis, Elliot Gallagher, Emerson Gantz, Dillon Gassaway, David Grossman, Alec Gryski, Dustin Hall, Shawn Hancock, Eric Hunter, Jason Kiernan, John Kiernan, Austin McCormick, Brian Mosiello, Justin Mosiello, Peter Nunn, Stanley Peters, Brett Rush, Mitch Rich, Nathan Russell, Jessie Sams, Bryce Skillington, Ahmed Sohail, Jason Stanley, D. John Thomas, Jesse Vaughan, Steven Walsh, Nathan Watson, Jeremy Willis

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 2021:

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, a Psalm, an Epistle 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 5, 2021	Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6
December 12, 2021	Zephaniah 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18
December 19, 2021	Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:46b-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45
December 26, 2021	1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52



December 5	Kenzie McKean Vera Payne
December 12	Edy Countryman Hannah Countryman
December 19	Kenzie McKean Vera Payne
December 26	Edy Countryman Kenzie McKean

JUMC STAFF:

Greg Meadows	Pastor
Roxanne B. Golden	Music/Worship Leader
Eric Justice	Director of Youth Ministry & Marketing
Gerry Gleason	Director of Congregational Care
Kelly Wisniewski	Director of Christian Education
Cathy Riley	Administrative Assistant
Peggy Litherland	Financial Manager
Deborah Goodrum	Preschool Director
Barbara Gaddis	Nursery Coordinator
Nathaniel Singletary	Contemporary Worship Leader
Angela Ervin	Organist
Susan Gooch/Ellen Whitten	Pianists
Ministers	All Who Attend