

Jasper United Methodist Church

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June 2023

As Seen from the Meadows

Month number six for 2023 is rolling underway and I want to share with you plans for August and a new small group to begin in September.

Here at Jasper UMC we are blessed to see new faces on Sunday mornings. We have had a number of new folks visiting us and in August, we are going to offer two opportunities to share some time with me. On Sunday, August 13 during the 10:00 am Sunday school hour we will have a Coffee with Pastor Greg in room 102. This is close to our CARES donation area right outside the sanctuary. This is for anyone who has been visiting church. Then on Sunday, August 20 at 5:00 pm, we will have a virtual Coffee with Pastor Greg. To be part of this group simply send an email to greg.meadows@ngumc.net and let me know you want to be included in the Google Meets email. Please reach out to me by Wednesday, August 16 so I can send the invitation on Thursday, August 17. These are two opportunities for both our inperson visitors and our virtual visitors to get to know me and ask questions. I hope you will plan to join me at either of these Coffee with Pastor Greg events.

This fall I want to share with you all "*Questions Jesus Asked*" (a six week study in the Gospels), by Rev. Magrey deVega. Here is the glimpse into the study.

We all have questions for God, but growth happens when we turn things around and ask what Jesus wants to know about us. Why are you terrified? What do you live for? Who do you say that I am? In "Questions Jesus Asked", author Magrey deVega explores six of the most provocative questions Jesus posed to others. When we dare to raise them, these questions bring us a fuller appreciation for the wisdom, power and presence of God in our lives.

This study will be Sundays, September 10-October 22, 4:00pm-5:30pm and Wednesdays, September 13-October 25, 6:30 pm-8:00 pm, both nights to be in room 106. The times could change but the dates will not. The cost for the book will be \$20.00. I have had the pleasure of hearing Magrey lead classes and preach, and I am sure this will be a great study and a chance to grow in our relationship with Jesus. Plan now to join me in September.

June 1-3, 2023 will be our North Georgia UMC Annual Conference in Athens, Georgia. Please be in prayer for all of us who will be involved in these three days of Holy Conferencing. If you have question concerning anything you hear or read concerning our Annual Conference please feel free to reach out to me by email, text or phone.

The official letter has been received, and we are honored to know that on the last day of Annual Conference Lydia and I will return as the pastor family of JUMC. Thank you for allowing us to serve you for another year. May God go with us and may we be a blessing in one another's life and in our community!

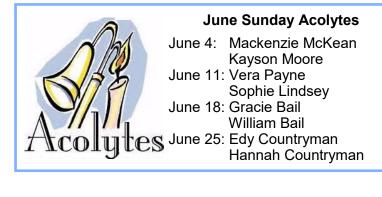
Yours in Christ,

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Registration for the 2023-2024 year is in full swing! We still have openings with limited availability in some classes. For more information about our program and to register visit <u>www.jasperumc.org</u>.

Peace, Love, Joy, Kelly Wisniewski, Preschool Director





The United Methodist Men meet the **second Thursday of each month in the sanctuary at 6:00 pm** beginning with dinner. The next gathering is **June 8**th. All men

are invited to attend for fun, food, friendship and fellowship. For more information contact Barry Hardison at <u>barryhardison@windstream</u>.net or 404-218-7539.

Missions Matters

- A huge thank you for your support of Kenya mission fundraisers (Wed. dinner, Taste of JUMC/Silent Auction). Praise the Lord. Our goal of \$4,000 for the medical clinic and \$1,500 for a house for a widow have been MET!!! Y'all are awesome!
- There are still 2 Kenya students who need sponsors. Please consider. See the bulletin board in the narthex. \$650/year or \$55/month to change a life!!.



Calling all superheroes! Our Vacation Bible School will be held **June 19th, 20th, and 21st** (three days) this year! We are in need of those who would like to serve in this ministry. If you would like to help, call (706) 253-2100 or email me at <u>kwisniewski@jasperumc.org</u>.



VBS invites children ages 3 through rising 6th graders to answer the call to serve God together. Join the Professor and Super Meer, the adorable meerkat, as young Heroes learn to strive for the things that bring peace and the things

that build each other up. **Online registration will begin in May. You can register at** <u>www.jasperumc.org.</u>

Kelly Wisniewski Director of Children's/Preschool Ministry kwisniewski@jasperumc.org



SEEKERS CIRCLE:

United Womer in Faith group. We enjoy fellowship, hear

devotions, and share prayer needs. A few of us stay afterwards to clean the refrigerator and all of us leave with a renewed connection with our sisters in Christ. Join us on **Thursday, June 8 at 10:00 am in room 106** and always on the 2nd Thursday.

The refrigerator will be purged and cleaned on Thursday, June 8. Everything that has expired will be discarded. Anything without an identifying group name will be discarded as well.

DORCAS CIRCLE:

Ladies: Please join us on **Thursday, June 8, 2023 at 6:00 pm in room 106** for our next Dorcas Circle meeting for fun, refreshments, fellowship, laughter, and devotions. For more information, contact Suzanne Hardison at 770-894-1505.



I cannot believe how quickly time flies. Our seniors have graduated and we have a large group of rising 6th graders coming into Elevate. Confirmation classes will begin before we know it (August 2023) and each of our students will continue to grow in their faith, knowledge, and fellowship with the Lord. As we seek to guard a high view of God and His Word, pray for the Lord to bring who He has been preparing for the new position that has opened up for youth and marketing. I trust that He will! Thank you for your faithfulness to Christ and His Church!

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our summer events!!

Summer Schedule: June 14: Family Picnic at Bent Tree June 16: Pool Party June 19-21: Vacation Bible School June 24: River Tubing/White Water Rafting

July TBA: Fireworks and Fair July 16: Rome Braves Game

Soli Deo Gloria, Eric Justice Director of Youth & Marketing at JUMC ejustice@jasperumc.org



Everyone is Welcome!

Join us on Wednesday, June 14th at the Bent Tree Pavilion for our church picnic.

Come at 5:00 pm to swim and fellowship. Dinner is at 6:30 pm. Please bring a covered dish and drink to share. The ladies of the Dorcas Circle will provide ice, cups, plates, napkins and cutlery. Hope to see you there!



Blessed is the Father who shares his heart, lives his faith, gives his time and loves his family.

Proverbs 20:7

Happy Father's Day June 18, 2023

Music and Worship Arts"

"For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

We are so blessed to have such wonderful teenagers in our church; this year is extra special with the Class of 2023. We look forward to what the future has in store and will be here with open arms (with a big hug) to welcome them home along their journey.

DONATIONS ARE NEEDED: cases of water and Gatorade are needed for SMT 23. We are are leaving Sunday, June 4th to Charlotte, NC to be a part of CROSS missions at Myers Park Presbyterian Church with other youth for the week. We'll enjoy a day at Carowinds Amusement/Water Park on Friday and head home on Saturday, June 10th .

Here's the schedule for the next month for the 11 am service: June 4th -Youth Choir

Looking ahead: July 2nd-ANNUAL PATRIOTIC SERVICE-one Worship Service at 11 am

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns

Soli Deo Gloria, Roxanne B. Golden Music/Worship Leader rgolden@jasperumc.org



Jasper UMC will present
<u>A Celebration of Freedom</u>

on Sunday July 2nd at 11:00 am (one service only) inperson and on Facebook and YouTube. There will be special music by our Chancel Choir, and Mr. Patrick J. Gallagher, Jr. Also, slide- shows provided by Sara Fowler of our present and past military family, a Salute to the Armed Forces to honor those serving, who have

served, or a widow or widower, and a beautiful offering of pictures from all over America will be included. If you have a family member who is or has been in the armed forces, email (criley@jasperumc.org) or bring a picture with a short synopsis of your/their military service to the church office by **June 18**.



*If you have moved or have a new phone number, please notify the church office of the change.

*To have an announcement or article put in the bulletin, it must be sent to the office by

the Tuesday before; in the newsletter, it must be sent to the office by the 15th of the month.

*In order to use any of the rooms in the church for meetings or small groups, you must call the office to reserve the room. Rooms are reserved on a first come, first serve basis. Please be good stewards of the church and leave the rooms as you found them (clean, trash thrown away, tables and chairs put back).

*For the months of June and July the JUMC staff will be taking some vacation times. Office hours will still be 9:00 am-4:00 pm, Monday-Thursday; however, it would be best to call to make sure someone is here before coming in to see us.

In His Service, Cathy Riley, Office Manager



June's focus is non-perishable food items and paper goods.

Items can be brought to the church and placed in the C.A.R.E.S. corner

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JUNE 2023:

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:

Ricky Anglin, Donna Andrews, Elise Andrews, Dana Bandy, Beth & Bill Boggs, Joan Britton, Merry Grey Caylor, Phil Cole, Etta Cramer, Caitlin Donohue, Doris Estes, Judy Ferris, Chris Fairley, Karen Fowler, Sara Fowler, Patty Gehring, Jack Green, Nancy Hammer, Peggy Higgins, Maureen Huntington, Linda Jager, Don Larson, Steve Lawrence, Joyce Leist, Ruth Lovern, Linda Mills, George Montgomery, Julie Pate, Marcia Phillips, Richard Rambler, Mary Russell, Marcy Walker, Mildred Wilson

<u>Wildwood</u>:Marilyn Hannah (Elaine Hannah's sister-in-law) <u>Retreat at Jasper Assisted Living</u>: Ruth Lovern, Carolyn Omundson, Nancy Whitmore, Hoyt & Carolyn Jenkins <u>Chestnut Ridge in Cumming</u>: Marilu Weeks <u>Rock Creek Manor</u>: Sam & Barbara Peddicord, Jerry Cohn, Donna Dicus, Dayton & Mary Ann Adams <u>Cedarhurst Assisted Living</u>: George Hall

<u>Our active military family</u>: 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, 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

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Judy Lawrence on her death.

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Lucy Young on her death.

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Charles Ruby on his death.

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 June scriptures from the United Methodist Church Program Calendar:

June 4, 2023 Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

June 11, 2023 Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:1-12; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

June 18, 2023 Genesis 18:1-15; Psalm 116:1-2,12-19; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8, 9-23

June 25, 2023 Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 or Psalm 17; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39

Sunday Worship Schedule

In-Person: 9:00 am-Contemporary Worship Service 9:45 am-Sunday School 11:00 am-Traditional Worship Service Online:

Facebook: Jasper United Methodist Church YouTube: Jasper UMC GA

Office Hours: 9:00 am-4:00 pm Monday - Thursday

JUMC STAFF:

Greg Meadows	Pastor Music/Worship Leader
Roxanne B. Golden	Music/Worship Leader
Fric Justice	Director of Youth Ministry& Marketing
Kelly Wisniewski	Director of Children's/Preschool Ministries
Cathy Riley	Director of Children's/Preschool Ministries Office Manager
Peggy Litherland	Financial Manager
Paul Singletary	Director of Audio/Visual Ministry
Barbara Gaddís	Nursery Coordinator
Nathaniel Singletary	Financial Manager Financial Manager Director of Audio/Visual Ministry Nursery Coordinator Contemporary Worship Leader Organist
Angela Ervin	Örganist
Ellen Whitten	Pianist
Justin Davis	KOK Music/Pianist
Ministers	All Who Attend