



# Jasper United Methodist Church



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## January 2024



### *John Wesley Covenant Prayer*

"I am no longer my own, but thine.  
Put me to what thou wilt,  
rank me with whom thou wilt.  
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.  
Let me be employed by thee or  
laid aside for thee,  
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.  
Let me be full, let me be empty.  
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
I freely and heartily yield all things  
to thy pleasure and disposal.  
And now, O glorious and blessed God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.  
And the covenant which I have made on earth,  
let it be ratified in heaven. Amen."

### *New Year's Blessing:*

*"May the Lord bless you  
and protect you.*

*May the Lord smile on you and be  
gracious to you.*

*May the Lord show you his favor  
And give you his peace."*

*Numbers 6:24-26*

### **As seen from the Meadows...**

Thank you to all those who made our advent and Christmas eve worship service so wonderful.

Thank you as well to all those who shared Christmas gifts with Lydia and me. We appreciate your support and encouragement.

Yours in Christ,

*Greg*

### **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

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### **JUMC STAFF:**

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



The children did a wonderful job performing their Christmas program on December 19. We ended the year with gift exchanges and Christmas parties!

Preschool students return to school on **Monday, January 8.**

Registration for the 2024/2025 school year begins January 8. You may register online and pay registration/activities fees at [www.jasperumc.org](http://www.jasperumc.org). If you have any questions, please contact me at [kwisniewski@jasperumc.org](mailto:kwisniewski@jasperumc.org) or contact the church office.

Monday, January 15: MLK Day (No Preschool)

Kelly Wisniewski, Preschool Director

## Children's Ministry

Thank you to everyone who gave their donations, time and talents to our annual Breakfast with Santa event! The children had a wonderful time and you helped make it a success! You are so appreciated!

Wednesday, January 10: KOK starts back from 4:00-5:45.

Kelly Wisniewski  
Director of Children's/Preschool Ministry  
[kwisniewski@jasperumc.org](mailto:kwisniewski@jasperumc.org)

### *Small Group Formation Kickoff Dinner*

*Sunday, January 21, 2024 at 5:30 pm*

*Thurman's House: 219 Denny Ridge, Bent Tree*

*Anyone interested in a regular time of fellowship, study and connecting beyond Sunday School and Worship, please call Lynda Thurman (678-549-0294) or Patsy Rollins (404-797-9996) for more details.*

## Music and Worship Arts

"We have different gifts,  
according to the grace given us."  
Romans 12:6a

I want to thank each and everyone who shared their gifts and talents with us during our Advent and Christmas Season. There were so many people involved in the behind the scenes that I want to extend a very special thanks to Sara and Cindy J. for their photography that continues to show how people share their gifts and talents in our Music/Worship Arts Ministry. To Erin and Faith for our beautiful visual arts that they prepare week in and week out to enhance our worship. To Justin, Angela and Nato for being so creative week in and week out!! And to Paul and Lydia for working so hard to make our online presence happen along with our in person worship experiences week in and week out. We are blessed to have many people involved in our Music/Worship Ministries. Please find your place in this ministry as we enter into 2024.

**ORGAN DEDICATION CONCERT WILL BE JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> AT 4 PM WITH THE RENOWNED ORGANIST, NICHOLAS BOWDEN. A light reception will follow.** Please make plans to attend.

This month's schedule for 11 am Worship:

January 7<sup>th</sup>-Chancel Choir

January 14<sup>th</sup>-Chancel Choir

January 21<sup>st</sup>-LEADERSHIP DEDICATION-Chancel Choir

January 28<sup>th</sup>-Chancel Choir

(Youth Choir Parents' Meeting at 4:45 pm)

Rehearsals resume on Wednesday, January 10th for KOK, Chancel Bells and Chancel Choir and January 21st for Youth Choir.

### LOOKING AHEAD:

-LUTHERIDGE HANDBELL WEEKEND will be Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

-SUMMER MUSIC TOUR 2024 is May 26<sup>th</sup>-June 2<sup>nd</sup> to Folly Beach, SC and Savannah, GA (or Epworth by the Sea). Please make sure you have \$200 turned in by Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, \$300 by the end of March with final amount due at our Parents' Meeting on May 5th. Total cost is \$475 per youth and \$375 per Chaperone.

### LOOKING AHEAD:

Lutheridge Handbell Conference is Feb. 16th-18th weekend

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

Soli Deo Gloria,  
Roxanne  
[rgolden@jasperumc.org](mailto:rgolden@jasperumc.org)



Happy New Year Elevate family! I just wanted to stop and thank you for participating with me last semester and I look forward to all the fun that we have for 2024!

We will not be having Elevate on the 7th for the Organ Dedication Concert. I encourage you to attend, there will be a light reception afterwards. We will also not be meeting on the 14th, in observation for Dr. Martin Luther King Day.

SLR (Spiritual Life Retreat) is right around the corner. If you or anyone you know would be interested in chaperoning, please let me know ASAP! We cannot register as a group until we have our adult volunteers so please consider joining us for this trip!

We are looking for families/groups to host Snack Supper so if you are willing, please contact me!

Thank you again for such a fun first semester with y'all and I am so excited for all that we will do in the future.

Cheers!

Anna Faith Adair

Director of Youth Ministry & Marketing

[adair@jasperumc.org](mailto:adair@jasperumc.org)

## C.A.R.E.S.

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

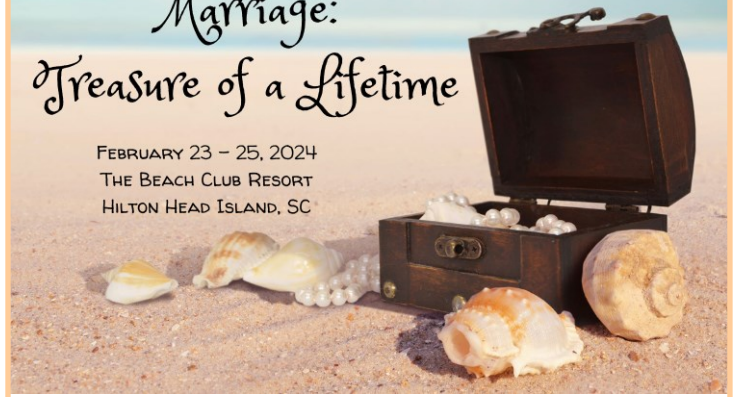
January's focus is

Canned Soups, Crackers, Peanut Butter

BETTER MARRIAGES OF GEORGIA ~ 2024 MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

## Marriage: Treasure of a Lifetime

FEBRUARY 23 - 25, 2024  
THE BEACH CLUB RESORT  
HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SC



### Registration Information:

- Regular Registration Fee is \$225 per Couple
- This includes all Workshops and Materials,
- Welcome Reception, Friday Night, with hors d'oeuvres, salads and sandwiches
- Saturday Night Reception-Style Dinner
- A Welcome Gift Bag of treats for the week-end.

If you have any questions about the retreat, please contact Greg (770-851-8305) & Lydia (770-851-8306) Meadows or visit [bettermarriagesga.org](http://bettermarriagesga.org)



The JUMC end-of-year giving statements will be sent out before the end of January. If there are any **changes to your contact information or address**, please call **706-253-2100** or email [criley@jasperumc.org](mailto:criley@jasperumc.org) so the changes can be made before January 10, 2024.

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JANUARY 2024:

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 January scriptures from the United Methodist Church Program Calendar:

January 7, 2024	Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7,10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12
January 14, 2024	1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51
January 21, 2024	Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:12; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20
January 28, 2024	Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28



## Missions Matters

- Fourth quarter budgeted giving went to help with Christmas at ACES \$400, Timothy House \$300 and Ruth House \$300.
- Info on new Kenya students to sponsor is on the bulletin board. YOU can change a life!!



United  
Women  
in Faith

### SEEKERS CIRCLE:

Are you looking for a small group? The Seekers Circle meets in room 106 on the second Thursday every month at 10:00 am. This month we meet Thursday, January 11. We share our concerns, our joys, and look for ways to be of service to the church and community. Our current mission is to assist in the kitchen. At the close of each meeting, those who are willing and able stay a little longer to clean and organize as needed. We would love to have you join us! For more information, call Nancy Henson at 770-893-2609.

### DORCAS CIRCLE:

This New Year, we welcome you to the Dorcas Circle. Please consider joining our small group as we connect in our Christian bond and friendship. Our next meeting is Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Come join us for fellowship, food, a little business, devotion, prayer and laughter. For more information, call Juanita Tatum or the church office.



The UMM meet at the church in the sanctuary on the second Thursday of each month at 6 pm for fun, food, friendship and fellowship. This month the gathering is Thursday,

January 11. All men are invited and encouraged to join in the antics and stay for a meaningful devotion. For more information call the church office at 706-253-2100.

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:**

Anna Faith Adair, Ricky Anglin, Donna Andrews, Elise Andrews, Dana Bandy, Marty Beaver, Beth & Bill Boggs, Emily Brown, Merry Grey Caylor, Chris Childers, Phil Cole, Etta Cramer, Karen Fowler, Sara Fowler, Patty Gehring, George Hall, Jerry Hall, Peggy Higgins, Maureen Huntington, Linda Jager, Don Larson, Steve Lawrence, Joyce Leist, Peggy Litherland, Ruth Lovern, Nancy Moffitt, George Montgomery, Richard Rambler, Cathy Riley, Ann Roper, Mary Russell, Marcy Walker, Susan Watson, Mildred Wilson

Wildwood: Marilyn Hannah (Elaine Hannah's sister-in-law)  
Retreat at Jasper Assisted Living: Ruth Lovern, Carolyn Omundson, Nancy Whitmore, Hoyt & Carolyn Jenkins

Chestnut Ridge in Cumming: Marilu Weeks

Rock Creek Manor: Sam & Barbara Peddicord, Jerry Cohn, Donna Dicus, Dayton & Mary Ann Adams

Cedarhurst 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, 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

### **JUMC Email Prayer Chain**

Prayer concerns can be requested by emailing or phoning 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).



Where: Jasper United Methodist Church  
When: Friday, January 12, 2024  
To register for an appointment  
call 1-800-640-6307