



Jasper United Methodist Church



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February 2024

As seen from the Meadows...

Welcome to February 2024! I have a few things to share with you this month, some changes in staffing and celebrating a staff member. I also want to invite you to join me in a 7 week small group during the season of Lent. Make sure you check out all the other things going on here at JUMC!

I want to begin by saying thank you to Kelly Wisniewski for her work with us as the Director of Children and Preschool Ministry. Kelly has done a great job and will be missed. Kelly has taken a full time position with the Pickens County School System and has been working for JUMC part time this year since August 2023. After many conversations, she has decided to resign. The Staff Parish Relations Committee and I have discussed the situation and the following plans are in place. Anna Faith Adair will now cover three areas of ministry. She will be the Director of Children, Youth and Marketing Ministry effective February 15, 2024. A new Director of the JUMC Preschool has been recommended by SPR and will be reviewed by the JUMC Preschool Board on February 5, 2024. Once this is complete, the new Director will be officially named on February 15, 2024 as well. These are decisions that were not taken lightly and the SPR and I along with Kelly have been in conversation since December 2023. Please be in prayer for all of these changes and support Anna Faith and the new Director of Preschool, as you are able.

As many of you know Roxanne Golden our current, Director of Music and Worship will be retiring March 3, 2024. To celebrate Roxanne's 25 years of ministry here at JUMC the 11:00am worship service will be a musical service and feature all the JUMC choirs. Following the service there will be a reception for everyone to attend and Phyllis Pool will share a word from the choir. The Staff Parish Relations Committee would like to invite you to say thank you with a donation to a love offering that will be shared with Roxanne on that Sunday morning. You can make your donation to the Jasper UMC and on the for line simply write Roxanne love offering. Please have your donation to the office by Monday, February 26, 2024. Thank you in advance for your support. Come and join us for this celebration of 25 years of ministry here at JUMC.

For the season of Lent I would like to invite you all to join me for a seven week study titled, *Being United Methodist Christians: Living a Life of Grace and Hope*. With all the things being shared about the UMC I felt we need some basic reminders about who we are and what we believe as a United Methodist follower of Jesus. We will meet each Wednesday evening beginning February 21 through April 3, in room 106 from 6:30pm-8:00pm. Please fill out the form in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate or offering box on Sunday morning. Looking forward to sharing this time with you.

Thank you all for your continued support. Lydia and I are honored to be your pastoral family.

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

YouTube: Jasper UMC GA

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



Registration for the 2024/2025 school year begins in February. You may register online and pay registration/activities fees at www.jasperumc.org. If you have any questions, please contact me at kwisniewski@jasperumc.org or contact the church office.

February 19-23-Winter Break, no school.

Kelly Wisniewski, Preschool Director

Children's Ministry

The KOK created a display banner that shows why we love our church. They invite the congregation to create a paper heart with your name on it and write a reason why you love our church.

Wednesday, February 21-No KOK (Winter Break)

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

MARKETING/ADVERTISING:

If there is anything that needs to be advertised on the church screens, Facebook, or the local paper, please email Anna Faith at adair@jasperumc.org.

How do you worship?

Have you been visiting JUMC in-person or virtually? Do you have questions about joining the church?

I want to invite you to get in touch with me. Do not hesitate to call the office, 706-253-2100 or send me an email greg.meadows@ngumc.net, to set up an appointment. If you are ready to join just let me know which Sunday works best for you and at the end of the worship service I will invite you up to join. If you are a virtual worshipper and want to join the church give me a call or an email and we can make that happen as well.

Music and Worship Arts

"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love."
1 Corinthians 13:13

It doesn't happen often but this year Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day. What better way to spend that evening than to gather as His people to worship the greatest love of all time.

Here are some important dates to remember:
YOUTH CHOIR'S SUNDAY LUNCH/SILENT AUCTION-Feb. 11th at noon
ASH WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14th-Worship Service at 7 pm (with the Imposition of Ashes) Chancel Choir will sing
LUTHERIDGE HANDBELL WEEKEND-Feb. 16th -18th
SUMMER MUSIC TOUR 2024-May 26th -June 2nd

March 3rd is my retirement day and all choirs will be featured in the 11 am service as we praise Him through a 'Worship Through Music' hour.

In closing, thank you so much for the wonderful 25 years we have been in service together. My family and I are grateful for the love and support we have felt here at JUMC and cherish our memories that we have made together. May God continue to bless us all as we travel along this journey we call life.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Roxanne B. Golden
rgolden@jasperumc.org

The JUMC Youth Choir

**Sunday,
February 11**



**Soup and
Sandwiches
Luncheon
12:00 pm**



Hi Elevate Family

We are back in the swing of things for the semester. In February, we will be meeting the 4th, 11th, and 25th. We would love for the whole congregation to get involved with our youth, so please join us! We are looking for families/groups to volunteer for Snack Supper, so if you're available, please let me know.

We have SLR coming in March. Please keep an eye out on your email where you will get further instructions about the retreat. Also, if you are interested in chaperoning or help with transportation, please reach out.

Keep me informed on how I can further support you and your family. I would love to be able to attend games, concerts, plays, etc, so keep me posted about where I can support you all outside of church.

I love living life alongside you all and I can't wait to create more memories with you this semester!

Cheers!

Anna Faith Adair

Director of Youth Ministry & Marketing
adair@jasperumc.org

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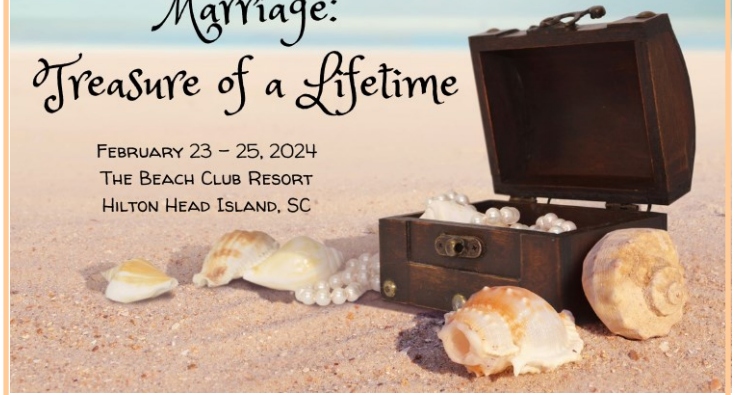
Items can be brought to the church and placed in the C.A.R.E.S. corner in the narthex.

February's focus is
Lotion, Shampoo, Body Wash

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 weekend.

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

Missions Matters

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

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 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 February scriptures from the United Methodist Church Program Calendar:

February 4, 2024 Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

February 11, 2024 2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9

Ash Wed., February 14, 2024 Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6.16-21

February 18, 2024 Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

February 25, 2024 Genesis 17:1-7,15-16; Psalm 22:23-31; Romans 4:13-25; Mark 8:31-38



United
Women
in Faith

SEEKERS CIRCLE:

Are you looking for a small group? The Seekers Circle usually meets in room 106 on the second Thursday every month at 10:00 am. This month, on February 8, we will meet at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary to enjoy dinner served by the UMM. We would love to have you join us! For more information, call Nancy Henson at 770-893-2609.

DORCAS CIRCLE:

Welcome to the Dorcas Circle. Please consider joining our small group as we connect in our Christian bond and friendship. Come join us for fellowship, food, a little business, devotion, prayer and laughter. For more information, call Juanita Tatum or the church office.

This month, February 8, both groups will be joining together for a dinner served by the UMM at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.



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 February 8, the men will

be serving dinner to the ladies of the church at 6:00 pm. 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:

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, 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, Amber Forsyth, 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.

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

ASH
Wednesday



Imposition of Ashes Service: 7:00 pm

Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church*

Reception

March 3, 2024 will be Roxanne's last Sunday. Following the 11:00 worship service there will be a reception to celebrate her 25 years at JUMC. We will be taking a love offering for her. Everyone is invited to attend.