



Jasper United Methodist Church



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June 2024

As seen from the Meadows...

Here we are six months into 2024. June brings our ninth year to an end and begins the tenth. We cannot say it has been uneventful but we take the good with the not so good. I am going to share with you information from your Church Council, a sermon series based on the Scriptures for our VBS and my vacation plans for July.

On Tuesday, May 28 at 7:00pm, your Jasper UM Church Council met for the May meeting. We had the majority of our Council members and a number of visitors. The Church Council meeting is always an open meeting for visitors. The Church Council can ask visitors to leave if it is needed in order to do the business of the Church Council. We began our time as usual with reports from the various committees. We then shared in a video featuring Bishop Rob-in Dease giving an overview of the events at General Conference. We proceeded to discuss possible wedding policies as well as the option for leaving the UMC Denomination. There was much discussion and some of it was passionate on both sides. Ultimately, no motions were made and no decision was reached. The Church Council agreed to pray and talk with others in the congregation concerning the wishes of the church body. We will meet again in July or August, date and time to be set shortly. Once set we will announce to the congregation. Continue to pray for Jasper UMC and the UMC worldwide.

JUMC worship for the first three Sundays in June will be based on the scriptures for our VBS: June 2, *Matthew 4:17-22 "Discover: live, learn and grow with Jesus, Theme: Work together with Jesus by your side*; June 9, *Matthew 5:14-16 and John 8:12, Theme: Jesus teaches us to shine*; and June 16, "Discover: serving others", Theme: Follow Jesus' example of serving others. I will be preaching the first and third Sundays with Anna Faith preaching on June 9. I remind you that Anna Faith holds a Masters of Theology degree. We are looking forward to focusing on the scriptures of our VBS 2024. Come join us and get ready for our time with children in our church and in our community.

I know July is not here yet but I wanted to make you aware that I will be taking some time off during the month of July. Lydia and I will be taking a road trip for a few days of rest and relaxation. We will also be visiting with family and finally just spending some time on items we all let go around our homes. The plans right now have Rev. George Freeman preaching on July 7 once again for our Patriotic service; that will be our only service that day at 11:00am. I will return to the pulpit on Sunday, July 14 for both the 9:00am and 11:00am services. Rev. Max Caylor will return to our pulpit to preach on Sunday, July 21 at both 9:00am and 11:00am services. Sunday, July 28 is still up in the air. We will have worship both 9:00am and 11:00am; it could be me preaching, it could be a guest. Come join us each week in the air conditioned sanctuary out of the heat and experience the grace and love of God.

What can I say? I am looking forward to year ten and maybe more. Continue to pray for your church and come see what we together with God can do for Jasper and beyond. I am looking forward to seeing you each week. God's blessing always.

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
Justin Davis	Interim Director of Music
Anna Faith Adair	Director of Children & Youth Ministries/Marketing
Donna Dooley	Preschool Director
Cathy Riley	Office Manager/Interim KOK & Chancel Choirs
Peggy Litherland	Financial Manager
Paul Singletary	Director of Audio/Visual Ministry
Barbara Gaddis	Nursery Coordinator
Nathaniel Singletary	Contemporary Worship Leader
Angela Ervin	Organist
Ministers	All Who Are Here



Preschool ended the 2023-2024 school year with a lot of laughter and tears.

We were blessed with a great, unforgettable group of children. We will miss them so much. But we are looking forward to our new school year and preparations have already begun and it looks like we will have another great year.

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Children's Ministry

Hi KOK/Children's ministry

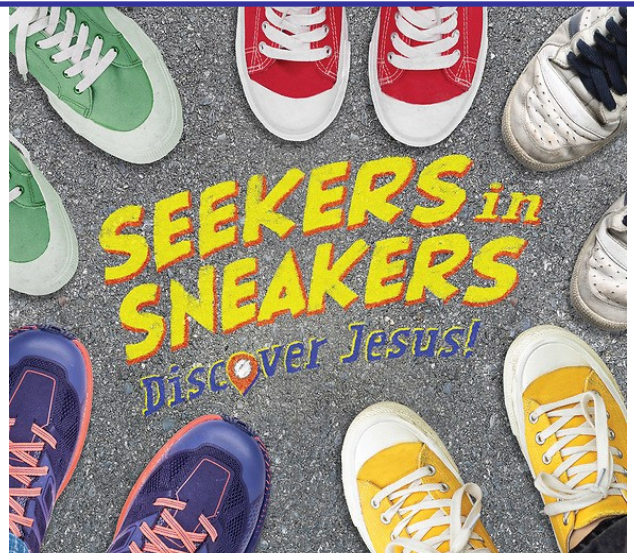
I am so thankful for this group of kids! They did such a great job with Storms and we collected many items to help people in crisis. Great job kids!

We are going to be taking a break this summer from children's church, but there will be activities available during worship. Reminder that the nursery available at both services is for birth-preschool, and cannot accommodate elementary age-youth students. We ask that our older students set the example of being respectful during worship by paying attention.

Vacation Bible School is this month! We are hosting "Seekers in Sneakers" June 18-20 from 9AM-12PM. This is for ages preK-rising 6th! You can register on our website or at the door. We are also still looking for servants! If you can volunteer-just for a day-we could totally use you! Please get in touch with me ASAP! We are going to be collecting children's tennis shoes for local elementary schools! I will place a tub in the Narthex for collecting! Also, June 21st, we are going to have an "end of VBS" pool party at Arrowhead. Should be a fantastic time of playing with our new friends and I am looking forward to diving in with y'all!!!! Please dress in bathing suits that cover our tummies and full swim trunks!

Over the summer, I will be in and out of the office due to things like Annual Conference and VBS, and I will be taking a few days off. If you come to see me, just double check that I am in the office that day! Please let me know if there are any events or activities that your child is participating in that I could support!

Cheers!
Anna Faith Adair
Director of Children & Youth Ministry
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JUMC Vacation Bible School
June, 18, 19, 20
9:00am-12:00pm

Register on line or at the door.

We need donations of new tennis shoes
for the Pickens County
Elementary Schools

Sizes 1-5 and larger.

They can be dropped off in the bin in the
narthex or at the church office.



**Everyone is invited
to the Annual
All Church Picnic**
sponsored by
the Dorcas Circle

Wednesday, June 19
6:00 pm
On the JUMC Lawn

Bring a covered dish
with your favorite picnic
food to share and
maybe a lawn chair.

Table service and
drinks will be provided

Besides great potluck food, there will be
games and activities for the whole family!

Y'all come and bring your friends!



Hi Elevate Family!

Although we aren't meeting weekly this summer, we have lots of things planned! First, June 2 we are going to be having a donut/hot chocolate social during Sunday School (9:45AM). We will have a time of fellowship and go over some guidelines for volunteering at VBS. Speaking of which, if you/your youth want to volunteer, get in contact with me ASAP!

In July, we will be going to the fair/fireworks on the 4th! We will be meeting at the church for a quick meal, walk down to the fair, and then hangout at the church for fireworks. This is going to be a lot of fun, but I will need a few extra(adult) hands. This can be a pretty big crowd and we want to make sure every kid is safe! On July 10, at 6PM, we are going to be doing another event with First Baptist. We are going to be bringing back the Jasper Cup! It's gonna be a great night of fellowship and exploring the town. We will still have our pool party, so look out for that date. I'm asking for ladies tummies to be covered and our boys to wear swim trunks-I don't want to see a Speedo fellas!

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MARKETING/ADVERTISING:

If there are any events that need to be advertised on the Facebook, church screens, or local paper, please email Anna Faith at adair@jasperumc.org.

SUMMER JUMC OFFICE HOURS:

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 (706-253-2100) to make sure someone is here before coming in to see us.



Music Ministry

The summer months are usually a challenging time to provide music for worship since the choirs take the summer off. We are working together to make sure music is still an important part of the 11:00 worship service. We have put together a ladies ensemble, men's quartet, solos, guest musicians and a Worship Team to help lead hymns. Let either one of us know if you would like to share your music with us. If you would like to join the Praise Team at the 9:00 Contemporary Service, please talk to Nato Singletary or Pastor Greg. Summer is a good time to jump into the Praise Team!

The Patriotic service will be Sunday, July 7 at 11:00. The Chancel Choir will sing a couple of new songs and we will recognize all vets present in the congregation. The guest speaker will be Rev. George Freeman, who is an Air Force veteran.

August will be gospel month. Everyone is invited and welcome to come join the choir to sing the "oldies but goodies" gospel songs.

We are also working on plans for the fall music program: Handbells, Youth Choir, KOK Choir and Chancel Choir. We are so excited about working together and discovering the possibilities! Watch for details.

In His Service,
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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.

June's focus is:
Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Kleenex,
And Trash Bags



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. 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 on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm. 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.

For more information contact Mike Ledford or call the church office at 706-253-2100.

Missions Matters.

- Second quarter budgeted giving will support the Boys and Girls Club summer programs (\$1,000).
- Coming up: Sept. 29 - Opportunity event (more later), Oct. 19 - Serve Pickens community event

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:

Barbara Adams, Ricky Anglin, Donna Andrews, Elise Andrews, Tom Ashbeck, Dana Bandy, Marty Beaver, Beth & Bill Boggs, Emily Brown, Chris Childers, Phil Cole, Etta Cramer, Karen Fowler, Sara Fowler, Judy Francis, Patty Gehring, Jerry Hall, Peggy Higgins, Maureen Huntington, Linda Jager, Don Larson, Steve Lawrence, Joyce Leist, Ruth Lovern, George Montgomery, Richard Rambler, Ann Roper, Mary Russell, Bobby Stephens, Marcy Walker, Susan Watson, Mildred Wilson

Retreat at Jasper Assisted Living: Ruth Lovern, Carolyn Omundson, 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



*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 16, 2024***

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JUNE 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 June scriptures from the United Methodist Church Program Calendar:

June 2, 2024	1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4:-12; Mark 2:23-3:6
June 9, 2024	1 Samuel 8:4-20; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35
June 16, 2024	1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20 or 72; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17; Mark 4:26-34
June 23, 2024	1 Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41
June 30, 2024	2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43