

Life Together

Jonesboro United Methodist Church

This and That

MISSIONARIES RETURNING TO MOZAMBIQUE

From Dave & Ann Detrick's blog: We continue to be on-track for leaving the States on August 6. This was a bit later than we wanted, but at the same time, it is largely a function of full planes this time of year. We have sent our passports to the Mozambique Embassy to obtain the requisite visas we need to enter the country. Our International driver’s licenses just came in the mail with a three-year expiration date instead of the one-year you get with Triple A. This links to our driver’s license expiration date, which makes more sense. With grateful hearts we remember Dave and Ann's January visit with us during their sabbatical, and we pray for traveling mercies for these friends as they return to Mozambique.

CLIP, SAVE and TURN IN

Two reminders about collecting the UPC codes from product labels or box tops:

- 1) It’s not just Campbell's soups, Pepperidge Farm breads, and Post cereals that have Labels for Education. Among many others: BIC ball pens, mechanical pencils, highlighters, etc. have one-point labels. GLAD freezer bags, plastic containers, plastic wrap, sandwich & snack bags have five or ten-point labels, as do EMERALD nut products.
- 2) It’s not just General Mills cereals, Betty Crocker mixes and Pillsbury refrigerated items that have Box Tops for Education. Among many others; ZIPLOC products, AVERY office supplies, HEFTY disposable cups & plates, and SCOTT bath tissue.

You don't have to choose between labels and box tops--clip and save them both! Then turn them in to the church office or to Reinette Seaman. She'll see that they get to J. Glenn Edwards School to be combined with others and redeemed for items useful to the children and teachers.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

According to the Samaritan's Purse website, eight million children received shoe boxes in 2010. Shoeboxes have gone to over 130 countries since 1993. The purpose? "To demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ."

Although collection week seems a long time off--November 14-21--it is time right now for the process to begin. When packed shoeboxes are taken from a local church like JUMC to a nearby collection center (usually Jonesboro Baptist across the street), they then journey to a regional processing center where every one is inspected and prepared for overseas shipment. Over 65,000 volunteers play a vital role in seeing that his gargantuan task is accomplished. Would you like to be one of those volunteers? Processing Center Registration begins August 1 at 8 am EST, and spaces go quickly. To make your reservation, call a volunteer scheduler at **800-442-9120**.

Volunteering at a processing center is a great activity for individuals or groups. Many groups consider this hands-on activity as an in-country missions project that allows them to impact children overseas. In fact, as many as 28 states have had volunteers in the Charlotte Processing Center. (You may remember that Samaritan's Purse headquarters are in Boone.) For more information about all aspects of this amazing undertaking, check out www.samaritanspurse.org



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Drawing Closer...

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To Know Christ

♥ Jesus called Peter's confession of him as the Son of God the "rock" upon which he would build his church. Make a rock sculpture to place in your home or in your garden. Position a cross atop the sculpture or paint the words "Jesus is the Son of God" on the rocks.

♥ This month, work together as a household to make small crosses out of note cards or popsicle sticks. Write the words "Take up your cross and follow me" on each cross. Commit to carrying your crosses with you this week as a reminder of Jesus' call to follow him in all things.

♥ Blessing one another at the beginning and/or the end the day can be very powerful and significant daily faith ritual. Use the blessing in this month's Vineyard of Prayer, Page 11, to bless one another each day this month.

DEVOTIONS

♥ In Romans 12:1, the apostle Paul encourages Christians to offer their whole bodies in service to God. As part of your home devotional times this month, draw a large outline of a body (or trace around someone). Talk about how we can use different parts of our bodies (eyes, ears, hands, feet etc.) to serve God, and write your ideas onto the paper. Place your body drawing up onto a wall and use it as a focal point for action and prayer during the month.

♥ Look together at Romans 12:9-21. Make up a poster listing and illustrating all of the things these verses call upon Christians to do (e.g. love others, honor others, be joyful, pray, bless). Put the poster up in a prominent place. Pray for God's help to live out these things in your home this month.

♥ Peter was sinking, but Jesus reached out his hand and caught him (Matthew 14:31). In your home devotional times this month, share your fears or concerns with one another. After each person has shared, join hands with them and say these words: "Take courage. Jesus is with you. Do not be afraid." Give your worries to Jesus in prayer.

Making Christ Known

At Home:

♥ When we hear the word "disciple," most Christians think of the twelve disciples of Jesus, and we associate discipleship with being away from home more than in it. But our homes are where we spend a great deal of time, so they are the primary place where we are called to live out our faith. In the ups and downs of life, our faith and character are shaped, tested and grown through our interactions with those who know our very best and our very worst. The call to take up one's cross and follow Jesus is often not a call into unfamiliar places but to live differently with familiar faces. Romans 12:13 says: "Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." Plan one way you can respond to this as a household this month.

♥ Jesus came to the disciples in the middle of the night and calmed their fears. Bedtimes are special opportunities for families to talk, listen, share and pray with one another. This month make an effort to engage with one another around bedtimes. Pray that Jesus will come and remain with you during the night, and calm any "storms" that those in your home may be experiencing. Recite together the words of Psalm 4:8 – "I can lie down and sleep soundly because you, Lord, will keep me safe."

Community:

♥ Romans 12:6-8 lists a number of different gifts that God gives to his people: telling others the Good News, helping others, teaching, encouraging, sharing/giving, leading and showing kindness to others. Name the gifts you see at work in different members of your family. Talk about ways you can use these gifts to serve God in your church, family and community.

♥ Romans 10:15 says: "the feet of those who bring the Good News are beautiful." Do you know of a missionary overseas or in another part of your country? Find out their address and put together an "encouragement package" to send to them. Let them know that you are praying for them, and commit to doing so during your household prayer times over the coming weeks. (See page 1 for some missionary information)

Pastor Ponders Statistically Defiant Diversity



"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:26-28

It was a mission team. Plain and simple, it was the body of Christ in action. It was a manifestation of Paul's clarion call to the Church in Galatia: "Children of God," "Clothed with Christ," "One in Christ Jesus". And it was awesome!

This mission team, clothed with Christ, collectively pulled off an amazing amount of productivity, both physically and spiritually. Three areas of impact come to mind:

1) The Veteran's Relief Quarters, a shelter in Asheville, NC, providing a home for 250 homeless men who served this Country. Not only did the team hack away the undergrowth separating the residents from the therapeutic waters of the Swananoa River which borders the shelter's back property, every team member broke bread with these men at lunch, learning from and blessing the least and the lost. Incredible!

2) "Ms. B." is the recovering victim of a reckless driver's behavior that crushed one leg and ankle and punctured her aorta a year ago. While rehabbing her heart and leg, she was convinced by an acquaintance to let him sell her things under consignment to help pay her bills. Fast-forward a few months and she discovers she not only lost her "sellable" possessions, but that everything else in the house had been thrown outside in the yard and was completely ruined. As the council on aging was starting to address her case and begin the work necessary to get her home, our role was to reclaim the property, ridding it of junk and overgrown weeds. Two days and two-and-a-half dumpsters later, our team was blessed by an overwhelmed Ms. B., who joined us in prayer and praised God for creating so many fine people who would come help a helpless stranger. Awesome!

3) And, as if those two impacts weren't wonderful enough, the team blessed each other through real fellowship that created something so unique, only Paul's description, "One in Christ Jesus" is adequate in identifying us. Bullseye!

So who was this mission team? If I described us by age or color or educational levels any other descriptor, it would be quite diverse by worldly observation, but it would also be an affront to the highest ideal Paul asserts. Our mission team were, and are, children of God!

And, just so you know, our youth and counselors ROCK!

Grace & peace,
Pastor Hunter

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Ruth Spears, Margie Wolfe
At-Large Members

Commitment or Just Involvement



Our culture is one that does not use commitment as something of importance any more.

Here are a few statistics to prove my point:

- Half of all new marriages end in divorce.
- The percentage of adults who are willing to fight for their country has dropped.
- People who commit to attend events but fail to do so is on the rise.

Jesus is on a search for people who will make an unswerving commitment to follow Him. There is a problem with just mere involvement. The difference between involvement and commitment is like an eggs and ham breakfast--the chicken was involved, but the pig was committed.

The sad reality is that most people settle for being involved without ever making a commitment. The pun about the chicken and the pig is funny, but how close to home does that hit when we honestly look at the commitments we have made in our lives? There is a huge difference between being involved and being committed. Being involved means that you can do what you want, as you want and when you feel like doing it. Commitment means that you are at the call of Jesus 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and 365 days a year.

To make the decision to just be involved, and it *is* a decision, is one that creates a system of cheating. We cheat God of giving Him our very best. We cheat others of what we have to offer. And we cheat ourselves of the blessings of Christ that come only when we become committed. Far too often we settle for being involved in the works of Christ and never actually make a commitment to it or to Him. Commitment is what Jesus is looking for in all of us and He wants us to have the desire to serve Him and not just on Sunday morning, but each and every day.

Let's use an example from the life of the church. If someone makes the decision to show up on Sunday morning and that is the limit to the commitment, they will never truly grow deeper in their walk with God. Why do I say this? It takes giving ourselves to God and making Jesus the Lord of our lives to have a growing relationship with God. It takes a desire to put our priorities in line with God's priorities. This means that He is first and foremost in all things. Anything that takes the focus from God is nothing more than a spiritual life stumbling block.

"CHURCH WORK" can get so busy that folks never seem to get to the real "work" of sharing the gospel. There is a lost and dying world out there that needs the hope that we have in Christ. Too often, too many focus on PROGRAMS and POLICY, instead of placing it on MINISTRY and PEOPLE.

It is truly impossible to live a Christian life without having a complete commitment to following Christ. It is by making this commitment and living for Christ in our everyday, that Christ shines through us and reaches the hearts of those we know and love.

Jesus is searching for people who will commit their lives to Him. Can He find you among those whose hearts are fully committed to Him?

In Christ, Ray Parish--Lay Leader



Health Heartbeat

August 2011: National Cataract Awareness Month

From: Karen E. Preston, RN, BSN, CCM

As we put on our sunglasses and protect our eyes this summer, let's take a moment to talk about cataracts. Approximately 20.5 million Americans age 40 and older are affected by cataracts. By age 80, more than half of all Americans develop cataracts. Cataracts are a significant cause of blindness in various parts of the world; however, technology and availability of new procedures in the United States mean that for most Americans, cataracts do not lead to vision loss.

What are cataracts? A cataract is a clouding of the eye's clear lens. It is similar to a window that is "fogged" with steam. When the lens becomes cloudy, light rays can't pass through easily and vision becomes blurry. Cataracts are not a growth or film over the eye.

What are the symptoms of cataracts? Painless blurring of vision, sensitivity to light and glare, double vision in one eye, poor night vision, fading or yellowing of colors, frequent changes in glasses or contact lens prescriptions.

What causes cataracts? Normally cataracts occur as part of the aging process but they can also result from the following: eye injuries, certain diseases such as diabetes, genetic inheritance, medications, frequent and unprotected exposure to UV-A and UV-B rays, and smoking.

How do you treat cataracts? Currently there is no medication or exercise that helps cataracts to disappear. However, if cataracts don't interfere with your life, you may choose not to do anything about them. When they do begin to interfere with your daily activities, they can be treated surgically. Cataract surgery is one of the safest and most performed surgeries in the US. There are more than 1.6 million procedures performed each year and they are covered by most medical insurance, including Medicare. Cataract surgery is usually done on an outpatient basis under local anesthesia. During the surgery, the eye doctor makes a tiny incision through which he/she removes the cloudy lens and replaces it with a permanent artificial lens.

If you think you may have a cataract, you don't have to live with it. Contact your eye doctor and make an appointment for a comprehensive eye exam. Early treatment can save your sight so you may continue to appreciate God's beauty in the world.♥

More from Your Health Ministries Team

♥ THE CROSSWALK

Walking Trail Around the Wesley Center

Follow the crosses painted on the parking lot.

Five times around equals one mile!

A terrific, safe place to walk.

Thank you Health Ministry Team!!

♥ **Blood pressures taken**

2nd & 4th Sundays each month

9:45-10 am, Seekers Classroom, WC

10:45-11 am, Narthex, Main Bldg

Stop by and let us check yours!

JUMCare Corner

HONORARIUMS and MEMORIALS



In Honor of:

Jack Louer

By: Fellowship Sunday School Class

In Memory of:

Rex McLeod

By: Johnnie & Rosella Harrington

Darrel Hute

By: JUMC Ruth Circle

Your gift of gratitude lets another know how much you care for them and empowers our profession of faith for the future.

Donation forms are available in the church office and from the website.

Need Help?



**Having Surgery?
Need someone to talk to?
Sick/Recovering?
Can't get to church?
Celebrations?**

Your JUMC family is here for you.

From the Pastor and Visitation Team, to the Prayer Team & Chain and Lay Shepherds, you have support for whatever you are going through.

However, we need to hear from you in order to help. Whether you are celebrating or in a tough situation, please contact the church office by e-mail at jumc@windstream.net or by phone at [919-775-7023](tel:919-775-7023). We're just a call or click away.

JUMC Family Members and Friends in Our Prayers

Susie Bahnsen
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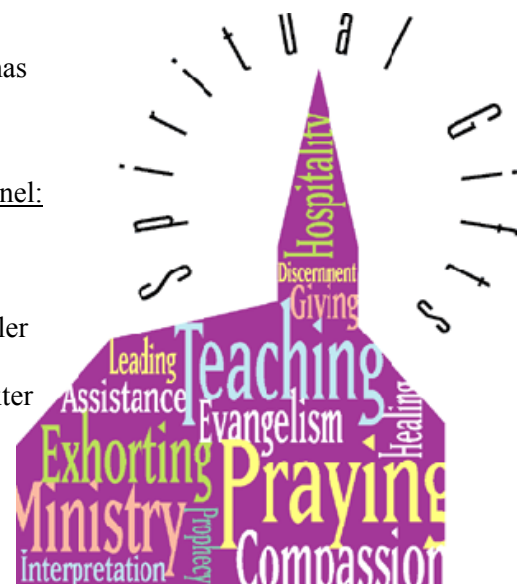
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Zachary Coyle
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Pat Mohan
Patrick Poindexter
Aaron Scott
Trey Walden

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Ernestine Hall
Rose Hute
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Kathleen Latta
Virginia Lee
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Betty Pulver
Belle Stephens
Marge Stephens
Rosa Lee Thomas
Sam Thomas

Like to call or send a card to our Homebound Members? Call Ray Parish at 776-7477 or 499-8345.





Men's Ministries News

We served the meal at the Bread Basket on July 13. We served 150 meals. The following me helped: Joe Cavalluzzi, Dick Rego, Tony Ciaravino and Bill Huggins. We'll be serving again on August 10.

Contact Us

Bill Huggins
President, 356-5109

Tony Ciaravino
Vice President

Van Groce, Jr.
Treasurer

Our Fellowship Supper in August will be the District UMM meeting which will be at Jonesboro on August 16. Our new District Superintendent, Dr. Reggie Ponder, will be our featured speaker. All JUMC men are invited to attend this meeting.

Methodist Men Went to the Bulls

The Methodist Men led a group to a Durham Bulls game on Sunday, July 31. More details next month.

All men of the church are Methodist Men. Anyone with an interest in any of the above can call Bill Huggins at 356-5109.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 10
Bread Basket

August 16
Fellowship Supper with our District Superintendent



Women's Ministry News

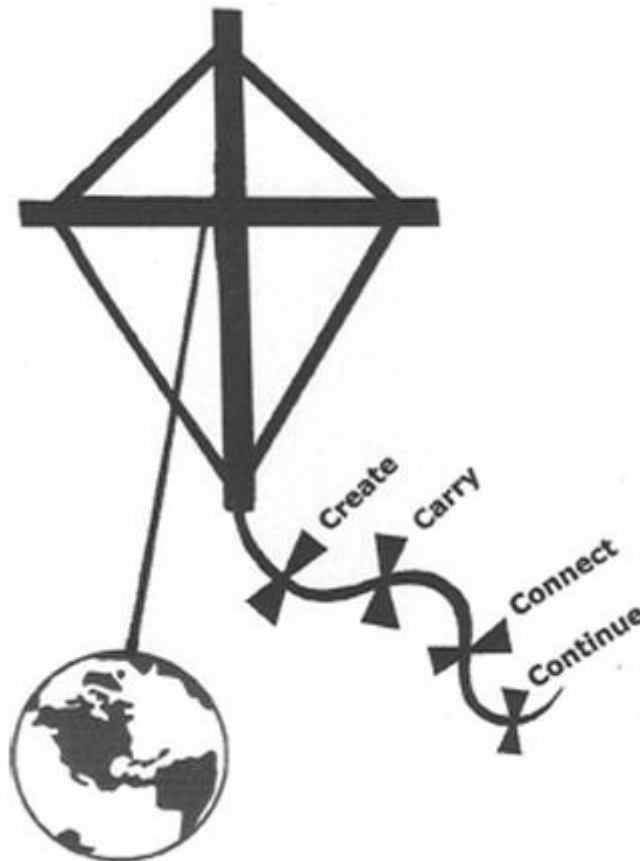
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Circle Meetings
Friendship,
Second Sunday, 6:15 pm
Open Arms,
Second Monday, 6:30 pm
Ruth,
Second Sunday, 7:00 pm
Susanna Wesley,
Second Monday, 1:00 pm

Worship & Music Ministry Opportunities



Praise the Lord

He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD. Psalm 40:3 NIV

If you have a heart for worship, then any of our music ministries is for you. Come and join us.

To find out more contact Dwayne Williams, Dir. of Music Ministries, at church 919-775-7023, Cell: 919-478-0312, or e-mail to: dwilliamsJUMC@gmail.com

Rehearsal Times / Ministry Opportunities:

Praise Band	Sunday 5:30 pm, Wesley Center
Grades 1-5 Choir	Wednesday 6:00 pm, Music Room (Sept-May)
Pre-K-K Cherub Choir	Wednesday 6:30 pm, Rm#203 2nd Fl, Main Bldg (Sept-May)
Hand Bell Choir	Wednesday 6:30 pm, Basement, Main Bldg (Sept-May)
JUMChoir	Wednesday 7:30 pm, Music Room
Music at Bayberry	Thursday 7-8 pm, Bayberry Retirement Inn, Woodland Ave, Sanford

As always, if you have special music you would like to offer to the Lord during our worship celebrations, please speak with Dwayne Williams to arrange a time to share in worship.

Family Promise



JUMC will be part of an exciting ministry launching in Lee County on 11-11-11. Family Promise will provide services to help homeless families get back on their feet. Three or four families at a time will receive housing, meals, job search guidance, computer access, laundry and shower facilities and transportation to school and

job interviews. Participants will be carefully screened and guided by a full-time director and part-time social worker.

Where do we come in? Jonesboro UMC has signed up to be one of 13 host congregations. About four times a year, the families (no more than 14 people total) will stay in our building for one week. They'll arrive each day (starting Sunday) about 5 pm, have dinner, relax for the evening, sleep, have breakfast and depart by 7:30 am. Their days are spent at a day center that provides the services noted above. School-age children are transported to their original schools (providing important stability). Family Promise will provide the cots and transportation.

We will have the opportunity to be Christ's hands and feet right here at home. Watch for details in coming months of how you and your small group (perhaps including folks in Sanford, who in Lee County, are not part of JUMC) might help with set-up, meal preparation, evening interactions and other ministries. In the meantime, please pray for this ministry as it develops ways to help homeless families and children.

Holy Land with Bishop Gwinn



Travel with Bishop Al Gwinn as he leads a 10-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land in January 2012. Depart on Jan. 25 and visit all the holy sites, worship together, experience the teachings of Bishop Gwinn, and walk where Jesus walked. This will be the last opportunity to travel with Bishop Gwinn as the Episcopal leader of the NC Conference.

Call Harold Salmon, Conference Director of Tour Ministries at [919-377-2950](tel:919-377-2950)

or go to

<http://nccumc.org/bishop/2012-holy-land-trip/> for more information.

Thanks To Mary & Her Family

Heartstrings Praise Band members were invited by Mary Watson to an after-rehearsal hamburger & hot dog supper at her home on Sunday, July 17. Singers and musicians and their families admired the results of Robert's grilling technique and enjoyed everything on the menu--side items and delicious desserts like Jackie's key lime pie. Everyone relished relaxing together and conversing with one another, thus expressing gratitude for their common experience of joyful worship through music.

The Vineyard of Prayer

The JUMC Prayer Team

Week of Sunday, August 7

Prayer Focus: To help me restore broken relationships in my family.

Daily Prayer: God of awe, from whom we flee in holy terror: your silence burns like ice; your whisper cuts through fear; we long to hear your faithful word of righteousness and peace. Bless us with bold belief even in the darkness of the night and the assault of life's storms, that we may be messengers of your justice, in the name of the One whom wind and wave obey. Amen.

Blessing to Share: That we have family and friends who will stand by us no matter what.

Mealtime Prayer: O Lord, who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the sky, who leads the lambs to pasture and the deer to the waterside, who has multiplied loaves and fishes and converted water to wine, come to our table, as Guest and Giver, to dine. Amen.

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalm 105:1-6,
16-22, 45b
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22- 33



Week of Sunday, August 14

Prayer Focus: For all those around the world who go to bed hungry each night.

Daily Prayer: Lord God, friend of those in need, your Son Jesus has untied our burdens and healed our spirits. We lift up the prayers of our hearts for those still burdened, those seeking healing, those in need within the church and the world. Hear our prayers that we may love you with our whole being and willingly share the concerns of our neighbors. Amen.

Blessing to Share: "How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity."
Psalm 133:1

Mealtime Prayer: For food in a world where many walk in hunger, for friends in a world where many walk alone. For faith in a world where many walk in fear, we give you thanks, O Lord. Amen.

Genesis 45:1-15
Psalm 133
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:(10-20)
21-28



Week of Sunday, August 21

Prayer Focus: That we acknowledge Jesus as the Lord of our life.

Daily Prayer: Your voice burns within the depths of our being, O God of our ancestors, and draws us into your presence and service. Hear the cries of your people and speak a word of comfort, that we may proclaim to all the earth the glory of your name. Amen.

Blessing to Share: That no matter who stands against us, God is on our side.

Mealtime Prayer: Loving Father, we thank you for this food, and for all your blessings to us. Lord Jesus, come and be our guest, and take your place at this table. Holy Spirit, as this food feeds our bodies, so we pray you would nourish our souls. Amen.

Exodus 1:8-2:10
Psalm 124
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20



Week of Sunday, August 28

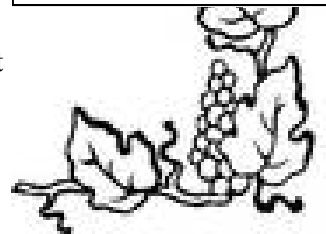
Prayer Focus: For those serving in the military.

Daily Prayer: Faithful God, you are the hope of all the oppressed, and the source of freedom for those held captive. Make us strong to witness to your liberating power, in generosity of life and in humility of spirit, that all the world may delight in your goodness. Amen.

Blessing to Share: That God speaks to us today as surely as He spoke to Moses from the burning bush.

Mealtime Prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, Friend of sinners, we thank you for friendship. Prince of peace, we ask you that we may be peacemakers. Lord of all, we thank you for this food. Bless it to our bodies, we pray. Amen

Exodus 3:1-15
Psalm 105:1-6,
23-26, 45c
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28





If you have questions regarding youth activities,
please contact David Horton:
hortondt@gmail.com or 919-218-2259

“Youth” page @ JonesboroUMC.org and
 Jonesboro United Methodist Youth

JUMC Youth Turn Faith into Action



**FAITH
IN ACTION**

In a few short summer weeks, our youth have brought Christ and Jonesboro UMC to the world through mission and witness. What wonderful examples of living our faith!

The last week of June was BAM (Be a Missionary) Week. Over five days, fourteen middle school and high school youth served throughout our area. Two days were spent helping local families clean up tornado damage. On Tuesday, they prepared, served and cleaned up from a hot meal for those in need at The Bread Basket. Thursday took them to a community garden in Chapel Hill, and Friday they organized for food distribution at Christians United Outreach Center. Each evening they assisted with our Vacation Bible School. And they still had energy for afternoon fun breaks (*big thanks to the Gibsons for providing their pool and the Edwardses for well-priced bowling!*)—and stayed overnight at the church, to boot. Praise God for their energy, commitment and faithfulness!

In mid-July, 10 youth and three adults traveled to Asheville, NC for missions work. They coordinated via The Timothy Project to work two days at two sites. Their days at the Asheville-Buncombe Community Christian Ministry Inn brought them in touch with homeless veterans as they helped with landscaping and yard work. They lunched and shared their faith

with the residents.

Their other mission work helped an elderly lady return to her home to live. She had decided to move out after weather damage and given household goods to a consignment store. When it did not sell, the store dumped everything in her yard. Our youth worked with her to sort and return the useful items into her home.

Recognizing God’s hand in our leisure time, as well, the youth enjoyed hiking in the mountains (a first for several), devotional times and exploring downtown Asheville.

What a gift these young people are to Jonesboro UMC!

Do you know “kids” who would benefit by connecting with a group of caring, fun, positive, faith-seeking youth? Be sure to hook them in. The JUMC Youth Fellowship fall kick-off is **Sunday, August 28, 5-7 pm.**

Update from David and Jerri Banks

Joeli Elise graduated from high school in June and is planning to attend Messiah College in Grantham, PA. She intends to focus on art history and studio arts.

Erin Grace graduated as Valedictorian of the Peace College Class of 2011. She's living and working in Raleigh.

In Jerri's words, "Timothy will be the only child left at home this fall. It will actually be the first time that the guys outnumber girls in this household."

David is beginning his fifth year as pastor of Pinehurst UMC.

Youth Council Members

Dylan Atkins
 Anna Dixon
 Nolan Groce
 ZiZi Hammond
 Casey Kenner (Recording Secretary)
 Zac Lewis
 Samantha Sillaman (President)
 Hunter Watson
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 Marsha Kenner (Executive Secretary)
 Jared Opalinski
 David Horton (Director of Youth Ministries)

August Birthdays

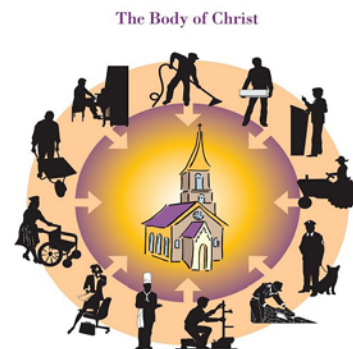
Aug 2 James Douglas
 Aug 3 Rebecca Williams
 Aug 3 Scott Swindell
 Aug 4 Martha Clark
 Aug 4 Hillary A. Oden, Jr.
 Aug 5 Evelyn Watson
 Aug 6 Clyde Dalrymple
 Aug 6 Sarah Mann Craig
 Aug 6 Jonathan Pemberton
 Aug 10 James B. Mize
 Aug 11 Ada Douglas
 Aug 11 Amanda Cockrell
 Aug 11 Scott Gunnett
 Aug 12 Kathleen Latta
 Aug 12 Scott Stone
 Aug 13 Rachel Butner
 Aug 13 Maggie Fleming
 Aug 14 Taylor Eaddy
 Aug 15 Seth Cox
 Aug 15 Asuncion Meseros

Aug 16 Juli Odell
 Aug 17 Jacqueline Jones
 Aug 18 CJ Odell
 Aug 18 Nancy Shue
 Aug 21 Debbie Kenner
 Aug 21 Keeley Bree Mohan
 Aug 21 Rose Hute
 Aug 22 Matthew Gardner
 Aug 23 Eric Benitez
 Aug 24 Donna Atkins
 Aug 25 Madeline Campbell
 Aug 25 Carolyn Ashburn
 Aug 25 Tina Harrington
 Aug 26 Meloney Wheeler
 Aug 27 Jackson Schafer
 Aug 27 Samantha Shepard
 Aug 28 Jacob Elijah Beane
 Aug 28 Lauren Rhodes
 Aug 30 Vergie McNeill

August Anniversaries

Aug 15 1992 Michael & Karen Rhodes
 Aug 16 1959 Paul & Joann Neal
 Aug 19 1984 Tommie & Clara Buchanan
 Aug 23 Jack & Ellie Miller
 Aug 26 1961 Larry & Grace Aiken
 Aug 27 Kris & Marsha Kenner
 Aug 31 1996 Van Groce Sr & Sandy Perry

If we missed your birthday or anniversary,
 please contact the church office @ 775-7023.



JUMC Calendar

August

- 1 Church Council, 6:30 pm, Wesley Center
- 3 Wednesday Night JUMC Family Gathering, 6 pm, Wesley Center
- 7 Friendship Day, First Sunday Food, Pastor Hunter away (Ray 8:45 & 11, David 8:30)
- 8 Worship Team Meeting, 7 pm
- 10 UMM at Bread Basket
- 10 Wednesday Night JUMC Family Gathering, 6 pm, Wesley Center
- 14 Communion, Good Samaritan Fund
- 15 Trustees Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 16 UMM Fellowship Supper with District Superintendent
- 17 Wednesday Night JUMC Family Gathering, 6 pm, Wesley Center
- 17 Newsletter Deadline
- 22 Lay Shepherd Steering Committee, 9 am—1 pm, Library
- 24 Wednesday Night JUMC Family Gathering, 6 pm, Wesley Center
- 28 JUMYouth Fall Kick-off, 5-7 pm
- 28 Lay Shepherd Meeting, 4 pm
- 29 Church Council, 6:30 pm, Wesley Center (for September)
- 31 Wednesday Night JUMC Family Gathering, 6 pm, Wesley Center

September

- 7 or 14 Wonderful Wednesday activities begin
- 8 Beth Moore Bible Study, 9:15-11:30 am, Library (ends at Christmastime),
 See Linda Liebert to register

Other SPECIAL Events

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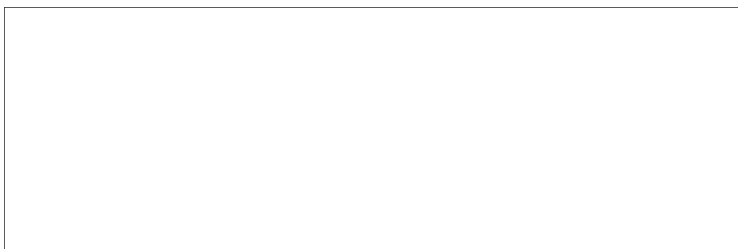
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Worship Services

Sunday Morning

Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary
8:45 am & 11:00 am

Contemporary Worship
in the Wesley Center
8:30 am

Sunday School
English & Spanish Languages
9:45 am

Worship in Spanish
in the Wesley Center
11:00 am

Sunday Afternoon

UMYF (Youth Fellowship)
5:00 pm

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To Know Christ and to Make Christ Known

Regular Weekly Activities

Sunday

7:30 am—Prayer Walk
8:30 am—Contemporary Worship, WC
8:45 am—Worship, Sanctuary
9:45 am—Sunday School (English & Spanish)
11:00 am—Worship, Sanctuary
11:00 am—Spanish Worship, Wesley Ctr
4:00 pm—Praise Band, Wesley Center
5:00 pm—UMYF (Youth Fellowship)

Tuesday

8:00 pm—AA, Basement Educ. Bldg
8:00 pm—Alanon—Educ. Bldg

Wonderful Wednesday

9:30 am—Pastor's Bible Study, Library
5:30 pm—Church Family Meal (Sept-May)
6:00 pm—JUMC Family Gathering (June-Aug)
6:30 pm—Pioneer Clubs (Sept-May)
6:30 pm—Cherub Choir, Children's Choir,
Handbell Choir (Sept-May)
6:30 pm—Small Groups, Youth Bible Study
7:30 pm—JUMChoir, Music Room

Thursday

8:00 am—Bulletin Weekly Deadline
9:15 am—Bible Study, Library, periodically
1:00 pm—Knitting Group, Library
7:00 pm—Music @ Bayberry
8:00 pm—AA, Basement Educ. Bldg

Saturday

6:00 pm—NA, Wesley Center
8:00 pm—AA, Basement Educ. Bldg

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