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Life Together

Jonesboro United Methodist Church

Operation Christmas Child



Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God’s love. This program of Samaritan’s Purse provides an opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in a simple, hands-on missions project while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus Christ.



National Collection Week is November 14-21. November 20 is the last Sunday to bring them to church. Please contact Jayme Miller with any questions. Tel: 718-5108, e-mail: jayme1@windstream.net

22 Keys to a Happy Life ☺

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| ☺ Compliment three people every day. | ☺ Keep your promises. |
| ☺ Don’t forget that a person’s greatest emotional need is to feel appreciated. | ☺ Remember someone’s name. |
| ☺ Watch a sunrise. | ☺ Learn to show cheerfulness even when you don’t feel like it. |
| ☺ Be the first to say, “Hello.” | ☺ Remember that overnight success usually takes 15 years. |
| ☺ Live beneath your means. | ☺ Leave everything better than you found it. |
| ☺ Treat everyone as you want to be treated. | ☺ Remember that winners do what losers don’t want to do. |
| ☺ Forget the Jones’s. | ☺ Don’t rain on other people’s parades. |
| ☺ Pray not for things, but for wisdom and courage. | ☺ Be kinder than you have to be. |
| ☺ Be tough minded, but tender hearted. | ☺ Tell someone you love them at every opportunity. |
| ☺ Keep some things to yourself and don’t promote havoc by backstabbing ones you love. | ☺ Never give up on anyone; miracles happen. |
| ☺ When you arrive at your job in the morning, let the first thing you say brighten everyone’s day. | ☺ Take time to smell the roses...or any flowers for that matter. |
| | -Unknown Source |

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

More calendar events on pg 13

- Nov 6** Turn Back the Clock Breakfast 7 am, Handbells ring at 11 am, Punkin’ Chunkin 5 pm
- Nov 20** Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Deadline, 11 am
Community Thanksgiving Service, Shallow Well Church, 7 pm
- Nov 27** 1st Sunday of Advent “Happy Church New Year!”



Jonesboro UMC is on Facebook!

If you want, join Facebook (it's free), if you haven't already, then visit the "Jonesboro UMC" page or follow this hyperlink www.facebook.com/JonesboroUMC and LIKE us. It's that simple. You'll get regular updates and reminders of things going on at JUMC.

This tool will work with our website and e-mail blasts, and serves to help us to be God's OWN in Outreach, Witness and Nurture. It gives us another way to reach out to each other and the community.

Recommend [Jonesboro UMC](#) to your Facebook friends so they can join us in our Mission.



Confidence and Authenticity

Somewhere some of us were taught that it was conceited to be confident. But confidence is a virtue to be cultivated, not a vice to be avoided. You are unique, and God loves you. Cultivate confidence by taking God's opinion of your potential and possibilities more seriously.

God called you to offer your gifts to the world. But those gifts won't be given if you don't cultivate a calm confidence and belief in yourself. Your dreams, hopes and talents are hints from God. Now is the time to nurture them so you can inspire friends to follow their hearts and become who God meant them to be.

Source: 100 Great Ideas to be a Good Friend

Save the December Dates

December has many events for you and your children.



♥ First is Jingle Bell Bash on Friday December 2 from 5 pm to 10 pm. Bring your child by the church for games, food, and a lot of fun while you get some needed time alone to get the seasonal shopping done.

♥ Next the Chili and Cornbread Cook-Off, Confectionary Silent Auction & Alternative Gifts Mission Fair, Saturday, December 3 from 11 am to 1:30 pm. (see ad at right)



♥ Next is Breakfast with Santa and pictures on Saturday, December 10 from 8 am to noon. There will be a practice for the Christmas play right after the breakfast for about 30 minutes.

♥ Finally, December 18 is the JUMChoir Christmas Cantata at 11 am and the Children's Christmas play that evening.



Please put these dates on your calendar.

**Chili and Cornbread
Cook-Off
Confectionary Silent Auction
&
Alternative Gifts Mission Fair**
Saturday, December 3
11:00 am—1:30 pm
JUMC Wesley Center

Help select the Chili Champ and Cornbread Chief. Stock up on holiday treats at the silent auction.

Complete your Christmas shopping with donations in honor of friends & loved ones.

You'll leave with special giving cards you can put under the tree.

After all...
Christmas is not YOUR birthday.
Give gifts that help others!

Pastor Ponders the Birthday of the King



Do you ever wonder what happened to the miracle-working God or find yourself asking why you don't see more miracles happening today ... and in particular, in your own life? United Methodist Pastor, Mike Slaughter, offers this insight in his recent book, "Christmas Is Not Your Birthday":

Christmas is the celebration of a miracle, but we've edged the miracle worker out of his own birthday. It is time to take it back by planning new traditions that focus on Jesus' presence, rather than the often-forgettable presents we expect to receive.

The dictionary defines miracle as "a visible interruption of the laws of nature, understood only by divine intervention and often accompanied by a miracle worker." In other words, a miracle is a unique event in the world that God does through people like you and me. That's right – you are God's miracle worker! You are God's means to effect change in your world. God wants to birth a miracle through you.

You don't feel qualified, you say? You lack the necessary knowledge, or have doubts and uncertainties? "Surely there must be someone more worthy and qualified," you protest. Don't sweat it. God doesn't need your ability. God will work the miracle through you – all God needs is your availability and commitment to act.

Here's an invitation to be not merely available, but to act upon the opportunity to be an agent of God's miracles at work in the world. On Saturday, December 3, from 11 am until 1:30 pm in the Wesley Center, be part of a new JUMC Christmas tradition that propels God's love through our action. We're putting together a Chili Cook-Off, Cornbread Competition and Confectionary Silent Auction to raise funds for our mission and outreach. This will not only be an amazing time of fun and fellowship, but an opportunity to see and experience all the many (and by many, I mean MANY!) ways Jonesboro UMC makes a God-sized difference in the world.

We will have informational tables on all the mission and outreach that we already do, plus additional opportunities for you to make a financial gift to the mission of your choice in honor of a loved one. For example: Make a donation to support retired pastors, and receive a card to send to one of the pastors who has served Jonesboro or who answered the call to ministry because of the spiritual nurture of this church! Or, make a donation to Heifer International and receive a card to personalize with a note that says by honoring your child or parent or friend on Jesus' birthday, one family will receive a trio of rabbits (or goat, or sheep, or cow or ...) and will be able sustain their family with produce and/or generated income!

Since Christmas is about celebrating God's extravagant generosity seen in the birth of the Savior, EVERYTHING about this fund-raising event will be about what we have to give! Rather than buying a ticket for the meal, your love-gift donation (as you are able to give generously) will secure voting tickets for your favorite chili and cornbread. Donate a Crock-Pot (or two!) of your best Chili and you'll be in pursuit of the title, "Chili Champ." Donate a tray of your special-recipe home-made Cornbread and you might be crowned, "Cornbread Chief." Donate a cake, pie or other confectionary delight and watch the silent auction numbers climb for the glory of God and the blessing of someone in need!

This Christmas, be one of God's miracle agents: show those you love how much you love God by loving others. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength ... and love your neighbor as yourself." – Jesus, Luke 10:27. "I was hungry and you gave me food ... just as you did it to the least of these, you did it to me." – Jesus, Matthew 25:36-40

Participating in Peace on Earth, Pastor Hunter

PS – Stay tuned to the weekly worship bulletins, church-wide emails, website and Facebook for all the details!

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Hunter Preston

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Dwayne Williams

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David Horton

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A Call to Service



A little girl had been trying for months to learn to tie her shoes. She finally grasped the knack and was able to do it by herself. Her parents expected her to be delighted, but were surprised by her disappointment. Her father asked her why she was crying, she sobbed, "I've just learned how to tie my shoes." He said, "That's wonderful, honey, but why are you crying?" She replied, "Because now I'll have to do it all by myself for the rest of my life."

We who are in Christ are like this little girl, in that, now we know the Lord Jesus Christ as our personal Savior, we have the responsibility to serve Him. This body of believers exists solely to serve the Lord, our God. It is now our responsibility to minister, just as we have been ministered to. But how? What does God want from us? How do we know we're doing what Jesus

wants us to do?

Jesus made three very clear commands while he was with us in His humanity. When our lives are surrounded by His teaching in these commands we will be serving Him. Read the following Scripture passages:

Matthew 22:34-40

THE GREAT COMMANDMENT

John 13:34-35

THE NEW COMMANDMENT

Matthew 28:18-20

THE GREAT COMMISSION

We know that there is something we should be doing as a member of the Body of Christ. We have purpose in Christ. This church has purpose in Christ. Our purpose, as God's body here at JUMC, is to serve God in the way He has called us to serve Him. However, it's not always clear exactly what we should be doing or how we should be doing it.

Now I know this church has a mission statement that is probably as old as the church, and the end results of that mission have not changed. The mission has not changed, but the approach to accomplishing that objective has changed. We are not the same persons we were 10, 20 or more years ago. JONESBORO UMC is not the same as it was 10, 20 or more years ago. Time marches on, yet God's plans are timeless. His desire to fulfill His Word is the same now as it has been from the beginning. He has given us everything we need right here in His Word.

We, as God's church here at JUMC, must strive together to find God's purpose for us, so that we may be obedient to Him in fulfilling His call to serve Him, serve one another and serve our neighbors. We must make a difference. God is counting on us.

After a storm on the ocean, thousands of starfish were washed ashore. A little boy was walking along the beach throwing them back into the water. A man watching the little boy felt it was his duty to tell the little boy how futile an effort it was. He commended the little boy for his compassion, but said what you are doing is great, but frankly, it's not going to make much difference. The little boy picked up another starfish and said, "Maybe not," as he threw it back into the ocean, "But it made a difference to that one."

You see, the difference one person can make often seems miniscule in comparison with the need at hand, but what is being done may make a big difference in the life of one person.

God has a ministry for us and His church, so let's make it a priority to prayerfully seek to find the ministry God is calling us to fulfill.

Peace in Christ

Ray Parish---Lay leader JUMC

Reminder:

Sign on to the "Members Only" page of JonesboroUMC.org and use the Ministry Gifts link on the right to help you determine where God is calling you. Or inquire from the Church Office.



*"There are only two ways to live your life.
One is as though nothing is a miracle.
The other is as though everything is a miracle."*

—A. Einstein



Reminders: Box Tops, Labels & Glasses



Always clip and save Box Tops and Labels for Education. It never stops being a good idea to help JUMC partner school J. Glenn Edwards Elementary in this way. Turn them in at the office or give them to Reinette Seaman. She'll see they get where they need to be.



Don't throw away old glasses, whether regular or sun. Turn them in at the office or give them to Reinette Seaman. She'll get them on their way to the Lions Club recycling center & thence to someone who needs desperately to see better.

Conference Leadership Academy November 8

"If a leader cannot lead himself, how can he lead others?" National leader, author and speaker, Reggie McNeal, will ask this searching question at the upcoming Academy for Leadership Excellence National Leader Series event on Tuesday, Nov. 8 at Edenton Street UMC, Raleigh. Behind the question is the reality that the key for effective leadership is self-leadership. The workshop will not only provide participants with practical pointers for enriching their own leadership growth, but also equip them as they invest in developing spiritual leaders around them. This ecumenical event is intended for both clergy and laity. Members of local church Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development are especially encouraged to attend. Cost is \$75 per person or \$65 each for teams of three or more. Participants can register online at www.theafle.org or by phone at 919-208-2169. The event begins at 9 am with a continental breakfast and gathering time; the presentation will start at 9:30. The day ends at 3 p.m. and includes lunch.

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Ruth Spears, Margie Wolfe
At-Large Members



*Average for the NC Conference congregations.

Education Ministries

2011-2012 Pioneer Clubs



“Discover God’s Love” in our Pioneer Clubs program. This weekly program is on Wednesday nights, from 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm, following the Church Family meal.

Children participate in choir, worship and activities while earning Bible and skill award patches along the way.

November 2, 9, 16, 30	Jesus Our Savior / Wood Projects
December	Christmas play practices
January 4, 11, 18, 25	My Family and Me / Cooking
February 1, 8, 15, 29	Bible Investigator / Art Fun
March 7, 14, 21, 28	In God’s Family / Outdoor Fun
PC Sunday/Palm Sun.	April 1, 2012

NO PC on November 23 or Feb 22

Bible Study Opportunities

Who Am I and Why Am I Here? Taught by Pastor Hunter ~ Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm.

This course addresses specific United Methodist thoughts, convictions and actions as one of the frameworks for how we pursue our identity and purpose. *All November Wednesdays* will zero in on Jonesboro UMC’s unique history thus far, as well as to where God is leading her for His Kingdom’s sake.

Pastor’s Bible Study, 9:30 am every Wednesday in the Library

A conversational study based on the following Sunday’s Scripture Readings.

Living With Purpose in a Worn-Out Body

This wonderful devotional guide will serve as the framework for a new small group of senior adults that will begin soon. If you would be interested in being a part of this group’s beginnings please contact Donna Oden at 774-8017.

Five Practices of Fruitful Living

Based on the book by Robert Schnase, this class will explore how a fruitful, God-related life develops with intentional and repeated attention to five practices of discipleship that are critical for our growth in Christ: radical hospitality, passionate worship, intentional faith development, risk-taking mission and service, and extravagant generosity.

Starting in January and will last 6 weeks. Be on the look-out for more information!

Worth of a Woman, Mark of a Man

COMING IN JANUARY 2012! A study of selected men and women from the Old and New Testaments – people not often studied in Sunday School classes: Adam and Eve, Hagar, Judah, Hannah, Simeon and Anna, Andrew the Apostle, and Dorcas. What was the worth of these men and women in God’s plan for mankind? How did they make their mark? This study will begin on the first Wonderful Wednesday in January. Scripture and group discussion. Some homework. 12 weeks. Teacher: Linda Liebert. **Must sign up in the office by December 22.**

Miracles in the Water

COMING IN FEBRUARY 2012! A new adult midwinter study event is coming! This weeklong study will focus on element of water and its miraculous purposes as seen in Scripture. Each session will include Scripture reading, large and small group discussion, creative activities, song, and prayer. The week will conclude with dinner and a “Bible Triathlon”! This event is scheduled for the week of February 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM (Sunday through Friday but excluding Wednesday). Participation will be limited to 20 participants, and registration will be mandatory. So check your calendars now! Watch upcoming newsletters and Sunday bulletins for further information! Don’t miss this special event – it will lift your spirits during those deep midwinter days! Leader: Linda Liebert.

Interfaith Hospitality Network

—Volunteer for Family Promise

Love
God
Love
One
Another

Homelessness can seem like an overwhelming problem. Many people wonder what one person or congregation can do to truly make a difference.

The Interfaith Hospitality Network (IHN) provides a way for churches and individuals to help homeless families. Families with children are the largest growing segment of the homeless population. Usually, over half of the guests are children and most are under the age of six. Nationally, over 4,500 congregations participate in IHN.

Each congregation participating in the Network provides overnight lodging and meals for three to five families (up to 14 people) for one week, every two or three months on a rotating basis. Network “guests” stay in each congregation from 6 pm to 7 am daily. (See A Typical Host Week at right for more information. IHN is “Family Promise” here.)

Volunteers are the foundation of the Network. There are many ways you can help and make a difference in the lives of families who have suffered the ordeal of losing their home.

We as a church family are exploring ways we can participate in this important ministry. Please review the available opportunities to serve and indicate your area of interest. Please complete the form (found below) and bring/send to the office. Thank you for your support.

I will assist in the Interfaith Hospitality Network program in the following ways:

- Dinner and Evening Volunteer (5:30-8:30 pm)
- Overnight Volunteer (men & women needed 8:30 pm-7 am)
- Breakfast Volunteer (6-7 am)
- Meal Preparation and Serving
- Sunday Afternoon Setup (beds, tables, dividers)
- Sunday Morning Takedown (beds ready for pickup)
- Help with Laundry (towels, sheets)
- Doctor or Nurse on call
- Donate non-perishable food items (cereals, snacks, juices, etc)
- Tutor
- I would like more information.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____
 E-Mail: _____

Family Promise of Lee County also needs financial support. Send your tax-deductible donations, payable to Family Promise of Lee County, to P.O. Box 2862, Sanford, NC 27331.

A Typical Host Week

Sunday Afternoon

- Family Promise of Lee County (FPLC) brings cots and families’ personal items to JUMC.
- JUMC volunteers set up the family bedrooms and common area.

Each Evening

- Our guest families arrive 5-6 pm. They settle in, relax and meet the evening’s volunteers.
- About 6 pm, a small group from JUMC or our partner church provides, serves and joins in a family-style dinner with our guests. Families are responsible for their children and help with clean up and chores.
- After dinner, volunteers may continue fellowship with the families—perhaps games, help with homework, watching videos or just talking. Parents are responsible for their children throughout this time.
- Food for lunches is available in the kitchen, and parents make sack lunches for their families for the following day.
- Adults turn in by 10 pm, with children going to bed at appropriate earlier times.
- Two volunteers spend the night at JUMC with the families.

Each Weekday Morning

- Wake up is around 6 am. Some family members may choose to take showers at JUMC, either in the evening or morning. (The day center will also have showers, plus laundry facilities.)
- JUMC volunteers provide breakfast about 6:30 am—typically cereal and other convenient “help yourself” foods.
- The FPLC van picks the families up at 7 am.

During the Day (Families Not at JUMC During the Day)

- After the van takes guests to the Day Center, children are taken to school and parents with jobs go to work.
- If parents do not have jobs, they work at the day center to seek employment, housing and other resources to help regain their independence.

Saturday

- It’s great if we can give the families the chance to sleep in and enjoy a hot breakfast.
- A bit later than weekdays, families go back to the day center and do what families typically do on weekends—see friends and relatives, take children to activities, etc.

Sunday Morning

- The families will be packed up and out by 7 or 7:30 am. (They go to the day center for the day, until it is time to move on to the next congregation.) JUMC volunteers will hustle to re-set rooms for Sunday School and worship (the great room can be re-set Saturday evening).
- Families who want to attend services will usually do so at their own congregations. Some may choose to worship at JUMC.



Health Heartbeat

Spelling Bee News

Thanks to your help,
we have raised \$1,150
for defibrillators!

You may still contribute. Just drop a check off at the office. Please make sure to write “defibrillators” in the memo line.

♥ **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!

NOVEMBER 2011: HOLIDAYS AND HEARTBURN

From: Carolyn J. Almond, RN, NCSN

The holidays are fast approaching and so are the parties, elaborate meals and temptation to indulge and overeat all of the rich foods and goodies that seem to be so plentiful this time of year. Often we find ourselves paying the price for over indulging by suffering with the discomfort of heartburn.

SYMPTOMS YOU CAN'T IGNORE

- ♥ Heartburn—a painful burning in your chest or mid-stomach
- ♥ Chest Pain—especially when lying down or at night
- ♥ Hoarseness or sore throat
- ♥ Bitter or acid taste in your mouth or burning in the back of your throat
- ♥ Trouble swallowing
- ♥ Dry cough
- ♥ Frequent burping

If any of these sound familiar, or happen more than three times a week or get worse after meals, you may have acid reflux disease. It’s also called GERD (gastroesophageal reflux disease.)

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU HAVE ACID REFLUX DISEASE

Sometimes your LES (lower esophageal sphincter, a muscular band that connects your esophagus to your stomach) becomes weak or relaxes when it shouldn’t. This allows acid from your stomach to flow back up into your esophagus, or even into your throat and mouth. This is what causes heartburn and the other symptoms of acid reflux disease.

TREATMENT

- ♥ Talk to your doctor about your symptoms and lifestyle.
- ♥ Watch what you eat and drink—avoid large meals and evening eating.
- ♥ Elevate the head of your bed.
- ♥ Take prescribed medications such as antacids and acid blockers.

Untreated GERD can lead to damage of your esophagus, bleeding, difficulty swallowing and greater risk of developing esophageal cancer.

Making a few lifestyle changes will allow you to live without the pain of heartburn and enjoy the Holiday gatherings!

After the Yellow Ribbon—Duke Divinity, Nov 11-12



Veterans commit suicide at the highest rate in our nation’s history, have startling rates of prescription drug and alcohol abuse, and are often thought of as “damaged goods.” Our society must acknowledge and confront the moral fragmentation that our service members suffer as a result of their experiences in war.

After the Yellow Ribbon, organized by Milites Christi (a student organization at Duke Divinity School), invites everyone to respond to the challenge presented by the plight of soldiers and veterans in our midst. A host of honorable presenters from the church, military and academic communities have been invited to enlighten us so that all might approach service members and veterans as human beings, and more fully understand and heal the unseen wounds of war (including PTSD and moral injury). Join us November 11-12 at Duke Divinity School. For more information or questions about the conference, contact [Leadership Education at Duke Divinity](#) at (919) 613-5323.

JUMCare Corner

HONORARIUMS and MEMORIALS



**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 office
and from the website.**

Taking Care of Us/Embracing Others

- **What is Member Care?** Members caring for another!
- **How do we care?** Being a friend, random acts of kindness, letting folks know you missed them in Worship, spending time with your JUMC family, etc.
- **Who does it?** We all do!
- **Want to share an idea?** Contact your Member Care Team Chairperson, Jayme Miller, 718-5108, or e-mail: Jayme1@windstream.net

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 Member Care Team & 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. We're just a call or click away.

JUMC Family Members and Friends in Our Prayers

Halford Allen
Family of Boots Beaman
Doris Betts
Jenna Brockway
Steve Calhoun
Mary Beth Care
Lorraine & Tony Codispati
Boyce Cox
Margaret Cox
Family of Albert Davis
Rosa Amelia Diaz
Tonya Dew
Theta Foushee
Shirley Gardner
Juan Hercilla
Kathy Huggins
Clay Ingram
Justin Kuhl
Bob Lambert
Children of Rev Frank Lloyd
Julia Mann
Marie Martin
Janet McNeill
Hanna Miller
Joann Neal
Hillary Oden
Deb Pedrick
Claire Pickett
Family of Jacob Pilson
Tommie Lynn Poindexter
Family of Charlie Quinn
Doris Simpson
Margaret Smith
David Spears
Jean Spivey
Marjorie Stevens
Tammy Tobin
Family of Ed Ward
Fred Washburn
Hunter Watson
Mike Watson
Terri Wind
Charles Works
John Woolard

Homebound:
Roger Binnig
Suzanne Cleavinger
Albert Davis
Jean Davis
Hazel Dixon
Jim Dodson
Sarah Godfrey
Ernestine Hall
Rose Hute
Bea Kriegbaum
Kathleen Latta
Virginia Lee
Jack Louer
Earlene Peele
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.

Military Personnel:
Andy Cook
Zachary Coyle
Kris Kenner
Michael G. Miller
Pat Mohan
Patrick Poindexter
Aaron Scott
Trey Walden



Worship & Music Ministry Opportunities

Rehearsal Times / Ministry Opportunities:

Praise Band	Sunday 5:30 pm, Wesley Center
Grades 1-5 Choir	Wednesday 6:30 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	Thursdays 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.

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

The JUMChoir is preparing for our Christmas Cantata. It will be presented to the glory of God on December 18. This is an excellent time to 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

Letter from David Horton

Friends,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! I hope you are resting in the comfort of His grace today.

As of November 13, 2011, I will no longer serve as the Director of Youth Ministries at Jonesboro United Methodist Church. Please trust that I have made this decision only as a result of weeks of prayer. God has made it quite clear that I must move on from serving this wonderful congregation and into another chapter of my life.

As I told our youth, my decision to resign is based primarily on my education. I must devote more time to academic achievement in order to maintain my funding at Duke Divinity School. My three years at Duke also gives me the opportunity for a variety of field education placements, immersions in ministry that will further edify my long-term calling. God has laid it on my heart that I must be more present at Duke and take advantage of the wonderful blessing that is my divinity school education.

Thank you, brothers and sisters in Christ, for a year of fruitful, rewarding, and transformative service to JUMC. Thank you for trusting me to lead your youth and teach them the Way of Christ. Thank you for letting me love these wonderful and gifted young people with the love of our Creator. Thank you for your hospitality, kindness, and heart-warming love. Thank you for including me on your mission of knowing Christ and making Christ known. Thank you.

May the grace of our Father, the love of our Savior, and the peace of the Holy Spirit be with you.

David Horton

La Trinidad Turns 20!

On October 16 our La Trinidad congregation and the Siler City congregation joined together for music, worship, history, fellowship and food. Margarita Diaz presented a grand report and testimonial on the history of La Trinidad. Her son, Salvador Perez, interpreted. A display of pictures showing activity since 2004 when JUMC became involved was on display. One of the most recent happenings in La Trinidad is the Baptism of 4 boys. Hunter Preston and Jose Luis Borrayo baptized Jose Omar Benitez, Jose Melvin Cabrera, Elwin Cabrera and Alexis Antonio Cabrera. We rejoice with the Saints for these young boys. May God bless them all on their faith journeys.

The Vineyard of Prayer

The JUMC Prayer Team

Week of Sunday, November 6

Prayer Focus: To mirror Christ’s love to everyone.

Daily Prayer: Lord, let me focus on my task. Place my entire mind on my work. Let my labors be in service of You. For Your eternal glory and honor. Amen.

Blessing to Share: “I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.” Psalm 34:1

Mealtime Prayer: Almighty Father, we pray Thee, sanctify this food, that it may strengthen us to do and to endure Thy Holy will perfectly, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

Revelation 7:9-17
Psalm 34: 1-10, 22
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12



Week of Sunday, November 13

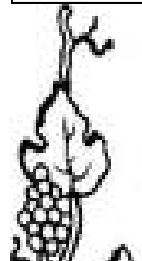
Prayer Focus: To share the gifts God has given us.

Daily Prayer: Gracious God, You have called us to be the Church of Jesus Christ. Keep us one in faith and service; breaking bread together and telling the good news to the world; that all may believe You are love, turn to Your ways, and live to Your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing to Share: To walk hand in hand with my sisters and brothers down the path Christ has lain before us.

Mealtime Prayer: Lord, from whom comes every good and perfect gift, enable us to enjoy these blessings of Your bounty with gratitude. Give us grace that whether we eat or drink, or whatever we do, we may do all to Your glory, for Jesus' sake. Amen!

Judges 4:1-7
Psalm 123
1Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 25:14-30



Week of Sunday, November 20

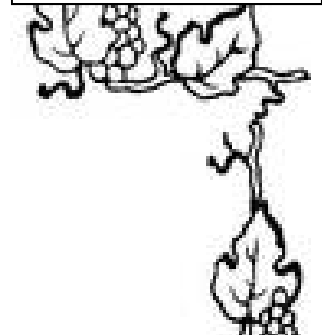
Prayer Focus: To be thankful for the rain as well as the sunshine.

Daily Prayer: That we could begin this day seeking Thee in devout meditations, in joy unspeakable, and in blessing and praising Thee, who hast given us such good hope and everlasting consolation. Lift up our minds above all these little things below, which are apt to distract our thoughts; and keep them above till our hearts are fully bent. Amen.

Blessing to Share: “Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing.” (Psalm 100:2)

Mealtime Prayer: In Thee, O God, we live and move and have our being. Thou didst create us, and Thou dost uphold us, and without Thee we are nothing. We bless Thee for this food, the token of Thy continued care for us. We take it as a gift from Thy hand of love, and we pray Thee for wisdom, that we may spend the strength it gives us in ways that will please Thee best. For Jesus' sake. Amen!

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
Psalm 100
Ephesians 1:15-23
Matthew 25:31-46



Week of Sunday, November 27

Prayer Focus: For all of us to be thankful for what we have.

Daily Prayer: Lord, support us all day long until shadows lengthen, evening comes, the busy world hushes, the fever of life is over and our life's work is done. Amen.

Blessing to Share: That we keep our eyes on the one who brought us salvation.

Mealtime Prayer: Bless this food to our use, and us to Thy service. Fill our hearts with grateful praise. Amen.

Deuteronomy 8:7-18
Isaiah 64:1-9
Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Mark 13: 24-37

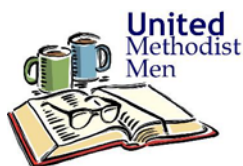


Monday Morning Prayer: Open to everyone, this is a time of quiet prayer and discussion. We meet at 7:00 am in the Chapel for 15 minutes of prayer and 15 minutes of dialogue. Come join us for a wonderful way to start off your week!



Men's Ministries News

Sanford District UMM meeting November 29, 6 pm at Page Memorial UMC in Aberdeen.



All men of the church are Methodist Men, and all are welcome to join us for any of our events or service projects. If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact Bill Huggins.



TURN BACK THE CLOCK BREAKFAST

*Join our UMM
Sunday morning,
November 6 at 7 am for a
good, hardy breakfast
in the Wesley Center and
stay for Worship!*

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 6
Turn Back the Clock
Breakfast, 7 am

November 9
Bread Basket

November 15
Fellowship Supper
Brick City Grill

November 29
Sanford District
UMM Meeting
Page Memorial UMC
Aberdeen, 6 pm

December
Angel Tree Christmas

Contact Us

Bill Huggins
President, 356-5109

Tony Ciaravino
Vice President

Van Groce, Jr.
Treasurer



JUMWomen's Ministry Thank You!

Thank you to everyone for coming, eating, purchasing, supplying, working and whatever else you did to make our annual bazaar happen. Your tireless efforts are greatly appreciated. Your JUMWomen will be preparing to give generously to missions to spread God's love around the world.

Contact Us

Patricia Pemberton
President, 776-0917

Norma Smith
Vice-President

Charlotte Anderson
Secretary

Sarah Stephenson
Treasurer

UMWomen Conference and District News

Our JUMWomen's President, Patricia Pemberton, has represented JUMC during October at Conference and District Meetings. The 39th Annual NC Conference UMWomen meeting at Methodist University, featured Rev. Beth Hood who brought the keynote address titled, "Sent Out to Connect—What Would You Take With You?" Newly elected officers were installed, Communion was served and we were "Sent out to Continue in God's Mission."

At the Sanford District UMW meeting at Brown's Chapel UMC in Pittsboro, our Superintendent, Rev. Reggie Ponder, commissioned us to serve God and love one another. Patricia Pemberton led the devotion as Spiritual Growth Leader. Our chapter's budget was approved, reports were given and the 2012 Mission Studies were named. Many changes will be taking place, one being that we will become eight districts instead of twelve. Also sixteen Seven Star Units were recognized as were sixteen Mission Today Units.

On November 18-20 Patricia will attend the National Conference Training Event in St. Louis, MO. She looks forward to learning how best to serve our conference in matters of Spiritual Growth. She is proud to represent JUMC in striving to fulfill what the Spirit has called her to do and asks for your prayers and thanks you for your support.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Circle
Meetings

Ruth,

Second Sunday, 7 pm

Susanna Wesley,

Second Monday, 1 pm

JUMC Calendar

November

- 6 Daylight Saving Time Ends, All Saint's Sunday
Turn Back the Clock Breakfast, 7 am, Wesley Center
Communion, First Sunday Food and Good Samaritan Fund
Handbell Choir plays at 11:00 Worship, Sanctuary
Punkin' Chunkin,' 5pm
- 7 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel
Church Council Meeting, 6:15 pm
- 8 Election Day
- 11 Veterans Day
Youth Pilgrimage Begins
Family Promise scheduled beginning
- 14 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel
Lay Shepherds Steering Committee, 9 am
Member Care Meeting, 5:15 pm
- 17 December/January Newsletter Deadline
- 20 Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Deadline (pg 1)
Lay Shepherds Meeting, 4 pm
Community Thanksgiving Service, Shallow Well Church, 7 pm
- 21 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel
Trustees Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 23 No Pioneer Clubs
- 24 Thanksgiving, Church Office Closed
- 25 Church Office Closed
- 27 1st Sunday in Advent—Happy New Church Year!!!
- 28 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel

December

- 2 Jingle Bell Bash, 5—10 pm, Wesley Center
- 3 Chili & Cornbread Cook-Off & Alternative Gifts Mission Fair, 11 am—1:30 pm (pg 3)
- 5 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel
Church Council Meeting, 6:15 pm
- 10 Breakfast and Pictures with Santa, 8 am—Noon, Wesley Center
Christmas play rehearsal right after the breakfast for about 30 minutes
Youth Christmas Store at Oak Haven, 9 am
- 14 Last Wonderful Wednesday of 2011 (resumes January 11, 2012)
- 12 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel
- 18 JUMChoir Christmas Cantata
Children's Christmas Play and Covered Dish Dinner, 5 pm
- 19 Start the Week with Prayer, 7 am, Chapel
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Church Office Closed
- 27 Church Office Closed
- 31 New Year's Eve

January

- 2 Church Office Closed
- 11 Wonderful Wednesday resumes
New Adult Studies begin (see pg 6)
- 27-29 Youth Ski Retreat

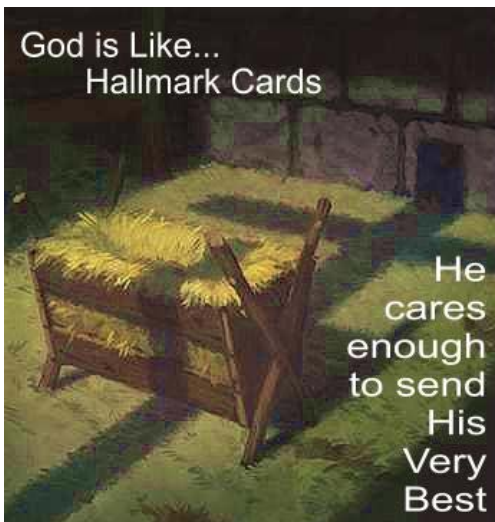


Make us worthy, Lord,
to serve
our fellow-men
throughout the world
who live and die
in poverty or hunger
—Mother Teresa

*If anyone gives
even a cup of cold water
to one of these little ones
because he is my disciple,
I tell you the truth,
he will certainly
not lose his reward.
Matthew 10:42 NIV*


**Other
SPECIAL
Events**

See our bulletins, bulletin boards
and visit our website
www.JonesboroUMC.org
for up-to-the-minute events
not promoted at press time.





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**

Community Garden

The youth are planting a community garden!



The youth garden, which we will call Grace Garden, will be on a plot of land between the playground and the big oak tree. We hope to start planting in late February for a Spring crop.

The youth will coordinate the garden, but we need the entire congregation to be invested. We need donations from the congregation for initial capital to start the garden. We also need congregation members to help us water the garden and weed it. So, even though the youth will coordinate the garden, Grace Garden belongs to the entire church.

Be in prayer and consider how you can be involved!!!

Pilgrimage 2011
 "Follow the Way, Speak the Truth, Live the Life!" *John 14:16*

Lanecia Rouse
Speaker

Ciona Rouse
Speaker

Jake Brothers
Musical Guest

It's been called a family reunion, a Jesus convention, and a place to recharge spiritual batteries at a time when a teenager's faith sometimes takes a backseat to social/peer pressures, family problems and schoolwork. Pilgrimage is an event held annually for the youth of the North Carolina Conference that addresses the cold-weather blues and spiritual lulls that teens tend to experience at this point in the year.
 -Kasey Thornton

NCCPILGRIMAGE.ORG Visit Us Online for More Event Details!

Comin' Up:

Punkin' Chunkin' Bring a Friend...
 Sun., Nov. 6, 5 pm—Youth Band performs, special meal, jack-o-lantern carving, a special message and punkin' chunkin'!
Pilgrimage
 Friday, Nov. 11 - Sunday, Nov. 13

Youth Council

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

Special Pilgrimage "Live the Life" Sharing Op
 Lanecia Rouse, one of the scheduled Pilgrimage speakers, works with St. John's UMC Downtown as the project manager for the Art Project of Houston, as well as the Volunteer Coordinator for The Bread of Life. Both ministries of St. John's Church serve to bring healing to Houston's homeless and poor.

Pilgrimage participants are invited to share their support with the Art Project and The Bread of Life in two ways: 1) before or during Pilgrimage, go to a Michael's or Hobby Lobby and purchase gift cards in any amount for art supplies and/or purchase food cards to Taco Bell, Jason's Deli, Papa John's, and KFC. Bring the gift cards to Pilgrimage. 2) Sign a Pilgrimage Banner that will be hung in the Art Project Center in Houston following Pilgrimage.

To turn in the gift cards and to sign the banner, go to the "Live the Life" collection table which will be next to the Youth Service Fund Table. Gift cards must be turned in by Saturday evening.

November Birthdays

Nov 1	Cooper Harrington	Nov 16	Jennifer Phillips
Nov 1	Denny Wolfe	Nov 19	Billie Hearn
Nov 1	Emily Gardner	Nov 19	Casey Kenner
Nov 1	Hal Cleavinger	Nov 20	Kevin Scott
Nov 1	Mary Brown	Nov 20	Silvia Benitez
Nov 2	Julie Huggins	Nov 21	Justin Sloan
Nov 3	Randall Gattis	Nov 21	Lauren Campbell
Nov 3	LeRoy Soule	Nov 21	Will Groce
Nov 5	Barbara Cavalluzzi	Nov 22	Laura Lynn Bright
Nov 5	Meredith Brooker	Nov 22	Nancy Huffman
Nov 5	Paula Works	Nov 22	Phillip Poindexter
Nov 7	Callie Strother	Nov 25	Fran Holzwarth
Nov 8	Jeff McLeod	Nov 26	Erin Keith
Nov 9	Gary Wells	Nov 26	Jamie Snell
Nov 10	Aiden Howard	Nov 26	Kim Wheeler
Nov 10	Tracy Culler	Nov 26	Martha Bright
Nov 10	Glenda Benitez	Nov 26	Pam Eaddy
Nov 11	Debra Groce	Nov 26	Russel Mann
Nov 11	Roger Binnig	Nov 27	Patrick Mohan
Nov 11	Wendy Thomas	Nov 27	Patrick Repper
Nov 14	Sherry Williams	Nov 28	Carol Scott
Nov 15	Charles Lee Mann	Nov 28	Mary Agnes Rosser
Nov 15	Iain Mohan	Nov 29	Ruth Brewner
Nov 15	Camilla Vogler		

Anniversaries

Nov 2		Bob & Nancy Huffman
Nov 5		Robert & Jackie Watson
Nov 11	1972	Ray & Barbara Parish
Nov 16		Don & Doris Roscoe
Nov 16	1985	Kevin & Libby Grossfuss
Nov 16	2000	Scott & Jennifer Phillips
Nov 20	1971	Wally & Jenny Duff
Nov 24	1954	Hal & Suzanne Cleavinger
Nov 24		Bill & Jinger Gibson
Nov 28	1941	Russel & Julia Mann

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

The Body of Christ



More Volunteer Opportunities

► Highway to Healing Organization is looking for volunteer drivers to take cancer patients to our local hospitals. If anyone is interested, please see Mike Ingram or call him at 919-774-3709.

► JUMC is also looking for volunteer drivers to be called to take our church family members to appointments, church functions, or other needs. If you are interested, please contact Jayme Miller at 919-770-6564 or e-mail jayme1@windstream.net.

► Hurricane Irene Disaster Response by the NC Conference is still ongoing. The extent of the damage in some areas is still unknown. Ways to volunteer or supply assistance:

1. Groups can volunteer or donate supplies by calling 888-440-9167 or by e-mailing disasterresponse@nccumc.org.
2. Financial donations may be made through nccumc.org. Click on the Hurricane Relief box on the home page.
3. To give by check to the NC Conference, designate your check for NC Storm Reponse (#S-00176), and place it in the offering plate.
4. Or mail funds to: NC Conference, PO Box 60053, Charlotte, NC 28260. Please designate your check for NC Storm Reponse (#S-00176).

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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
5:00 pm—UMYF (Youth Fellowship)
5:30pm —Praise Band, Wesley Center

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 7-May)
6:30 pm—Pioneer Clubs (Sept 7-May)
6:30 pm—Cherub Choir, Children's Choir,
Handbell Choir (Sept 7-May)
6:30 pm—Small Groups, Youth Bible Study
7:30 pm—JUMChoir, Music Room

Thursday

8:00 am—Bulletin Weekly Deadline
9:30 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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