

This Month in The Vine

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Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 24th

Three services 8:30am, Nine on Main and 11:00am
The ROCK@5 Children's Choir will sing at the 11:00am service.

Holy Thursday, March 28th | 7:00pm

A Holy Week Journey Service & Communion

Evening Easter Cantata, "We Were There" Good Friday, March 29th | 7:00pm

The JUMC Chancel Choir will join the Chancel Choir at *1st United Methodist Church in High Point to present this dramatic choral work by Pepper Choplin

*512 N. Main St, High Point, NC 27260

Easter Sunday, March 31st

Easter Egg Hunt at 10:00am

All children ages 2 yrs. - 5th grade are invited to participate

Sunday Morning Worship

at 8:30am, Nine on Main @ 11:00am

Easter Sunday Worship | March 31st

Join us for one of our 3 services on Sunday morning, 8:30am, 9:00am or 11:00am. Bring fresh cut flowers to be placed on the cross outside prior to worship.

Holy Thursday Thursday, March 28th

Join us as we celebrate Maundy (Holy) Thursday – the night when Jesus washed his disciples' feet, instituted the Lord's Supper, and was betrayed by those who would send him to the cross. Jesus loves us with a love that sacrificed everything as we will see through the events of Holy Week. Join us on Thursday, March 28th in-person, or online at 7:00pm.

Good Friday Cantata Friday, March 29th

We hope you will join us at First United Methodist in High Point on Good Friday, March 29th at 7:00pm, as the JUMC Chancel Choir joins the Chancel Choir of First United Methodist Church to present "We Were There" by Pepper Choplin. The concert will take place in the historic sanctuary of First UMC and will include a full orchestra.

This is a *great* opportunity to invite friends and family to come and experience such a poignant and moving cantata, sung by a huge, combined choir and accompanied by a professional orchestra. For more information, reach out to Dr. Marc Ashley Foster at marc@jumc.org.



Easter Egg Hunt | March 31st | 10:00am

Join us on the front lawn of JUMC for an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, March 31st at 10:00am.

Don't forget to bring you Easter basket with you!

Care

Prayer Requests...

Joe Horne Jo Caubre Josh Luty

Jim Jarrett Claude Jackson Stephen McDaniel

Ann Burke Jack Davis Jeb Baker

Bill Warren

Don Raker <u>Military Personnel</u>:
Gilda Scott Tyler Belcastro

Condolences to these families and other losses since our last publication

<u>Denise & Terry Clark</u> on the passing of Denise's mother, <u>Peggy Sue Hunt</u> on 2/1/24.

<u>Judy Moretz</u> on the passing of her son and <u>Samantha (Tim) Barbrey</u>'s twin brother, <u>Dustin Moretz</u> on 2/2/24.

The family of Edna Harris Hicks on her passing on 2/2/24.

Chris Tallant on the passing of his father and Ashley and Brady's grandfather, Loyd Blackburn Tallant on 2/11/24.

The family of Vivian L. Stewart on her passing on 2/12/24.

A Moment in Time / Memory Café | Tuesday, March 19th | 1:30pm

A Moment in Time, JUMC's chapter of The Memory Café, is a social gathering of people with any form or stage of dementia as well as their Care Partner. It is a stigma free environment to gather, share and enjoy activities and refreshments with people who are going through the same thing. Come, fellowship, get out and have a little fun!

We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month between 1:30pm - 3:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Reservations are requested but not required. To register or ask questions, contact Laura Gulledge at (336) 906-0430 or lauragulledge@gmail.com | https://www.facebook.com/jumcmemorycafe.

Jamestown Alzheimers & Dementia Caregiver's Support Group | April 5th | 2:30pm

This group is open to the community and focuses on those caring for a loved one with any form of dementia. We are a group of caring, open individuals who share, support, and learn from each other. Just in case you need to bring your loved one with you, we will have a room set-up just for them. Trained volunteers will provide appropriate activities and a light snack.

Hope you can join us here at Jamestown UMC, the first Tuesday each month, in the lower-level Sunday School rooms off the front patio.

For more information please contact Melissa Moore at mamamelissa 911@gmail.com or 336-209-3335.

Jamestown United Methodist Church Received Gifts In February...

In Loving Memory of:

Mr. Loyd Tallant

Mrs. June Annis

Mss Grace Virginia White

(daughter of Linda Cash)

Mrs. Peggy S. Hunt

Mr. Robert J. Wilkins

Mr. Charles E. Staley

(father of Emilee McCracken)

Ms. Vivian Lea Stewart

In loving memory and honor of these individuals, our church members and friends have given to...

Stephen Ministry Handbells
Grief Share Mission Meals
General Budget Building Maintenance/Capital Reserve

Love

Average Monthly Attendance

Average Adult Sunday School attendance(Based on the numbers submitted)	17
8:30am Worship Attendance	42
9:00am Worship Attendance	69
11:00am Worship Attendance	144
Ash Wednesday Service	<u>107</u>
Average for onsite worship	91
Average online viewership	55

Needed for 4 weeks of budget | \$109,600

Giving for January 28 - February 18

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Budget	\$68.638.00
JUMC Mobile App (Budget)	
	\$76,273.00
Building Maintenance/	
Capital Reserve	\$860.00

Thank you JUMC Family! We appreciate your faithfulness in getting your contributions to us. Ways to give:

- 1. JUMC Mobile APP
- 2. Online at JUMC.ORG
- 3. Text "Give" to (336)594-2717

Please consider Jamestown United Methodist Church in your estate plans.

Finance Committee

If you have questions about Finances please call John Seymour (336) 210-4415.

2023 Contribution Statement Mailings

All 2023 Contribution Statements have been emailed to you on January 23! (hint: check your "junk/spam mail" if it doesn't arrive in the "in-box"). If no email address is on file with us, your statement was sent via regular mail on January 23rd.

If you received your statement via email, but do not have a way to print it—please contact the Business Office at 336-454-2717 or email kim@jumc.org. We will print your statement and send it to you via regular mail.

As always, thank you for your continued support of Jamestown United Methodist Church. We appreciate you!

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinners | 5:00pm—6:30pm

Adult meals are \$10, \$5 for children 5-14 yrs. and under 5 yrs. are free. with a family cap of \$40. Reservations are greatly appreciated and requested by Monday at noon, so that we can plan accordingly. Register by scanning weekly QR codes, visiting the website, www.jumc.org or the mobile app.

March Menus:

3/6: Chicken Parmesan 3/20: Ham & Casserole Bonanza

3/13: Shepherd's Pie 3/27: No meal







Young at Heart | March 5th | 11:30am

Join us for this March Madness themed gathering on March 5th at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Danny Harnden, a sports and news anchor at Fox 8 WGHP, is coming to talk all things basketball. Lunch includes chili, baked potato bar, coleslaw and yummy desserts. Register before March 3rd to reserve your spot. You can register via the mobile app or by calling the church office. Don't forget to invite a friend or neighbor to come with you! The cost is \$5.00 per person.



Our mission focus for March is JUMC's ministry to serve those with dementia in our community--A Moment in Time. To help support this ministry, please bring a \$5.00 gift card to one of these restaurants: Chick-Fil-A, Zaxby's, Starbucks, Wendy's, Burger King, Biscuitville.

Young at Heart | April 2nd | 11:30am



Join us for this April showers themed gathering on April 2nd at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Lanie Pope, the chief meteorologist at WXII, is coming to talk all things weather. Lunch is a salad bar—Asian salad, chicken salad, potato salad—to name a few. And, of course, there are always yummy desserts. Register before March 31st to reserve your spot. You can register via the website, the mobile app or by calling the church office. Don't forget to invite a friend or neighbor to come with

you! The cost is \$5.00 per person. Our mission focus for April is the Blessing Box. To help support this ministry, please bring a non-perishable food item with you. Registration will open after the March event.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! To our congregation!

The support of The Blessing Box has been phenomenal! Volunteers continue to supply and fill the Blessing Box in order to feed both hungry families and the homeless in this community. You continue to show your warm hearts by your kindness, caring, love, and generosity to those you will probably never know.

With a couple of years experience behind us, we have learned what items the homeless prefer or need. Below is a list that may help you in your future selections. However, whatever you can offer is greatly appreciated.

Limited suggested list for homeless:

Pull tab cans of lasagnas, spaghettios, ravioli, soups (chicken noodle, vegetable, meat) etc.

Vienna sausages canned tuna salmon stews

Breakfast bars protein bars Individually wrapped cakes oatmeal cookies

donuts, peanut butter crackers nuts jerky

chips pudding and or fruit cups

Families' needs are somewhat different. They can use canned vegetables, dried foods, etc. for cooking.

Please refrain from donating fresh breads fruits, vegetables, and homemade items. The climate cannot insure their safety so they must be pulled from the box.

In John 21 verses 15-17, Jesus tells Peter to feed His sheep. He is calling us to nurture, care and feed others in need.

That is our vision for the project.

If you are interested in taking part in this important ministry feel free to sign up on the calendar outside of the office.

Coffee with Pastors | Sunday, April 7th | 2:00pm

Are you new to Jamestown UMC? Have you attended for some time and just haven't taken the next step? What IS the next step? Whatever your next step is, we invite you to join us for Coffee with the Pastors on April 7th at 2:00pm in The Welcome Center.

This event will allow you to meet the pastors of JUMC. You'll have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about various areas and aspects of the church. We'll also show you how to get more involved. If you are interested in joining the church, we'll help you with that as well!

If you're interested in attending, we'd love to have you. Contact Dana Bird at dana@jumc.org so we can plan accordingly. Childcare will be available if needed.



Baskets of Love Ready to be Adopted for 17th Year!

For the 17th year, Baskets of Love have been placed outside the church office and are waiting to be "adopted" by members of JUMC to show love to nearly 50 special members who are unable to be with us on a regular basis. Sponsored by Circles of Faith, Friends, Hope and Peace, you are invited to select a colorful basket, read the instructions, select a name from the box and write your name next to the recipient's name on the list and take the small card with name/address, fill the basket with as many items as you think they might enjoy, decorate it and deliver it to the recipient.

We appreciate those of you who are willing to deliver your basket during the weekend of Palm Sunday or throughout Holy Week. However, for those who are unable to deliver the basket, we ask that they BE RETURNED TO JUMC BY WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20th for members of the circles to deliver. ATTACH THE NAME/ADDRESS CARD OF THE RECIPIENT TO THE OUTSIDE OF THE BASKET. Please indicate your delivery intentions in the appropriate column on the list where you select your person.

If you need ideas for what to include in the basket, we suggest lotion, bath soap, stamps, note cards, variety of greeting cards, lawn ornaments, bird feeders, magazines, word search/cross word books, devotion books, decorations, snacks, flashlights... the list can go on and on. *The ONLY items required in the basket is something that depicts EASTER AND A HANDWRITTEN CARD/NOTE TO THE RECIPIENT!* Upon completion, please use a cellophane bag found at Dollar Tree to wrap your basket and tie it with a beautiful ribbon and adorn it with flowers, a bunny, yard ornament, etc.....be creative and make your basket beautiful, if possible.

For information or questions/concerns, please call/text Phyllis Allen, 336-420-9362. Thank you for supporting this ministry as we show how much JUMC loves and cares for its own for the 17th year!

Agape Café Food Collection

We will be collecting food items for our Agape Cafe kids on Sunday, March 10th during all 3 services. Collection boxes will be outside the doors at the Fellowship Hall, under the colonnade area and at the back doors leading into the Welcome Center. Just bring your items to church and drop them in the boxes! These food items will help feed our kids and their families while they are on Easter break. Thank you so much for your support of this program! We couldn't do it without YOU!

Items Needed:

Mac N Cheese (family and individual sizes)

Fruit Cups/Applesauce (family and individual sizes)

Soups

Peanut Butter

Pasta

Rice

Any questions, please contact Angie at angie@jumc.org

Puddings

Ravioli/Beeferoni

Canned Chicken or Tuna

Jelly

Spaghetti Sauce (plastic containers)

Pop Tarts



Saturday, March 23rd 8:00am - 10:00am

403 East Main St. Jamestown, NC 27282 For more information, please visit: www.jumc.or



Flowers for the Sanctuary

At Jamestown UMC, it has been our tradition to offer individuals, families, and groups the opportunity to honor loved ones and recognize special occasions by purchasing and placing flowers in the sanctuary for services of worship.

Our "Flower Calendar is out and open for sign-ups. There are still a lot of weeks available in March and throughout the year. If you wish to place flowers in the sanctuary, please take a moment to stop by the sign-up calendar and reserve your date. The chart is posted in the hallway between the church office and library. Remember, it is a first come, first serve opportunity so sign up soon. Please feel free to contact Paige Matthews at paige@jumc.org or call 336-454-2717 to check availability of the date you would like.

Baby Shower | Sunday, March 17th | 2:00pm—4:00pm



We hope you'll join us as the Staff Parrish Relations Committee hosts a baby shower for Erin Betlej-Stockdale.

You can find their registry at:

www.babylist.com/list/Erin-Betlej



Don't forget to order your pine needles by March 10th. Orders can be placed through the website, www.jumc.org, our mobile app or by scanning the QR Code.

Forms can also be found in the church office.



Missions Committee Collection

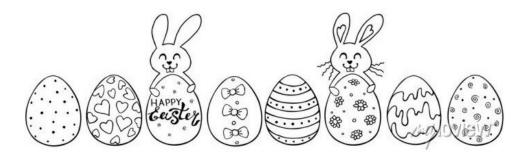
Sunday, April 21st is "Undie Sunday." The Missions Committee will be accepting donations of NEW packaged undergarments for those in need (all sizes); men, women, children and toddlers. We invite everyone to support a great cause!

Undergarments are one of the most important needs for the less fortunate, especially in the cold weather. Donation bins will be available to drop off items in the Narthex or bring to the Welcome Center any time between April 1st-April 21st.

THANK YOU for your support of our Local Homeless Ministry!

Easter Candy Donations Needed

Help make the Easter egg hunt fun and exciting for the children by donating Easter candy to fill the eggs. We are collecting candy through March 17th. There is a donation bin in the Fellowship Hall and one outside the back doors of the church. Please bring candy that is small enough to fit inside a plastic egg (no lollipops please). We have plenty of eggs, so no egg donations are needed.



Serve



Help Fill Easter Eggs | March 17th | 5:00pm

Come to ROCK@5 on March 17th and help fill the Easter eggs with candy. Parents, this is a great opportunity to spend time with other ROCK@5 parents.

Thank You From the Missions Committee

A tremendous, heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to every one of our 83 volunteers who helped package meals for RISE AGAINST HUNGER on Saturday, February 17, 2024! Thank you to the youth and their chaperones who volunteered their time. Thank you to the families who brought their children to teach them the value of helping others. Thank you to all the others who showed up to work and did not leave until the truck was



What a fun, family oriented mission that gets better and feeds more each year.



2022 we packaged 12,221 meals, which was outstanding.

2023 we packaged 15,120 meals!

2024 we packaged 15,558 meals!

What an accomplishment!! All of you were surely the hands and feet of Jesus.

Thank you.

Matthew 25:35

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.











Dear Rachel.

Thank you for partnering with us to end hunger! YOU are the secret sauce in our meals! We appreciate your trust in our organization and your investment in our cause. Your generosity is helping lead to resilience, self-sufficiency, education, empowerment and bright futures in communities worldwide.

I hope you will share any feedback that might help us get better. We are always better together, right?

As always, we deeply appreciate your partnership with our mission and look forward to ending hunger with you!

lennifer

Rise Against Hunger Representative



Shepherd's Team | We need you!

The Shepherd's Team is looking for a few good men and women!

Formed in September 2013, this service ministry focuses on the safety and security of our members and guests while on our campus. Our team members serve one Sunday morning every 4-6 weeks (more or less often depending on the Team member's schedules). During that time, the Team members and Security Guard rotate between walking the grounds and watching the camera monitors in the church office. Each Team member carries a walkie-talkie and is identified by a Shepherd's Team badge and jacket. Currently, two Shepherd's Team members and one Security Guard serve each Sunday morning from 8:00am – 12:30pm. Our goal is to have four Team members

every Sunday so that Team members can work 2-hour shifts and attend a service or Sunday school. In order to do this, the Team must grow! And, due to budget cuts, we will no longer have a deputy on campus Sunday mornings. This cut makes the Shepherd's Team an even more vital part of our security ministry.

Law Enforcement Officials and Church Security Professionals were consulted in the development of this Team. They agree and advise us that the best way to protect ourselves is to deter those wishing to do harm from ever entering our campus and the best way to deter is by our physical, visible presence. Our purpose is not to confront nor use physical force to stop a crime but only to observe, alert others and to call the proper authorities when necessary. We are not Police, but a *Volunteer Security Monitoring Team*.

If you think this might be a ministry you are interested in, we ask that you prayerfully consider this invitation and then perhaps **Shadow a Shepherd** one Sunday to see for yourself.

For more information, contact Tammy (tammy@jumc.org or 336-454-2717) in the church office.

Church Nursery Workers Wanted | Immediate Openings

Where: Jamestown United Methodist Church (JUMC), 403 Main St, Jamestown

Time: Sunday Mornings & Wednesday Nights – 24 hours per month

Requirements:

- Comfortable working with Infants, Toddlers & Youth
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Pass a background check
- Have own transportation
- Attend a short Safe Sanctuary Training program at JUMC

Pay: \$15/hr with bimonthly direct deposit payments

Contact: Marcia L. Richmond, JUMC Nursery Coordinator at MarciaLRichmond@gmail.com or 252-633-5570 (cell/text)



Church Yard Day | Saturday, March 16th | 9:00am—Noon

Mark your calendar now for our 18th annual Spring yard workday Saturday March 16th from 9:00am-noon. We'll need lots of folks in order to put out 260 bales of pine needles in only 3 hours! Everyone is welcome, so put on your yard clothes and garden gloves and join us for a morning of fun and fellowship as we spruce up our campus for Spring. For those early birds among us, we'll be placing the bales around the campus starting at 8:30am and would welcome any help. Scout troops or civic groups looking for a service project—keep this day in mind!

World Relief Update!

2024 is off to a great start with several donations received by the Outreach Center. And, multiple church members donated household items and furniture this year. The donations are taken to World Relief's warehouse where they are distributed as the need arises. We also visited the Cardona family and installed a stereo unit and TV that was donated. We picked up a family of 4 from Sudan and helped with a Home Set Up in February.

Thank you JUMC for supporting this vital mission!

Please email <u>lynda@thompson-creative.com</u> for donations or questions about World Relief.

Hebrews 13:2

Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.





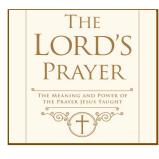
Grow



ROCK@5 will not meet on March 24th & March 31st.

Have a wonderful spring break!

Lenten Sermon Series Continue Through March 17th



Traditional Services | 8:30am & 11:00am

Spend the season of Lent really getting to know – and really pray – the Lord's Prayer. Each week at the traditional services, Pastor David will explore each of its rich lines and their meaning in the Bible, illuminating what we ask of God and what we ask of ourselves through its words. He will also teach us how to use it as a pattern for our own prayer life. Each Sunday of Lent through March 17th at the 8:30am and 11:00am worship services.

Contemporary Service | 9:00am

We live in a culture bent on definitions of a good life as continuous upward mobility-climbing ladders of prosperity with increasingly fabulous experiences that we can post to ever-more-likable social media accounts. We may comb the shelves of the self-help section in search of just the right formula to gain success. Perhaps we even gravitate towards spiritual leaders who promise great rewards if we only do "the right thing." But life happens, right? Most times we are not moving upward but trying to repair the rung we've just slipped from. So what if we stopped climbing and started fertilizing, watering, and blooming right where we find ourselves? Welcome to a Lent of affirming a



faith in which we are blessed, regardless, and where we can lean into embracing our "good enough" lives. Join us each Sunday of Lent from February 18th – March 31st at the 9:00am worship service as we discover that God is here, and somehow, that is good enough.

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The Gift of Forgiveness Series

We've received great response from our previous series, "The Gift of Forgiveness." If you would like to review or share the series with others, it can be found on a playlist on our YouTube Channel or through scanning the QR code. Search YouTube for JamestownUMCnc or follow this link: www.youtube.com/c/JamestownUMCnc.



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Worship Schedules

General Sunday Morning Worship Times

<u>8:30am</u> <u>9:00am</u> <u>11:00am</u>

Traditional Contemporary Traditional Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Sanctuary

Traditional Worship will be available at 11:00am on our Facebook page & YouTube channel. YouTube: www.youtube.com/c/JamestownUMCnc

Sunday Morning Childcare

Childcare is available from 8:15am to 12:15pm for children ages 6 weeks to 4 years (pre-K). You can drop your children off in rooms 107 and 109.

For more information, visit us at www.jumc.org

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