

August 2009

Wednesday Nights at Sam Jones



Business By The Book Resumes

Tuesday, August 11

Noon - 1:00

Lunch \$6

We welcome Dr. George Manners, guest speaker, "Character and Characters".

Reservations Requested



Women's League Fall Bible Studies.

Women of all ages are invited to join us for an exciting evening of music, worship, dessert and coffee bar. Come hear guest speaker Kathy Fincher, one of the most licensed inspirational artists in the country, share her testimony while she paints one of her beautiful landscapes.

Tickets are \$5.00
Contact Jill Archer (770-607-8617) for tickets and information.



Wednesday Night Dinners and Programs begin August 12!

Family Night Supper

A delicious meal is served each evening from 5:15 to 6:15. The price is \$6 per adult and \$3.00 for kids ages 3-6 with an \$18 maximum per household. Reservations are requested.

Children's Ministries

Our children, ages 4 through fifth grade, will enjoy a celebration of music on Wednesday nights this fall. Our younger kids will spend time singing, playing, and trying out new instruments. Children in 3rd-5th grades will take part in a newly designed program that integrates music, puppets, and drama. ALL children's programs will follow Wednesday night dinners and end at 7:00 pm.

PUMP 6th Grade Program

Sixth Grade PUMP (Programs for United Methodist Preteens) has a full schedule this year including Sunday School (9:45 or 11am), Sunday evening confirmation classes (5:00-7:00pm), Wednesday evening small groups (6:00-7:00pm), community outreach projects, our annual retreat, and more! Make sure the church office has your email address so you don't miss regular updates!

Youth Bible Studies

Youth from seventh to twelfth grades are invited to join in small group Bible Studies from 6:00 to 7:00 in the Youth House. Youth Disciple, a 34-week study, will be offered to ninth to twelfth graders from 6:00 to 8:00 in F-102. Sign up for Disciple now in the Youth Suite on the first floor of the Family Life Center.

Adult Handbell and Vocal Choirs

The Bells of Sam Jones practice from 6:30 to 7:30. Then the adult Chancel Choir practices begin at 7:30. For more information, contact Brian McLeod. Come and make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Adult Bible Studies

We have a full slate of Bible studies beginning in August and September! Studies include: *Disciple IV (Under the Tree of Life)*, Beth Moore (*When Godly People Do Ungodly Things*), Kay Arthur studies (*Precept-Upon-Precept: Isaiah Part I and Lord, Give Me a Heart For You*), a Tony Dungy study (*Quiet Strength Men's Bible Study*), short-term *Disciple* studies and many more! Studies are held at various times including Sunday through Wednesday evenings as well as Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Some are for men, some are for women, and some are for everyone! See the enclosed insert or the church website (www.samjonesumc.org and click on "Bible Study") for more information on adult Bible studies.



Aubrey Isabella McCleskey
Daughter of Candis Cureton
and Terence McCleskey
Baptized on July 19, 2009

Sympathy to....

Bernice Leachman, family and friends on the death of her husband, Troy Leachman, June 27.

Loretta Robinson, family and friends on the death of her mother, Olene Hutchins of Buford, July 17, 2009.

Congratulations to....

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan McCann who were married in May 2 in Florida. Mrs. McCann is the former Stephanie Hull, daughter of Chris and Jim Hull.

Mr. and Mrs. David Grinnell who were married July 18 at Sam Jones. Mrs. Grinnell is the former Laura Linsey, daughter of Susan Linsey and granddaughter of Hilda Shaw.

Janae and Jeff Jones on the birth of Abigail Janae on June 26. Abi's grandparents are Eunice and Terry Jones.

Emergency!

If you have a pastoral emergency and need to get in touch with a minister or other staff member, please call the church office immediately, even after office hours. When the machine answers, enter 191 to get the emergency extension. Leave a message. As soon as you hang up after leaving a message, the phone system will contact the staff member "on call" with your message. Someone is available 24/7, so please do not hesitate to call if you need your church!

Stewardship

GENERAL BUDGET

Stewardship numbers:
2009 Operating Budget.....\$ 1,451,238
Needed through June.....\$725,622
Received through June..... \$ 664,856
CORNERSTONE Renovation Fund
Cornerstone Pledged.....\$2,100,000
Received In June..... \$ 13,658
Received through June.....\$ 1,692,327

Reception for
Carrie Finegan
Sunday, August 2 at Noon
in the Banquet Room

Join your church family as we say farewell to Carrie and Tasso as they move to Atlanta where she will be a Chaplain at Grady Hospital.



Back to School Worship Series

John 3:16 is the best known and loved verse of the Bible. "For God so loved the world . . ." reminds us of the extraordinary height, width, and depth of the Lord's love for his people. Based upon Max Lucado's bestselling book, 3: 16, we will explore each phrase of this critical verse. The worship series will include:

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| Aug 2 | 3:16 |
| Aug 9 | For God So Loved The World |
| Aug 16 | That He Gave |
| Aug 23 | His One And Only Son |
| Aug 30 | Whosoever Believes In Him |
| Sep 6 | Should Not Perish |
| Sep 13 | But Have Eternal Life |

In Our Prayers

In the Hospital or at Home

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| Bernice Bosser | Sandy Segars |
| Mildred Caldwell | A.W. Scroggins |
| Donna Catalina | J. C. Thacker |
| Helen Dienst | Rose Ann Wilcox |
| Louise Dysart | |
| Mary Nell Fortenberry | Serving Overseas: |
| Mary Fowler | Josh Freeman |
| Ann Jay | Jim Green |
| Ethel Monroe | Gene Meredith |



Youth Ministries

Sundays

Sunday School, 9:45 and 11:00 a.m., Family Life Center, room F-102

Youth Fellowship, 5:00 -7:00 p.m., Family Life Center. Bring \$3 for snack supper.

Wednesdays (begins August 12)

Bible Studies, 6:00 -7:00 p.m., Youth House
Youth Disciple, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., F-102

Pool Party

Sunday, August 2, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Cartersville Country Club

Bring \$3.00 for snack supper

Rome Braves Game

Sunday, August 22

Sign up in the youth room by August 9.

F.I.S.H.

(Fellowship In Someone's Home)

Sunday, August 30

Meet at the church at 5:00 p.m.,
return at 7:00 p.m.

All youth should have a consent form signed by a parent before all trips. One form covers activities for the school year except retreats.

Youth E-mail

Youth Update e-mails are sent to parents and youth each week. Call or e-mail the church office if you wish to be included on the updates.

6th Grade PUMP

Sixth Grade PUMP (Programs for United Methodist Pre-teens) will kick-off their fall programs on Sunday, August 16 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. (a snack-supper will be provided for \$3/person). All sixth graders and their parents are asked to attend to find out important information about the activities, classes and retreats that are planned for the year. Please contact the church

Children's Ministries

Children's Sunday School

9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sessions

Presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders

Sunday, August 16

We will present a Bible to each of our third graders at all three worship services. The children will then have their "Bible Retreat" the following weekend. Look for more information in the mail or contact Jodi Shaw with questions.

3rd Grade Bible Retreat

Friday, August 21- Saturday, August 22

Our third graders will enjoy a weekend learning about God's Word and how to use their new Bibles, as well as playing Bible games and trivia. Drop off in the FLC parking lot on Friday afternoon at 5:30. We will spend one night at the Cherokee Retreat Center, and children will be ready for pick up in the FLC parking lot on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. We still need two male chaperones. See Jodi for more information.

Acolyte Training

Sunday, August 9 (12-2:00 p.m.)

Children who are entering third grade and up are invited to be acolytes in our 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. traditional services—all you need to do is attend the next Acolyte Training (bring \$5 for lunch—scholarships available) and RSVP by Wednesday, August 5. This training is for new and continuing acolytes. Contact Carrie Finegan or Brian McLeod for more information.

Educator Dedication

If you work in our public or private schools as a teacher, custodian, bus driver, administrator, cook, para-pro, volunteer, or any other capacity please plan to come to the Educator Dedication at any of



Welcome Alison Wright Minister of Discipleship

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is delighted to welcome Alison Wright as our new Minister of Discipleship. Alison is a graduate of the University of Georgia and served ten years at Roswell First United Methodist Church in the children's and youth areas. During the past two years, she has returned to school and earned her Masters Degree in Christian Education at Asbury Seminary. Alison is a native of Augusta, Georgia where her family still lives. Alison will join the church staff on July 27, and her first Sunday is August 2. Please join us in welcoming Alison to Sam Jones.

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Outreach

Ministry Opportunity!

Do you enjoy teaching others new skills? Or do you speak some Spanish? Either way, we need you! Douglas Street UMC offers a ministry teaching English and this year they are starting a class for pre-beginners (no English skills). A Teacher's Workshop will be on Saturday morning, Sept. 12, at Douglas St. UMC for anyone interested in leading a class. Please contact Chris Hull or the church office for more information.

August Basket Ministry



August Basket Ministry We are collecting school supplies for various places around Bartow County for children in need. There will be more need this year than in past years, due to continued economic hardship around Bartow County. All school supplies are welcome, but the following supplies are especially needed: backpacks, pencils, erasers, crayons, colored pencils, pencil boxes/zipper bags, scissors and glue. Brand-new children's-size underwear is also needed for the primary schools. Thank you for supporting families in need!



Congratulations to our own Linda Benton for recently being awarded the Rotary International District 6910 Jean Harris Volunteer of the Year Award.

This award is awarded to someone whose volunteer efforts have made a significant contribution in the areas of Economics, Education, Health, and/or Personal Development.

Linda was noted for her service to the Cartersville-Bartow Community Foundation, The Salvation Army, Cartersville School Board and Sam Jones UMC.

Foundation presidentt David Aft noted, "As a Rotarian for more than 20 years, I have been close to several area Rotary Clubs. The Jean Harris Award recognizes excellence and Linda's commitment to people and her community exemplifies Rotary's highest ideals."

PrimeTimers

August 18, Luncheon

Lewis Hickom, "Games You Played in Your Youth"

August 25, Trip

Aquarium/Imax, Chattanooga, TN

August 12

Fried Chicken ~ Mashed Potatoes
 Green Beans ~ Salad Bar
 Roll and Dessert
 Hot Dogs and Chips

**Wednesday Night Menus
 August 19**

Barbeque ~ Baked Beans
 Coleslaw ~ Salad Bar
 Roll and Dessert
 Hot Dogs and Chips

August 26

Meatloaf ~ Mashed Potatoes
 Pinto Beans ~ Salad Bar
 Roll and Dessert
 Hot Dogs and Chips

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Adult Bible Study Fall Schedule Evening Studies

Sundays



Seeking Him: The Joy of Personal Revival (Nancy Leigh DeMoss & Tim Grissom)

Sundays 5:00-7:00 pm (Sep 13 – Dec 13); Family Life Center Room F-307
Books are \$11 each; scholarships available; facilitated by Trish Landrum

Mondays



Disciple IV: Under the Tree of Life (Prerequisite: 1 yr of Disciple or Precept)

Mondays 6:00-8:00 pm (Aug 24 – Apr 19); Family Life Center (Room F-306)
Books are \$35 each; scholarships available; facilitated by Daneise Archer & Suzanne Hatfield

Tuesdays



Friend to Friend: Friendships of Purpose, A Shared Study of Ephesians (Edna Ellison)

Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 pm (Sep 8 – Oct 20); 23 Ferguson Drive (Euharlee)
Books are \$10 each; scholarships available; facilitated by Kimmy Davis



When God Speaks (Henry Blackaby, Richard Blackaby)

Tuesdays 7:00-9:00 pm (Sep 8 – Oct 20); 27 Westchester Drive (Cartersville)
Books are \$13; scholarships available; facilitated by Connie Smith & Rev. Dee Dee Lawson

Wednesdays



Short-Term Disciple (Various Topics)

Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 pm (Sept. 2 – Nov 18); Family Life Center (Room F306)
Books are \$10 each; scholarships available; facilitators TBA



When Godly People Do Ungodly Things (Beth Moore)

Wednesdays 6:15-8:00pm (Sep 9 – Oct 21); Family Life Center Room F-307
Books are \$17 each; scholarships available; facilitated by Jill Archer & Erin Sinclair



Men's Study: Discovering God's Game Plan for a Winning Life (Tony Dungy)

Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 pm (Aug 26 – Sep 30); Education Building Room E-102
Books are \$10 each; scholarships available; facilitated by Rev. Dr. Bill Burch

Morning Studies



Tuesday Morning Study: Topic TBA

Tuesdays 9:00-11:00 am (Dates TBA); Family Life Center Room F-306
Books are \$27.50; scholarships available; facilitator TBA




Precept-Upon-Precept: Isaiah Part 1 (Kay Arthur)

Thursdays 9:00-11:30 am (Aug 6 – Nov 5); Education Building Room E-102
Books are \$27.50; scholarships available; facilitated by JoAnn Branton & Darla Bishop

For more information contact the Minister of Discipleship at 770-382-4772 ext. 111 or visit
www.samjonesumc.org

August

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	 <p>Sunday Schedule Worship - 8:30am - 9:45am - 11:00am Sunday School - 9:45 and 11:00 am Youth Fellowship - 5:00pm (snack supper \$3.00)</p>		<p>Wednesday Schedule (begins August 12) 5:15 - 6:15pm - Dinner 6:00pm - Children's Programs, Youth Program, Adult Bible Studies 6:30pm - Handbell Rehearsal 7:30pm - Chancel Choir</p>				<p>8am Men's Breakfast SC Mission Team Returns</p>
	<p>2 "3:16" Educator Dedication (all services) Reception for Carrie Finegan Noon - Banquet Room 5-8pm Youth Pool Party</p>	<p>3 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>4 Meals on Wheels 12pm Business by the Book</p>	<p>5 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 12pm Youth Lunch on the Run 6pm Dave Ramsey Class</p>	<p>6 9am Precept: Isaiah Part I</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 9am Scrapbooking</p>
	<p>9 "For God So Loved the World"</p>	<p>10 6pm Stephen Ministry 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>11 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 1pm Church Shop Meeting Wednesday Dinner & Programs Fried Chicken</p>	<p>12 9am Precept</p>	<p>13 9am Precept: Isaiah Part I</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
	<p>16 "That He Gave" 3rd Grade Bible Sunday (all services) 5pm 6th Grade PUMP Parent Meeting Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>17 6:30pm Homebound Ministry 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>18 7:30am Finance Committee 12:30pm PrimeTimers Luncheon 6:30pm Mission Committee</p>	<p>19 8:30am Intercessory Prayer Wednesday Dinner & Programs Barbeque</p>	<p>20 9am Precept 10am Learning Center Open House 3pm Bingo at Maple Ridge</p>	<p>21 3rd Grade Bible Retreat</p>	<p>22 Youth to Rome Braves Game</p>
	<p>23 "His One and Only Son" 6th Grade PUMP Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>24 Learning Center Begins 6pm Disciple IV 6pm Stephen Ministry 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>25 9am PrimeTimers Trip to Imax/Aquarium 7pm Women's League Illumination</p>	<p>26 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 6pm Short-Term Disciple Wednesday Dinner & Programs Meal/loaf</p>	<p>27 9am Precept</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>
	<p>30 "Whosoever Believes In Him" 12pm Acolyte Training 6th Grade PUMP Youth PM Activities</p>	<p>31 10am Lewis Bible Link 6pm Beth Moore Study 6pm Disciple 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>					<p>Church Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. - noon</p>