

July 2009

Clergy Appointments Announced

At the 2009 Annual Conference in Athens, Bishop Mike Watson announced that Bill Burch, Dee Dee Lawson, and Carrie Finegan have been reappointed to Sam Jones Memorial United Methodist Church. Please support our pastors in prayer as we begin a new year together.

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Starting August 2

Minister of Discipleship Changes

Carrie Finegan, the Minister of Discipleship, has been reappointed to Sam Jones. However, she will be leaving us in mid-August to pursue a new opportunity. She will participate in a year-long residency program as a chaplain at Grady Memorial Hospital. A reception will be held in her honor on Sunday, August 2, immediately following the morning worship services at noon in the Banquet Room.

Amazing Grace

A Celebration of Gospel Music

Combined Worship Services

Sunday, July 5, 9:45 a.m.

In the Celebration Hall of the Family Life Center

Covered Dish Dinner after the Worship Service

Join us for a special combined worship service on Sunday, July 5, at 9:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center. We will celebrate God's "Amazing Grace" through gospel music. In addition to singing many old, familiar, congregational hymns, a variety of ensembles with children, youth, and adults will provide special music. This is a unique worship opportunity that you don't want to miss.

After worship, you are invited to a church-wide covered dish dinner. The church is providing the meat, bread, drinks, and paper goods. You are asked to bring side dishes of vegetables, fruit, and desserts—enough to feed you family and others as well.



Casual Dress During July

During the July worship services, you are invited to dress a bit more casually for worship. Come as you are—but don't leave as you were!

Holiday Schedule

The office will close at noon on Thursday, July 2 and be closed on Friday, July 3 in recognition of the Independence Day

Adult Ministries

Adult Sunday School

Our 9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. sessions of adult Sunday School have classes for everyone. If you are not involved in Sunday School, see the yellow card in the pew racks in the Sanctuary and on the Welcome Table in the Celebration Hall for class locations and times.

Adult Bible Studies

Summer Bible Study

Too busy for Bible study during the school year? Join us for an 8-week Disciple Bible Study called "Invitation to the New Testament." Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30 p.m. beginning June 3 and ending July 29 (off on July 1). Books are \$10 (scholarships available). Contact Carrie to sign-up by June 3.

Ongoing Studies:

Short-Term Disciple: Invitation to the New Testament; Wednesday evenings. Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University; Wednesday evenings. See Carrie for more info.

PrimeTimers

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July 21, Luncheon

Rev. Keith Dempsey, Euharlee Baptist Church "Life is Good"

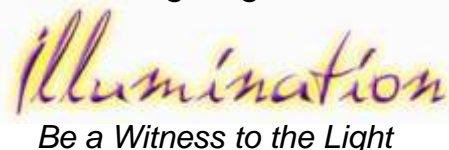


Educator Dedication

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 our three worship services on Sunday, August 2.

Women

Do you feel like you're on the right path? Coming August 25th



Youth Ministries

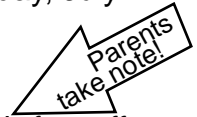


The Youth of Sam Jones kicked off the summer with a pool party to welcome the rising 7th Graders to United Methodist Youth Fellowship. Pictured are the newest members of UMYF. There are many activities for 7th - 12th graders throughout the summer. Check the church website, The Voice and This Week at Sam Jones for all the details.



July Events

Water Games - Sunday, July 12. 5-7:00 p.m.



Parental Consent is required for off-campus activities. See the youth section of the website, www.samjonesumc.org, to download the form.

Lunch on the Run - Wednesday, July 15.

We will be going to the Rome Braves. Cost is \$6.00 (includes game and a hot dog). Please bring extra money for drinks. We will depart the church at 11:30 a.m. and return around 4:00 p.m.



Movie Night - Sunday, July 19.

Our Movie will be Ice Age 3D. Bring money for movie and snacks. Meet at the church at 4:30 p.m.!

Stone Mountain Laser Show - Sunday, July 26.

Leave the church at 4:00 p.m. and we'll be back by 11:00 p.m. Bring money for food.



Children's Ministries

Children's Sunday School

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

Acolyte Training

Sunday, July 26 (12-12:30 p.m.)

Sunday, August 9 (12-12:30 p.m.)

Children who are entering third grade and up are invited to be acolytes in our 8:30 and 11:00am traditional services—all you need to do is attend one of the Acolyte Trainings listed above (bring \$5 for lunch—scholarships available) and RSVP by Wed, July 22 for the first training or by Wed, August 5 for the second training. This training is for new and continuing acolytes. Contact Carrie Finegan or Brian McLeod for more information.

PreSchool Park Day Thursday, July 30

Join us for a playdate on Thursday, July 30 at 9:00 am. Meet at the Dellinger Park playground, and enjoy a morning of fellowship as your toddlers and preschoolers play. We will have snacks and lemonade. Parents, please plan to stay with your children at this event. Siblings are welcome, too!

Summer Field Trips

Our K-2nd graders will enjoy a fun day at the Children's Museum of Atlanta on Thursday, July 23. Cost for the trip is \$20 and includes tickets, parking, and gas. We will meet in the FLC parking lot at 8:00 a.m. and we ask that each child brings a brown bag lunch. Chaperones are needed for this event! For more information or to sign up, visit the sign-up board in the lobby of the FLC or call Jodi Shaw.

All 3rd-5th graders are invited to join us for an exciting trip to ZOO Atlanta on Tuesday, July 21. We will meet at the FLC parking lot at 9:00 a.m., and we ask that each child brings a brown bag lunch. The trip will cost \$15 and includes admission, a train ride and carousel ride, gas and parking. Chaperones are needed for this event. Please see the sign up board in the lobby of the FLC or call Jodi Shaw for more information.

Mark Your Calendar for Summer Field Trips

Tuesday, July 21: 3rd-5th Grade

Thursday, July 23: K-2nd Grade

Wednesday, July 15: 6th Grade PUMP

VBS 2009



With over 200 children from our church and community attending, and more than 100 committed volunteers involved, VBS 2009 was a great success! In VBS this year we learned that God is with us, God is powerful, God does what he says he will do, God gives us life, and God cares for us—which means we will “fear not!” A very special “thank you” goes to all of our volunteers (crew leaders, station leaders, worship leaders, and SO much more!), the church members who donated or loaned supplies, the staff who gave extra time to make VBS successful, the UMW links that provided a hospitality room for volunteers, and especially to our VBS directors Mary Parker and Dana McElwee who have coordinated VBS for two years running. Thank you!!!

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Congratulations to our Sam Jones men's softball team on winning the CPRD Men's Church Recreational League Championship! Throughout the season, team members hit more than 10 home runs, including three grand slams! That, in addition to outstanding pitching and fielding, led the team to a 7-1 record and the championship game, which they won by a score of 17-6. Congratulations on an amazing season!!

Front (L-R): Joey Pogue, Andrew Kelly, Ron Corll
Standing (L-R): Ben Hamrick, Matt Flournoy, Jimmy Hewlett, Chris Madrid, Wes Ross, Bart Shaw, Josh Shaw, Don Gardner, Johnathan Shaw. Team Members not pictured: Stephen Brown, James Camp, Josh Haupt, Justin Turner, Randy Watkins

Softball

Outreach

Summer Missions Trip

A group of adults and youth will be traveling to South Carolina for a week-long domestic missions trip. They will leave on July 26 and return on August 1. We will commission the team to God's service on Sunday, July 26. Please be in pray for our mission team.

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Starting August 2

July Basket Ministry



We are collecting non-perishable food items for the Douglas Street United Methodist Church food pantry. **The demand for food has been overwhelming** this summer and they are in need of any non-perishable food items, but especially the following: rice, lentils, pasta, tortillas, canned fruit, ramen noodles, dried beans, cooking oil, granola bars and pre-sweetened juice mix.

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Membership News

New Members....



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Baptisms.....

Laura Catherine Caswell
Daughter of
Jill and David Caswell
Baptized on May 31, 2009



Sympathy to....

Amy and Lanier Archer, family and friends on the death of her mother, Carolyn Cheshire, on June 9.

Dee Dee Lawson, Gary Collins, family and friends on the death of his brother, Scott Collins, on June 15.

Congratulations to....

Mr. and Mrs. Sean Dowd who were married on June 6 at Sam Jones. Mrs. Dowd is the former Laura Howell, daughter of Sarah and Shepherd Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Moody who were married June 20 at Sam Jones. Mrs. Moody is the former Sarah Terry. Mr. Moody is the son of Gloria and James Moody.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Gable who were married June 27 at Sam Jones. Mrs. Gable is the former Elizabeth Dittmer, granddaughter of Arleda and Herb Dittmer.

Jillian and Jake Caldwell on the birth of Emery McKenna on June 2. Emery's grandmother is Gloria Raulerson, her great-grandparents are Delores and Lewis Hickom.

Erica and Cliff Robinson on the birth of Jack Theodore on June 9. Jack's great-grandmother is Ann Langford.

In Our Prayers

In the Hospital or at Home

Andrea Bishop	A.W. Scroggins
Bernice Bosser	Lynn Summey
Mildred Caldwell	J. C. Thacker
Donna Catalina	Katelyn Watkins
Helen Dienst	Rose Ann Wilcox
Louise Dysart	
Mary Fowler	Serving Overseas:
Ann Jay	Josh Freeman
Ethel Monroe	Jim Green
Emily Padgett	Gene Meredith

Stewardship

Gifts and Tithes

GENERAL BUDGET

Stewardship numbers:

2009 Operating Budget.....	\$ 1,451,238
Needed through May.....	\$ 604,685
Received through May.....	\$ 573,869

CORNERSTONE Renovation Fund

Cornerstone Pledged.....	\$2,100,000
Received In May.....	\$ 46,961
Received through May.....	\$ 1,678,669

Worship

July 5, 2009

Sermon

Amazing Grace

A Celebration of

Gospel Music

Combined Services

9:45 a.m.

July 12, 2009

Sermon

You Give Love a Bad Name

Scripture:

1 John 4:7-12

July 19, 2009

Sermon

Fishing From the Right

Side of the Boat

Scripture:

John 21: 1-14

July 26, 2009


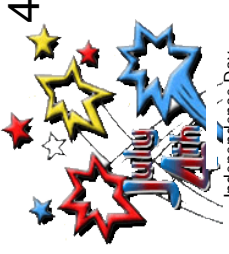
Sermon

You Can't Have Everything

Scripture:

James 4: 1-10

July 2009

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>Monday</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>	<p>Tuesday</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>	<p>Wednesday</p> <p>1 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 12pm Youth Lunch on the Run 6pm Staff-Parish Relations Committee 6pm Dave Ramsey Class</p>	<p>Thursday</p> <p>2 Church Office Closes at Noon</p>	<p>Friday</p> <p>3 Church Office Closed</p>	<p>Saturday</p> <p>4  Independence Day</p>
<p>Amazing Grace A Celebration of Gospel Music</p> <p>9:45 a.m. Combined Worship Dinner on the Grounds to follow No Youth Activities</p>	<p>6 No Youth Ministry</p>	<p>7 Meals on Wheels 6:30 pm Mission Team Meeting</p>	<p>8 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 12pm Youth Lunch on the Run 6pm Dave Ramsey Class 6pm New Testament Class</p>	<p>9 Church Office Closes at Noon</p>	<p>10 Church Office Closed</p>	<p>11 9am Scrapbooking</p>
<p>"You Give Love a Bad Name" Youth PM Activities Water Games Day</p>	<p>13 6pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>14 Meals on Wheels 6:30 pm Mission Team Meeting</p>	<p>15 8:30am Intercessory Prayer PUMP Field Trip Whitewater 11:30am Youth Lunch on the Run to Rome Braves Game 6pm Dave Ramsey Class 6pm New Testament Class</p>	<p>16 Church Office Closes at Noon</p>	<p>17 6pm Linsey/Grinnell Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>18 6pm Linsey/Grinnell Wedding</p>
<p>Summer Reruns: "Fishing from the Right Side of the Boat"</p> <p>Youth Movie Night 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>20 Learning Center Summer Camp 9a.m. - Noon 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>21 Learning Center Summer Camp 9a.m. - Noon 7:30am Finance Committee 3rd-5th Grade Field Trip ZOO Atlanta 12:30pm Prime Timers Luncheon</p>	<p>22 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 12pm Youth Lunch on the Run 6pm Dave Ramsey Class 6pm New Testament Class</p>	<p>23 K-2 Grade Field Trip Children's Museum of Atlanta</p>	<p>24 6pm Linsey/Grinnell Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>25 6pm Linsey/Grinnell Wedding</p>
<p>Summer Reruns: "You Can't Have Everything"</p> <p>12pm Acolyte Training Youth to Stone Mountain 4 - 11pm</p>	<p>27 6pm Stephen Ministry 7pm Etowah Valley Chorale</p>	<p>28 Mission Trip to South Carolina</p>	<p>29 8:30am Intercessory Prayer 12pm Youth Lunch on the Run 6pm Dave Ramsey Class 6pm New Testament Class</p>	<p>30 K-2 Grade Field Trip Children's Museum of Atlanta</p>	<p>31 6:30 pm Mission Team Packing Night</p>	<p>9am PreSchool Park Day</p>