

JAMESTOWN TODAY



*Building Bridges To The
Families Of Our Community!*



Jamestown United Methodist Church

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CHURCH STAFF

- **Bette Thompson**
Pastor
- **Tammy Bainter**
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Assistant
- **Kristin Farwig**
Choir Director
- **Sandra Metcalf**
Organist/Pianist
- **Diana Cook**
Pianist
- **Geri Angel**
Custodian



A word from Pastor Bette...

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14 (NIV)

Dear Friends,

What a joy it has been in recent weeks and months, to see God at work in our children and youth ministries. It is a privilege to be side by side with you all and watch how the happenings in our church are growing in this area! The adults who gather in meetings, from the Trustees to the Preschool Board, to the Education Committee and the Missions Committee, all are focused on answering the call to welcome the little children and help them to know the love of Jesus Christ. Our Nursery room has been refurbished for moms with babies, and our preschool rooms creatively painted. I also am so blessed to work with Kathy, Tami, Peggy and Brittney with our preschool children! It brings me so much joy and wonder to meet with some of the children every Wednesday morning, and soon to be Wednesday afternoons as well! September has been a pretty busy month, indeed, but the Holy Spirit's energy is evident in powerful ways, and it is a sacred and holy sight to witness!

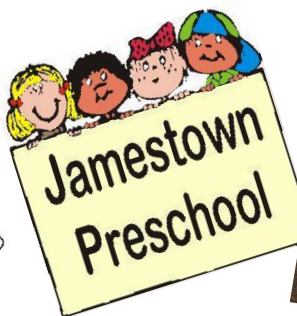
Praise be to God! For God brings our growth! God calls, equips, and sends the faithful out in ministry!

My heart is so full!

And speechless!

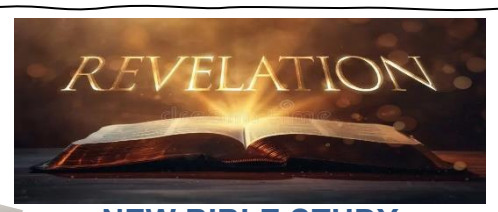
Amen! Amen!

Pastor Bette



OCT BIRTHDAYS

7	Jeremy Greenlee
8	Maiah Ullery
9	Mr. Jeff Clark
11	Tom Cook
12	Linda Miller
	Randy Beehler
	Margaret Wenger
14	Mark Cook
15	Grace Sciba
18	Braden Ullery
19	Dustin Cabanaw
20	Bronson Metcalf
24	Angela Cook
25	Stewart Hill
28	Zach Clark
	Marti Stickel
31	Larry Pappas



NEW BIBLE STUDY

This session we will be diving deep into the Book of Revelation starting October 6th. This will be a 14-week study, and there will be a donation of \$10 for materials. We meet on Mondays at 9:30am and Tuesdays at 6:30pm. All are invited! Please call the church office or Pastor Bette if you would like to attend or if you have any questions. **574-293-3905 or 574-229-7810.**

A NEW WAY TO DONATE!

We are excited to announce a new way to give to not only JUMC but our Preschool. We have teamed with VANCO to set up the on-line payment system on our website. Simply go to www.jamestownumc.org and scroll down the left side of the page until you see the buttons marked:

[Click for JUMC Online Giving](#)

[For Preschool Online Giving](#)



Then for JUMC giving, simply click on the "General Fund" button and follow the prompts. You can use your debit/credit card or enter your account/routing information and make a one-time payment or set up autopay. Down the road, there may be different buttons other than "General Fund" to choose from. Please call the church office with any questions.

Words of thanks:

- Nancy Warnick – Thank you for the farewell party
- JoAnn Barnes – Phil Barnes memorial, from Devotions & Drumming.
- Betty Griffin – Thank you all who worked on her lap robe and thank you for all the cards, calls and visits.

Please see the bulletin board as you enter the fellowship hall to read **all** thank-you cards/letters that are sent to JUMC.



CHILDREN'S CHURCH

We need you to help lead our children & teens during the worship service. Our children are dismissed following the Choir Anthem to go downstairs to participate in Teen & Children's Church. So, it is only about 25 minutes. Lesson plans are chosen and ready for you. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall entry. Thank you for prayerfully considering helping!

♥ ANNIVERSARIES ♥

8	Keith & Tammy Bainter	1988
25	Jeff & Rhonda Clark	1978
	Randy & Gail Greenlee	1985
	Ryan & Carissa Ullery	2003



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT ANNUAL FALL HARVEST PARTY



Please join us on October 12th (rain day is October 19th) from 3:30pm to 6:30pm for a **free** fun filled afternoon! Games, hayrides, pony rides, bounce house, a bonfire, great food and a lot of fun. Bring your friends and family! ALL are welcome!



Don't Miss Church

On the eveing of that first day of the week, when the Disciples were together, with their doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" John 20:19 (NIV)
Based on John 20: 19-31

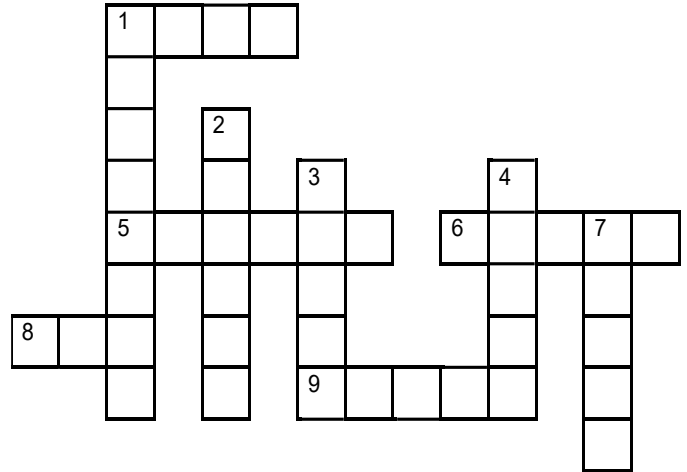


ACROSS

1. An entrance in a building or room
5. The disciples who would not believe without seeing.
6. To be in a state of pleasure or delight.
8. Breaking a religious or moral law.
9. The body parts at the end of the arms.

DOWN

1. Unwilling to believe something is true.
2. Not open.
3. To believe in something for which there is no proof.
4. A pointed fastener designed to be pounded into wood.
7. Opposite of war.



NAILS
THOMAS

PEACE
CLOSED

DOOR
SIN

DOUBTING
HANDS

HAPPY
FAITH

NAME: _____

Return to church office by October 17th

September Puzzle Answers: Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting; Psalm 139: 23-24

Bonus Number of flowers: 36

Those that were up for the challenge in September: Jim Angel, Marcia Clark, Jane Lechlitner, Marta Clark, and Roberta Mann

OCTOBER VOLUNTEERS

	Liturgist	Acolytes	Children's Message	Little's Bible School and Youth Bible School
5	LuAnn Pontius	Cheryl Cabanaw/Nancy Mahler	Jeff Clark	TBD/TBD
12	Linda Vest	Keith & Lana Berg	Pastor Bette	TBD/TBD
19	Linda Vest	Keith & Tammy Bainter	Marta Clark	TBD/TBD
26	LuAnn Pontius	Steve & Kathleen Stout	Becky Metcalf	TBD/TBD
Ushers	Mark Cook, Maria Moleski, and Keith & Lana Berg			

🎵 POSITION OPEN AT JUMC 🎵

A Piano accompanist is needed for our weekly Wed. night choir rehearsal, Sunday morning services and special programs. Please help spread the word! Anyone interested may call Deb Beehler, 574-596-7624 or the church office, 574-293-3905.



Remember in Prayer

Home Bound & Care Facilities: Jean Green, Margaret Pierce, Patsy Seigler, Jan Slabaugh, Paula Adams, Ed Raab. and Dee Kallimani.

Ongoing Health Concerns: Kathy & Jim Eggleston, Betty Griffin, Betty Hershberger, Lora Mahler, Wanda McCartney, Sue Raab, Linda Squibb, Marti Stickel, and Polly Brown.

Just a reminder to conserve energy and keep us safe. The Church building belongs to all of us and we need to take care of it.

- If you unlock it, Lock it back up.
- If you turn it on, Turn it off.
- If you open it, Close it.

Thank You!

UNITED METHODIST MEN

Next UMM Breakfast Oct 5th.

Next breakfasts as follows:

Nov 2nd @ 7:30 a.m.

Dec 7th @ 7:30 a.m.

Jan 4th @ 7:30 a.m.

Please invite your neighbors!

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

October 26th breakfast meeting

November 23rd breakfast meeting.

No meeting in December.

No meeting in January.

COMMUNITY CARRY-IN LUNCHEON

Oct. Carry-In is Tuesday the 7th at Noon.

Nov. Carry-In is Tuesday the 4th at Noon.

Dec. Carry-In is Tuesday the 2nd at Noon.

Jan. Carry-In is Tuesday the 6th at Noon.

COMMUNION TO HOMEBOUND

Some of you may know that we currently have 2 teams that take Communion to some of our homebound members every month. This is a ministry of our church. This is a chance for you to be included in our busy family of volunteers. A way to take care of our people, to let them know we are thinking of them. Will you please prayerfully consider helping take Communion to some of our members. If you want more information or would like to volunteer, sign up at the Welcome Center or call the church office, 574-293-3905.

Is God nudging you?



You're invited to a *Soup of Success* dinner

SOUP & STORIES

Tuesday, October 14th

Trinity on Jackson TLC Center rear entrance
6:00 pm | Tickets \$25

Savor Soup of Success soups, dips, and cookies, delight in live jazz, discover treasures in our silent auction, and be moved by the inspiring stories of our graduates' journeys.

RSVP your spoon at 574.523.1551 ext 105





Prayer Requests / Joys / Concerns from September

- Prayers for Betty Griffin who was in the hospital with medical issues.
- Jill Biller asks for prayers for her cousin's family as they deal with the loss of a family member.
- Family and friends of Jan Weaver, who has passed away.
- Anita Hoffman gave an update on one of her regular quilters, Sharon Brubaker. Sharon lost her husband 1-1/2 years ago and finally got her license back.
- Cheryl Cabanaw asks for prayers for her daughter, Shannon, who is back in the hospital and continued prayers for Ed Raab, who is back at The Waters in Wakarusa.
- Family and friends of Al and Joan Stealy as they lay Al and Joan to rest.
- All of people affected by the mass shooting at Annunciation Catholic Church in Minneapolis.
- Warren Allen thanked everyone for supporting the Baugo Lions Club at the fish fry Friday night (9/5).
- Jane Rapp asks for prayers for her next-door neighbor who is expecting twins. Jane also announced her joy for her grandson's 21st. birthday today (9/7).
- Jeff Clark's granddaughter, Fallon, who has yet to get a resolution for the growth on her eyelid. She will be going back to Indy in January. Jeff's friend, Dave Schutz, who has suffered a stroke could also use our prayers.
- Becky Metcalf's friend and Cub Master, Justin Parker, is having complications after his surgery and is now in Indy.
- Roberta Mann's joy is that her granddaughter Nicole is turning 23. Nicole is going through Chemo but is going strong. Another joy is that another granddaughter, Natalie, is celebrating her 25th birthday.
- Tami Pyfer is joyful that her boys are in all kinds of sports and marching band. Asking for prayers that they continue to grow in Christ's love.
- Carl Lechlitner wants to thank everyone for all the good thoughts, flowers, food and prayers for Jane as she recovers from surgery. Also, he has 36 bushels of McIntosh apples that he needs to get rid of. Please reach out to Carl if in need of apples.
- LuAnn Pontius asks for prayers for Baby Stella, who is just a few months old, and is currently at Riley's for medical issues.
- Cheryl Cabanaw asks for prayers for her daughter, Shannon, who is having surgery.
- Pastor Bette asks that we keep the family & friends of Charlie Kirk in our prayers as well as the family of the shooter. Please pray for unity in our country.
- Kathy Moyer asks for prayers for her friend, Sherry, who is having medical issues and for Clo McIntosh's daughter, Diane Bowers, who continues to have medical issues. Su Clark's childhood friend, Terry Truitt, passed away Sunday morning. Prayers for his family and friends.
- Jeff Clark's friend, Dave Schutz, has some lingering brain issues from a recent stroke. Please continue praying for his healing.
- Cheryl Cabanaw asks for continued prayers of healing for her daughter, Shannon, who is needing a second medical procedure.
- Jane Rapp's neighbor's twins have arrived. Asking for prayers that they get plenty of love and support.
- Anita Hoffman asks for prayers for her friend that has cancer.
- Ray Hochstetler announced to everyone that his wife, Arletah, passed away on Thursday (09.18).
- Jim Eggleston asks for prayers for his wife, Kathy, as they await the results of her lung biopsy. As of Thursday (09.25), she is still waiting for the results.
- Pastor Bette asks for prayers for the friends and family of our dear friend, Arletah Hochstetler, as they navigate dealing with her loss.
- Prayers for Kelly Gaugler and her family as they continue to deal with her health issues.

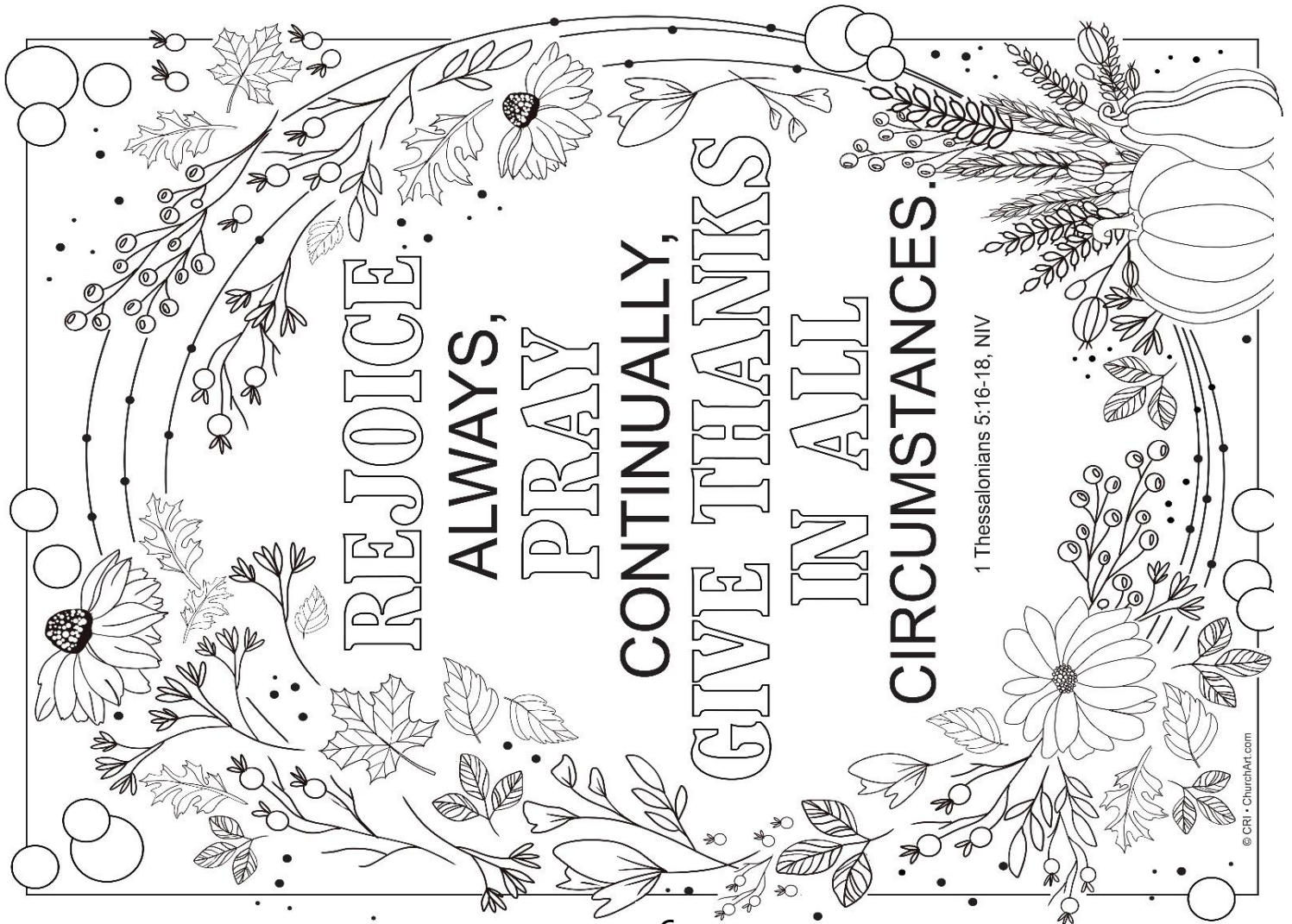
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
RED Denotes Committee Meetings	**Devotions and Drumming 8:30 a.m. Mon, Wed and Fri in Fellowship hall		1 5pm Girl Scouts #56008 6:00 Choir Practice 6:30 Creative HM	2 4—7 Open Quilting 7:00 4-H Meeting	3 5:00 Church/Hall Skibbe Rehearsal	4 9-10:30 Charge Conference @ Clay UMC Church/Hall— Skibbe Wedding
5 Holy Communion World Communion 7:30 UMM Breakfast G	6 9:30 Bible Study	7 Noon - Community Luncheon 6:30 Cub Scout 6:30 Bible Study 6:30 Girl Scout #624	8 5pm Girl Scouts #56008 6:00 Choir Practice	9 4—8 Open Quilting 5:00 Trustees 6:00 Finance	10	11
12 3:30—6:30 Harvest Party G	13 Columbus Day 9:30 Bible Study 6:30 Girl Scout #624	14 6:30 Cub Scout 6:30 Bible Study 6:30 Girl Scout #624	15 5pm Girl Scouts #56008 6:00 Choir Practice	16 4—8 Open Quilting	17 ———Children's Sabbath——— Oct 17-19	18
19 3:30—6:30 Harvest Party (Rain Date) G	20 9:30 Bible Study	21 5:30 Missions 6:30 Cub Scout 6:30 Bible Study 6:30 Girl Scout #624	22 Baugo Closed 6:00 Choir Practice	23 Baugo Closed 4—8 Open Quilting 7:00 Church Council	24 Baugo Closed	25
	27 9:30 Bible Study 6:30 Girl Scout #624	28 6:30 Cub Scout 6:30 Bible Study 6:30 Girl Scout #624	29 5pm Girl Scouts #56008 6:00 Choir Practice	30 4—8 Open Quilting	31 Reformation Day	