



# Thanksgiving Potluck

Wednesday, November 18th 5pm  
Jasper First Methodist Church

**Bring a dish to share!**



**Next Week**  
The Senior Pastor's Bible Study:  
Pathways to a Praying Church

**Tuesday Morning**  
6:45 am – Prayer Group at Warehouse 319  
8:30 am - 9:30 am – Prayer Breakfast  
in the Fellowship Hall  
9:30 am - 10:30 am – Senior Pastor's Bible Study in the  
Tex Egle Building, 4th Avenue Classroom. Please enter  
on the 4th Avenue side of the building.

**Tuesday Evening**  
5:30 pm – Chancel Choir Practice in the Sanctuary.

**Methodist Women Pecan Sale**  
The Methodist Women are selling Whaley's Pecans!  
Choose from pecan halves or pieces,  
available in 1-pound bags for \$15 or  
3-pound bags for \$45.

Orders will be accepted through Sunday,  
November 1, 2026.

Please contact a member of the Methodist Women to  
place your order.

**Children's Christmas Program**  
Christmas will be here before we know it, and our children  
are getting ready to celebrate the joy of the season!

Practice for the Children's Christmas Program will be held  
during the Sunday School hour each Sunday in November  
and on Sunday, December 6, 2026.

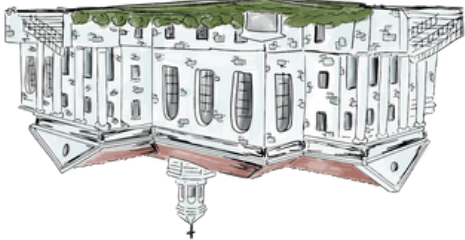
The Children's Christmas Program will be presented  
Sunday, December 13, at 9:00 am.

**Wednesday Night Life**  
After school to 7:00 pm – Youth Culture  
After school to 7:00 pm – EPIC 456  
5:00 pm – Dinner for Youth, and EPIC  
5:15 pm – JFMC Kids and Adult Dinner  
5:45 pm to 7:00 pm – JFMC Kids  
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm – Senior Pastor's Bible Study meets  
in the Tex Egle Building, 4th Avenue Classroom.

**Schedule Changes**  
**11-11-26** – There will be no Wednesday Night Life  
**11-25-26** – There will be no Wednesday Night Life

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# UNDER THE DOME

## JASPER FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Celebrating 200 years of sharing Jesus in Jasper and Walker County

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**Council of Stewards Meetings**  
November 15th  
December 13th  
In the Fellowship Hall after  
the Traditional service.

**EPIC 456 Lock-In**  
November 10<sup>th</sup>  
8:00 pm to 7:00 am

**Thanksgiving Potluck**  
November 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm  
in the Fellowship Hall. No  
other Wednesday night  
activities will be held.

**Holy Spirit and Prayer Workshop**  
November 21st  
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

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**Give Online**

Your gifts make ministry possible. Scan the QR code to give securely online.



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**In-Person Attendance**  
October 25, 2026.....232  
October 18, 2026.....283

**General Fund Giving**  
Last 2 Weeks.....\$63,109.00  
YTD.....\$897,981.06

Includes all online giving  
received as of  
October 26, 2026

## Coming Together as the Body of Christ

Dear Church Family,

I want to begin by saying a heartfelt thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to serve at the Community-Wide Fall Festival on Sunday afternoon. Your willingness to give your time and serve others was greatly appreciated!

As I reflected on the afternoon, I realized that we had the opportunity to serve two very different communities that day.

First, we served alongside our community of fellow believers. Seventeen different churches came together with one common purpose: to provide a free afternoon of fun for children and their families. What a beautiful picture of the body of Christ working together! Different churches, different backgrounds, but one shared mission: to show the love of Jesus to others.

Second, we had the opportunity to love on the people in our surrounding community. I saw smiles on the faces of children, parents, and grandparents, friends reconnecting, and families laughing and enjoying time together. It was a wonderful reminder that sometimes showing God's love begins with something as simple as sharing a smile or offering a kind word.

The word community can be defined as a group of people who share common interests, values, experiences, or a sense of belonging and who support and encourage one another. We are all part of different communities, naturally seeking relationships with people who share our experiences and interests.

But there is something especially meaningful about our church community.

God did not design us to walk through life or grow in our faith alone. He created us for relationships with Him and with one another. Spending time together in

God's Word, praying for each other, encouraging one another, and simply doing life together are all important parts of growing in our faith.

And the beautiful thing is that Christian fellowship does not just happen inside the walls of the church. It happens when we serve together, share meals, encourage a friend, pray for someone, or come together to love our neighbors.

Whenever I think about the importance of church community and fellowship, I am reminded of Hebrews 10:23–25 (CSB):

*"Let us hold on to the confession of our hope without wavering, since he who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to provoke love and good works, not neglecting to gather together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other, and all the more as you see the day approaching."*

I love the reminder in these verses that we are called not only to gather together but also to encourage one another and inspire each other to love and serve.

God has a plan and purpose for each of our lives, and the wonderful news is that we do not have to walk this journey alone. God is always with us, and He has blessed us with a community of fellow believers to walk beside us, pray for us, and help us grow closer to Him.

My prayer is that we never take the gift of Christian community for granted. May we continue to gather together, grow together, serve together, and share the love of Jesus with those around us.

Thank you again to everyone who helped make Sunday such a special day. What a blessing it is to be part of a church family that loves God and loves people!

Shannon Day  
Children's Minister

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| <div>Celebration Service</div> <div>November 1, 2026</div> <div>8:30 a.m. Service</div> |                         |
| The New Testament Reading*                                                              | Revelation 7:9-17 (NIV) |
| Sermon                                                                                  | Pastor James Johnson    |
| Celebration of Holy Communion                                                           |                         |

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| <div>We Remember the Saints</div> <div>Louie Richard (Dickey) Baker, William Cooke, Nan Ferrell, Roger Frazier, Carole Goodhue, Kristin Harris, Susan Jackson, Peggy Goodwyn Kanche, Greg Lockhart, Helen Massey, Latisha “Tisha” Myers Mathis, Brenda Miller, Dot Moore, Sam Murphy, Flora Mae Price, Billie Seales, Sue Smith, Fred Tidwell</div> |  |  |
| <div>Celebration Service Music</div> <div>House of the Lord – <i>Phil Wickham</i>      Holy Forever – <i>Chris Tomlin</i></div> <div>Revelation Song – <i>Passion</i>      Made For More – <i>Josh Baldwin and Bethel Music</i></div> <div>Songs used by permission. CCLI License #CSPL022386</div>                                                 |  |  |

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| <div>Order of Worship</div> <div>All Saints Sunday</div> <div>November 1, 2026</div> <div>11:00 a.m. Traditional Service</div> |  |  |
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| Call to Worship*                                | Regina Ergle, Liturgist |  |
| Praise the LORD, all you servants of the LORD   | -Psalm 134 (NIV)        |  |
| who minister by night in the house of the LORD. |                         |  |
| Lift up your hands in the sanctuary             |                         |  |
| and praise the LORD.                            |                         |  |
| May the LORD bless you from Zion,               |                         |  |
| he who is the Maker of heaven and earth.        |                         |  |

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| Announcements | Eli Matthews, Youth Minister |  |
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| Altar Flowers | Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ed Richardson, Paula Wade, and Sydnia Wade, who share the same November birthday, by James Wade, Bobbie Richardson, and family. |  |
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| Prelude            | “Behold, the Cloud of Saints” | J. Stallsmith |
| Processional Hymn* | “For All the Saints”          | 711           |

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| Pastoral Welcome |  |  |
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| Offering Our Prayers to God |                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| Preparation for Prayer      | <i>And God will raise you up on eagle’s wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God’s hand.</i> |  |

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| Pastoral Prayer |  |  |
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| Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God |                   |              |
| Offertory                               | “Sweet By and By” | R. J. Hughes |

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| Doxology* | <i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</i> |  |
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| Prayer of Thanksgiving* |  |  |
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| Apostles’ Creed*                                   |                                                       |  |
| I believe in God, the Father Almighty,             | creator of heaven and earth;                          |  |
| I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, | who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,                 |  |
| born of the Virgin Mary,                           | suffered under Pontius Pilate,                        |  |
| was crucified, died, and was buried;               | he descended to the dead.                             |  |
| On the third day he rose again;                    | he ascended into heaven,                              |  |
| is seated at the right hand of the Father,         | and will come again to judge the living and the dead. |  |
| I believe in the Holy Spirit,                      | the holy catholic** church,                           |  |
| the communion of saints,                           | the forgiveness of sins,                              |  |
| the resurrection of the body                       | and the life everlasting. Amen.                       |  |

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| The Gloria Patri* | 70 |  |
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| Act Of Remembrance | All Saints | Dismissal to Children’s Church with Shannon Day, Children’s Minister |
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| Anthem | “Saints Bound for Heaven” | P. P. Olejar |
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| The New Testament Reading* | Revelation 7:9-17 (NIV) |  |
| The Word of God            |                         |  |
| And we believe it.         |                         |  |

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| Sermon | Rev. James C. Johnson, Jr. |  |
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| Celebration of Holy Communion |  |  |
| The Lord’s Prayer             |  |  |

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| Hymn of Invitation* | “Hymn of Promise” | 707 |
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| Benediction* |  |  |
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| Choral Benediction* | <i>I am bound for the promised land, I am bound for the promised land; Oh, who will come and go with me? I am bound for the promised land!</i> |  |
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| Postlude*              | “Canzona” | J. S. Dixon |
| * Please stand as able |           |             |
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| Ushers – Jeff Ferrell, Marcus O’Mary, Scott Thornley, & Shane Weber |
| Communion Assistants – Carol Johnson, Rebecca & Matt Franklin       |
| Acolytes – Elizabeth Thornley & Easton Day                          |
| Liturgist – Regina Ergle                                            |
| Greeters – Lola O’Mary & Cherie Woodard                             |