

HOPE TO SEE YOU THIS SUNDAY, December 23

**We invite you to join us on Christmas Eve
Monday, December 24 5:00pm or 7:00pm Worship**

PEACE

Jacksonville Presbyterian Church

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Connecting people with God, each other and ministry

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December 23 - 29

- Sun 8:55/10:30am Come and worship!**
10:30am NO Living Room today
4:00pm Prayer for our church
- Mon 5:00pm Family Christmas
Candlelight Worship**
7:00pm Traditional Candlelight
Worship
- Tues MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!**
- Wed 8:00am Dance Fitness**
7:00pm No Senior High Group
- Thur 7:30am Prayer time in MPR**
- Fri 8:00am Dance Fitness**

PRAYER MINISTRY at JPC

JPC Prayer Chain always available! If you have an urgent prayer request, call Nell Mathern 541-941-2463 or the church 541-899-1287, or email prayers@jvillepres.org for immediate, confidential prayer.

This week we pray for Mountain Church, Medford...unity of Spirit, wisdom, protection from the Evil One, strength, humility, and pray the same for our church as kingdom builders in our community.

Missionary for December: Jon Wilson, Missionary Pastor in Japan. It was good to have Jon here with his family over the Thanksgiving weekend! Please keep this family in prayer as they continue their many ministries in Japan and around the world..

Healing prayers for: Ron Toombs, George Ireland, Lorraine Hoffman, Ed Stockdill, Mary Davis, Donna Brewer, Sue Boyes, Marty Mooney, Jim Wolfe, Jon Wulff. We pray for the caregivers asking strength, patience and peace; comfort for those who have recently lost loved ones.

Pray for our country: President Trump, Congress, the courts, state and local government officials with controversial issues during election year. Pray for our military in harm's way: Nick Ryan, Charles Long, Kyler Beck, Jesse Chambers, Conner Lawlor, Jeremy Mak, Jim Hicks, Joshua Langfield, Jesse Hawk, Michael Mahoney. Please pray for first responders: police, firemen, border guards.

Pray for the Persecuted Church: Pray for our brothers and sisters on the front lines for their belief in Jesus Christ. We pray for persecuted Christians, asking God's protection, stand steadfast for Jesus, miracles of rescue to His glory! We ask the Lord for His provision, presence, peace and power in all ways.

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SAVE THE DATE!

We are resurrecting the JPC Talent Show to welcome Pastor Dustin Jernigan and family. Friday night, February 1 is the date. Plan to participate and bring your best talent! We will have a potluck and general fun time! More information to follow.

TUESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

This study will resume on January 8 at 9:45am
Join this group of ladies who are continuing their study in Genesis. Books \$8
This class is led by Lorraine Hoffman and Lynne Toombs
Sign up at church or call the church office.

FRIDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We will be following up on our study of the Holy Spirit with Jim Cymbala's book: **FRESH WIND, FRESH FIRE**
Join us on Friday, January 11 when we will gather to catch up, get our books (\$10), set our schedule and pray together!
This study is facilitated by Val James and Kay Barry

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- Sunday School:** Children 2 years through 6th grade at both worship services every Sunday!
- Nursery:** Cami Powell can be contacted if you want to help in pre-school or the nursery.
- Shining Stars:** 3rd-6th grade girls gather monthly for study, craft, games and lunch. Look for the next meeting.
- Club 456:** Be looking for information about 4th-6th grade boys. Katie Urton is planning to revive this group for activities and study

JPC YOUTH ACTIVITIES

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Middle School meets every Tuesday at New Church Campus at 7:00pm with snacks, Bible study, games and worship!

***NO Middle School Youth December 25 or January 1
See you in 2019!***

THE 'LIVING ROOM' GATHERINGS...

Middle and High school students...will continue January 6

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

High School meets at 7:00pm every Wednesday at New Church Campus with dinner, games, Bible study. Worship!

***NO Senior High Youth on December 26 or January 2
See you in 2019!***



FEBRUARY 16-18, 2019

**\$30 deposit holds
your spot
\$75 total cost**

Deadline: February 6

**See Youth News for
specific information**

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Advent Series December 2 - 23

PLAN AHEAD

- Dec 24 Christmas Eve Worship
5:00pm and 7:00pm
- Dec 25 Church Office Closed
MERRY CHRISTMAS
- Dec 31 Church Office Closed
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- Jan 14 Parenting classes begin
Monday and Thursdays
- Jan 27 Dustin Jernigan's first
Sunday Ya'll Come

LET'S WELCOME THE JERNIGANS

Our church is helping move our new pastor, Dustin and Caroline Jernigan and family to Oregon in January. Moving cross country and starting over in a new community is exciting and challenging.

What better way to welcome in our new pastor and his young family than to help them fill their home with basic supplies (food, toiletries, etc.) If this is something you would like to do, then you can:

- 1) If you choose to make a financial donation for supplies, checks can be made out to the church with WELCOME JERNIGANS written on the memo line.
- 2) OR if you choose, write a welcome note and you may include a gift card to your favorite restaurant, coffee shop, grocery store, etc. You may drop the card off at church or we will have a basket on Dustin's first Sunday, January 27. Call Lori Hanson (360) 509-3244 or the church office if you have further questions!



MISSIONARY FOR DECEMBER: Jon Wilson Location: Tokyo, Japan

Ministries: Grace Christian Fellowship, Grace Christian International School, Operation Safe:

Our ministry at Grace Christian Fellowship is now in its 17th year and we are seeing the fruit of a mature ministry as children grow up in the Lord and long-standing relationships are used to bring glory to God. The church continues to reach out with the school providing Christian education in English. This year we will have our first high school graduate who received her entire education from first grade at Grace! It has been a big year for OpSAFE

International Over 8,500 children have received psychological first-aid through an Operation SAFE Camp. Our mission is to train local churches to give children the support they need in the aftermath of traumatic events.

In family news, my wife Rie is in the last year of her Masters in Clinical Psychology. She spends most of her days working with children with special needs and then most nights working on her thesis on helping children with trauma. Our daughter, Gracie is also in studies at the International Christian University in Japan. Her studies are focused on communication across cultures and translation, but she also is getting licensed as a pre-school teacher. Our son Keita is working for a Japanese company in the heart of the city where he lives. It has been a rough first year with many demands and not much opportunity for fellowship or spiritual growth. Jon's work keeps him busy but he tries to make time each day to pursue my hobby of photography.

Blessings and thanks for your prayers and support! The Wilson Family...Jon, Rie, Keita, and Gracie

We were delighted to see Jon Wilson and his family Thanksgiving week when he was here and preached at church on Nov. 25.

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Advent Theme 2018

- December 2 **"The Promise of PEACE"**
Isaiah 9:6-7
Family Communion
- December 9 **"Practicing the Presence of PEACE"**
Philippians 4:4-7
- December 16 **Children's Program**
"Disturbing the PEACE"
- December 23 **"The Price of PEACE"**
Isaiah 53:4-6
- December 24 **"The Proclamation of PEACE"**
Luke 2:8-20
Christmas Eve 5:00 & 7:00 pm
- December 30 **"The Permanence of Peace"**
John 14:27

ADVENT DEVOTION

"He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5)

The season of Advent has reminded us of the peace God offers to His people. Though we have a foretaste this peace now, we eagerly long for its fullness one day at Christ's return. We're reminded that this peace comes to us at great cost. Christ laid down His very life, shed His very blood, so that we would have peace. Let us look to Christ, the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world.

Pray with your family: **Lord Jesus. Your love for us is obvious when we consider your life and work on our behalf. You were born humbly in a manger; you endured agony in the garden; you took on all sin and suffering at the cross; you rose again from the tomb; you intercede for us now in heaven. You offer us life and peace and wholeness. Let us never forget the great price you paid to bring us these gifts. Open our hearts and minds anew to the glorious realities of the cross. We pray this in the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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Class Schedule

January 14 –
February 21, 2019

Every Mon & Thurs
6:00-8:00pm

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THEME VERSE 2018

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today and forever. Hebrews 13:8
Look for our new verse in 2019!

This year the Deacons have been able to help many people and could use a boost in their fund as the year ends. If you so desire to contribute to the Deacon Fund as a Christmas gift, they would welcome the income.

