

# Jacksonville Presbyterian Church

An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

*Connecting people with God, each other and ministry*

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING  
YOU THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 6  
BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WITH US!**

JPC weekly e-newsletter 541-899-1287 [www.jvillepres.org](http://www.jvillepres.org) January 6, 2019

## THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH January 5 - 12

- Sun** 8:55/10:30am Come and worship!  
10:30am Living Room for students  
4:00pm Prayer for our church
- Mon** 1:00pm Prayer-Historic Church
- Tues** 9:45am Women's Bible Study  
12::00pm Men's Bible Study  
3:30pm Staff Meeting  
5:30pm Holy Yoga  
5:30pm Praise Team practice  
7:00pm Middle School youth group  
7:00pm Deacon monthly meeting
- Wed** 8:00am Dance Fitness  
9:00am Quilting Group  
7:00pm Senior High Group  
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal
- Thur** 7:30am Prayer time in MPR
- Fri** 8:00am Dance Fitness  
9:00am Women's Bible study
- Sat** 8:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast

## 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](mailto:prayers@jvillepres.org) for immediate, confidential prayer.

**This week we pray for Westminster Presbyterian 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 January: Bob Blicoe with Frontiers** South Asia is where the missionary need is the greatest. There are millions upon millions Muslims, Hindus and Buddhists and very few missionaries. Our goal is to reach many of them in the coming years for Christ. Thank you for partnering with Frontiers to change the world for Muslims in South Asia and everywhere.

**Healing prayers for:** Ron Toombs, George Ireland, Lorraine Hoffman, Marty Mooney, Ed Stockdill, Mary Davis, Donna Brewer, Sue Boyes, Jim Wolfe, Tony Laenen and all those struggling with colds and flu. 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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## 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 of the Month: **Bob Blincoe** **Frontiers Ministries**

**Location:** The Muslim World

**Ministry:** Church planting among Muslims



What are Frontier Peoples? They are the millions upon millions of Muslims and Buddhists and Hindus where missionaries are a fraction of what they are compared to the number of missionaries in Europe and South America and Africa. This is a remarkable presentation of missionary facts and "facts are stubborn things," as Dr. Winter used to say. At last, a person can see, at a glance, *where* the mission task is most important.

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Bob and Jan Blincoe

"Building Stronger Families" 6 week series

## GROW YOUR PARENTING SKILLS

Free Classes  FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF JACKSONVILLE, OREGON

Complimentary Dinner & Childcare (ages 3-10)

Attendance Prizes!!!

Study Topics Include:

- Family Rules & Routines
- Positive Discipline & Parenting
- Family Communication
- Helping Children Manage Behaviors and Emotions
- ... MUCH MORE!

Register Online at  
[familytoolsforlife.com](http://familytoolsforlife.com)

Class Schedule

January 14 –  
February 21, 2019

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

425 Middle Street  
Jacksonville, OR

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## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING January 27

We will thank the out-going Elders and Deacons while we vote on and welcome the new Elders and Deacons.

NO Potluck today...

Join us on Friday, February 1 for our fun Talent Show and Potluck

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Sunday Worship Times: Sundays 8:55AM & 10:30AM

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## DEVOTION: The Spirit's Intercession

*"The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words" (v. 26). Romans 8:26-27*

Questions about the effectiveness of our prayers are on the minds of believers from the moment of their conversion. What does it mean to pray according to God's will? If I do not pray according to God's will, how can the Lord use my prayers as He says He will? How can I be sure that the Father hears and answers my prayers?

Today's passage deals with many of these issues, as the Apostle Paul gives us further reasons to be encouraged despite our ongoing weaknesses and our struggle with the flesh. The encouragement he gives in Romans 8:18-25, has to do with the certainty of our hope that we will be glorified. It is a future-oriented hope. Verses 26-27 provide encouragement with a focus more on our present circumstances. There is a reason beyond the certainty of our glorification that gives us reason to be confident in the present despite our weaknesses, the intercessory work of the Holy Spirit.

Due to the fact that we still suffer the effects of the fall, our prayers in and of themselves are never sufficient to make us persevere. Our limited knowledge of the situations in which we and others find ourselves, abiding selfishness, and many other factors prevent us from knowing God's will for us specifically in all its fullness. We ought to pray only according to God's will (1 John 5:14-15)—according to what He desires for us, but we cannot do that perfectly. Yet that should not lead us to stop praying or to believe our prayers will be ineffective, for God never considers our prayers in and of themselves. Paul says that the Holy Spirit takes our imperfect prayers and makes them perfect. He intercedes alongside us and within us "with groanings too deep for words" (Romans 8:26). Invisibly and inaudibly, He takes our prayers and makes them conform to the perfect will of the triune God. His ministry of intercession is effectual. God knows and attends to the mind of His Spirit as He prays for us (v. 27). He will always hear and grant the Spirit's prayers. We need not fear that the imperfection of our prayers and the weakness of our flesh will prevent us from persevering to the end or keep us from waiting patiently for the final glory to come. God the Holy Spirit prays perfectly, and His requests for us are always granted. In his commentary *Romans*, Dr. Douglas J. Moo writes, "When we do not know what to pray for—yes, even when we pray for things that are not best for us—we need not despair, for we can depend on the Spirit's ministry of perfect intercession 'on our behalf.'"

**Coram Deo** *John Calvin comments, "Except we are supported by God's hands, we are soon overwhelmed by innumerable evils... though we are in every respect weak, and various infirmities threaten our fall, there is yet sufficient protection in God's Spirit to preserve us from falling, and to keep us from being overwhelmed by any mass of evils." The Creator of the universe prays for us Himself. That should leave us with no doubt that His perfect will for us will always be done.*

<https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/spirits-intercession/>

## 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

## THEME VERSE 2019

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen

**"To Him be glory in the church throughout all generations." Ephesians 3:20-21**

## 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!*

### THE 'LIVING ROOM' GATHERINGS...

**Middle and High school students...begins again January 6**

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

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

## PLAN AHEAD

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| Jan 8     | Tuesday Women's Bible study begins              |
| Jan 11    | Friday Women's Bible Study begins               |
| Jan 12    | Men's Prayer Breakfast<br>Doug Hanson, speaker  |
| Jan 14    | Parenting classes begin<br>Monday and Thursdays |
| Jan 24-26 | Presbytery in Portland<br>Sunset Church         |
| Jan 27    | Congregational Meeting                          |
| Jan 27    | Dustin Jernigan's first<br>Sunday Ya'll Come    |
| Feb 1     | All Church Talent Show<br>and Potluck           |
| Feb 15    | Mission Ministry meeting                        |
| Feb 16-18 | Winter Retreat for High<br>School Students      |

See Youth News for specific information

JPC HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

## Winter Retreat 2019

February 16-18

**FEBRUARY 16-18, 2019**  
**\$30 deposit holds your spot**  
**\$75 total cost**

**Deadline: February 6**

## A NEW CHECK-IN SYSTEM FOR YOUR CHILDREN

We are excited to have this available for you and your children. Beginning this Sunday, January 6 we will be checking in your children with this new electronic system. Upon checking in, the parents will receive a printed tag with a matching label for the children. You will need this tag to pick up your child after worship. We are strongly committed to providing the most safe and welcoming environment for your children. We love them and know that you seek to have their safety as a priority.