

*From the Pastor*

Take a deep breath...things are about to get really busy around here! As it does every holiday season, the schedules fill up with lots and lots of events and activities. The Jersey calendar is no different. Now, with the busyness, we have a choice. We can drudge through it like its just a checklist and routine that we just have to get through. Or we can see every event and activity as an opportunity! That's really what they are...opportunities. It's an opportunity to connect with friends and family to fellowship together. It's a chance to unite with other churches to catch up with old friends and show the world that we're all on the same team. It's an opportunity to invite someone to church who may not have ever been before. And let's not forget, everything we do is an opportunity to worship our Lord. Let me take an opportunity to tell you briefly about what's coming up at Jersey.

**Jersey Thanksgiving Meal-November 15 at 6:30pm**-We'll bump back the start of our Wednesday night activities and just have a great meal and time of fellowship together that night.

**Community Thanksgiving Service-November 19 at 6:00pm-Linwood UMC:** This annual worship service combines five churches together for a night of worship. Our own Rev. Megan Hager will be preaching this year!

**Hanging of the Greens Service-November 26 at 6:00pm**-Bring your family and participate in the decorating of our Sanctuary for Advent as we learn the meaning behind the symbols of the Christmas season.

**Jersey Christmas Party-December 17 at 6:00pm**-This is always a LOT of fun! Wear your ugly Christmas sweater and be ready for some fun and games, food and fellowship!

**Adult Choir Cantata-December 17 at 10:30am**-Our adult choir does a great job telling the Christmas story through song. This year will be just as awesome!

**Christmas Eve Communion Service-December 24 at 10:30am**-With Christmas Eve on Sunday this year, we're going to change things up and have our Christmas Communion Service on Sunday morning. Bring your family, you won't want to miss this!

**New Years Praise Service-December 31 at 10:30am**-We'll send 2023 out with a service of praise and carols.

Those are just a few of the many opportunities we have at Jersey coming up, so go ahead and mark your calendars. You'll notice that the last three Sundays of the year will be one-service Sundays. We think that will be a fitting way to wrap up the year and celebrate Christmas, as one big church family in worship.

Thank you, Jersey Baptist, for being a blessing to our community! Our Fall Festival was awesome again this year and I know made a big impact on the families who attended, both as volunteers and guests.

Blessings,  
Pastor Paul

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**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

- SUNDAYS**  
 8:30am Contemporary Worship  
 9:30am Fellowship w/Breakfast  
 10:00am Sunday School  
 11:00am Traditional Worship  
 5:30pm Choir Practice  
 5:30pm AWANA  
 6:00pm Youth
- TUESDAYS**  
 2:00pm Chair Yoga
- WEDNESDAYS**  
 5:30pm Church Supper  
 6:15pm Adult Bible Study  
 6:15pm Children's Choir  
 6:15pm Youth  
 7:00pm GA's  
 7:30pm Praise Team Practice

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Nov. 5 Baptism at Jersey
- Nov. 15 Wednesday Night Covered Dish-Thanksgiving Theme
- Nov. 19 Community Thanksgiving Service
- Nov. 26 Hanging of the Greens Service

**NOVEMBER SERMONS**

- Nov. 5 Faith That Changes  
Luke 22:56-62 & Acts 2:38-39, 41
- Nov. 12 Breaking Through  
The Darkness  
John 1
- Nov. 19 Dream  
Ephesians 3:20
- Nov. 26 Divine Disturbance  
Matthew 25:35-40

*Spotlight On...*



**NAME TAG NOVEMBER**

We've all been there. It happens pretty often when you have a church that's growing like Jersey is. You are talking with someone that you know you should know their name, but you just can't remember. You've seen them for a few months and at this point, you feel embarrassed to ask their name. So you don't...and it's awkward.

Let's solve that problem with "Name Tag November!" Every Sunday in November, we're asking everyone to grab a name tag when you come in for worship in either service. Let's get to know each other and avoid those awkward moments of forgetfulness. Who knows, you might make a new friend in the process!





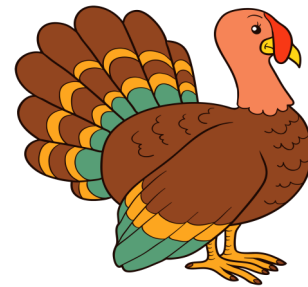
# Family Ministry News

Happy Thanksgiving! We all have so much to be thankful for! I want to thank everyone for all their help with the Fall Festival! Just a reminder that the Children's Choir has returned, 6:15pm-7pm and will be every Wednesday through December. All children are welcome! GA's are also back in full swing, 7pm-8pm and will meet every Wednesday night. All elementary age girls are welcomed! Awana is winding down for this year. Our last night of Awana will be November 12. We are still meeting at 5:30pm and ending at 7pm. This month the children will be finishing Kings and Prophets:

- November 5- Building of the Temple
- November 12- Elijah and the Prophets of Baal
- November 19- Josiah and the Book of the Law
- November 26- Jeremiah and the Scroll

Here are important dates for the month of November:

- November 5- Baptism Sunday in the Early Service
- November 12- Last Night of Awana
- November 19-Community Thanksgiving Service at 6pm at Linwood United Methodist Church
- November 26-Hanging of the Greens Service 6pm



I am so proud of the youth and how awesome they did on Youth Sunday! I have heard nothing but wonderful things about them and how much everyone really enjoyed them leading worship. Wednesday Night youth continues to be a great mid week time of connection and fellowship. We meet every Wednesday night, 6:15pm-7pm. Sunday night youth is also winding down. Our last night of Sunday Night Youth will be November 12. We will still meet from 6pm till 7pm. We will be continuing our series called Run the Race. Based on the movie Run the Race, this six-session Bible study combines powerful scenes from the film with the timeless message of faith, hope, and love. Through illustrations, Scripture, and discussion, you will be invited to experience the triumph of grace and hope that only comes from trusting the God who "loves us like crazy" and never stops pursuing us. "But God proves his own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." —Romans 5:8. The youth have one event coming up in November. We will be going on our Fall Retreat November 3-5 to Fort Caswell. Also we have 20 spots for Operation Christmas Child on December 2, 3pm-7pm. Your youth has to be 13 years old. Please let me know if your youth wants to go. More details to come soon, The youth will be continuing Bible Studies for Life: Students during Sunday school. This month's series is Living Unashamed and Confident:

- November 5- Is Jesus the Only Way to God?
- November 12- Will All People Ultimately Go to Heaven?
- November 19- Is Hell Real?
- November 26- God Deserves Our Thanks

Here are the youth events that are scheduled for the month of November:

- November 3-5-Fall Retreat at Fort Caswell
- November 5- Baptism Sunday in the Early Service
- November 12- Last Night of Sunday Night Youth
- November 19-Community Thanksgiving Service at 6pm at Linwood United Methodist Church
- November 26-Hanging of the Greens Service 6pm



# Announcements

## Baptism

November 5, here at Jersey, we'll have baptism during the early service at 8:30am. If you are interested in being baptized, please see Pastor Paul or Pastor Megan.

## Youth Fall Retreat

The Youth of Jersey Baptist Church will travel to Ft. Caswell on Friday, November 3rd and return Sunday, November 5. They will have a great weekend of friendship, worship, and learning more about our God.

## Turn Your Clocks Back!

Saturday, November 5, don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour! Your phones and computers automatically make the change, but the old-fashioned kitchen clocks, stove, and microwave clocks need the manual adjustment.

## Red Cross Blood Drive

The fall blood drive will be here at Jersey Baptist Church on Tuesday, November 14. The time is from 2:30pm until 6:30pm. Please see Debra Randall if you wish to volunteer to help with the blood drive. To make an appointment to give blood, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

# Records and Reports

## OCTOBER TITHES & OFFERINGS

General Fund Giving	\$28,948.90
Other Giving:	
Ham Family	\$400.00
Pastor's Pantry	\$340.00
Heck Jones	\$125.00
Blessing Box	\$35.00
Youth/Caswell Trip	\$165.00
Senior Meals	\$120.00
Memorial-P. Willis	\$250.00
Wednesday Night Meals	\$136.20
Summer Mission-M Myers	\$1,495.00

## ATTENDANCE

<b>Oct. 1</b>		<b>Oct. 22</b>	
8:30 am	103	10:30am	165
11:00 am	51	(Combined Service)	
Sunday School	105	Sunday School	95
<b>Oct. 8</b>		<b>Oct. 29</b>	
8:30 am	96	8:30am	107
11:00 am	54	11:00am	37
Sunday School	91	Sunday School	112
<b>Oct. 15</b>			
8:30am	96		
11:00am	43		
Sunday School	88		

# Praying for Each Other

## Church Members

Eric Mainess, Charlotte Dougan, Bobby Joe Owen, Margaret Beeker, Rev. Phillip Gregory & Barbara Gregory, Jonie Myers, Dolly Lemly, Jacob Randall, Robert Sturdivant, Kim Workman, Jennifer Penninger, Arabella Caffey, Doris Owen,

## Our Friends

Frances Hughes, Carol Hughes' mother-in-law; Jordan Sharpe, Ruth Sharpe's grandson; Shirley Blankenship; Charles Blankenship; Dennis Tate, Patsy Hilliard's brother; Ronda Troutman, Keith Weaver's sister; Emily Mann, Roger & Malcolm Myers' niece; Robert & Darlene Caudle, Malcolm & Roger Myers' sister, brother-in-law; Jim Hilliard, Margaret Lemly's brother; Linda Hunt, friend of Lynn Myers, Marilyn McDowell, Andria Smith's mother; Mike Love, Liz Batson's father, Jane Cox, Barbara Chapman's care giver; Pauline Moretz, Kim Workman's aunt, Kathy Batten, Gail Smith's sister, Rev. Taylor Humphries; Mandy Sutherland, Melissa Myers' cousin, Barbara Workman, Phillip Workman & Carol Teeter's mother; Dale Fritz, Lynn Smith's brother-in-law, Dale Frank, Josh Frank's father, Beverly Smith, Kristen Benfield's mother

## In Assisted Living Care

Aline Lyon, Barbara Chapmen, Abbotts Creek; Peggy Owen, Cadence-Mooresville; Eloise Hilliard, Gail Sewell, Ruth Swink Lexington Healthcare; Connie Carrick, Margaret Lemly, Piedmont Crossing; Ann Darr, Trinity Oaks, Salisbury; John Willis, Brookstone Terrace, Thomasville

## November Breakfast Schedule

- Nov. 5 Tim/Kristie Trantham
- Nov. 12 Mike/Melissa Myers
- Nov. 19 Richard/Libby/Adam Gant
- Nov. 26 Laura/Harley Lanning

**November Blessing Box** – Laura & Bobby Lanning

## MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

### November 5

#### 8:30 Service

A/V-Kevin Wattenbarger, Ralph Randall, Tanner Milner

#### 11:00 Service

A/V-David Shields

#### Nursery

Millie Warner, Emily Trotter

### November 12

#### 8:30 Service

A/V-Patrick Cash, Ian Cash, Trey Brown

#### 11:00 Service

A/V-Jared Hager

#### Nursery

Susan Frank, Laura Lanning

### November 19

#### 8:30 Service

A/V-Dan Hoffmann, Aiden Hoffmann, Tanner Milner

#### 11:00 Service

A/V-Paul Penninger

#### Nursery

Jami Barbee, Leslie Young

### November 26

#### 8:30 Service

A/V-Carrie Leonard, Alison Leonard, Trey Brown

#### 11:00 Service

A/V-Sammy Shoaf

#### Nursery

Aaron Brown

# November 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1	2	3	4
			5:30pm Church Supper Regular evening activities		Youth Retreat	Youth Retreat Homeless Shelter and Homebound Ministry
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Youth Retreat 4:00pm Deacon's Meet 5:30pm Awana 6:00-7:00pm Youth		2pm Chair Yoga	5:30pm Church Supper Regular evening activities			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
5:30pm Awana 6:00-7:00 Youth		2pm Chair Yoga Blood Drive	6:30pm Thanksgiving Meal			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
6:00pm Community Thanksgiving Service @ Linwood UMC		2:00pm Chair Yoga	No evening activities	Thanksgiving Day		
26	27	28	29	30		
6:00pm Hanging of the Greens Service		2:00pm Chair Yoga	5:30pm Church Supper Regular evening activities			



## Celebrating JBC

<sup>8</sup> Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup> Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay. <sup>10</sup> God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. 1 Peter 4:8-10 NLT

### Birthdays

**November 3**  
Reid Smith  
2263 Jr. Order Home Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

Emily Trotter  
15836 Waterfront Dr.  
Huntersville, NC 28078

Keith Weaver  
8362 Linwood-Southmont Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 7**  
Rachel Shaw  
5462 Linwood-Southmont Rd.  
Linwood, NC 27299

**November 9**  
Jace Benfield  
1195 Green Meadows Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 10**  
Phillip Workman  
556 Feezor Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 11**  
Michele Jolly  
P. O. Box 374  
Linwood, NC 27299

**November 14**  
Carolyn Smith  
2211 Jersey Church Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 15**  
Tanner Milner  
6617 Linwood Southmont Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

Colum Weaver  
8404 Linwood Southmont Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

Robbie Young  
975 Old Pasture Rd.  
Linwood, NC 27299

**November 19**  
Sammy Shoaf  
376 Foxcroft Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 23**  
Roger Hilliard  
1171 Jersey Church Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 28**  
Mildred Smith  
7250 Linwood Southmont Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

**November 29**  
Liz Batson  
1218 Hickory Point Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

### Anniversaries

**November 18**  
Keith & Robin Weaver  
8362 Linwood Southmont Rd.  
Lexington, NC 27292

Gerald & Diana Moyle  
485 S. Shore Dr.  
Lexington, NC 27292

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Emily Trantham Moorefield and Andrew Moorefield who were married on September 23, 2023.

Congratulations to Kayla Wattenbarger Underwood and Chad Underwood who were married on October 14, 2023.

Andrew Blake and Landon Charlie Comer were born to Abigail and Jake Comer on October 6, 2023. Congratulations to Jake and Abigail on becoming parents and David and Jennifer Penninger on becoming grandparents!

### Thank You

Dear Friends,  
Words cannot express the gratitude we feel in our hearts for the outpouring of your love and support during these difficult days. We truly appreciate the food, cards, gifts, calls, messages, visits, but, above all, the prayers. We are so blessed to have each of you in our lives!

With Love,  
The Myers Family

*We apologize if we somehow missed your birthday or anniversary. If so, please contact the Church Office so we may update our records.*



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