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The Bi-Monthly News of Christ Church of Jackson



Pastor Tim Waugh

January 2024 Happy New Year!

I pray that you and your family will have a blessed New Year! I hope that you will give God thanks for the year to come and that you will not place limits on whatever God is calling you to do!

I recall a story from seminary about the medieval theologian, Thomas Aquinas, who created one of the greatest intellectual achievements of Western civilization in his *Summa Theologica*. It's an enormous piece of work with some thirty-eight treatises, three thousand articles, and ten thousand objections. The theologian attempted to gather into one coherent whole all of truth. Certainly, this was quite an undertaking. He considered anthropology, science, ethics, psychology, political theory, and theology, all under God.

On December 6, 1273, Thomas abruptly ended his work. While celebrating Mass in the Chapel of St. Thomas, he caught a peek of eternity, and suddenly he knew that all his efforts to describe God fell so far short that he decided never to write again. When his secretary tried to encourage him to do more writing, he said, "I can do no more. Such things have been revealed to me that all I have written seems as so much straw." Even the greatest human minds cannot fathom the greatness of God.

Everything in our world has limits. We face boundaries daily such as speed limits, time limits, financial limits, etc. However, as disciples we serve a God who has no limitations. Join us for worship in the months of January and February as we challenge one another to tap into the resources of our limitless God and live a limitless life.

See you Sunday! Pastor Tim



Starting January 7, 2024 Traditional Service in our Sanctuary 9:00am Contemporary Service in the Family Life Center 10:15am



Ash Wednesday Service Join us on February 14th at 12:00 in Sanctuary



Truth Finders - Part 2

January 10 – February 7 Know What you Believe! Wednesday's at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall

What does our Christian faith have to do with anything? What does Christianity teach about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit? What do we need to know about Evil and Satan, and the coming of Christ? What place should the Bible or a local church have in your life? By investigating these core questions, we will be led into a greater understanding and appreciation of a God who has done great things to bring us into a relationship with him through Jesus Christ. We will explore the ten bottom-line, non-negotiable truths of Christianity.



We would like to thank everyone that helped to make our End Christmas Hunger 2023 project a SUCCESS. Thanks so much for the noodles you provided, the monetary donations, those that helped pack and distribute the items, we truly appreciate you! Thanks to the Jackson Basketball Team for their help. We also received food donations from the Jackson Food Pantry. This year, we were able to meet our goal and provide a Christmas meal and other food items to 300 families.

This project would not be possible without your help and the help of our community. We had 13 local churches that also participated in this project and several local businesses. Bellisio's purchased all of the hams for this project and Chris Cox (Save A Lot) helped us to be able to purchase many of the items we needed. Kendra Henry purchased all of the bread in loving memory of her parents, Kenneth and Katherine Henry. Her father helped to start this project years ago. They were the former owners of Henry's Grocery Store in Jackson and they attended our church.

> Again, thank you so much for all you do for our church! End Christmas Hunger Committee





End Christmas Hunger 2023











Ugly Sweater Sunday







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Children's Ministry Update

JANUARY

Our midweek program for the children is changing its name from BUG Club to *Faith Trackers*.

Faith Trackers will continue to meet on Wednesday evenings in the Sunday School rooms from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. All children Kindergarten through 5th grade are welcome! Be prepared to have fun!

We will meet in **January** on the **10th**, **17th**, **24th** and **31st**. We will cancel if there is a snow day!

FEBRUARY

February meeting dates for the *Faith Trackers* will be the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th.

Hey Kids! You need to come to the children's Sunday School rooms on Sunday mornings beginning January 7 at 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to see what's happening!

We have a new name for our kid's area. *Kids Zone!*

Every Sunday, with your help, we can Grow in God by doing fun lessons, crafts, music, drama and games! Come and check it out but be prepared to have fun! All children Kindergarten through 5th Grade are welcome.







January

3: Bertha Jean Muffley
3: Don Coleman
9: Randy Ridge
15: Donna Allen
17: Lynn Starkey
18: Brynn Stepp
18: Al Smith
20: Stan Cosby
21: Jimmy Prater
22: Mike Simmons
27: Jimmie Moore
29:Mary Ann Elliott
31: Shirley Simmons

February

- 1: Chase Keirns
- 4: Cody Hendershot
- 5: Paula Forshey
- 5: Kathy McPherson
- 8: Michael Holdren
- 9: Bryan Leach
- 10: Grace Mullins
- 11: Devon Lloyd
- 13: Laura Hollback
- 14: Bob Lawson
- 20: Randy Adams
- 20: Ed Miller
- 27: Peggy Foster
- 27: Tyler Jeffers
- 27: Taylor Stepp
- 28: Joe Coyan



January Anniversaries

- 7: Jimmie and Dianne Moore
- 14: Dale and Wanda Whetsel
- 19: Larry and Peggy Foster
- 28: Fielding and Marti Massie
- 29: Bryan and Lesile Leach
- 30: David and Del Rozak

February Anniversaries

6: Ryan and Amy Mapes14: Bill and Mary Ann Harris16: James and Lori Jeffers26: Rick and Jan Smith



Red Cross Blood Drive

If you would like to give the gift of life, consider donating blood at the Red Cross Blood Drive that are held at Christ Church in the family life center on February 6. When you give blood, you help in other people's healing, something you may need in the future. If you are willing and able to donate blood, please make your reservation to come between 12:30-5:30 PM. to our Family Life Center. Your donation of life will be a blessing to many.

Peace Group

If you are seeking peace within yourself or with your relationships, you are invited to attend the Peace Group that meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from 4-5 P.M., led by Ruth Grow and hosted at her apartment, 501, at the Cambrian. If you would like to join but cannot attend in person, please call our Christ Church Office Manager, Teresa McIntosh, at 740-286-3419 and give her your cell phone number. Deacon Janie will then be able to connect you with the Peace Group. In January the Peace Group will meet January 2 and January 16; in February the meeting dates are February 6 and February 20.



<u>Men's Meet & Eat</u> January/ February Meetings: Saturday, Jan. 6 at 8:30am & Saturday,Feb. 3 at 8:30am in our Fellowship Hall Free Breakfast and Fellowship

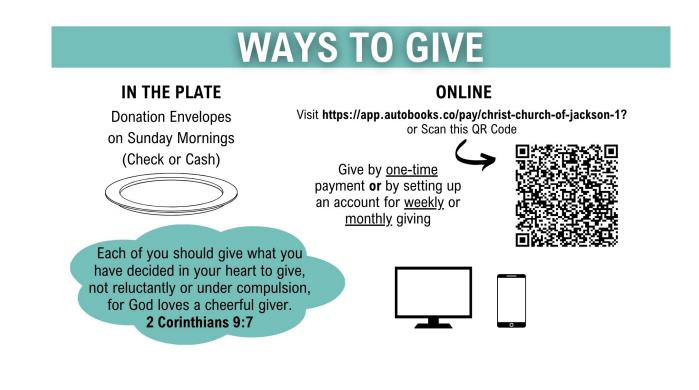
All Men are Welcome to Attend!



Facebook Live Fridays at 1:15pm

Join Teresa McIntosh as she brings highlights of the weekly events here at the church. **DID YOU KNOW?** Christ Church of Jackson has been producing Weekly Inspirational Videos by members of our Video Team since 2020. Our YouTube Channel can be accessed by scanning the QR Code.





Ladies Prayer Tea

All women are invited to the monthly Ladies Prayer Tea, where women of faith and prayer gather to pray for many prayer concerns of the Jackson Community and beyond. Wednesday, January 17 at 9:30 A.M. Christ Church will host here in our fellowship hall. For February 21, Jenkins Care Community will be the host.



<u>Good Grief Friends</u>

If you have experienced the death of a loved one, you are invited to attend the once-a-month Good Grief Friends, an ecumenical, community support group that meets from 1-2 P.M. They will meet Sunday, January 21 and Sunday, February 18 in Room 202 in the older building. Deacon Janie Karl facilitates this gathering.

<u>Grief Share</u>

If you have experienced the death of a loved one, and want to learn more about journeying through grief, you are specially invited to come Sundays, February 11 – May 19, 2024, from 3-4:30 P.M. Each session stands alone because a different aspect of grief is addressed each week. Anyone can attend any of the sessions without feeling left behind. The sessions are held in Room 202 in the older building, down the hall from the church office. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 740-286-3419. Pam Steele and Deacon Janie co-facilitate this support group.

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Pastor Tim



Game On basketball and cheerleading will be held Wednesdays in January and February. There are 87 children signed up with 13 adult volunteers for a total of 100 participants. This will likely bring close to 300 people in and out of our church every week for the next 2 months. Contact Jessica Holdren if you're interested in getting involved in this ministry.

Christ Church Game Ball Sponsor



Friday, Jan 26th, Christ Church of Jackson will be the game ball sponsor at the Jackson High School Boys Basketball game. Our Game On athletes will be presenting the game ball to the officials and will get a chance to meet the players!

Everyone is invited to come and share their love for Jesus!







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If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, or by regular mail please email us at <u>office@jacksonchrist.org</u> with your name, address and email address. Or you may call the Church Office at 740-286-3419.

If you have had a change of address please let me know so that I may update the system. Thank you, Teresa McIntosh



Office Hours Monday - Friday 8:00am to 12:00pm 1:00pm to 3:00pm