THE JOLLIFF MESSENGER

OCTOBER 2023

The Pastor's Message



Dear People of Jolliff UMC:

May the grace and peace of the Lord be with you!

Before our Sunday worship, you may see me go around the Sanctuary and greet and hug our church family. Yes, it's my joy to greet and hug our church family before and after Sunday worship service, but yesterday (10/1), after worship, I had to quickly leave our Sanctuary. I apologize to the church members that I couldn't greet and hug after worship.

I believe many of you already knew why I had to leave the church quickly yesterday. Recently, I received a new responsibility to serve Virginia Korean United Methodist Church (VK UMC) as an interim pastor. Unfortunately, VK UMC recently went through a time of conflict and division. The church - Body of Christ was broken and divided. And I feel sorry for Christ Jesus, who emphasized unity through his farewell discourse in the Gospel of John.

Many people of VK UMC left. The pastor of VK UMC also left, but there were still members worshiping the Lord God in VK UMC. Suddenly, they lost their pastor. They became like sheep without a shepherd.

There is no perfect organization in this world, but I love the United Methodist Church, and I love the connectionalism of the UMC. Thankfully, VK UMC is not alone in this difficult time. The bishop and cabinet will eventually send a new pastor to VK UMC, but right now, it's hard to find a new Korean pastor.

Therefore, I was asked to help VK UMC temporarily, maybe until next June. Jolliff UMC is ten minutes away from VK UMC. Our worship is at 10 am, and VK UMC was at 11 am, but they were willing to move their worship time to 11:30 am.

Also, don't be surprised. I can speak Korean very well.

Above all, when I heard about the situation of the church members - sheep without a shepherd, I felt compassion as Nehemiah felt compassion for his people living with the broken walls and burned gates in Jerusalem.

I was a little nervous and stressed as I prepared for the first worship in VK UMC, but I felt God's glory, love, comfort, and healing through the worship service. Praise the Lord!

Again, I am very thankful to our Jolliff family for your support and prayers. I have been praying that Jolliff UMC and VK UMC may see God's glory, restoration, power, and blessing through this holy connectionalism.

> "I lift up my eyes to the mountains— where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." (Psalm 121:1-2)

Love in Christ,

Pastor Paul Oh

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Jolliff Family: <u>If you want to schedule a special event,</u> please place it on the calendar outside the Church Office ASAP.

Pastor: Rev. Paul Oh-PaulOh@vaumc.org

Secretary: Emma James—secretary@jolliffumc.org

Current Worship, Gathering and Sunday School Info.:

Worship Service on Sundays at 10:00 am

Worship Service available for all in person or live stream via the Jolliff UMC Facebook Page.

The Jones/Karnes Sunday School Class meets at 9:00 am in the Foundations Classroom.

The Brigge Sunday School Class meets at 9:00 am in the Conference Room.

The Faith Journey Sunday School Class meets in the newly renovated classroom in the Sunday School building at 9:00 am

Children's Sunday School and Bell Choir meets at 9:00 am in the Historic Sanctuary.

Infant and Toddler Care—Nursery care is available upon request for Sunday School and the 10:00 am service.

United Methodist Men: Time & Date TBA Jolliff Women's Group: Sunday, October 1st @ 11:30 pm in the Historic Sanctuary

Praise Band Rehearsal @ 6:30 pm Wednesdays.

Jolliff UMC Fall Festival

November 4, 2023 9am—3pm Fall Festival and Craft Show is rapidly ap-

proaching and **we still need volunteers** to fill positions the day of the Fall Fest. **Sign the sheet on Sundays or call John O'Grady** @ 757.574.7516

Food Donations: Only 3 slots empty

Bake Sale Items: Cookies, Pies, Cakes

Gift Baskets for Silent Auction: 9

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Jolliff will observe Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday on **October 15th.**

Wear pink that Sunday to show support for those who are fighting breast cancer or who have had breast cancer in the past.



Yard Sale

Yard Sale at Jolliff UMC Saturday, October 7 8:00 am-2:00 pm.

If you have items to donate for the yard sale, please price them. The committee will go through and check prices. If we feel it is a bit high or a bit low, then we can adjust that price but at least it'll give us a starting point.

Please <u>tell your friends and family</u> about the sale and <u>pray for good weather</u> on October 7th!

"Do all the good you can By all the means you can In all the ways you can In all the places you can At all the times you can To all the people you can As long as you ever can." John Wesley

Deadline for the November 2022 Church Newsletter is **Thursday**, **October 26, 2023.**

Jolliff Women's Group

Hello Everyone,

The Woman's Group has started the Fall off running, looking into various missions in the community that we can be of assistance to!! With the holidays right around the corner there is so much to be involved in!!!! <u>Come and join us at our next meeting</u> **October 1st at 11:30 am in the Historic Sanctuary**. Always fun and excitement in the meetings!!!! Hope to see you there!!!!!!!!!!! Jimmie O. - President

Cancer/Caregiver Support Group

The Cancer/Caregiver Support Group is meeting **October 10th at 7 pm via Zoom.** If anyone is interested please **send me your email** so I can add you to the group. Thank you,

John

jogrady@pancanvolunteer.org

Bible Study

Our **Bible Study Group** based on the film "The Chosen" and led by **Brenda Rountree** continues on **Thursdays @** 6: 30 pm in the Church Conference Room. Please contact Brenda Rountree **@** 757-650-5106 if you have any questions.

Methodist Men

The Methodist Men will be meeting Time and Date TBA.

John O.

Blessing Box

Blessing Box items can include:

Face and body soap, <u>spray or roll on deodorant</u>, shampoo, tissues, toothpaste, toothbrush, toilet tissue, women's hygiene items, granola bars, cereal bars, & flavor packets to add to bottled water. <u>Small, easy to carry items are best.</u> Food Pantry has plenty of canned goods.

Prayer Requests

Jolliff Church Family:

Betty Fortin (knee replacement– Care for Norman), Devon Ranay-transition time-settling into dorm @ JMU, Beverley Byrd , Michael Garrett, (new cancer cells found), Marishka, Everett, Fran Kidder, Kelsey, & Jeff Parker- Linkoln & Elora, Amanda Walker & family, Rose George, Nita Eason Jolliff Church Family Shut-ins: Rita Berry, Rose Hyatt, (home), Carolyn Williams (Texas) Jolliff Family & Friends: Dave & Vicky Sapp - Vicky has pancreatic cancer/will be starting chemo treatments in Oct, Lynn W. (JDS teacher-Cardiac Issues) Emily McCollum-prayers for safety & a return to God-(Kim & Paul Thorns' daughter) Nancy Simcox-chemo for liver tumor (Karen McClain's aunt in TN), Vivian Walker – stroke (friend of the Velma Birkel), Bereavement -family of Matthew McDaniel, Nehemiah Gibbons (lupus,) Jeff Kiser (throat cancer,) Mrs. Sheila Golden (cancer,) Frye Family in the passing of their son, Timothy, Mike Anderson (Crohn's disease), Shannon Wallace (JDS parent/cancer) Amy Austen (skin cancer,) Linda Baker (prayers for healing/very aggressive cancer/ Kathlyn Baker's S.I.L.) Susan Middlebrook, Karen (Doug Taylor's sister,) Rob & Katrina Klingensmith

Pray for our President and our national leaders, our local, state, and federal government. Pray for our Pastor and our church.

Pray for our shut-ins who cannot attend church.

Pray for the People of Ukraine.

<u>Connect with Jolliff UMC on the Web</u> <u>https://www.JolliffUMC.org</u> <u>Connect with Jolliff UMC on Facebook</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/JolliffUnitedMethodistChurch</u>

Thursday Dinner

Thursday Dinner for October 19, 2023 5:00 PM

<u>Menu</u>

Meatloaf Potato Salad Green Beans Rolls and Desserts

Cost: \$8.00 per plate/ \$25.00 cap for one household.

Sign up on the clipboard or call the church office @ 757-488-2784 to make your reservation.

Book Drive

Book Drive

Jolliff UMC is having a book drive. If you have any books that you no longer want, please bring them to the church. These books will be offered at Jolliff's Fall Fest in November 2023. Velma Birkel is the chairperson of the Book Drive.



are coming back! To help raise funds to pay for The 2 new HVAC Units plus installation of the units the church had to purchase <u>The items will be full orders</u>, not individual sizes of whatever is offered. You can <u>bid on your items between **9am and**</u> <u>10am. Winning bids will be announced after</u> <u>10 am Worship</u>. (Just like before) Future Bake Sales will be held on the second Sunday of each month.

Silent Auction Bake Sales

October's Sale: October 8th

If you would like to bake something for one of the future bake sales, contact Donna Hagerman.

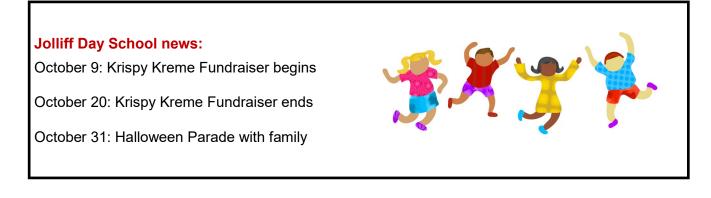
Power of Prayer

Pastor Paul offers a time of prayer and devotion every Thursday morning @ 10: 30 am for anyone who would like to come. He recently changed to name to "Power of Prayer" meeting. This meeting takes place in the Historic Sanctuary. Come on out and join the meeting...because prayers are POWER-FUL!

This is an ongoing ministry of Jolliff United Methodist Church

Jolliff UMC has opened a restricted account for the congregation to make donations to assist the family of Josh Reichard. Online donations for the family are accepted through the church website. Please proceed to the following link for more information: <u>https://www.jolliffumc.org/give-1</u>

If you would like to give with a check, please make your check payable to Jolliff UMC and indicate "For the family of Josh Reichard" on your check memo line. Of course, cash donations are also acceptable. <u>All funds</u> will be used to contribute to remaining medical bills. Thank you for your consideration to help support Josh's family.



Trunk or Treat at Jolliff UMC

Saturday, October 28, 2023

5—6 PM Decorate Trunks—Pizza Available for those whose decorate their trunks/ Sign-up sheet available for those who wish to participate

6—8 PM Trunk or Treating & Bonfire

Also, **if you wish to bring a carved Pumpkin,** please sign-up on the sheet.





Nursery Volunteers

Jolliff has five ladies who have completed the requirements for Nursery per the Safe Sanctuary Policies. It has been decided that to solve the problem of shortages of caregivers for the Nursery, the core group of the five volunteers will sign-up for one Sunday each month and they will ask for a volunteer from the congregation each week to help them to meet the two-person minimum to keep the Nursery. This will still meet the Safe Sanctuary requirement because one worker has completed the requirements. Look for the sign up sheet on the clipboard each Sunday.

If you can help, please sign up.

Memorial Bricks

If you purchased a **Memorial Brick** recently please be advised that these bricks will be **dedicated on All Saints Sunday—Nov 5, 2023,** during the 10am Worship Service.

Please make plans to attend this service as **you** will be asked to **come to the altar with your brick during this dedication service**.

If you have questions, please speak with Pastor Paul or Emma James.



Jolliff UMC Financial Report

Total Tithes and Offerings:

General & Building \$13,270.20 Restricted Account \$5,116.09 Jolliff Day School—\$11,000.00

August Tithes and Offerings are 67% of projected 2023 Budget for the month.

(Memorial Donations not included)

THURSDAY DINNERS

Months still available for volunteers to put on a Thursday Night Dinner:

December No Thursday Meal

January Deb Munn

Call the church office at 757.488.2784 to sign-up or sign-up on the clipboard. Thank you.