

OCTOBER
2021

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Worship Schedule

9:00 am
Contemporary Service
(CLC)
&
11:00 am
Traditional Service
(Sanctuary)

Live-Streamed

Please see JPC's website to
view live-stream services

Rev. Dr. Jay Smith
Senior Pastor

Rev. Casey Riker
Associate Pastor

SESSION

Class of 2021

Mary Brooke Guernier
Ricki Hall
Kim Schoepske
Brian Stroud
Michelle Wentz
George Wissmiller

Class of 2022

Lenny Dean
Gary Fulp
Joanne Graham
Karen Johnson
Danielle King

Class of 2023

Randy Dabbs
Krista Hannah
Doug MacColl
Chris Mills
Darryl Ray
Bruce Shaw

I Am Back, Let's Get to Business

I am so glad to be back! I want to thank you once again for the chance to recharge and relax. But now I am ready to get to work. It's a good thing too, because there are so many things going on in the life of the church right now. Some of the first things I have had to deal with have been checking in with the Nominating Committee to help them finish up their work for the next class of Elders and to get up to speed on the Generosity program, which will kick off this month as always. These are critical in the life of the church, and I want to encourage you to pray for these major events. I also want to encourage you to participate in them when asked! It takes a village to do the things we do, and you are part of that team.

I was so proud of this church for several reasons while I was away. First, I was overjoyed at the work you continued to do for outreach. Every day during this pandemic I become more aware of the needs of others, and I was proud of the continued effort of this congregation to feed the hungry, transition refugees into their new lives, and care for one another. I was also thrilled that you worshiped together weekly. I was afraid the numbers would drop off and they really didn't. That is because this is a family church. Even though we are a larger congregation, we truly care for and love one another. Speaking of numbers, I was also overjoyed that in 2021 and even in the summer months, giving was very consistent. Many times, our giving has dipped in the summer- but that wasn't the case. Remember this year there were additional expenses associated with my sabbatical and more outreach expenses, yet your generosity kept us financially stable. Finally, I was so proud to tell people where I worked and why I was enjoying my summer the way I was. Many folks were blown away at your generosity and care for me. It just reminded me just how good I have it here!

Now is the time to get back to work. Even if you aren't comfortable yet with coming back to church, there are still things you can do. I want to encourage all of you to get reconnected. For some that might look like getting back in the habit of coming to worship, Bible study, or a ministry team meeting. The church is sprayed daily, and masks are required indoors. We do this to try and keep everyone safe. Get back to worship. don't let the pandemic lead you to the bad habit of disconnecting from JPC.

If you are in an at-risk group or don't feel safe, my request of you is still the same. Get reconnected. I have noticed that the number of people watching services online is slowly going down. That is due in part to the fact that some of you have

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come back. But the sad reality of it some just aren't bothering anymore. I get that you might be connected to a screen for work and that you have football to watch on Sundays, but trust me when I tell you that screen time worshiping God is better than any other.

Maybe you have gotten lax in sending in your pledge? Maybe you have been blessed in unexpected ways during the pandemic? Don't forget to share those blessings with your church.

This month Session is going to embark on a season of discernment. We will identify some individuals to begin the process of evaluating what the future will look like. I have been preaching about this since my return and I really believe it, God has a plan for us. It is not the old plan. It is not my plan. God has a plan for us at JPC. Get reconnected, get rejuvenated, and get ready for where He will take us next!

-Pastor Jay



UNITED IN GENEROSITY

Its that time of year again! October is Generosity month at JPC!

You are invited to **Unite in Generosity** this generosity season.

SAVE THE DATE!

Commitment/Dedication Sunday

October 31, 2021

Combined Service in the CLC

Stay tuned for more details and be ready to

Unite in Generosity!



Feeding Lisa's Kids





GROWING AND PROSPERING IN OUR THIRD YEAR

The garden is transitioning from summer to fall/winter vegetables. We are planting the second row of seeds of kale, collards, spinach, carrots, turnips and beets. We treated many of our resettled families to fresh vegetables as well as Family Services.

We had visitors from Jamestown Presbyterian Preschool! They helped pick vegetables and observe our sprouts. We look forward to their periodic visits in the future.



FOOD *for* THOUGHT

A church-goer wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to go to church every Sunday. He wrote: "I've gone for 30 years now, and in that time I have heard something like 3,000 sermons, but for the life of me, I can't remember a single one. I'm wasting my time, the preachers and priests are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all."

This started a real controversy in the "Letters to the Editor" column. Much to the delight of the editor, it went on for weeks until someone wrote this:

"I've been married for 30 years now. In that time my wife has cooked some 32,000 meals. But, for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this: they all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my job and live my life. If she had not given me those meals, I would be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today!"

When you are DOWN to nothing, God is UP to something! Faith sees the invisible, believes the impossible: Thank God for our physical and our spiritual nourishment! If you cannot see God IN all, you cannot see God AT all.

-unknown author



STEPHEN
MINISTRY

A Good Word from Your JPC Stephen Ministry Team:

TEAMS

Do you root for a particular team? Do you check baseball scores, basketball results, or college football standings?

Perhaps you have stood restlessly by while a child's team used hours of evening or weekend time playing up and down a court, a rink, or a field.

Maybe you put your own family through the same sort of thing in weather good and bad.

Professional or amateur, teams are fluid, and yet they are not- players come and go; coaches rise and fall- but a team's identity may last for decades or longer.

What team do you find yourself on? And what position do you play?

-Ecclesiastes 4: 9-11

SAVE THE DATE: JPC BLOOD DRIVE

CLC

Wed Oct 27 2021

02:30 PM - 07:30 PM

[Click here to make an appointment](#)



Please donate blood and save lives! Thank you!

**CLERK'S
CORNER**



THE CLERK'S CORNER

The Session of JPC met on September 21, 2021 for its monthly stated meeting. Below are the highlights from that meeting, as well as other important updates:

- The JPC Session is pleased to report the work of the Sabbatical Team is now complete since Pastor Jay has returned. Thank you to all members of the Sabbatical and Executive Sabbatical teams. And...Welcome Back, Pastor Jay!!!
- At its stated meeting, the Session agreed to resume normal worship as planned. We are back to our Contemporary Service in the CLC at 9:00am and our Traditional Service in the sanctuary at 11:00.
- Masks will continue to be required during all indoor activities being held at JPC. This includes but is not limited to: worship services, Sunday School, youth events, Scouts events, etc. (When in doubt, please mask up!)
- The Session voted to continue serving pre-packaged Communion based on current Covid-19 data trends. October 3, 2021 is our next Communion Service. Be sure to join us for one or both of the services.
- We are still waiting on the bus... Pastor Casey will continue to monitor for the anticipated arrival date.
- Sunday school classes will resume this Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 10:00 for children, youth and adults. Adult classes will be combined and meet in the Fellowship Hall.
- Please prayerfully consider joining one of the many ministries/committees here at Jamestown Presbyterian Church. Help us be the hands and feet of Christ to those in our community, as well as those in our congregation.

DONATIONS

Donation to the Lane Pleasants Scholarship Fund
In honor of Bill and Clarajo Pleasants by
Dick & Lou Whitt

Donation to JPC Music Fund
In memory of Mildred Ray, Jim Ray's mother, by
Carol Carpenter

Donation to the Avery Snead Preschool Scholarship Fund
In honor of Ethan and Ellie, JPC preschool graduates, by
Hoang Tran

Donation to JPC Music Fund
In memory of Harley Brotherton, Jon Brotherton's father, by
Jim & Darryl Ray

Donation to JPC Music Fund
Donation to JPC Congregational Life Fund
In memory of all those we have lost by
Cathy Durbin

Donation to JPC Outreach Endowment Fund
In memory of Harley Brotherton, Jon Brotherton's father, by
Cecil & Pat Little
Donation to the Avery Snead Scholarship Fund
In memory of Avery Snead by
Dennis & Joy Snead

Donation to Outreach Endowment Fund
In honor of Bob Bazinet, Kim Schoepske's father, by
Elizabeth Ricker

Donation to Lane Pleasants Scholarship Fund
In memory of Eileen Stroud, Brian Stroud's mother, by
Randy Stroud

Donation to Joy House Fund
In honor of David and Nancy Farmer by
Anonymous

Donation to JPC Congregational Life Fund
In memory of Eileen Stroud, Brian Stroud's mother, by
Randy Stroud

Donation to JPC Leisure Fellowship Fund
In memory of Harley Brotherton, Jon Brotherton's father, by
Charlotte Griner

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SCOUTS CORNER

BSA defines Scout Spirit as:

Scout Spirit applies to how Scouts live and conduct themselves in their daily lives. He or she shows Scout Spirit by being a role model to his/her peers, living by the Scout Oath and Law. The concept of Scout Spirit is not based on how many Scouting events or outings a Scout attends, but rather by how they help bring out the best in others as a reflection of his/her own character and attitude in his/her daily life.

In 2015 while at CSR summer camp, I purchased the patch shown here primarily because of the great colors. This year, I wear it due to the message. Note the date is 2000 and shows the Scout Spirit shining (yellow light) on the BSA Scout (Unknown) and Scouter (William D. Boyce), a Chicago publisher that brought Boy Scouts to America in 1909.



At the June 2021 Court of Honor for Troop 5068 (girls), I felt honored and humbled when Scout Master Susan G. told me that the Scout Spirit Award would now be known as the “Tom Coolidge Scout Spirit Award.” Scout Spirit and Scout of the Year are awarded twice a year. After sharing a few uses of a walking stick, I then presented the unique walking stick to Maddie O. Now the stick will be known as the “Scout Spirit Stick”

The program has been quite some successful and will be introduced to the Akela District this fall. My heart swells to bring this initiative for strengthening Scout Spirit with current and future Scouts.

-Tom Coolidge, JPC Charter Org. Rep.

Cub Scouts is back at JPC! Pack 68 started meeting in person after Labor Day and we couldn't be more thrilled. The pandemic took a toll on our numbers, as expected, but we are rebuilding with a dedicated and loyal core group of families. We had more participate in Summer Camp than we have had in years past and we have already had over 12 new children visit our meetings!

We are beginning our Popcorn Selling Season, which is our largest fundraiser. We hope to provide scholarships for families in need, as well as build on our fun this past summer to send even more kids to summer camp in 2022! With the stress of the past and current months, Scouting has allowed our children to have a sense of normalcy in a safer outdoor environment. The heart of Cub Scouting is family and we are blessed and grateful to call JPC our home. Thank you for allowing us to provide the best program we can offer!

-Heather Tipton, Cub Master Pack 68



**As JPC gets back to “somewhat normal” again,
we need volunteers!**

Are you handy? Do you like doing yard work or mowing? Are you good with a wrench?
Join the Property Committee!

Do you enjoy baking or cooking? Writing notes or making phone calls to check in on
friends? Join Congregational Life!

Are you outgoing and love meeting new people? Enjoy posting on social media? Want to
help grow our membership? Join Connections!

Have an interest in assisting with Sunday School or helping out with FROGS or Youth?
Join Christian Ed!

Wonder what happens behind the scenes at our Sunday Services? Join Worship!

Do you have a passion for community– whether “backstage” or in the middle of the
action? Join Outreach!

Do you have one of those amazing green thumbs? Help out in the Joy House
Garden!

Have a special talent or is there something you love to do that can benefit JPC, it’s
members and/or our community? Don’t see it listed above? Contact Pastor Jay!

We have many needs, and we need YOU! Any amount of time is appreciated– an hour
here or an hour there, or more if you are able and willing. We just need YOU!

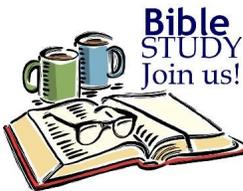
Please help JPC continue to flourish!

“Many hands make light work!”

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A Huge Heartfelt Thank You from Nancy Guiton!

Nancy was just overwhelmed by the good wishes and love she received from her JPC friends and family for her birthday! She said she had a wonderful birthday! Thank you to all!



Thursday Night Bible Study

Please join us Thursdays nights at 6:30 p.m. for a wonderful Bible study by Louie Giglio called "Don't Give the Enemy A Seat At Your Table: It's Time to Win the Battle of Your Mind." The study runs through October 28th and will be in Classroom 222 at JPC.

Contact Anne Barts or Susan Shaw with any question. See you there!

Ladies Morning Circle

Please join us on Monday, October 18th at 10:00 am in Room 222. We are looking forward to having a great turnout this month!



BUTTERFLY REUNION GROUP

We will be meeting Thursday, October 14th at 1:00 pm in the Parlor. We hope to see all 8 of us there!



FROM GRAMMIE SAMMIE

FROGS

Our FROGS met Sunday, September 26 under the picnic shelter. After a brief parent's meeting we decided that Sunday afternoons seemed a good day to meet once a month. After some tag and Ga-Ga ball, the FROGS filled street bags for our Outreach program. We had a discussion on service projects in the church and found that we have a group of very caring, empathetic third through fifth graders. We will meet again **October 17 at 4:30 pm in Room 222** for a movie and service project.

PRESCHOOL and ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school begins again on **Sunday, October 3 at 10 am** in the Preschool wing of JPC. Younger children will be in Room 232 and 3rd-5th grades will be in Room 234. Ricki Hall, Danielle King and Sammie Braxton will be your teachers. Can't wait to see you there!



JPC Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

We are excited to bring back the Please join us October 3 for rehearsal for the Christmas pageant to be held **Wednesday, December 15**. We need each and every one of you to make this happen! Please see the entire schedule below.

October

Sun. 3 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 10 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 17 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 24 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 31 **11:00 – 12:00** Children's Pageant Rehearsal **after combined service** – in choir room

November

Sun. 7 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 14 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 21 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
 Sun. 28 **11:00 – 12:00** Children's Pageant Rehearsal **after combined service** – in choir room

December

Sun. 5 10:00 – 10:30 Children's Pageant Rehearsal during Sunday School
Sat. 11 1:00 – 3:00 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal (CLC)
Sun. 12 12:00 – 2:30 Pizza lunch & Christmas Pageant Final Rehearsal (CLC)
Wed. 15 5:00 – 5:30 Dinner for kids
5:30 – 6:30 Costumes & warm-up
6:30 – 7:00 Christmas Pageant Performance



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ANNUAL HOLIDAY MARKET

Saturday, November 13th from 8am-1pm

***Complimentary breakfast, provided by JPC Men, 8-9am**

***Local Craftsmen, Vendors & Bake Sale**

***Raffle Items & Gift Baskets**

***Lunch and snacks available, 11am-1pm**

Proceeds benefit our Angels & Elves Christmas Program



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