

FEBRUARY 2022

JAMESTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Worship Schedule

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

Live-Streamed
(JPC website & Facebook)

Rev. Dr. Jay Smith
Senior Pastor

Rev. Casey Riker
Associate Pastor

Rev. Judy Fitchett
Parish Associate

SESSION

Class of 2022

Lenny Dean
Gary Fulp
Joanne Graham
Karen Johnson
Danielle King
Kerry Miller

Class of 2023

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

Class of 2024

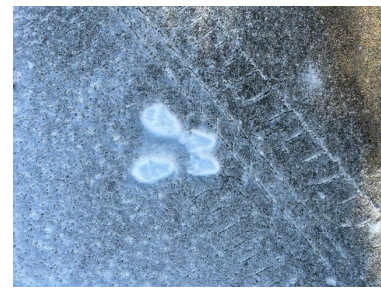
Vivien Carson
Carlos Frontera
John Martin
Clayton Robinson
Brian Stroud
Joanne Vitelli

Footprints in the Snow

It is hard to fathom that as you read this we will be somewhere in the middle (potentially) of our third snow event in a three-week period. While none of these have been the Snowmageddon that the news media told us they might be and I have enough bread to last me through three winters, they have still resulted in school closings, church closings, and shoveling! Shoveling is a mixed bag for me. I love the silence during a snowfall. I also love the cleanliness of the air when you breathe and the smell of the snow. If you have never noticed these, I would encourage you to pay attention next time. Listen, breathe, and smell the storm, if only for a moment, and you will see what I mean. I even love the physical exertion of moving snow. I hate to be cold and I hate having wet feet, so sometimes snow causes me problems.

During the second snowfall I worked with several men of the church on snow removal. While we removed ice, I learned a trick. Gary Fulp was using his leaf blower to move the snow and to lift the ice. The blower forced air under the ice which would lift it and cause it to crack. The force of the air would either blow the cracked ice into a pile or would hold it up high enough to get a shovel or something under it. This worked much better than the traditional "chip away at it" method. I took this trick home with me and found that my family was much more interested in shoveling with power tools. Julia really took a liking to it and is now our designated backpack blower Shovel Queen. She would basically knock it loose and we would move it to the side. She even came to the church with me to clear the CLC entrance.

One of the mornings, I was out to clear the snow on the driveway earlier than my family was awake. I waited for a reasonable time, as not to disturb the neighbors, and fired up my leaf blower. The snow was a fine powder and blew up all over the place. It looked like I was standing directly under the snow machines at a ski resort. It was fun and it was cold enough that it wasn't melting on me, so I kept at it. As I moved up the driveway, the tire tracks from where we had driven over the snow were more resistant to the wind. Some of them lifted up, while others would take days to leave our very shady driveway. As I made my way up the driveway, I noticed some tracks in the snow. They appeared to be either squirrel or rabbit, but my Boy Scout days are long behind me. Thinking nothing of it I kept on blowing the driveway. I finished in about fifteen minutes. As I was walking back down to the garage I noticed that the tracks were still there. Still thinking nothing of them I hit them full blast with my blower. They didn't budge. The pictures that you see on this page were taken after I hit those tracks twice with a commercial leaf blower. (con't)



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As I was walking down the driveway I started thinking about my words and actions. The things we say and do leave a lasting impression. When we do things to help others or say things to build others up, we may not even realize what a difference it will make in their lives. I think negative words and actions have a deeper impact on others. I have said before that a fast or harsh word is one of the things I wrestle with most in life. When we say hurtful things they cut to the core and may never be forgotten. I am so befuddled when people say a horrible thing and then add “no offense,” or “I am just telling you the truth,” in an effort to mask their hurtful words with a hint of caring or accountability or love. The Bible recognizes this temptation of the mouth. I think there are more than 60 passages that reference the tongue and the words we say.

Proverbs 12:18 says, “Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.” This is a verse that I try and remind myself of often. Sadly, it is often after I have said something foolish to a loved one. Words matter. Words have a much longer lasting impact than we give them credit for. Like those footprints in the snow, you can't just wash them away like they never happened. The mark is there. Guard your tongue. Be the uplifting person God is calling you to be. Remember that your words and your actions have impactful results. The things we say and do also bear witness to God. May all that we say and do reflect the grace of God in Christ Jesus. Maybe we should start our day with this thought from Psalm 19, “May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.”

-Pastor Jay



A Good Word from Your JPC Stephen Ministry Team

Transformation:

The frog becomes a prince. Cinderella becomes a princess. Peter Parker - Spider-Man. And most folks know about Clark Kent.

In fiction, transformation is pretty frequent - and always positive. In real life, however, transformation - metamorphosis - is quite rare and really tough to pull off. Grant us, Lord, the transformative power of Your love - to do Your will. Romans 12:2.

JPC Family and Friends-

I want to thank you for the beautiful flowers sent for my father's service. Also for all the prayers, hugs, meals, cards and donations made in my father's memory. My dad was a wonderful man with a big giving heart. This grief journey is a hard one but I am so thankful for my JPC family and friends.

-Kim Schoepske



DONATIONS

Donation to Jamestown Presbyterian Church In memory of Herb & Dollie Smith by Gayle Smith	Donation to JPC Food Pantry Fund In memory of Robert Bazinet, Kim Schoepske's father, by Joanne Graham Charlotte Griner
Donation to the Joy House Fund In memory of Jim Brown by Shelly Sapp	Donation to JPC Outreach Endowment Fund In memory of Mary Morris, Frank Morris' mother, by Joanne Graham
Donation to Jamestown Presbyterian Church In memory of Jim Brown by Melinda Scott	Donation to Lane Pleasants Scholarship Fund In memory of Fred Ellas by Jo Burroughs
Donation to JPC Food Pantry for Feeding Lisa's Kids In memory of Robert Bazinet, Kim Schoepske's father, by Dale & Ellen Smith	Donation to Jamestown Presbyterian Church In memory of Carroll Royster by David & Kay Picha
Donation to Lane Pleasants Scholarship Fund In memory of Lane Pleasants by Clarke & Michelle Pleasants	Donation to JPC Food Pantry and Leisure Fellowship Funds In memory of Fred Ellas by Joanne Graham Terry & Marcia Gano Jim & Darryl Ray Richard McDonald Anne Barts
Donation to JPC Leisure Fellowship Fund In memory of Fred Ellas by Loyce Lesley Jack & Marilyn Bell Charlotte Griner	Donation to JPC Congregational Life Fund In memory of Bud Guernier, Jeff Guernier's father, by Wayne & Betty McCray Jim & Darryl Ray Anne Barts
Donation to JPC Outreach Endowment Fund In memory of Fred Ellas In memory of Robert Bazinet, Kim Schoepske's father, by Cecil & Pat Little	Donation to JPC Leisure Fellowship Fund In memory of Bud Guernier, Jeff Guernier's father, by Charlotte Griner
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Outreach will host the 2022 “Rise Against Hunger” event on Sunday, February 20th from 4-6.p.m in the CLC.

Click on the link below to register if you are interested in working this year and helping us reach our goal of **10,000 meals**.

This event is always a wonderful success and is a great time.

<http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/JPC>

**CLERK'S
CORNER**



Clerk's Corner

The Session of JPC met on January 18, 2022 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 establishment of a 2022 Vision Team who will be working under the joint leadership of Pat McGill (Chair) and Doug MacColl (Vice Chair). The members of this team represent some of the most critical committees of our church's ministry including Resource Management, Christian Education, Outreach, and Administration. These members are Ricki Hall, Jim Ray, Ben Robinson, Kim Schoepske, and David Picha. The Session wishes to thank these individuals for their dedication and commitment to our church.
- **GREETERS WANTED!!** The Connections Committee is looking for volunteers to serve as greeters at both services. If interested please contact Brian Stroud, Danielle King or the church office. This is a great way to connect with members and visitors alike!
- Our next **Blood Drive** is scheduled for February 16th.
- Please see the E-blast and Newsletter for the link to register to volunteer for **Rise Against Hunger**, which is scheduled for February 20th. This is a great service opportunity for individuals and families.
- If you are interested in serving at **Urban Ministries THIS FRIDAY (1/28)** please contact Randy Dabbs or the church office.
- 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.

Submitted respectfully and in His love,
Krista A Hannah
Clerk of Session, JPC

DONATE BLOOD! SAVE LIVES!

- Our local hospitals need over 400 units of blood per day.
- One donation can save up to three lives!
- 4.5 million Americans will need blood transfusions each year.
- Someone needs blood every two seconds.



The American Red Cross will host a Blood Drive at JPC on Wednesday, February 16th from 2:30pm– 7:30pm in the CLC.

Click the link below to signup, or email Kim at dbschoepske5@gmail.com

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

[Click here to make an appointment](#)



GNO~ Bunco Night!

For our next Girls Night Out, we will have Bunco Night on Thursday, February 10th at 6:30 pm. We will meet at Robin Shelton's house at 706 N. Elam Ave in Greensboro. Bring \$5 and something to snack on. Water and tea will be provided.

PLEASANTS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Attention High School Seniors! Applications for the Lane Pleasants Scholarship have been emailed to all members of the current high school graduating class who are members of JPC as of January 15, 2022. If you did not receive an application, please contact Jen McNamara in the church office.



FROGS

FROGS will participate in RISE AGAINST HUNGER on Sunday, February 20 from 4-6pm in the CLC. Parents need to sign them up at <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/JPC> as soon as possible.

Also, please let Grammie Sammie know if your child is interested in Camp AGAPE at Fuquay Varina, NC April 8-10, 2022.

PASSPORT is June 15-18 at Camp Eagle Eyrie in Lynchburg, VA or July 11-14 at Greensboro College. We would only go to one session depending on how many kids could attend. Please email me at jpckids1@gmail.com right away if your child is interested in going. Spots fill up quickly.



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