



The JPC Monthly

NOVEMBER 2024

THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR JAY

Thankful in All Things



This is a busy month. The first Sunday of the month is Dedication Sunday. Our nation will elect a new President. Half of us will not be happy with the outcome. Resource Management will use your pledge information to start working on a budget. Before too long families and friends will sit together for a Thanksgiving feast. Some of you might go out and start your Christmas shopping in the hopes of finding a great deal. By the end of the month the church will be decorated for Christmas and Advent will be upon us.

When we get busy it is easy to forget to be thankful. When things don't go our way, it is downright hard to be thankful. Uncertainty, too, can lead our outlook to be grim. I can be guilty of this. Just yesterday I was running late. I had church members waiting for me at the office. I also had a set deadline to transport Julia somewhere for school. I didn't see the great reasons to be thankful right in front of my face.

I should have been thankful that my youngest daughter had a half day of school allowing her to spend time with dad. I should have been thankful that because of that half day I was able to take her to get her sports physical for the upcoming swim season. The doctor took longer than expected but I should have been thankful that he took the time to engage my daughter and talk to her about her future. I was late to meet the Vitelli's to take a family a refrigerator, stove, and microwave but I should have been thankful for the great appliance connection Joanne and I made last week that will give new appliances to families in need.

There were smaller things I missed, too. I should have been thankful for my old green truck, for having the resources to buy it, and that the appliances were already loaded. I should have been thankful that Kim Schoepske was already at the apartment moving the broken appliances with a young neighbor boy. I REAL-
LY should have been thankful that a LARGE refrigerator fit by a whisker through the tiny door of the apartment. I absolutely should have been thankful that we got done in time and I was able to get Julia to rehearsal on time and to enjoy her beautiful voice at the chorus concert.

On a more basic, day to day, level I should have given thanks for the God who loves me and made me. I should have been thankful for an amazing wife and her spirit and smile. I should have been thankful for three children that love and know the Lord and who are uniquely blessed with gifts and talents. I should have been thankful for my family and closest friends that support me from near and far. I should have been thankful for JPC and your love and generosity and willingness to serve others.

Hopefully by now you get the point, are tired of my list, or maybe have even started a list of your own? When we stop and think about our lives there is much to be thankful for. Don't wait for Thanksgiving. Start today and intentionally think about what you are thankful for this month. On the days when it isn't easy you will find that your thankfulness might just change your day! See you in church!

LIFE GROUP DINNERS

REMINDER!

Life Group Dinners “Reveal” covered-dish is Wednesday, November 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the CLC. Please come and discover who’s in your group!



Love and thank you to everyone for the beautiful birthday wishes! Your kindness and thoughtfulness means the world to me!

-Love, Nancy Guiton

CELEBRATE 2025

Save the Date!

October 4, 2025

New for 2025:
Triad Express Tract-Less Train!

The Celebrate 2024 planning crew would like to thank our JPC family for helping support this amazing event. It was a wonderful success with bright sunny weather and over 400 guests. We had close to 100 volunteers with JPC and Boy-scouts combined. Thank you all for your support, prayers, and dedication. Many of you showed up at 6:30am that morning, and many folks were there helping clean up after 3pm. We heard so many of you tell us, “What else can I do?” Thank you so very much! We love JPC!



Hanging of the Greens

HANGING OF THE GREENS- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th

It’s time!! Advent will begin soon with Christmas Day not far behind, which means we need to get our church ready. Mark your calendars and join us after the 11:00 am service on November 24th for the “Hanging of the Greens” throughout our building! We’ll start with a very quick light lunch in Fellowship Hall. From there the work will begin. We hope you will come and “give us a hand” to get it all done.

Thursday Morning Bible Study!

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

(Thursday 9:30 am Room 222 November 7-December 12)

The four-week Advent Bible Study will focus on the story of Jesus and John the Baptist. In *Preparing the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist*, pastor Adam Hamilton explores the Advent themes of John's life and ministry and how John calls all followers of Jesus to prepare our hearts and lives for His coming. The study will conclude with a Christmas Salad Lunch on December 12 at 11:30 at the home of Clarajo Pleasants.

For additional information call Vivien Carson (336-253-6203) or Clarajo Pleasants (336-207-2372)

LEISURE FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, November 21 at 11:45 am, Leisure Fellowship will be having lunch at Clemmons Kitchen, 3609 Clemmons Rd., Clemmons. After lunch, we will go to Mrs. Haynes Handmade Moravian Cookies where we can see cookies being made and purchase what we would like.



We will leave JPC at 11:00 am and expect to return to JPC 2:15-2:45. Lunch will be on your own. There will be no charge for the bus on this trip.

We need to know how many are going by November 15 so we can confirm the number for lunch, so please send email to Charlotte (<mailto:clgriner@earthlink.net>) or text 336 402-5001 to get your name on the list. Please indicate whether you will be riding the bus or driving.

Please come join us for good food and fellowship!

LADIES MORNING CIRCLE

The JPC Morning Circle will meet on Monday, November 18th at 10:00 in Room 222. We are excited to be filling the Christmas gift bags with many items for the Grace Group folks. With the help of the Evening Circle, we will be preparing 15 goodie bags with useful and fun items. Delivery will take place in December. We look forward to this annual, fun activity.





Christmas PARADE

Jamestown Christmas Parade
Sunday, December 1, 2024

3:00 PM

Line-up Time 1:30PM

We are hoping you will join us for the Jamestown Christmas Parade! JPC will have a float and the children and youth are both participating. Mark your calendars! More details to come.

UPCOMING CHILDREN'S EVENTS

November 17

POLYWOGS and FROGS Joint Meeting @ 4PM

December 1

Jamestown Christmas Parade

December 8

Children's Christmas Practice @ 12PM (Pizza lunch)

December 11

Children's Christmas Program with (Hot Dog supper)

THANK YOU!!

Thank you all for such a lovely celebration and gift last Sunday as I move on from Children's Ministry here at Jamestown Presbyterian!

I carry with me a heart filled with precious memories of each child in this church. I am so grateful that we had eight years together and I look forward to still being a part of this caring congregation in the role of Parish Visitor!

Remember, God loves you and so do I,
Grammie Sammie



We need help! This may be Holiday Market's last year at JPC. It's been a wonderful event for 13 years, and it needs some new energy. Please, if anyone feels called to help, contact Angelin or Ricki asap.

DONATIONS

Donation to JPC Outreach Endowment Fund
In memory of Jo Burroughs by
Jo Brech

Donation to JPC Music Fund
In memory of Jo Burroughs by
Dot Russell
Charles & Martha Sutton
Robert, Whitten and Sally Yount

Donation to JPC Music Fund
In memory of Carroll Miller by
Louise Monroe
Dot Russell
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Donation to JPC Celebration Fund
In memory of Jo Burroughs
In memory of Carroll Miller by
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Donation to JPC Hurricane Helene Relief Fund
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In memory of Carroll Miller by
Charlotte Griner
Bill & Clarajo Pleasants

Donation to JPC Orange Feather School Fund
In memory of Carroll Miller by
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Donation to JPC Lane Pleasants Scholarship Fund
In memory of Lane by
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Donation to JPC Leisure Fellowship Fund
In memory of Carroll Miller by
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