CONTACT US

For more detailed information, please visit our website or contact the church office to speak with a member of our staff.

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Office Closed on Fridays

Office hours may vary due to the COVID 19 Pandemic Please visit our website for the most current information.

Email: info@mceachernumc.org Website: www.mceachernumc.org

Lead Staff and Extension Numbers:

Rev. Dr. Doug Thrasher, Senior Pastor	X-5000
Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, Senior Associate Pastor	X-5012
Rev. Tony Phillips, Lead Pastor of Higher Ground	X-5020
Rev. Bomi Kim, Connections & Communications Pastor	X-5001
Tanya Ghoreishi, Music & Worship Minister	X-5005
Carlos Fernandez, Missions & Youth Director	X-5016
DeDe Reilly, Children's Director	X-6039
Susan Koopman, Nursery Director	X-5006
Shaun Nguyen, Recreation Director	X-5014
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John Spain, Facilities Director	X-6038
Denise Ribeiro, Weekday Preschool Director	770.439.7110

Staff members are available via email using their first initial and last name followed by @mceachernumc.org.

Come Worship With Us! Worship Times

Note that to worship in person and to accommodate safe distancing,
we ask that worshipers visit our website and "Save Your Seat."

Traditional Worship - 9:30 & 11:00 AM - Sanctuary Modern Worship - 11:00 AM - Higher Ground Spanish Worship - 11:30 AM - Currently meeting via Zoom

Sunday School: Children - 9:30 AM and Adults - 9:30 & 11:00 AM

Note: Articles for *The Vine* are subject to approval by the appropriate ministry staff leader. Please send requests directly to the staff leader for approval *a few days before* the 10th of the month prior to desired edition.





A righteous man walks in his integrity; His children are blessed after him. Proverbs 20:7

McEachern's Monthly News Update

June 2021

Come Worship, Grow and Serve With Us!

"I am The Vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

Dear Friends.

The end of the school year (and what a school year it has been!) and Summer are upon us. I want to remind you to look here in *The Vine*, in the *Wednesday Word*, in the Bulletin, and on our website to discover all the different ways that you can be involved in the church. McEachern Kids and our Youth are planning special events throughout the Summer and I'm sure you don't want to miss out!

On Sundays, we will be a bit more laid back in worship and are planning a sermon series for May 30th through the rest of June entitled *Masterpiece Stories of Faith*. During these 5 weeks we will look at some of the great stories in the Old Testament and learn how faith in God has guided people throughout history.

In July, we will celebrate the 4th of July in worship on the 4th of July. We will also be preaching what we are calling "People's Choice" sermons. You will be given the opportunity to suggest sermon topics or sermon texts and we will preach on the ones selected. It should be very interesting.

I'm looking forward to Summer at McEachern!

I love you all, Doug

LOVE GOD | LOVE NEIGHBOR | MAKE DISCIPLES

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Breakfast: Sunday, June 13 At 8:00-9:00 AM



Our United Methodist Men invite **men of all ages** to join them for breakfast on the 2nd Sunday of most months. Please come and bring a few friends to enjoy this rewarding time of fellowship with other men of McEachern UMC! Speaker to be announced.

WAIT! Donate That Car!

When vehicles are donated via the church, the *Car Care Ministry* (CCM) inspects and evaluates them to determine what level of work is required to restore them to safe, reliable transportation for a person in desperate need. Once this process is complete, the required work is done and the vehicles are then ready for distribution. Recipients of donated vehicles are vetted to



assess their need by CCM leadership and with additional assistance from the church staff when necessary. Call **Bob Flood** at **404.754.5056** *only to donate* a vehicle. For all other Car Care Ministry inquiries, call **770.943.3008** X **1254**.

NURSERY MINISTRY



Nursery Ministry Director: Susan Koopman

skoopman@mceachernumc.org + 678.567.5006

Our nursery staff and teachers are trained in CPR, First Aid and **Safe Sanctuary** to provide a safe, fun place for your children to grow!

Summer 2021 Parents' Time Away

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 AM~1:00 PM

Sign up once, as needed or by the day/week/month/school \$25 child, \$20 1st sibling, \$15 each additional siblings One-time registration fee of \$20 per family

Register & Pay On-Line

We cannot "hold" spaces without payment.

Registration and payment must be received at least 24 hours in advance,

Vaccination record and Medical Release form must be on file with PTA.

Each child will need their own record on file.



MMUMC has an exemption from the State of Georgia not to be licensed, because children are not in our Parent's Day Out program for more than 4 hours/day for a maximum of 8 hours/week. The church carries liability insurance for all of our programs.

MISSIONS MINISTRY

Exciting Food Distribution Partnership

Our *WellStar' & Goodr Meals on Wheels Mobile Food Market* partnership is enabling us to provide fresh farmer's market food to our community once monthly through July.

Our Local Outreach Ministry Thanks You!

Thank you for YOUR generous monetary donations to our Local Outreach Ministry. The funds not only provide emergency groceries for local families but also bill pay assistance for utilities. Because of this congregation's heart for service, we receive the honor and privilege of responding to God's call for us to assist those in need in our community!

GIC Celebration - THANK YOU



We had an incredible Global Impact Celebration! Thank you all for your hearts for God, our church, and missions, both locally and internationally. To date, we have received 48 pledges, totaling \$86,600! We would absolutely love for each member of our congregation to become involved in missions in some capacity, and it's not too late to get involved!

Please visit click <u>here</u> to view videos and testimonies from our partners on how impactful your generosity has been in our community over the past year. Also, on the GIC page, you can learn more about what the Faith Promise Commitment is; and peruse all the different areas of ministry available for you to partner with us in service this upcoming year. Please pray for how God might use you to make an impact for the Kingdom! In whatever capacity God has placed on your heart to serve, we can't wait to work with you as the hands and feet of Jesus in our community!

DONATIONS GIVEN TO...

The General Fund in memory of Ann Rainey by:
The Nat Long Bible Class

The Children's Ministry in memory of Rev. Donna Goff by: Jane DeFoor

The Children's Ministry in memory of J. N. Maynard by: Jane DeFoor

The Children's Ministry in honor of Jack Prado by:

Jane DeFoor

The Car Care Ministry in honor of David McCoy by:

Mildred Gamel

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CARE MINISTRY CONTINUED

Discover Christ's Love Through Stephen Minsters



Stephen Ministers are members of *MMUMC* who have been through extensive training and provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to people who are experiencing a difficult time. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and provide weekly support for you as long as your need persists.

If you or someone you know is hurting, please do not hesitate to learn more about the Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders listed below.

- Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, cindy@mceachernumc.org, 678.567.5012
- Bill Hanse, billhanse0905@gmail.com, 678.849.8383
- Nancy Folds, nancy.folds@yahoo.com, 770.337.2050

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life!

Are you experiencing stress, anxiety, and/or depression?

We can help you and/or someone you refer! Our therapists are offering a special rate for new clients through McEachern Counseling Center:



Call **678.567.5020** to schedule a session.



McEachernUMC.org/counseling/ 678.567.5020



Fellowship & Support Groups

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ centered group that meets every **Thursday at 7:00 PM via Zoom**. This group helps individuals to overcome not only addictive behaviors but also life issues and hang-ups that rob them of joyful living.

AA: Meets Tuesdays and Fridays at 8:00 PM - Alcoholics Anonymous has resumed meeting in room G-103 at the Care and Counseling Center.

If you'd like to connect to either of these groups, contact Nancy Folds via email at **nfolds@mceachernumc.org** or by phone **770.943.3008 X 5002**.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Children's Ministry #mceachernkids
Director: DeDe Reilly
dreilly@mceachernumc.org + 404.493.1683

Check in often at the **McEachern Kids Facebook Group** for daily encouragement and the latest on how children are served and serving at McEachern Memorial United Methodist Church!

Super Summer Sundays:

Sunday Morning Fun Begins At 9:30 AM In The Children's Welcome Center! **June 6** - National Yoyo Day - Exhibition & Skills with McEachern Kid's Yoyos

June 13 - National Ice Tea Day - Serving Peach Tea (We're in Georgia!)

June 20 - Pops With Pop - Popsicles & Father's Day Photo Booth

June 27 - National Sunglasses Day & Kona Ice Truck - It's cool to be at church! We'll provide sunglasses. Kona Ice at the Gaga Ball Pit after church.

July 4 - Independence Day - Wear Red, White & Blue!

Faith Field Trip to Red Top Mountain for Completed 3rd-5th Graders Monday, June 28, 9:30 AM-3:00 PM. Register here to join in the fun! Contact Stacie Barrow or DeDe Reilly for more information.

Saints Summer Book Club - June 15 & 29, 3-4:00 PM

The Saints Summer Book Club is for anyone wanting to learn about the saints of our faith by reading biographies this summer then gathering to chat at various McEachern Saints' homes. All reading levels are invited! June meeting dates are June 15 & 29, 3-4:00 PM. Register here to join us.

Paint & Praise Party - Tuesday, June 8, 7:00-8:30 PM

Children are invited to bring a parent (or other adult) to paint and give praise to the Lord for one another on Tuesday, June 8, 7-8:30 PM. All children/students must have an accompanying adult present for the event. Please register here.

Vacation Bible School All Summer Long! For Kids AND Their Families! Every Thursday Night In June And July At 6:00 PM And 7:00 PM In The Parking Lot! No Registration Required And It's All Free! Meet us for music .games, prizes and Jesus!

McEachern Kids Online is emailed each week or found on the children's page of the website. To get on the email list contact Mrs. DeDe Reilly at **dreilly@mceachernumc.org**.

Are you a grandparent? Check in often at the *Faith Grandparenting Facebook Group* for encouragement and tools to make sharing your faith with your grandchildren a priority.

Are you a parent? Check in often at the *Faith Parenting Facebook Group* for resources and discussion to help navigate the celebrations and challenges of raising children to love Jesus with their whole hearts for their whole lives.

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McEACHERN STUDENT MINISTRY



Student Ministry Director: Carlos Fernandez

cfernandez@mceachernumc.org + 908.500.1608

Renew Sunday Mornings:

6th-12th graders - students can now join us either in person or online! If joining us in person, our Student Ministry doors open at 9AM for a meet & greet! The program start time is 9:30 AM. If you are joining us online, https://zoom.us/j/93218620783?pwd=QkwxZkdVbEpOQnVIZ2hrNGRiNUhmZz09. We'll start at 10:00 AM. Whether joining us in person or online, we'll have both fun and engaging group activities, small groups and utilize the SOAP (Scripture, Observation, Application, Prayer) method for our study of the Word. Please click here to register student/s if attending in person.

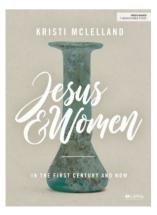
Student Ministry Mini Mission - June 30 Through July 2:

Calling all middle and high school students! Join us for these three days as we serve both our local and international community. **Drop-off each day at 9:30 AM at the CLC.** Please continue to check your emails for updates! If you have any questions, please contact Carlos Fernandez at **cfernandez@mceachernumc.org**.

ADULT MINISTRY & BIBLE STUDIES

For information regarding Small Groups or upcoming Bible Studies contact Pastor Tony Phillips at tphillips@mceachernumc.org

Women's Summer Bible Study Begins Wednesday, June 2



Jesus & Women: In the First Century and Now

Join us for this 7-session DVD led study by biblical culturist, Kristi McLelland as she transports us back to Jesus' world, following in the footsteps of the women who came face-to-face with the Living God. Light home study is optional. You may join us for the video introduction and if you choose to attend, purchase your study guide online through your favorite vendor. We meet in F147 from 9:30 AM until 11:30 AM. To learn more, contact Teresa McDaniel and please RSVP to plan for adequate seating via tmcdaniel@mceachernumc.org.

SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY

Macland Seniors' Monthly Luncheon
Friday, June 4 - 11:30 AM In the CLC Gym
Covered dish / Potluck luncheon has resumed!



Bring your favorite dish to share! Please bring your own beverage. If you are more comfortable bringing your lunch, please do so.

Program: Helping Hands of Paulding County Clothing Center Presented by: Reva Burke

Please bring your donation of winter or summer clean, gently used, clothing for men, women and children.

In order to set up appropriate number of tables and chairs, contact Nancy Folds by Tuesday, June 1 to let her know that you are coming. nfolds@mceachernumc.org or call 770.943.3008 ext. 5002

CARE MINISTRY



Volunteer and Fellowship Opportunities

There Is A Place For You In The Care Ministry!

Monday Morning Ministers: Have begun meeting on Tuesday mornings! 10:00-11:00 AM in B-108. We pray for those who are ill, in crisis or celebrating exciting events such as weddings and births. Members send cards of congratulations, concern and sympathy. To share a prayer concern or for more information, please contact Pastor Cindy Blocksidge at 770.943.3008 X 5012

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Meets on Thursdays at 9:30 AM in room F322 to knit and crochet prayer shawls for those in hospitals and other care facilities. For more information, contact Nancy Folds at **nfolds@mceachernumc.org** or **678.567.5002**.

McEachern Friends: Sign-up to visit the homebound, those in assisted living and nursing homes, when it is safe to do so. For inquiries or to participate, contact Diane Huie at **diane.huie@comcast.net** or Sally Sutton at **ecstift@gmail.com**.

Front Office Volunteers: Smiling faces needed occasionally to answer the main telephone lines and greet guests. For more information, contact Nancy Folds at nfolds@mceahernumc.org or 770.943.3008, ext. 5002