

CONTACT US

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

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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.

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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
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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:

Until further notice, please visit our website to "Save Your Seat."

Traditional Worship - 9:30 & 11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Modern Worship - 11:00 AM - Higher Ground

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

Spanish Worship - 9:00 AM - Chapel & Sunday School - 10:00 AM - CLC

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.



McEachern Memorial

A United Methodist Church

www.mceachernumc.org

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"If the Son
sets you free,
you will be
free indeed."
John 8:36

McEachern's Monthly News Update

July 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*

Let us help you get connected and stay connected
to THE VINE through *The Vine*!

"We hold these truths to be
self-evident,
that all men are
created equal,
that they are endowed by
their Creator
with certain unalienable Rights,
that among these are
Life, Liberty
and the pursuit of
Happiness."



The Declaration of Independence

LOVE GOD | LOVE NEIGHBOR | MAKE DISCIPLES

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



After 16 months of creating new ways to provide music to lead worship, The Sanctuary Choir has gradually expanded its number of singers!

"Crescendo" is a musical term that tells us to start out singing small and grow to a very large sound. Well, we are SO excited to finally return as a full choir on July 18! We invite you to come back to celebrate and worship with us! We are calling this wonderful event, "The Great Crescendo" because of how we've grown. Now is the time to return to worship again! Join us for *The Great Crescendo*!

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 Thru August 19

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.

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL MINISTRY

mceachern
united methodist preschool

**We currently have openings
for the 2021-2022 school year!**

For more information, please contact the
preschool office at **770.439.7110**.



CHURCHWIDE EVENT



**Save the Date for the...
Welcome Back Picnic**

**Sunday, August 8, in the
church front parking lot**

**Join us for a celebration lunch
after the 11:00 AM worship
service! Hamburgers! Hot Dogs!
And all the trimmings!**

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!

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**.

DONATIONS GIVEN TO...

The General Fund in memory of Ann Rainey by:
Sandra Burke, Joseph & Karen Macrina, Don & Dot Langley

The General Fund in honor of Phil Marklin by:
Betty Waldron

CARE MINISTRY CONTINUED

Discover Christ's Love Through Stephen Ministers



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 speaking 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!



Volunteer and Fellowship Opportunities

There Is A Place For You In The Care Ministry!

Bereavement Committee: Organize and prepare receptions after funeral services. For more information, please contact Rev. Cindy Blocksidge at cblocksidge@mceachernumc.org or 770.943.3008 X 5012.

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 X 5002

CHURCHWIDE SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING

In-person training in **Lula Dobbs** on **Sunday, July 11** at **12:30-1:45 PM**
All who are 16 and older and serve in ministry with children, youth and/or vulnerable adults must complete training annually. **No need to pre-register.**

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!
July 4 - Wear Red, White & Blue - One service 10:30 AM - no Sunday School
July 11 - National Blueberry Muffin Day - Muffins in the Welcome Center
July 18 - National Ice Cream Day - Ice Cream truck at the Gaga Ball Pit
July 25 - National Day of the Cowboy - Wear your cowboy/cowgirl gear and we'll enjoy some rodeo fun!

Saints Summer Book Club - July 6, 13 & 20, 3-4:00 PM

RSVP online and addresses will follow.

We Are Family Vacation Bible School - All Summer Long!

For Kids AND Their Families! Meet us for music, games, prizes and Jesus! Every Thursday Night Through July At 6:00 PM & 7:00 PM In The Parking Lot! **No Registration Required And It's All Free!**

July 1 - Friends are family, too! - Wet & Wild Night

July 8 - Celebrating the men in our families with Nerf Games

July 15 - Celebrating those who teach us - Wear a cape!

July 22 - Celebrating our church family with a picnic & BINGO

Taco 'Bout McEachern Kids - Wednesday July 21 6:00-7:30 PM

Come to hear what's going on this school year in McEachern Kids with tacos, moustaches, and all our leaders. RSVP online.

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.

McEachern Student Ministry



Student Ministry Director:
Carlos Fernandez

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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. To attend in person, please register your student/s [here](#) or online at <https://mceachernumc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/399/responses/new>.

Mission Three Day Event - June 30 Through July 2

We are INCREDIBLY EXCITED for our upcoming Mission Three Day, starting on June 30th at 6:00 PM with a family-style packing event and culminating on July 2nd with a surprise fun night! This is an opportunity to bring a mission trip mindset to our students and community even when no travel is involved! These three days will be full of service, fun, and furthering relationships with each other and our community! The cost for the Three Day Mission is \$40 and covers expenses for all three days. **Please note that this is a daily drop-off/pick-up mission event.** If your student is interested in attending, please take a few minutes to complete this form [here](#) or at <https://mceachernumc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/487/responses/new> Please continue to check your email for updates! If you have questions, contact Carlos Fernandez at cfernandez@mceachernumc.org.

Save These Dates For Upcoming Student Ministry Events

June 30 through July 2: Student Ministry Three Day Mini Mission

Monday, July 19, 6:15-8:30 PM: Confirmation July Trivia Night at Mellow Mushroom (West Cobb)

Wednesday, July 21, 6:00-7:30 PM: Mystery Night in the CLC

Wednesday, July 28, 6:00-7:30 PM: Girls Night at Project Studios (Marietta)

Wednesday, September 8, 6:30-8:00 PM: Midweek Kickoff

ADULT MINISTRY



RightNow Media - A FREE Resource For Each Member Of Your Family!

View videos and Bible studies online at **no cost to you!** We encourage you to register, log in, and explore all that is available. Simply [click here](#) or enter the link below to create a profile and gain access to this worthwhile faith building tool.
<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/MMUMC>

MEN'S MINISTRY

Come, Help Build A Habitat For Humanity Home!



The United Methodist Men's group is part of the Cobb Interfaith Habitat Coalition to build a home with Habitat for Humanity. A Habitat for Humanity build has begun! Volunteers are needed for various duties. [Click here](#) or visit the link below to volunteer for this exciting project.
<https://bit.ly/ummhabitat2021> (Monetary donations are also appreciated!)

Men's Breakfast: Sunday, July 11 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!

July Speaker: Bill Greer, MMUMC church organist.

SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY

Macland Seniors' Monthly Luncheon

Friday, July 9 - 11:30 AM In Lula Dobbs Hall

Our covered dish / potluck luncheon has resumed!



Program: Joshua Nelson, Elder Law Attorney from *Nelson Elder Care Law*, will present a program on how seniors can protect their life savings and the people they love.

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

Reservations are no longer necessary! Direct inquiries to Nancy Folds at nfolds@mceachernumc.org or call 770.943.3008 ext. 5002

CARE MINISTRY



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 meets 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.