



NOVEMBER 2023



Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness:

come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with THANKSGIVING,

and into his courts with praise:

BETHANKFUL unto him, and bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

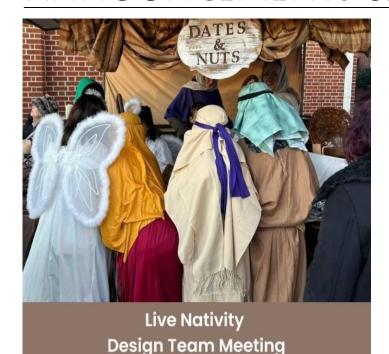
Psalm 100

LOVE GOD + LOVE NEIGHBOR + MAKE DISCIPLES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Tuesday Nov. 14 @ 6:30-7:30pm

McEachern Kids Welcome Center





Donations Given To...

The Joyful Singers in memory of David Berkner by Nat Long Sunday School The General Fund in memory of Doug Huie by Joan Beil



Cheers for Classroom Cheerios

Last year our partners at Compton Elementary School requested our help with snacks for children in need.

Through your Faith Promise giving, we were able to provide cereal dispensers for each classroom.

The program was a huge success. Once again this year, you can bless elementary school children by bringing boxes of PLAIN CHEERIOS ONLY to refill these dispensers.

Boxes may be placed in food pantry collection containers or in the basket located in the front office lobby.

IMPORTANT! Please bring **PLAIN CHEERIOS ONLY** as other types may contain nuts. Thank you!

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Service Opportunities In The Front Office Ministry!

Mass Mailing Projects: Periodically, many hands are needed to execute a mass mailing project.

Front Desk Volunteers: Occasionally, the church office needs volunteers with smiling faces and cheerful voices to answer the main phone lines and make guests and members feel welcome.

Two shifts available: 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM and/or 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM - Training is provided.

Schedule a time to come by and determine whether the Lord is calling you to serve at the Front Desk or on an occasional mass mailing project! For more information or to have your name added to the list of volunteers for the front desk and/or mass mailings, please contact Nancy Burkhardt at 678.567.5002 or nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org.

NURSERY MINISTRY



Parents Time Away & Nursery Director:
Susan Koopman
skoopman@mceachernumc.org
or 678.567.5006

Parents' Time Away - Tuesdays & Thursdays 9 AM - 1 PM Special Thanksgiving Week PTA Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9 AM - 1 PM

For children ages birth-preschool

Sign up once, as needed or by the day, week, month or school year. Registration with payment is required at least 24 hours in advance.

Please understand that we cannot "hold" spaces without payment.

\$30 1st child, \$25 2nd child, \$20 each additional child

One-time registration fee of \$20 per family

Register & Pay On-Line at McEachernumc.org under "Forms" or "Next Generation." We must have vaccination records and medical release forms on file for each child.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Check in often at our digital small groups for daily encouragement and the latest info of how children are served and serving at McEachern Memorial United Methodist Church!

McEachern Kids Facebook group

Faith Parenting

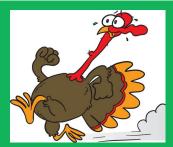
Faith Grandparenting

Sunday Mornings: K5-5th grade 9:30-10:30am large/small groups in The Treehouse
Arrive early since there's always something special going on in the
Welcome Center which opens at 9:00 AM.

After the 11:00 AM Worship Service, come and hang out at the GaGa Ball Pit. Check out the online classroom and at-home resources at

www.pursueGODkids.org/mceachern/.

















MARK YOUR CALENDAR
DECEMBER 1
Powder Springs
Christmas Parade
DECEMBER 3
Campfire Christmas
DECEMBER 6
Faith Milestone:
I Love My Church
DECEMBER 17
Live Nativity &
Bethlehem Experience

For Children's information or to volunteer, call X 6039 or email dreilly@mceachernumc.org.

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STUDENT MINISTRY



ADULT MINISTRY

Adult Small Groups & Studies

Do you want an abundant life that can weather any storm and give you peace in all circumstances? Small groups and Bible studies are instrumental in helping individuals to develop and maintain vibrant Christian lives by offering godly support and spiritual growth opportunities. For information regarding existing or upcoming groups or studies, please contact DeDe Reilly at dreilly@mceachernumc.org.

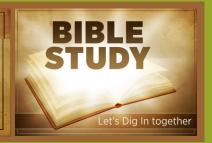
Ongoing Men's Bible Study Thursday Mornings 6-6:30 AM

Start your day in the Word with other men in a Bible study consisting of various topics.

Meet us via Zoom or in person in Room F213 in the Christian Life Center.

We enjoy a great time in the Word and finish feeling uplifted and refreshed by 6:30 AM. For more information or to connect via Zoom on Thursdays, email Facilitator, Charles Chilton at cpchilton@gmail.com.

Study God's Word With Pastor Craig Hutto Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30 AM in the Christian Life Center, Room F-147.



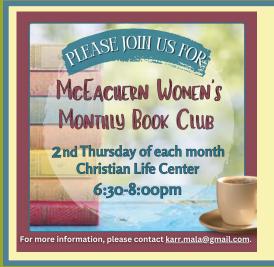


Men's Breakfast

Sunday, November 12, 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!

Speaker: MMUMC Church Member, Bob Lester



Women's Monthly Book Club November 9, 6:30-8:00 PM

Led by Mala Karr and Toni Brewton
Book Club will discuss the following book:

Shadow of the Storm by Connilyn Cossette (2nd book of Out of Egypt series)

We will meet monthly on the 2nd Thursday through May 2024, reading one book selection each month. Below is the book title that we will read through November to discuss on December 14.

The Dinner List by Rebecca Serle

For more information, contact Mala Karr, karr.mala@gmail.com.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY





Macland Seniors Thanksgiving Luncheon

Friday, November 3, 2023 at 11:30 AM in Lula Dobbs Hall

Bring your favorite Thanksgiving side dish to share and your beverage!



Turkey and ham provided.

No reservation required!



Our program will be a project! Bring your creativity as we decorate lunch bags for children who attend

The Table on Delk!





Annual Christmas Party
Friday, December 1, 2023 at 11:30 AM
In The CLC Gym

\$10.00 Per Person - Due No Later Than Tuesday, November 14! RSVP to Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org or 678.567.5002.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!

The \$10.00 fee will confirm your reservation and help offset the cost of the catered luncheon. The caterer requires the total and final count of those attending no later than November 14. Please Note:

WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT RESERVATIONS OR PAYMENTS AFTER THE FINAL COUNT IS SUBMITTED TO THE CATERER ON NOVEMBER 14.

Come and enjoy our Annual Christmas Party in the CLC Gym! This is always a very festive event with great food and musical entertainment from the *Joyful Singers*.

DIRECT INQUIRES REGARDING SENIOR ADULT ACTIVITIES TO NANCY BURKHARDT AT NBURKHARDT@MCEACHERNUMC.ORG OR 770.943.3008 X 5002

CARE MINISTRY



Individuals

Couples

Families

Children

Adolescents

Groups

Services are offered to our church family and the community by licensed therapists.

- * Life Coaching
- * Relationships
- * Pre-marital
- * Parenting
- * ADHD

- * Grief
- * Depression
- * Anxiety
- * Phobias
- * PTSD

- * Bipolar Disorder
- * Eating Disorders
- * Anger Management
- * Stress Management
- * Work and Career Issues

Let us help you achieve a healthy balance in life!

Fees are based on a sliding scale according to household income - Visa/MC accepted Flexible appointment times available weekdays, evenings and weekends to fit your schedule!

Contact: 678.567.5020 - counselingcenter@mceachernumc.org



So do not fear, for | am with you;
do not be dismayed, for | am your God.
| will strengthen you and help you;
| will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
| saiah +1:10

Additional AA Meetings: Please note, AA has added morning meetings on Mondays & Thursdays at 7:00 AM in addition to Tuesdays & Fridays at 8:00 PM



Alcoholics Anonymous:

Meets in Room G-103 at the
Care & Counseling Center
Mondays & Thursdays at 7 AM
and Tuesdays & Fridays at 8 PM



Narcotics Anonymous:

Meets at 6:30 PM on
Sundays and Mondays
In Oaks Hall.

FOR INQUIRIES REGARDING THE CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY CONTACT THE REVEREND CINDY BLOCKSIDGE AT CINDY@MCEACHERNUMC.ORG.

CARE MINISTRY



Thursday, November 16, 2023 6:30 - 8:30 PM F-319 In The CLC Welcome Center

(Christian Life Center)

For many people, the holidays can be a difficult time. GRIEFSHARE can help.

Are you wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas?

Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years cannot be recreated?

No matter how long it's been since your loved one has passed, grief can make the holidays a painful time.

This seminar will help you discover...

- how to deal with emotions
- what to do about traditions
- helpful tips for surviving social events
- how to find hope for the future

RSVP to Nancy Burkhardt nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org or 678.567.5002

There Is A Place For You AND We Need You!!!







Bereavement Committee: Consider taking part in this loving group that provides a meal or snacks for bereft families either before or after a funeral. For more details, contact Pastor Cindy Blocksidge at 770.943.3008 X 5012.

Office Volunteers: Smiling faces needed occasionally to answer the main telephone lines, greet guests, and/or place inserts into the bulletin, assist with mass mailings, design bulletin boards etc. For more information, contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org or 770.943.3008 X 5002.

McEachern Morning Ministers - Now Meeting on Tuesdays, 10-11:30 AM in B-108:

We pray for those who are ill, in crisis or celebrating exciting events such as weddings and births. Join us to sign and 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 / or crochet prayer shawls for those in hospitals, assisted living communities and other care facilities. For more information, contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org or 770.943.3008 X 5002.

McEachern Friends: Sign-up to visit the homebound, those in assisted living and nursing homes. For inquiries or to participate, contact Diane Huie at diane.huie@comcast.net.

MISSIONS





Enjoy The Blessing Of Serving In Missions!

Our Missions Ministry offers many opportunities for you to not only see God at work but to also join Him and experience the blessings received from the gifts of your time and effort toward a purpose greater than yourself. Discover the thrill of becoming part of something amazing that the Lord will accomplish both in you and through you! Contact our Missions Director, Tamlyn Collins today by phone at 770.871.1081 or through email at tcollins@mceachernumc.org!

SOUPER CHRISTMAS SUPPER - DECEMBER 13

We often think of people bringing what they have as they come together to celebrate Thanksgiving. This year we are gathering with those who

we serve in the community to bless them with a SOUPER Christmas supper celebration from 5:30 to 7:00 PM on December 13 in the Higher Ground building. Would you, your Sunday School Class or your small group be willing to provide a Crockpot of soup for the celebration? Any type of soup or chili will be appreciated.



Servants are also needed to greet guests and to show them the love of Christ during the supper. Simply let Tamlyn Collins know that you will help by emailing Tcollins@mceachernumc.org or texting to 770-871-1081 with your name and the type of soup or chili that you will bring.



All donations of soup may be delivered by 5:00 PM December 13 to "Holy" Ground. If delivered early, please put it in the refrigerator there. Please mark your crock pots with your name so that they can easily be returned to you. Feel free to contact Tamlyn with any questions.

MISSIONS DIRECTOR, TAMLYN COLLINS 770.871.1081 OR TCOLLINS@MCEACHERNUMC.ORG.

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The Christmas Catalog Is Coming Sunday, November 19

The Christmas Catalog is your opportunity to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas; giving to the Christ Child in an attitude of celebration for the Savior of the world. Be a part of our community as we advance the Kingdom of God during this Advent Season! We challenge you to give equal amount this season to both your family and God's family. Last year, you helped God's children both locally and globally. Many in our community received utility bill pay assistance, gift cards for gasoline and groceries. Our neighbors in need received cars or free repairs. Our local schools were blessed and much more. You will find a table in the Narthex with Christmas catalogs beginning Sunday, November 19. Prayerfully consider what gift you might give in loving gratitude for God's precious gift to us through His Son, Christ Jesus!



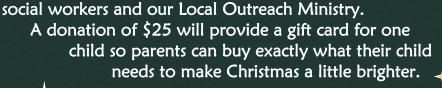
Angel Tree Gifts Due December 6



Look for the Angel Trees to appear in the Narthex and in the McEachern Kids entrances beginning Sunday, November 19. Instead of giving gifts that do not fit or are not on a child's wish list, please consider giving a \$25 gift card from Walmart, Target or Marshalls/TJ Maxx.

You may choose one or more angels and purchase the \$25 gift card from the store indicated on each angel. Please bring the angels with the gift cards and place them in the red box in the Narthex by Wednesday, December 6.

Your gifts will be used to bless and support 25 or more families in our community known, vetted and selected by our local schools'





CONTACT US

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

Church Office is Closed on Fridays

Please visit our website for the most current information.

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

Lead Staff and Extension Numbers:

Rev. Craig Hutto, Senior Pastor	X 5000
Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, Senior Associate Pastor	X 5012
Tanya Ghoreishi, Music & Worship Minister	X 5005
Tamlyn Collins, Missions Ministry Director	X 6049
Moose Mosteller, Student Ministry Director	X 5016
DeDe Reilly, Children's Ministry Director	X 6039
Susan Koopman, Nursery Ministry Director	X 5006
Shaun Nguyen, Recreation Ministry Director	X 5014
Sharon Ellis, Financial Director	X 5003
John Spain, Facilities Director	X 6038
Denise Ribeiro, Weekday Preschool Director	770.439.7110

Contact staff members via email using their first initial and last name followed by @mceachernumc.org.

Come Worship With Us! Worship Times:

Traditional Worship - 9:30 & 11:00 AM - Sanctuary Spanish Worship - 11:00 AM - Chapel Sunday School:

Children - 9:30 AM Adults - 9:30 & 11:00 AM Spanish Bible Class - 9:30 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.

