





# NOVEMBER 2025

"Give thanks in ALL circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."



1 Thessalonians 5:18

# LOVE GOD + LOVE NEIGHBOR + MAKE DISCIPLES

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

# "Thankful..." (Thanksgiving Sermon Series) By Rev. Orlando Evans

Pastors Jessica, Cindy, and I look forward to launching the holiday season with a new sermon series entitled, "Thankful!" With all that is going on in the world, and with all that many of us have experienced during this season, it is important to pause, reflect, and give God thanks for His grace and mercy.

- Rev. Dr. Jessica Terrell will launch this sermon series on 11/9 as she shares that we are "Thankful for Healing." She'll explore the story of the Samaritan who experienced divine healing after dealing with a long-term physical challenge.
- Rev. Cindy Blocksidge will continue on 11/16 as she highlights that we are "Thankful for Answered Prayers." She'll reflect on the story of Hannah who yearned for a son and faithfully sought the Lord in prayer before receiving a special blessing.
- Rev. Orlando Evans will conclude this sermon series on 11/23 as he reminds us that we must be "Thankful in All Circumstances." As we hope, pray, and expect for God to move on our behalf, we must maintain a posture of thankfulness, even when the moment doesn't yield what we may immediately desire.



We are excited about this new sermon series and believe that it will warm your heart!

Please invite a loved one to join you on Sundays in November
as we continue to grow in grace.



#### MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 8:00 AM



We, the United Methodist Men, invite men of all ages to join us for a GREAT breakfast in Oaks Hall on the 2nd Sunday of most months.

Join us and bring your friends too! Enjoy this rewarding time with the men of McEachern.

**Guest Speaker: The Reverend Doctor Jessica Terrell** 

# NURSERY MINISTRY



### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Come join us on Sundays from 9:30-10:40 AM in the children's area on the first floor of the Christian Life Center as we dive into the Bible together!

We start each Sunday with 15 minutes of fun worship and rehearsal with **WeeJoice Choir!**We begin Sunday school time at 9:45 where we head to small groups to explore God's Word in ways that are just right for each age group. Each lesson is filled with exciting games, creative crafts, and meaningful discussions. In November, we are learning from 1 & 2 Kings.

Our small groups are divided into PreK-Kindergarten, 1st-3rd grade, and 4th-5th grade.



#### **WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS CLUBS**

We are learning all our Paul and his missionary journey! We learn through GAMES, CRAFT/SCIENCE, and BIBLE STORY stations as we split our children into age groups! Join us as we learn about PAUL! If you would like to be part of our adult volunteer team, email Loraemceachernumc.org



Scan here to register your child for the McEachern UMC Children's' Ministry

Interested in joining our volunteer team?
Scan here or visit the church website









#### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

This month we'll be collecting:

**Boxed Jello** 

Reusable Shopping Bags



in the Children's Treehouse

> McEachern Memorial United Methodist Church



FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ALL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

Search: McEachern Kids at MMUMC

or scan the QR code



# STUDENT MINISTRY





- 2 RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 5 Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM
- 9 RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 12 WNY: SLT Takeover, 6-8 PM
- 16 RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM / Friendsgiving, 7:00 PM

- 19 WNY: Service Project, 6-8 PM
- 23 RENEW: Coffee Shop, 9:30-10:45 AM
- 26 No Wed Night Youth, Thanksgiving Break
- **30 RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM**

# **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**



Women of ALL ages are invited to attend our next meeting of the Women's Group, Sunday, November 2 at 5:00 PM in F326!

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Come enjoy this wonderful time of fellowship and fun!

Childcare is available by contacting Susan Koopman at skoopman@mceachernumc.org AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE!

AND MARK YOUR CALENDAR TO ATTEND THE WOMEN'S GROUP HOLIDAY BRUNCH ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025

For more information, contact Rev. Cindy Blocksidge ~ cblocksidge@mceachernumc.org.

# SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY



McEachern J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) You're Invited To Our Thanksgiving Celebration Luncheon

Join us Friday, November 7th at 11:30 AM in Lula Dobbs Hall

HAM AND TURKEY WILL BE PROVIDED! Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Guest Speaker: Tracy Carter, Sr., Outreach Pastor from Sweetwater Mission

Save The Date! On Friday, November 21st at 9:30 AM, we will fill Christmas bags to give to our beloved shut-ins.



#### THANK YOU FOR

the the the Friends Food Love before us, beside us, between us, and Your Presence among us.



If you are 55+ and considering becoming a part of this exciting group, please contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org for more information and to begin receiving informational McEachern J.O.Y. emails. You will be warmly welcomed!!!

### CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY



Tuesday, November 4, 2025 6:30 - 8:00 PM In The CLC Welcome Center F-147 (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 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.



The Bereavement Committee provides and serves a meal or reception for family and friends after the funeral of a loved one.

This is a very important ministry that offers

Christian hospitality for a grieving family and friends.

Many volunteers are needed!!! You will only serve as you are able and available.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact Nancy Burkhardt, nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org, 678.567.5002.



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

### MISSIONS MINISTRY

#### KAIROS MINISTRY

Kairos Prison Ministry is a 3-day program at Washington State Prison on November 20-22. A gift of homemade cookies will be given to the inmates. Please consider baking cookies and place 6 cookies per clear baggie. (Important: Please use press-seal top bags, NO zipper-type bags are allowed). Also, label all bags that contain

cookies with nuts. We will collect cookies in the church front office on **November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>** 

Please pray for Jerry Kirby and the team!

# THANKSGIVING BAGS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED



From now until November 9th, we will collect food items to fill grocery bags for 35 families in our community for Thanksgiving. Lists of needed food items have been posted around the church and given to each Sunday School Class. Dates for assembling and distributing the bags will soon be announced.

To help assemble the Thanksgiving bags or for more information, please contact Gloria Peters at food-pantry@mceachernumc.org.

Together, we can help provide a wonderful Thanksgiving for families in need!



#### CHRISTMAS IS COMING

(And, it's not too late to sign up to help!)

Later in November, we will set up Angel Trees to offer opportunities for you to help provide gifts for 20 youth from Murphy-Harpst and 40+ children from our local schools! We need you! Join in the fun of making angels for the trees, decorating the trees, gathering gifts and placing them in gift bags. For more information, contact Beth Green, beth.green4@gmail.com or Julie Beem, juliebeematn@gmail.com.



### CHEERIOS FOR COMPTON

We continue to accept donations of boxes of *PLAIN* Cheerios for Compton Elementary School. Cheerios provide a healthy snack for students who need nourishment to keep their minds sharp and empower them to learn. Please bring *PLAIN* Cheerios to the church office or drop them in the Food Pantry bins located in the CLC. (*PLAIN Cheerios or PLAIN store brands are acceptable – NO honey nut and NO flavored Cheerios* as they may not only harm children with nut allergies, but they also get stuck in the dispensers.)

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# CONTACT US

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM Church Office is Closed on Fridays and Certain Holidays

Please visit our website for the most current information.

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#### **Lead Staff and Extension Numbers:**

| Rev. Dr. Jessica Terrell, Senior Pastor          | X 5000       |
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| Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, Senior Associate Pastor   | X 5012       |
| Rev. Orlando Evans, Associate Pastor             | X 5005       |
| Conner Garmon, Music & Worship Director          | X 6041       |
| Moose Mosteller, Student Ministry Director       | X 5016       |
| Lora Parker-Gayler, Children's Ministry Director | X 6039       |
| Susan Koopman, Nursery Ministry Director         | X 5006       |
| Frank Neal, Financial Manager                    | 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!**

**Traditional Worship - 11:00 AM - Sanctuary** 

Sunday School / Small Groups - Children Through Adults - 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 10<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to your desired edition.



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