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Come Worship With Us!

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

Modern Worship - 10:30 AM - Higher Ground

Bilingual Spanish/English Worship - 11:30 AM - Chapel

Sunday School:

Children - 9:30 AM 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 **before** the 10th of the month prior to desired edition.



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McEachern's Monthly News Update

"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

September 2019

Come Worship, Grow and Serve With Us!

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

You Might Be A United Methodist If...

- * you would rather be branded with a hot iron than serve on SPR, Trustees, Finance, etc.
- * you went to church and only understood the "Children's Sermon."
- * you make a concerted effort to speak to the "D.S." at every Charge Conference.
- * you only know the members of the church who go to "your service."
- * you can actually sort of explain why we baptize babies.
- * names like Aldersgate, Asbury, and Epworth are vaguely familiar.
- * you've ever sipped Welch's Grape Juice out of a plastic shot glass during communion.
- * you realize that VBS isn't a sexually transmitted disease.
- * your congregation's Christmas pageant includes both boy and girl wise men.
- * you tell your pastor before your surgery, "Now don't you worry about coming to see me."
- * you must have a large pot of hot coffee waiting for you in your Sunday school class.
- * the word "apportionment" sends a chill down your spine.
- * you like to pray at the altar during communion.
- * you agree with me that the best part of being a Methodist is that by God's grace, we're gettin' better everyday!

Blessings,
Pastor Dave
"IN GOD WE TRUST!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Sanctuary Choir Wants You! Wednesdays, 7:30 PM In The Sanctuary

Summer is winding down and it's time to get back to choir! *Sanctuary Choir* rehearsals will resume on Wednesdays in the Sanctuary beginning August 21 at 7:30 p.m. **Everyone is welcome - no experience or training required!** Childcare is available by reservation at nursery@mceachernumc.org.

New Creation Youth Choir & Handbells Sundays At 3:00 PM Grades 6-12 Meet In The East Room Underneath the Choir Loft

All middle school and High school students are welcomed and encouraged to join us for singing, food and great fellowship. Contact Kerry for information at Kerry@mceachernumc.org.



Sunday Mornings & Evenings

Morning: Room F311 - 10:45 AM-12:15 PM

Evening: Room F326 - 5:30 - 7:00 PM

A 9 week study for anyone seeking to get out of debt and build wealth - Learn budgeting, saving and Christian financial practices in a practical, hands-on environment. For information or to register, visit www.mceachernumc.org or contact Stacie Barrow by email at sbarrow@mceachernumc.org, or by phone at 770.943.3008 X6014. **Free childcare by reservation only!** To reserve a place for your child, email nursery@mceachernumc.org.

Celebrate The 35th Anniversary Of The Sunshine Class!

Sunday, September 29, 9:30-10:30 AM In Lula Dobbs Hall

Everyone is invited! Please show your love by stopping by to celebrate the anniversary of the founding of this very special class!

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!

Fall Parents' Time Away Tuesdays & Wednesdays 9 AM-1 PM

For Children Ages 6 Weeks - 5th Grade - Cost: \$25 first child - \$20 second child - \$15 third and each additional child - A Medical Release Form and advanced registration is required for each child. We cannot hold spots without payment! [Click here](#) to register and pay online. For information, contact Director, Susan Koopman at nursery@mceachernumc.org or 678.567.5006.

MISSIONS MINISTRY

Mentoring Opportunities Available Elementary School Personal Mentoring Opportunities



The mentoring commitment is for just one hour per week September through May during school hours. Pick a day that works for you. Complete training is provided. For more information, contact Janice Robinson, jlr.relay18@gmail.com.



Thank You, Middle School Team Mentors

Teach One to Lead One has 45 mentors serving 300 students at Tapp Middle School! Thank you, mentors for making a loving impact in the lives of so many children!

Volunteer Opportunities For Our Bus Ministry We Need Drivers* & 2nd Adults Who Are Over The Age Of 18!



Busing the community to MMUMC on Sunday mornings for all services. ***Safe sanctuary training required.**



Register to serve in either pick-up or return run.

If interested, call the church office at 770.943.3008 or [click here](#) to sign-up.

Men's Breakfast - Sunday, September 8, 8-9:00 AM

Men of all ages are welcome to join us in Oaks Hall for breakfast on the second Sunday of **most** every month. Come enjoy rewarding fellowship, hot coffee and excellent food!



2019 Band of Brothers Retreat At Camp Glisson

October 25-27, 2019

Cost: \$140

Cost includes meals, lodging and retreat materials

Speaker: **Dan Crain - REMERGE**

Sign up online or fill out form in Narthex or Church Office

Help Fill Crates For Venezuela Now!



Beginning September 1 through October, we will once again collect items for the *Venezuela Now* crates. Venezuela is still in the midst of a terrible crisis. These crates make a huge difference in the lives of their people.

We invite you to be a part of this ministry to the people in Venezuela. Simply pick up a packing list in either the Narthex, at Connection Point or in the church office. For more information contact David and Rebecca McCoy, msgtmacret@gmail.com.

Our New ESL Classes Are Bursting At The Seams!



Our ESL classes are off to a great start with 131 students registered for our morning classes and 29 students registered for our evening classes, a total of 160 students! We are making a difference in the lives of others!

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Join the Macland Seniors J.O.Y. Group (Just Older Youth) for great monthly luncheons and exciting trips!

Macland Seniors' Pot Luck Luncheon - Meets Monthly

1st Fridays Except Holidays - 11:30 AM In Lula Dobbs Hall

Bring a favorite dish to share and enjoy a program presented by people in our community.



September 6 - Cathy Lee Phillips - This author, Christian educator, speaker, vocalist, and 2009 Georgia Author of the Year will present an exciting program that you do not want to miss!

CARE MINISTRY

There Is A Place For You In The Care Ministry!

Volunteer and Fellowship Opportunities

Front Desk Ministry Volunteer: Occasionally we need smiling faces and happy voices to greet members and visitors and to route phone calls in the church front office. Contact Nancy Folds at nfolds@mceachernumc.org.

Monday Morning Ministers: Join us on Mondays from 10:30 AM - noon to sign cards and pray for people who are ill, in crisis or celebrating exciting events such as weddings and births.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: On Thursdays, 9:30 AM and 7:00 PM, we knit and crochet prayer shawls for those in hospitals, and other care facilities. Contact Nancy Folds for details, nfolds@mceachernumc.org or 678.567.5002.

McEachern Friends: Visit the homebound, those in assisted living, and nursing homes. For inquiries or to participate, contact Diane Huie at diane.huie@comcast.net or Sally Sutton at ecstift@gmail.com.

Celebrate Recovery: Meets every Thursday and Friday at 6:30 PM in Room G103 at the Care & Counseling Center.

New Life - AA (Alcoholics Anonymous): Meets every Tuesday and Friday at 8:00 PM in Room G103 at the Care & Counseling Center.

DivorceCare Meets Tuesdays 6:30-8:30 PM - CLC Room F235



No one gets married with the expectation that divorce will happen, and yet it does. Hurt, confusion, and anger follow. If you or someone you know is facing separation and divorce, please join us for this cycle of **DivorceCare**, a non-

denominational program based on biblical principles. The group is led by four experienced facilitators who have each experienced divorce firsthand. For more information or to register, contact Nancy Folds at nfolds@mceachernumc.org or 678.567.5002.

Note: Childcare is available by reservation when we have a total of three or more children ages infant through elementary school.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



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

Sunday Mornings: 9:00 AM Welcome Center opens in Room F115
9:30 AM Grade Level Sunday School Small Groups
11:00 AM Sanctuary Service & Children's Moment
11:30 AM Children's Church K5-1st grade; Bible Black Belts 2nd & 3rd grade; Well-Versed Kids 4th & 5th grade

For daily encouragement and the latest on how children are served and serving at MMUMC, join the **McEachern Memorial UMC Children's Ministry Facebook closed group**.

Check out what it takes to serve on the McEachern Kids team!
Contact DeDe at dreilly@mceachernumc.org!



Fall Retreat at Camp Glisson For 3rd - 5th Grade
September 6-8: Registration is now closed for this camp!

CLUB345 - For 3rd-5th Graders - September 8, 3:45-5:30 PM
Meets on 2nd Sundays Monthly - Meet us in the Children's Welcome Center for fun times filled with games, studying the life of David, and monthly missions activities. September 8 is BROWN NIGHT. Prizes awarded for wearing the most brown!

Sunday, September 29, Family Messy Church - You're Invited!
McEachern Kids invites you to bring the family and enjoy a time of messy fun and lunch on **Sunday, September 29** beginning in the Sanctuary at 11 AM service or Higher Ground service. Then, to the Gym by 11:30 AM for Family Messy Church. [RSVP here](#) and signup for lunch items by the Wednesday prior to the event.

Glee Club & Cherub Choir Begins Wednesday, September 4
GLEE Club (1st - 5th grades) & Cherub Choir (potty-trained 3's-kindergarten)
Come and sing! **Wednesdays, September 4, 11 & 18 at 5:45-6:15 PM!** We will not meet the week of Fall Break for Cobb County Schools.

McEACHERN STUDENT MINISTRY



Student Ministry Director:
Carlos Fernandez
cfernandez@mceachernumc.org + 908.500.1608

McEachern Students' Sunday School: 9:30-10:45 AM
For Middle School & High School - Meet us on Sunday mornings in F329.

McEachern Students' Silent Auction Luncheon Sunday, Sept. 15
Join us in the CLC Gym following the 11 AM service! Support our student ministry!
For more information regarding Student Ministry activities and events, please visit www.mceachernumc.org or contact Director Carlos Fernandez (see above).

ADULT MINISTRY

Fall 2019 Adult Bible Studies Meet In Christian Life Center

To join a study listed below, contact Stacie Barrow:

By Email: sbarrow@mceachernumc.org By Phone: 770.943.3008 X6014

In Person: Stop by the Connections Point desk

Hispanic Bible Study - Sundays from 10-11 AM In F313 - Ongoing: This study is open to men and women and is facilitated in Spanish. Currently studying the New Testament book by book. Learn God's truths. Facilitated by Hilda DeLeon.

Through the Bible - Sundays, 5:30-7 PM (for both men and women) Begins September 8 In F147: This book by book study of the Bible embraces biblical themes and truths to better prepare us for life's daily challenges. Facilitators: Don and Gail Hendershot

The Pentateuch of the Amazing Collection - Tuesdays, 6:30-8 PM (for both men and women) Begins September 28 In F326: This study from the Amazing Collection is a wild ride through the first 5 books of the Bible covering over 2600 years. From flood, to famine, to forced labor, to freedom, God Almighty is in the center of every book intervening on behalf of men and women throughout history. Facilitator: Diane Moeller

Stepping Up; A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent - Wednesdays, 9:30-11:45 AM (for both men & women) Begins September 25 In F326: In this 7 Week DVD study by Beth Moore, explore the pilgrimage theme found in Psalms 120-134. As you reflect, pray, and respond to these treasured Psalms, you'll experience a new level of intimacy with God. Facilitator: Pam Dischinger

Methodist 101 - Wednesdays, 6:30-8 PM - Begins September 4 In F316: Examine the rich diversity and core beliefs and attitudes that all Methodists share through a study entitled *An Introduction to World Methodism*. Explore the lasting traditions of John and Charles Wesley as well as the history of Methodism. Facilitator: Donna Hinson

The Study of Purpose: Jonah on the Sending Forth of Every Disciple Wednesdays, 6:30-8 PM In F147 (for both men and women of all ages) Begins September 4: In this study of Jonah, we will realize and respond to the truth that we, both individually and corporately, are people sent out into the world beyond the church walls to be the light for Christ. You will discover more about your daily purpose and your role in God's mission to redeem all of creation to a restored right relationship with God. Facilitator: Rev. April Briant

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Mission Statement: That all women realize their God-given gifts and use those gifts to build one another up as strong Disciples of Christ. As we learn this, we will use these gifts to speak life and build up the Kingdom of God all around us by God's grace and power (in our homes, places of work, friendships, families, and marriages).

Kickoff Event: MW Witness Through Cupcake Wars, September 1, 4-6 PM - Oaks Hall - Each team will pick a biblical theme while registering on our website. They will bake cupcakes beforehand and then decorate on site according to their theme. Attendees will vote on a number of categories. Register your team now!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CONTINUED

Exciting News for all women at McEachern and Higher Ground! New and ongoing events have been scheduled to bring our Mission Statement to life! Please consider participating in one or all of the events!



Stepping up; A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent - Tuesdays, 7-9 PM Begins August 29 In The Home Of Melinda Mitchell: This 7 session DVD study by Beth Moore explores themes of unity, joy, gratitude, redemption, repentance, the power of blessings, facing ridicule, and more. Christians today can learn much from these treasured Psalms in their journey toward greater intimacy with God.

Finding God Faithful; A Study on the Life of Joseph - Begins Wednesday, September 4, 9:30-11:30 AM In F321 - 8 sessions: Through Joseph's life, see how God's sovereignty reigns, even in darkness. Learn to recognize when God is working; trust His plan when life doesn't make sense, and rest in the sufficiency of His presence in every circumstance. Facilitator: Teresa McDaniel - 770.943.3008

Women's Ministry Monthly Book Club

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 12 - 6:30 PM - CLC Room F147
The August book selection is *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Direct any inquiries to facilitator, Mala Karr, at karr.mala@gmail.com.

Weekly Book and Bible Study For McEachern Women Of All Ages

Fridays, 6:30-8 PM At Higher Ground Café - Begins September 13: We will discover our God given gifts and use them to build one another up! The first seven weeks focuses on the men in our lives as we read and discuss *Wild At Heart!* The second seven weeks, we will learn about ourselves and the women in our lives through *Captivating*. We will also study Scripture together through Inductive Bible Study method (uses literary analysis). Large group teaching, small groups of three to process. Small group participants may exchange numbers and encourage one another during the week. Go to our website to register! Childcare is provided by advance reservation. Facilitator: Rev. April Briant

Save The Date For These Upcoming Events!

McEachern Women on the Move: Quarterly Outing And Discipleship Our First Outing Is October 13, 2-4 PM To An Escape Room!

We will do something together out in the community that we might not normally do by ourselves. The bus ride on the way to and from will include sharing a word from Scripture, splitting into small groups of three to check-in with one another, and perhaps some singing!

Annual Retreat: McEachern Women 24 Hour Off-site Retreat

February 28-29, 2020 - Friday, February 28 at 6PM until Saturday, February 29 at 6PM - The retreat will be held at a location other than the church. If interested, go to the church website to register www.mceachernumc.org.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) and Mom's Next (Moms with children of all ages) Meets 9:30-11:30 AM September 5 (In Oaks Hall) & 19 (In CLC F147)



Come eat, relax, find community and do crafts. To reserve childcare, please email nursery@mceachernumc.org, and provide the names and birth dates of your children. For more information, contact us at mops@mceachernumc.org, or on Facebook; search McEachern MOPS.