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JACKSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
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FAMILY, FRIENDS & FAITH



Enjoy lunch and fellowship while helping raise transportation funds for

CentriKid & CentriFuge Camps

May 20th after Worship Service
 \$5.00 per person (under 6 free)

Followed by a
Farewell Reception & Love Offering
 for
Phillip, Lauren and Jenny Reinke

(Cash, Gift Card or Check made payable to Phillip Reinke)



JMBC Goal: \$8,000.00

Received: \$6,392.96

Wednesday Nights
 6:00 pm – 6:30 pm



Sunday Mornings
 10:00 am – 10:30 am

The JMBC Library is open to serve you!

Our goal is to provide a variety of materials written and recorded, for ALL AGES, which will encourage and inspire all who enter. You can help the library staff to serve and minister to you and your family. A suggestion box will be placed in the library. This is where you may leave us notes or your requests.

ATTENTION LIFE GROUP TEACHERS: The library staff would love to help you teach a Bible lesson or plan a regular story time in our library. We also could help you plan a special event.



Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School
June 25 – 29, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Training – Sun, May 6 – 12:00 pm
Final Training – Sun, June 3 – 12:00 pm
 See Rachel Emberton or reach her at
 (757) 472-5337 or labmom.75@gmail.com

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Sunday Services

9:00 a.m. Life Groups
 (Bible Study)
 10:30 a.m. Worship
 11:00 a.m. Kids Worship

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Resources on the Holy Spirit

Chan, Francis. *Forgotten God, Reversing our Tragic Neglect of the Holy Spirit.* (Colorado Springs: David C Cook, 2009).

Ware, Bruce A. *Father, Son, & Holy Spirit, Relationships, Roles, & Relevance.* (Wheaton: Crossway, 2005).

Chester, Tim. *Delighting in the Trinity, Why Father, Son and Spirit are Good News.* (Good Book Company, 2010).

Spurgeon, Charles. *Holy Spirit Power.* (New Kensington, PA: Whitaker House, 1996).

Father, Son and Holy Spirit

What an awesome God is God! The God of the Bible, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is incredible. The Father of Israel and One who sent Messiah, His only Son, to save us from our sin is beyond our full comprehension. The Bible says we cannot fully understand God, and we currently see through a "glass darkly" (Job 36:26; Psalm 90:2; 1 Corinthians 13:12). He is an awesome God. His omni-characteristics and eternity are truly mind-blowing.

Deuteronomy 29:29 states, "The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law." Another humbling and exciting idea: the Almighty has revealed himself to us. The eternally preexistent One allows us to know Him! One aspect of God that has been revealed is the fact He is three persons in one, a tri-une God. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are all fully God. Every person of the Godhead is deity. Semesters in seminary are spent studying this theological mystery, and volumes have been written on the tri-unity of God.

I have witnessed many mistakes, misunderstandings, and extremes in regard to the Trinity in general and the third person of the triune God, the Holy Spirit, in particular. While the Holy Spirit is seen and evident in the Old Testament and throughout Scripture, there is a progressive revealing of the fullness of the Holy Spirit. We do not see a universal indwelling of God's people by the Holy Spirit until Pentecost as described in Acts 2. In John 14-16 Jesus said much about the Holy Spirit. Jesus made clear that any work of the Spirit would be for His purpose and cause (John 14:26). We can safely say that any conviction, teaching, or illumination given by the Holy Spirit is for the glory of Christ. Beware anyone claiming the Holy Spirit is at work if the focus is not on the Lord Jesus!

Know this, according to Ephesians 1:13 you are sealed by and indwelt by the Holy Spirit if you have turned to the Lord Jesus by faith and have believed in Him. Now, whether you are aware of the Holy Spirit's work in your life and are yielded to the Spirit is a different issue. I have found many Christians ignore the role and reality of the Holy Spirit in their life. For various and sundry reasons, some Christians, and even entire denominations are scared of the manifestation and work of the Holy Spirit.

Here are just a few of the areas where the Holy Spirit is at work in the Christian:

- Conviction of sin, both before salvation and as we grow in our faith (John 16:7-11; 1 Thessalonians 1:5)
- Teacher and guide (Psalm 143:10; 1 Corinthians 2:9-10; Acts 9:31, Acts 13:2)
- Intimacy with God the Father (Romans 8:15-16)
- Killing sin in our lives and growing more like Christ (Romans 8:2)
- Power and courage to witness (Mark 13:11, Acts 1:8)
- Prays for us (Romans 8:26)

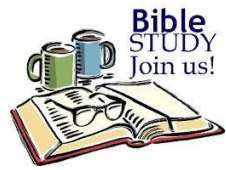
Hopefully, you can see how important the Holy Spirit's work is in us! While the Spirit, like the wind, blows where it wills (John 3:8) and cannot be controlled or contained by us, God has ordained that His work be done in conjunction with the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, prayer, and corporate worship. In short, we must yield to the Spirit, provide a heart and mind prepared for His work and not grieve the Spirit (Ephesians 4:30). Of course, this speaks to our own interaction with the Word of God, prayer, obedience to His commands and private worship; these disciplines open and prepare our heart for the Holy Spirit's work.

One more word of caution, and an oft-made mistake: do not dishonor the Holy Spirit by defining His work based on your emotions or preferences. Your excitement does not mean or guarantee the moving of the Holy Spirit. Your preference for a style of music, teaching, preaching or ministry does not equal the work of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is not bound by or subject to your whims, emotions, preferences, likes, or dislikes. Where believers are, the Spirit is present in them; when Christ is proclaimed and worshipped, the Spirit is at work whether you "feel" it or sense it. If you discern the Holy Spirit is not present or at work when the Gospel is proclaimed and God's people gather, begin by checking your own focus and heart.

I write this in the hope we will yield to the Holy Spirit together,

Pastor Tommy

PS: Here are a few resources on the Holy Spirit I would suggest: (Continued to the left)



WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: Fellowship Hall, 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm, led by Pastor Tommy
“Dealing With Life” – based on Psalms

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS - Sign up with Betsy Gardner on Sunday mornings or call the church office (484-5568) **no later than noon** on Tuesdays. Cost is \$6.00 for adults, free for children 8 and younger. Menu is subject to change. Please check weekly bulletins.

Menu: May 2 - Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Dessert
May 9 – Chicken Parmesan with Linguini, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert
May 16 – Chick-Fil-A, Cole Slaw, Chips, Dessert
May 23 – Hamburger, Hot Dog, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Dessert
May 30 – BBQ Chicken, Corn Pudding, Green Beans, Salad, Dessert



MAY OPEN and LOCK-UP TEAM: Wayne Johnson and Steve Rosso

The Open and Lock-up Crew needs a few volunteers to open and secure our building on Wednesday evenings and Sundays. Two people on a team serve for an entire month, approximately twice a year. Contact Steve Rosso at (757) 403-4680 for details.



CHURCH BEAUTIFICATION DAY – Sponsored by the Properties Committee, **Saturday, May 19, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm** (or later, if needed), is your chance to help with the upkeep of our building and grounds. We will be doing general outside building clean-up and garden work. Contact Steve Rosso (403-4680) for any questions.



JOY GROUP – Our upcoming events include viewing the Lantern Asia Exhibit at Norfolk Botanical Gardens on **Thursday, May 3**. Cost is \$15.00. We will leave the church at **5:15 pm**. Sign up on the Senior Ministry bulletin board if you would like to join us for a lunch buffet at Mario's on **Thursday, May 17 at 11:30 am**. The cost is **\$15.95**, which includes tax and tip. Join us to see **War Room** on Family Movie Night, **Saturday, May 26 at 6:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Let Dee Elliott (944-0941) know if you are interested in seeing “Always, Patsy Cline” at the Riverside Center in Fredericksburg on **Wednesday, June 13**. We will enjoy lunch and see the play for \$60.00, leaving the church at **9:00 or 9:30 am**. There is room for 50 on a trip to Lancaster, PA on **October 18-19**. Let your interest be known. More information to follow. Lastly, we are looking at taking a cruise together in **2019**. Contact Eddie Arnold (729-5740) to express your preferred dates and destination, or for any questions.



FAMILY KICKBALL GAME – Join us for fun and fellowship on **Saturday, May 5 at 2:00 pm**. (Adults vs. Kids)



OPERATION INASMUCH FUNDRAISER – The Portsmouth Baptist Association is selling Autobeil car wash gift cards for \$20. See Sue Wynn or Linda Baines to purchase and help support Operation Inasmuch.



Crisis Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle Program



Help support a local ministry that shares the gospel with young women in crisis. Pick up a baby bottle from the crib in the Music Hallway (please, one per family) and fill it with cash or a check made payable to Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater. Return it on Mother's Day, May 13.



I would like to thank everyone for all their thoughts and prayers during Richard Russell's illness and recent homegoing. It is very comforting to know you are being held up in prayer.

Joy Wyatt

We wish to thank the Personnel Committee and the Ministerial Staff for the flowers and gifts on Administrative Professionals Day. It is a pleasure working with such wonderful, caring people.

Mary Pennington & Brenda Ashe

REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAYS	9:30 am Nifty Knitters (Room 110) 6:00 pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall/Overflow Room)
TUESDAYS	10:00 am Staff Meeting (Conference Room B) 6:45 pm Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
WEDNESDAYS	10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (Room A14) 5:15 pm Church Dinner (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 pm Adult Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) Mission Friends (Preschool Hall) Children in Action (Room 222) Youth Bible Study (Youth Wing) Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
THURSDAYS	7:30 pm Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall/Overflow Rm)
SUNDAYS	9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study) 10:30 am Worship 11:00 am Kids Worship

WEEKS IN REVIEW

	Apr 1	Apr 8	Apr 15	Apr 22	Apr 29
LIFE GROUPS (Sunday Bible Study)					
Enrollment	353	353	357	357	357
Attendance	179	172	150	148	171
Visitor	9	12	12	6	9
New Enrollment	0	4	0	0	0
Total Attendance	188	184	162	154	180
WORSHIP					
Morning Service	310	197	225	232	262

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

BUDGET					
Required Per Week	13,080.70	13,080.70	13,080.70	13,080.70	13,080.70
Received	10,826.00	10,299.85	8,444.15	6,106.10	5,449.75
Mid-Week Received			11,850.00	1,686.92	730.26
Online Received		2,226.00	880.00	2,060.00	1,425.00
Required to Date	169,346.68	182,427.38	195,508.08	208,588.78	221,669.48
Received to Date	150,168.81	162,694.66	183,868.81	193,721.83	201,326.84
BUILDING FUND					
Phase 2 (New Sanctuary)	100.00		110.00		
MISSIONS					
East Asia	25.00		50.00		
JMBC		30.00	100.00	100.00	
Annie Armstrong	810.00	186.00	1,015.14	50.12	100.00
OTHER					
Backpack Ministry			25.00		
Benevolent Fund	10.00				391.00
Children's Camp	300.00			240.00	
Deacon Fund		30.00	15.00		30.00
Youth Camp	300.00				200.00

APRIL BUDGET CONTRIBUTIONS: \$60,297.11

MEETINGS / SPECIAL EVENTS

1 TUES	ELECTION DAY
3 THURS	6:00 am Feeding of the Homeless (OASIS)
	9:00 am Backpack Delivery to Southwestern Elem
	10:30 am Carol Knight Group Meeting (Overflow Rm)
	5:15 pm JOY Group to Botanical Gardens
5 SAT	2:00 pm Family Kickball (JMBC Grounds)
6 SUN	12:00 pm VBS Training (Fellowship Hall)
	2:15 pm Senior Ministry at Emily Green Shores
8 TUES	7:00 pm Deacons Meeting (Room 102/104)
12 SAT	5:00 pm Deacons' Wives Banquet (Fellowship Hall)
14 MON	6:30 pm Personnel Committee Meeting (Conf Rm A)
	Budget Committee Meeting (Conf Rm B)
17 THURS	9:00 am Backpack Delivery to Southwestern Elem
	11:30 am JOY Group lunch at Mario's
19 SAT	8:00 am Church Beautification Day
20 SUN	12:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner and Reception (Fellowship Hall)
21 MON	7:00 pm WMU Barbara Deal Group Meeting
24 THURS	7:00 pm JCP Graduation (Sanctuary)
26 SAT	6:30 pm Churchwide Movie - War Room (Fellowship Hall)
28 MON	MEMORIAL DAY: Church Office closed leave for Orioles/Nationals Baseball Game
29 TUES	6:30 pm Backpack Ministry Packing (Fellowship Hall)
31 THURS	9:00 am Backpack Delivery to Southwestern Elem

Looking Ahead

JMBC Friends & Family Sunday September 16, 2018

Life Groups and Worship Service
Followed by Dinner on the Grounds
(covered dish)

JMBC Fall Fest 2018

Saturday, October 20, 2018
11:00 am – 3:00pm

A Churchwide Community Outreach Event
Games, Inflatables, Food

Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, October 31, 2018
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm



Please see the flyers located in the Fellowship Hall, Music Wing or Church Office for lists of items needed for each trip. Collection boxes are located in the Music Wing and Fellowship Hall. Use the same box for donations to either trip.

Eastern Shore Mission Trip

First team meeting is **Sunday, May 19 at 1:00 pm** at River Shore Baptist Church.

Standing Rock Mission Trip

The team is collecting items for children: **new** athletic shoes, underwear (boxers for boys, bikinis for girls), “no show” colored socks and standard pillowcases.

Join us on **Saturday, June 2 from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm** in the Overflow Room to make pillowcases and drawstring bags for both trips, followed by a pot-luck lunch.

Moldova Mission Trip

Some time in August 2018 – possible projects include building a house for foster children, present a Women's Conference and help conduct VBS for children. Contact Wayne Johnson ASAP if you are interested.