

# FAMILY, FRIENDS & FAITH

## Jackson Memorial Baptist Church

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### Sunday Services

9:00 am Life Groups  
(Bible Study)

10:30 am Worship

11:00 am Kids Worship



## Time to Spring Ahead

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME  
BEGINS  
SUNDAY, MARCH 8  
2:00 AM**

## “Love to Give”

“Love to Give” - that is the answer to a particular question I am often asked.

What is this oft-asked question?

It goes something like this: “What role does the tithe play in the life of Christ-followers?” Or, more to the point, “Do I have to tithe?” Some are simply asking, “How much do I have to give?” Others want to make sure they are giving appropriately.

I found an interesting article I believe addresses this issue in a biblical, God-honoring manner. In this article, John Piper briefly discusses the old and new covenant and the implications of the law for Christ-followers. Piper’s argument goes something like this: according to Scripture the New Covenant in Christ’s blood is a superior covenant (Hebrews 8:6). In light of the fact we have forgiveness, salvation, and an eternal hope in Christ’s blood, we should be moved to give in love. Since our salvation is based on a superior covenant, our love for Christ should lead to greater giving!

Instead of wondering how much we “have” to give or what is the minimum we should give, we should focus on the great love of God that saves us and give in response to that awesome covenant of grace in Christ’s blood.

What is the upshot for JMBC? As sinners saved by grace through faith in Christ, we should be in awe of God’s love for us and the New Covenant in Christ’s blood. The fact that God saves us and empowers us for ministry and service by the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit should excite us. This excitement should lead us gladly and excitedly to giving back to God - this is cheerful giving!

Our ability to give may vary, but the principle that drives us to give is the same for all! If we understand and live by this there will be plenty of resources to do all that the Lord has called us to do at Jackson, and everyone will take part in the ministry of giving.

Here is a link to the article: <https://www.desiringgod.org/interviews/is-tithing-commanded-for-christians>

Here is a great quote from the article: “I would say we should value our riches in Christ in this new covenant relationship so highly, and our freedom from sin so highly, and our gospel so highly, that we would simply love to give.”

I pray we would simply “love to give” at Jackson.

*Pastor Tommy*



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY:** 6:15 pm – 7:30 pm – Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall led by Pastor Tommy on “Discerning God’s Will”

*Also being offered:*

Daina Larson is leading a Ladies Bible Study on Hebrews in the Church Library (book costs \$13.99).  
The *Experiencing God* class has been postponed.

**MARCH OPEN and LOCK-UP TEAM:** Tony Emberton and Ronnie Vance



Join us for fellowship time around the dinner table. **Wednesday Night Dinners** are served from **5:00 pm – 6:00 pm**. Reservations may be made at the Welcome Desk before or after worship service, or by calling the church office before the **deadline of Tues at noon**. Remember to cancel your reservation by **noon on Tues** or you will be charged for that dinner. The cost is **\$6.00** for adults, and children under 6 are free. Take out dinners are not available. (*Menus are subject to change*)

Mar 4 - Beef Stew, Tossed Salad, Roll, Dessert

Mar 11 – Smothered Pork Chops, Buttered Egg Noodles, Fried Apples, Roll, Dessert

Mar 18 – Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, Corn Muffins, Dessert

Mar 25 – Jambalaya, sides to be determined

## Women’s Ministry



**Fri, Mar 6 at 7:00 pm  
Fellowship Hall**

Ladies, come out for a fun night of group games. Bring snacks and be ready for fun!

**Please bring unwrapped baby shower items for our mission project, the Crisis Pregnancy Center.**



**Rocky Railways – Station Leader  
Training  
Sun, Mar 29 after Worship Service**

For those leading Bible, crafts, games, video, preschool and elementary leaders. Learn new and fresh ideas from Group Training to equip you for **Vacation Bible School** on July 13 – 17, 2020. We will have a Potluck lunch. Drinks provided.



**March 27<sup>th</sup>  
Norfolk Chartway Arena at  
Ted Constant Convocation Center  
Sign up at Welcome Desk  
by March 22**



Seniors, join us on **Thurs, Mar 19** at **12:00 pm** in the **Fellowship Hall** for our monthly luncheon. Our menu is Kentucky Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Green Beans, Roll, Tea, Coffee and Dessert. Cost of the meal is \$7.00 per person. Afterward, we will be entertained by the Heart Song Singers. Sign up on the Senior Ministry Bulletin Board in the Main Hallway near the Foyer or call the church office (757-484-5568) by **Sun, Mar 15**. Contact Dee Elliott for further information (757-944-0941).

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR NORTH AMERICAN MISSIONS**

**March 1 – 8, 2020**

The Week of Prayer for North American Missions is observed annually by Southern Baptist churches to pray specifically for the needs of thousands of missionaries across the United States and Canada. Be sure to take home the prayer guide, which will be in your bulletin on Sunday, March 1.

**Summer Missions Opportunities**

**Eastern Shore Mission Trip – July 12 – 18**

**Standing Rock Mission Trip – July 26 – 31**

Applications are available in the church office and are due with a deposit by **May 1**.

See Sue Wynn for more information – (757) 686-5789



**Thank you!**

*To all the dear brothers and sisters who were praying for me in my time of need and for the hospital visits, cards, food and overall good wishes, I want to send thanks and blessings to you. It is easy to see what a Godly group of folks we have here at JMBC.*

*Thanks so much, Eddie.....  
Phil. 4:13*

*The family of Rachel Tripp Treichler would like to express our deepest thanks for all the expressions of love during her long illness and homegoing. Your prayers and encouragement have truly carried us. We appreciate every card and dish of food, from our family in Christ at JMBC. We love you all.*

*Tripp Family and Gault Family*

*I wanted to add my personal thanks for hosting our Children's Choir in October. I have had the privilege of visiting the locations these children come from and have seen the impact sponsorship makes in their lives - and the lives of those they represent. Each year I lead team outreaches in Uganda where young adults who were in the choir 10-15 years ago act as our interpreters. It is refreshing and exciting to hear how their time in the choir made a profound difference in their lives. One young man stands out. Pascal was on the team in 2004. He now pastors a church in Kampala started by Children of the World team members. Your hosting the team has added to their legacy. Thank You!*

*Howard Erickson, Middle East Director*

<b>Pastor</b> .....	Tommy Larson	<b>Office Manager</b> .....	Mary Pennington
<b>Associate Pastor of Education &amp; Admin</b> .....	Raleigh Baggett	<b>Church Secretary &amp; Receptionist</b> .....	Brenda Ashe
<b>Associate Pastor of Connections</b> .....	Kevin Hinman	<b>Financial Secretary</b> .....	Autumn Watson
<b>Minister of Music</b> .....	Tim Mulkey	<b>Pianist</b> .....	Faye Baggett
<b>Director of Children and Preschool Ministry</b> .....	Mary Terwilliger	<b>Keyboardist</b> .....	Pat Tripp
<b>Director of Youth Ministry</b> .....	Andrea Cofield	<b>Custodian</b> .....	Larry Castello



## MEETINGS / SPECIAL EVENTS

- 1 SUN**  
2:30 pm Senior Ministry at Emily Green Shores
- 3 TUES** **VOTING PRECINCT** (no access to Fellowship Hall)
- 5 THURS**  
6:00 am Feeding of the Homeless (OASIS)  
10:30 am WMU Carol Knight Group Meeting (Room A-13)  
6:30 pm Worship at Harmony at Harbour View
- 6 FRI**  
7:00 pm Women's Ministry Game Night (Fellowship Hall)
- 7 SAT**  
6:00 pm Van leaves for Admirals Hockey Game
- 12 THURS**  
9:00 am Backpack delivery to Southwestern Elementary
- 13 FRI**  
6:00 am Van and Bus depart for Ignite Conference
- 15 SUN**  
12:00 pm Spring Family Fun Day Planning Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 16 MON**  
7:00 pm WMU Barbara Deal Group Meeting (Home of Judy Schwechten)
- 19 THURS**  
12:00 pm JOY Group Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
- 21 SAT**  
5:00 pm Youth & Children's Camp Fundraiser (Fellowship Hall) (spaghetti dinner, cake auction and silent auction)
- 22 SUN**  
12:00 pm PB & J at the Park (Miarfield Park)
- 24 TUES**  
7:30 am Packing of Backpacks (Fellowship Hall)
- 26 THURS**  
9:00 am Backpack delivery to Southwestern Elementary
- 7 FRI**  
12:00 pm Church vehicles depart for Winter Jam 2020
- 29 SUN**  
12:00 pm VBS Station Leader Training (Fellowship Hall)

## REGULAR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### SUNDAYS

- 9:00 am Life Groups (Bible Study)  
10:30 am Worship Gathering (Sanctuary)  
God's Clubhouse (Birth – K, Rooms 138-147)  
11:00 am Kids Worship 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (Room 222)

### MONDAYS

- 9:30 am Nifty Knitters (Room A13)

### TUESDAYS

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting (Library)

### WEDNESDAYS

- 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (Room A-08)  
5:00 pm Fellowship Dinner (Fellowship Hall)  
5:45 pm Handbell Rehearsal (Music Wing)  
6:00 pm Little's Rhythm and Rhyme (Room 139/141)  
Jackson's Joyful Noise (Children's Choir – Room 222)  
6:15 pm Prayer Meeting and Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)  
Ladies Bible Study on Hebrews (Library)  
FUEL (Youth Bible Study – Room 208)  
6:30 pm Childcare (Room 144)  
Mission Friends (Room 147)  
Children in Action (Room 222)  
Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)



## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC)**



Beginning March 1, we will be collecting year-round for OCC with one or two items featured each month. While there will be a featured item each month, all items will be collected year-round. Everyone is encouraged to be on the lookout for sales of these and other items to be used in shoeboxes. Prior to National OCC Collection week this fall, there will be a church-wide shoebox packing party utilizing all collected items. Donated items may be placed in the box in the Fellowship Hall.

### **March featured item: Winter Clearance Items**

If you are interested in being part of the OCC team, please see Christina Banker ([christinadbanker@gmail.com](mailto:christinadbanker@gmail.com)) or contact the front office.