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Matthew 18:20

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Dear Church Family,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This year has brought many challenges, trials, and tribulations. It is within reason to say we have more questions than answers, and God seems to be absent.

Where is God? Is God too busy? Does God see what is happening in the world? Does God even care? Job and Jesus' disciples raised these questions amid unfavorable circumstances. (Job 7, Mark 4:35-41)

In light of these critical and meaningful questions, Jesus responds to us with Matthew 18:20. Church family, the presence of God is among us. We can see God moving throughout our community in community meals, online and outdoor worship, Jordan's Closet, Trunk-or-Treat, and the Food Pantry. When we gather as a body of believers under one God, amazing things happen.

We praise God that in light of COVID-19, God continues to sustain us financially, socially, and spiritually. Thank you for selflessness, generosity, and support during this unprecedented time. Jordan Memorial, be steadfast, unmovable, and firm in your faith, and may the God of hope keep you.

In love,

Pastor Willie

**Please send mail and
pray for our Homebound**

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Trunk or Treat

We ask that you support our Drive Thru Trunk-or-Treat on **Saturday October 31st** from (5pm-7pm) with a monetary or candy donation. Donations can be made during church hours (Monday and Thursday 9am-1pm) starting **September 28th**. Also, we will pack the candy in treat bags on **Thursday October 29th** from (11am-1pm). If you are interested in volunteering to pack or hand out bags, please email us at jordanmemorial@jordanmemorial.org. Note: gloves and masks will be worn during the packing and distribution of the candy. Thank you for your time and support!

In love, Pastor Willie

General Information

Pastoral Visits

You are invited to come by the church to visit with Pastor Willie on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday mornings from 9-11am. Appointments will be 30 minute visits, 9, 9:30, 10, 10:30. If you prefer a visit at another time, then contact Pastor Willie to set up a time and place to meet. (Porch visits are also an option)

To schedule an appointment, call the Pastor Willie email Pastor Willie at - wmurray@wnccumc.net.

AA Group

Jordan Memorial is hosting an open discussion **AA Group** on Monday and *Friday* evenings from 6:30-8:30pm in the church's conference room. Please be in prayer for this important ministry. If you have questions, contact the church office.

Tuesday Evening Check in

For those interested in joining Pastor Willie for a Tuesday evening check in either via zoom or in person please contact him via email at wmurray@wnccumc.net

Circle of Grace will meet at 6pm on Sunday, October 4 in the fellowship hall. We will not meet on September 27. The meeting date was changed in order to present information prior to our Charge Conference, which is scheduled for Sunday, October 11 at 2pm.

Charge Conference

If you would like to participate in charge conference please contact Pastor Willie via email. It will be held via zoom and will be held on October 11th at 2pm.



Sunday Drive in Worship

Greetings Church Family,
In addition to our on-line worship, we are also having worship in-person on Sunday's at 10 a.m. in the Jordan Memorial parking lot (weather permitting).
Concerning conference guidelines, we do ask that you wear a face-covering (if you are able). Next, parking is limited, so parking spaces will be reserved for those in the high-risk category i.e. persons 65 years of age and older and individuals with compromised immune systems. All other members are invited to bring a chair to sit in for the duration of the service. Families please sit together and social distance as needed. There will be a designated area for high-risk persons to worship in their vehicles and open space for outdoor chairs. We do ask that you follow the direction of the persons directing traffic. In light of that, we ask that you enter the church parking lot from Main Street and exit down the ramp that leads to Liberty Street. Following these directions will help make the traffic flow safe and efficient. Last, all members will have the option to give an offering at the end of service. Church leaders will come to each car and members sitting in outdoor chairs with an offering bucket.

Note: We do invite you to continue to send your offerings in via mail or online (JordanMemorial.org). Thank you for your time, support, and cooperation as we strive to make our outdoor worship a pleasant experience.

*In Christ,
Pastor Willie*

The **Order of the Long Leaf Pine** is one of the most prestigious awards presented by the governor of North Carolina. It is an award that acknowledges individuals who have a proven record of extraordinary record of service to our state. Our very own Toni Marley recently received this well-deserved honor!



Toni is 98 years young and has served others for many years. In addition to her work at the church as a choir member, Sunday School Class President, and in United Methodist Women, Toni also has faithfully served at our local Food Pantry as well as at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen in Ashboro.

Toni is the last surviving member of the original Hospice class, which was chartered in 1981. She has over 8,500 volunteer hours with this organization.

Congratulations to “Miss Toni”. May we all live and love as she does.



United Methodist Women

The Uwharrie District recently held its district annual meeting via a Zoom platform. Celeste Byrnes and Betty Jo Armfield participated in this experience. The district officers worked very hard to provide this opportunity during the pandemic. We are grateful for their hard work.

During the meeting, Jordan Memorial UMW was recognized for the following:

- Mission Today Unit
- Participation in Mission Study
- Justice Today Gold Unit
- Exceeding our pledge
- Giving in all five channels
- Participation in the Reading Program

Thank you for all your hard work and dedication towards women, children and youth in our community and throughout the world.

Grant News

Jordan Memorial UMC recently was awarded a \$10000 grant for community meals. We are grateful to The Conservation Fund's Resourceful Communities Program and to the Duke Endowment for these funds.

Our first **community meal** using this grant money is scheduled for October 13. It will be a drive-thru meal catered by Sammy's Main Street Grill in Staley. Please contact Doug Collins if you would like to help with this meal.



October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
The church office will be closed Oct 12th.				1	2 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	3
4 Circle of Grace 2pm	5 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	6 Jordan Closet Closed	7	8	9 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	10
11	12 Columbus Day office closed AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	13 Jordan Closet 5pm	14	15	16 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	17 Ramseur Fall Festival
18	19 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	20 Jordan Closet 5pm	21	22	23 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	24
25	26 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	27 Jordan Closet 5pm	28	29 Pack Treat Bags 11am	30 AA GRP Meeting 6:30pm	31 Halloween Trunk or Treat 5-7pm

Ramseur Food Pantry: Canned Meats, Dry Bean, Pork & Beans. We will need volunteers Oct 12-16.

October Birthdays

02-Bruce Ihme
02-Parker Shackelford
04-Michele Stout
05-Caroline Allen
05-Kelli Cervantes
06-Alisa Renee Leonard
07-Roger Stout
07-Cissie G. Apple
08-Doug Miller
08-April Joanne Leonard
10-David William Posey, Jr.



13-Cathy W. Riddle
14-Stephanie Riddle Collins
15-Kathy B. McPherson
17-Jackie Craven
19-Mickey Cox
20-Erin Williams Graves
21-Joe M. Hardin
28-Jimmy Riddle
31-Shannon Posey
31-Melanie Rains

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YOU ARE INVITED TO A COMMUNITY MEAL

OCTOBER 13TH @ 6PM
THIS IS DRIVE THRU GRAB & GO BOX MEAL
JORDAN MEMORIAL UMC
1511 MAIN STREET RAMSEUR



Check Out our new [YOUTUBE](#) Channel

www.JordanMemorial.org