



OCTOBER 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

P2 Pictures from Desserts & Auctions

P3 Charge Conference
Adult Bible Study

P4 Sunday School/
Children's Church/Adventure
Kids Schedule

P5 October Mission

P6 Scripture Verse

P7 Church Family News
Diane's Closet Update

P8 Youth Activities

P9 Adventure Kids
Trunk or Treat

P10 CYB Group
Military

P11 JAMA Items

The Pathfinder

Jonesborough United Methodist Church
PO Box 115, 211 West Main Street, Jonesborough, TN 37659
Phone: 423-753-3942, Fax 423-753-9193
Web site: www.jnsbrumc.org
E-mail: jonesboroughumc@gmail.com

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

What a great evening we had on September 19, when we gathered for our silent and live auctions. There were so many amazing items to bid on and so much fun. Kelly Wolfe was our auctioneer and Raegan Johnson acted as his Vanna White. We had cakes that sold for \$100 and sourdough rolls that went for \$60! It was a wonderful evening as we joined together in fun and fellowship, all while raising money for the Center on 2nd. At last count, we made \$3,165 (with more still coming in) which will be doubled thanks to the generosity of Dave and Diane Roche, who said at the end of the evening they would double whatever was collected.

We want to thank everyone who worked hard to make this event so fantastic:

Carolyn Tomko - our amazing fundraising queen

Libby Shipley and her sister Gwen - fabulous committee member and helpers

Tami Moore and Jeri Jones - the dynamic duo who ran the silent auction

Carla Gass - our terrific Admin who not only served on the committee but also helped that night

Kittie Stanley - who helped scoop ice cream

Tall Country "aka Dave Roche" - who entertained us with fabulous music

All the folks who donated items for the silent auction

Everyone who baked a pie, cake or loaf of bread for the live auction

The kitchen crew

And all the friends and spouses who helped set up and clean up.

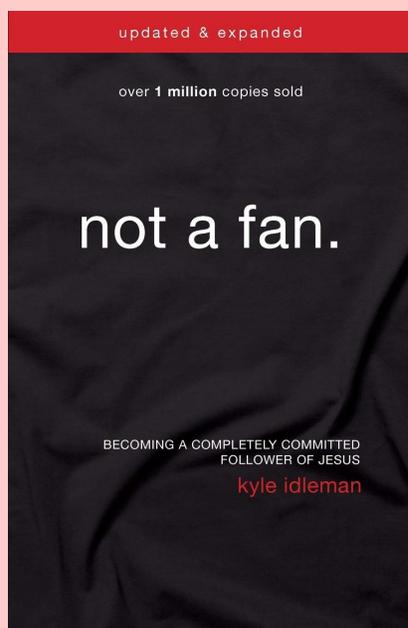
Check out all the pictures on the following page.

PICTURES FROM DESSERTS AND AUCTIONS



CHARGE CONFERENCE

It is that time of year again for us to prepare for Charge Conference which will be held here at JUMC on Sunday, November 7. As we think about officers for this year, I would ask that all of you who have served would consider continuing to serve as we are only now starting to become active again. I thank everyone for all they have done to lead our church. We have navigated the pandemic well and we continue to share the Gospel and reach people for Jesus Christ. If you are willing to serve again or if you'd like to serve in a new capacity, please let Pastor Karen know, as the Nominating Committee will start meeting soon.



Adult Bible Study

Beginning Wednesday, October 6, we will have a 7-week Adult Bible Study from 5:30 – 6:30 pm in the Good News Fellowship Hall. Week 1 will simply be an introduction of what we'll be doing and an opportunity to get your books.

We'll be studying the book called "not a fan" by Kyle Idleman. You can order it from Amazon either in book form or Kindle, or we can order it for you if you let us know you want to join the class.

This is a challenging study to talk about whether we are a fan of Jesus or a true follower of Jesus. Together we'll look at what it means to be a completely committed follower of Jesus and if we're willing to make that kind of commitment.

Sunday School – Children’s Church – Adventure Kids October 2021

K- Grade 2 – Barbara Love – Celebrate Wonder Curriculum

- October 3 – The Baby in the Basket – Downstairs Classroom – Activity Sheets, Story
- October 10 – God Speaks to Moses – Movie
- October 17 – Moses and the Pharoah- Downstairs Classroom - Craft
- October 24- Crossing the Sea – Downstairs Classroom
- October 31 – Moses and Miriam Celebrate – Downstairs Classroom – Craft, Activity

Grades 3-4-5 – Rotating Teachers – Upstairs – Under the Sea Room – Celebrate Wonder

- October 3 – The Baby in the Basket – Starlene – Story, Activity Sheets, Crafts
- October 10 – God Speaks to Moses – Movie – Donna Boyd
- October 17 – Moses and the Pharoah – Larry Moore –
- October 24 – Crossing the Sea – Angie – Story, Activity Sheets, Craft
- October 31 – Moses and Miriam Celebrate – Starlene – Story, Activity Sheets

Memory Verse: “The people were in awe of the Lord, and they believed in the Lord and in His servant Moses.” Exodus 14:31b

Bible Stories: Exodus 1:8-14; 2:1-10, Exodus 3:1-22, Exodus 5:1-13:9, Exodus 13:17-41:31, Exodus 13:1-21

Grades 6-7-8 – Mary Ann – Youth House – Connect Curriculum

- October 3 – Tower of Babel
- October 10 – Unit 1 Beginnings Review
- October 17 – Unit 2 – The Promise – Covenant
- October 24 – Jacob & Esau
- October 31 – Jacob to Israel

Children’s Church – K-Grade 3 – Jackie & Angie – 1st & 2nd Services – Celebrate Wonder

- October 3 – The Baby in the Basket
- October 10- God Speaks to Moses
- October 17 – Moses and the Pharoah
- October 24 – Crossing the Sea
- October 31 – Moses and Miriam Celebrate

Adventure Kids – Wednesday night – Meal- 5:30-6 pm; Nursery, Toddler Room, K-Grade 5 6-7 pm – Watch emails and bulletin for meal and lesson details – “Grow-Proclaim-Serve”

- October 6 – Miriam Celebrates
- October 13 – In the Wilderness
- October 20 – The Ten Commandments
- October 27 – A House for God

OCTOBER MONTHLY MISSION

THE RIVER

“Changing Lives from the Bottom Up” is a diaper subsidy program at The River, A Ministry for Women, which is located in Johnson City.

This program provides 28 diapers twice a month to qualifying families. Diapers are not covered by government programs like WIC or Food Stamps. The average cost for a year of diapers is \$1200 per child. The lack of diapers affects a child’s health and the mother’s self-esteem.

Please support this mission with your prayers, a donation, or the purchase of diapers. Thank you for your continued support of this mission.

The River

Craft & Goodies Fair

DATE: Saturday, October 16, 2021
TIME: 10 am to 2 pm

Will be held outside in the Pavilion behind The River at First Presbyterian Church
The River 125 West Main Street Johnson City, TN 37604
For More Information Contact 423-926-8111

Save the date! Mark your calendar!
theriverministryforwomen@yahoo.com

PSALM 96:1-4

- 1 Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- 2 Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
Tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations,
His marvelous works among all the peoples!
- 4 For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
He is to be feared above all gods.

WHAT IS A MISSION?

I was speaking to a lovely lady yesterday, about how these last 18 months have been hard and how her health prevented her from doing many of the things she loves. To top that off, she was being cautioned against doing things she dearly loves. One of those things is taking care of God's creation (her roses). In an effort to scale back her activities and still be at peace with her passion for caring for God's creation, she's been taking cuttings of a favorite plant and starting new plants from those cuttings. She then passes the new plants on to friends. What a blessing she is!

That got me thinking about mission work. Psalm 96 tells us to sing a new song to the Lord, blessing his name, declaring his glory; and to do this work among the nations, to all the earth. Sounds like missionary work, doesn't it? But the song of the Lord is a song of new life, rebirth, hope for thriving even in adversity, and for a Christian, that is a song that should be on our lips morning, noon and night.

Our mission, according to the Great Commission, is to go among the people, teaching them of God and making new disciples. It sounds so difficult and scary, but to use a cutting from a plant to make a new plant and gifting it to another, is exactly what God speaks of . . . The blessings of God, the love of God's creation and the marvelous work of God. It also makes me think about how I sing a song to the Lord with the things I think, say and do among all the peoples.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Congratulations to Jonathan and Lauren Miller, along with big brother Mason, who welcomed McCoy Rose on Thursday, September 9. She weighed 6 pounds, 15.8 ounces and was 20" long. Everyone is doing well. If you'd like to send them a card, their address is: 801 Ashley Meadows, Jonesborough, TN 37618

Congratulations to Dave and Diane Roche on the birth of their ninth grandchild on September 9, as well as to Susan Bolton and to Mary Ann Clark who both also welcomed granddaughters.

We extend our sympathy to Angie and Alan Hardin in the death of their sister-in-law.

DIANE'S CLOSET UPDATE

Our most recent Diane's Closet was a great success! Not knowing what effect COVID would have, we went on faith that the Lord would provide, and he did, in a mighty way. We had lots of volunteers simply show up to help throughout the busy four days of prep and give-away. Everyone was compliant and grateful for the mask requirement on the day of the give-away.

Thanks to all those who donated their items, as well as the many, many people who donated their time, talents and trucks to make this possible. A special thanks to Linda and Joe Likavec and Karen and Rick Newell for being my co-chairpersons on this COVID adventure.

As good stewards of what God has blessed us with, we kept useful items out of the landfill, and at the same time blessed many other people. We served 39 families, which included over 109 individuals. In addition, we donated the remaining clothes to the Community Help Center on Highway 81 near Sulphur Springs, and we donated the remaining shoes to a ministry supported by Boone's Creek Christian Church.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Hello, Church!

School has started back for all our youth, which means schedules are busy again. It's a blessing that life is slowly getting back to normal with ballgames and other events. Even with their busy schedules, the youth have been able to help out with events at our church. We helped fold clothes and organize donations for Diane's Closet, and provided games for the Dessert Social and Auction. Biking on the Creeper Trail, putt putt golf at Paradise Acres, Trunk or Treat, and much more are coming up soon.

As we look forward to our upcoming big yearly events, things are coming along nicely. Resurrection lodging has been booked, and summer mission trip planning is in full swing. There will be lots more information coming up for both of these events in the near future. It's exciting to plan events like this, especially since COVID has caused them to be altered or cancelled recently. We want to keep the students safe, but also are diligently seeking to allow them to serve, worship and learn together. Events like these make memories that will last a lifetime.

We've started having dinner for the youth and children again on Wednesday nights before Bible Study . . . Praise the Lord!!! This is such a blessing for our students who come from practice or other activities and don't have time to go home to eat. We eat at 5:30 and then go to the Youth House to study together.

Our Sunday evening youth gathering has seen big changes as well. The Junior High students meet from 5 to 6 pm, and have dinner from 6 to 6:30. Following dinner, we have the Senior High meeting. This change has allowed all our students to learn and fellowship with youth that are closer to their own age, which deepens the conversations and helps them come out of their shell a bit more. May God continue to bless our endeavors with our youth.

Thank you all for all the support and love you show our students. That love can be felt by everyone involved. If you'd like to help in any way, please contact Mike; he's always looking for a few good people to help. :) You will be blessed.

Thanks also to all who have signed up to provide food on Sunday nights. We still have many opportunities to serve in this way. If you're interested in serving the youth by providing Sunday night dinner, please contact Mike and let him know — he'll get you on the calendar.

Blessings,

Big Mike

ADVENTURE KIDS



SAVE THE DATE!

Trunk or Treat — Sunday, October 24

5-6 pm, Church Parking Lot

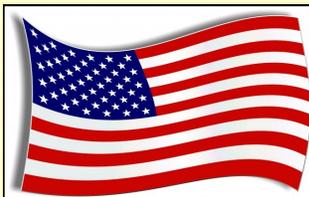
Get those trunks, treat and costumes ready for all the kids.

Watch the bulletin — more details will be coming soon.

Count Your Blessings Group

Pastor Karen and Joe were able to join us as we enjoyed a good time together at the Barrel House in Jonesborough. Lots of good food, sharing memories, and laughing together. We decided to continue keeping our luncheons close to home, since we're not using the bus due to COVID concerns.

We'll support another local business owner for our October 14 gathering, choosing Pizza Plus. We hope to see you there for our noon luncheon fellowship.



Our thanks and prayers go out to all our military veterans and their families. Your service and sacrifice are greatly appreciated.

Barnard Davis (US Army) - Susan Miller's nephew

Caleb Wade (US Army) - Rupe & Ella Billions' grandson

Cody Hallberg (US Air Force) - Lee & Nancy Hallberg's grandson

Todd White - (US Army) - Doug & Donna Barnes Bennett's son-in-law

Mickey Teasner (US Navy)

Lauren Bennett (US Army Reserve)

Jake DeMatteo (US Army)

Steven David Hunt (US Army Reserve)

Brian Ehlschlager (US Army)

Shawn Allison (US Marines)

Eric Bull (US Air Force Reserve) - Don & Barbara Bull's grandson

Cheyenne Pandar (US Marines)

Johnathon Daffron (US Marines)

Jon Cochran (US Ranger) - Billy & Gail Lewis' cousin

Michael Fritz (US Army) - Mary Ann Clark's son-in-law

Connor Lancaster (US Army) - grandson of Kenneth & Terry McMasters





It's fall, y'all!

**JAMA Items for
OCTOBER
Canned Soups**



Please give generously
to

Jonesborough Area
Ministerial Association

Jonesborough United Methodist Church
PO Box 115, Jonesborough, TN 37659