

*"Reaching our surrounding communities with the gospel of Christ through equipping believers who will carry the ministry of the local church into the world."*

### Will You Join Me In Prayer?

What would happen in our church and in our lives if we dedicated ourselves to prayer? It would be life-changing!

Jesus is often found in prayer during His life and ministry.

- Luke 3:21— as He was praying...
- Luke 4:42— He is praying while it is still dark.
- Luke 5:15-16— He often withdrew to pray.
- Luke 6:12— He goes to a mountain to pray.
- Luke 9:15— He prays as He feeds 5,000.
- Luke 9:18— "Who do you say I am?"...praying
- Luke 9:28— On the mountain of transfiguration, He is praying.
- Luke 10:1— He is praying to the Lord of the harvest.
- Luke 11:1— He teaches the disciples to pray.
- Luke 18— parable about praying to not give up

Why does He pray? Jesus knew of His dependence on the Father. He knew that is where power comes from. Do we see our need of prayer? Before we do anything, let's pray for the power of God in our lives.

Let's see what God will do as we pray!

In Christ,



David Tebbs,

Lead Pastor, Jackson Friends Church



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# Announcements



The new directory will be printed by the end of July. For those who have submitted pictures or had them taken, a copy of the Directory will be waiting at the Welcome Center outside the sanctuary with your name on it. There is still a little time to send a digital picture to [losugi@jacksonfriends.org](mailto:losugi@jacksonfriends.org). In an effort to be efficient, a limited number of extra directories will be available and more will be printed by request.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

- ◆ Sundays at 7:00pm: Senior High Youth
- ◆ Mondays at 4:00pm: Adult Pickleball (Boettler Park)
- ◆ Tuesdays at 10:00am: Ladies' Bible Study
- ◆ Wednesdays at 6:30pm: ProTeens and Middle School Youth
- ◆ Wednesdays at 8:00pm: Senior High Youth
- ◆ Saturday, July 3rd at 6:45am: Men's Service Project
- ◆ Sunday, July 4th: Church Picnic (following 2nd service)
- ◆ Saturday, July 10th at 10:00am: Men's Service Project
- ◆ Sunday, July 11th: ProTeens/Middle School Frisbee Golf
- ◆ Monday, July 12th at 7:00pm: Senior High Bonfire
- ◆ Saturday, July 17th at 11:00am: Pins IN NEEDles
- ◆ Saturday, July 17th - Monday, July 19th: Yearly Meeting
- ◆ Sunday, July 25th: Cheer Camp (2:00-6:00pm)
- ◆ Tuesday, July 27th: Summer Fun Day
- ◆ Saturday, July 31st at 9:00am: Men's Breakfast at JFC
- ◆ Sunday, August 8th: ProTeens/Middle School Hiking
- ◆ Monday, August 9th at 7:00pm: Senior Hi Youth Night Hike
- ◆ Tuesday, August 10th at 1:00pm: Summer Fun Day
- ◆ Saturday, August 14th at 6:45am: Men's Service Project
- ◆ Saturday, August 21st at 11:00am: Pins IN NEEDles
- ◆ Sunday, August 22nd: Baptism and Church Picnic
- ◆ Saturday, August 28th at 9:00am: Men's Breakfast at 11:00am



Summer is a great time to spruce up the church and grounds. If you have an hour to spare and would like to help us with some smaller projects, please call Lori at the office.

### Young Adults

Our young adults group is still meeting every two weeks throughout the summer, but the day varies. We would love to see some new faces in the group! We plan to have a late summer cookout party either the end of August or beginning of September. Watch your bulletins later this summer for more details. Please text Joel Bankert at 330-806-9364 to get involved!

### Yearly Meeting

EFC-ER Yearly Meeting will be IN PERSON this year from July 16th-19th. The theme is "Finding Peace, Power, and Purpose in a Post-pandemic World". Most events are held at First Friends in Canton. You can find a schedule of events online at <https://www.efcer.org/yearly-meeting-2021.html>.



In a few short weeks, the season of ministry at JFC for Jean and me will come to a close and the season of retirement will commence. It's hard to believe, really, that we are at this place in life from the standpoint of time. I can remember reading James 4:14 not long after my conversion at age 19 ..."yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes." I remember thinking at that time, "I've got a long ways to go!"

I would say at this point we have a ways to go, but not a *long* way. In reading more of the text, James continued, saying, "Instead you ought to say, 'if the Lord wills, we will live and do this or that.'" I picked up on that piece of wise counsel probably a year or so later when I turned twenty, and I have held on to it ever since. It's so easy to say. But it has profound meaning for the Christ follower whose God is the Lord.

Thanks to Pastor Dave for bringing me on board to the staff. Thanks to all of you who afforded us the sheer privilege and delight of serving you in ministry. And for the warm and wonderful relationships we have shared together! Again, we thank you.

Before I close, I want you to know, we are not moving to Florida! I can't say I haven't thought about it, especially in the winter months, but no, we are not leaving the area. We will continue to live in North Canton, meaning we are still around. I am sure we will run into each other now and then, and I would like that. Plus it's not really retirement for us. It's a new season of ministry that I am looking forward to, although I am not exactly sure what that looks like for us yet.

So blessings to you all! And remember always, Jesus is Lord!

Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor Dan and Jean Hanny



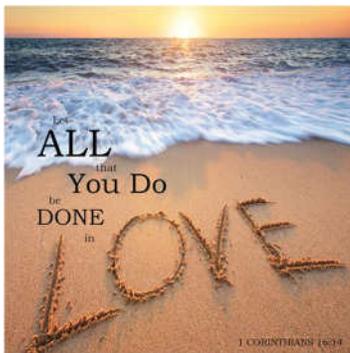
## Men's Ministry:

*We have quite a bit happening on Saturdays these next two months. Please pray for these service projects and for the times of fellowship that we have together!*

- **July 3rd:** Come and volunteer to help serve food for an outdoor cook-out for Feed My Sheep. We will meet there (Crossroads United Methodist Church, 120 Cleveland Ave SW, Canton) at 6:45am and help serve from 7:00am-9:00am. If you are unable to come but would still like to help, we could use some donations. Please see Kevin Maletich for more info.
- **July 10th:** We will be doing some yardwork to help someone from our church family. We will start around 10:00-10:30am and plan to finish by 1:00pm. Bring your outdoor tools, gloves, rakes, etc. We will have a great time together as we serve and take care of our church family. Please contact Kevin Maletich for the address.
- **July 31st:** We will be having a Men's Breakfast at JFC at 9:00am. Food and drinks will be provided, so come and fellowship with other men and talk about our plans for this summer and fall. Bring your Bible and paper/pen to take notes.
- **August 14th:** Service project at Feed My Sheep (Crossroads U.M. Church) from 6:45-9:00am. The food is provided, so just come and help serve. Drinks and sweets will also be available to those who come for assistance, and the free store will be open with free clothing and food for them.
- **August 28th:** Our monthly Men's Breakfast at JFC will be at 9:00am. Food and drinks will be provided, so come to eat, fellowship, hear a testimony, and listen to a speaker. Bring your Bible!

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*Please contact Kevin Maletich at 330-806-1731 for locations and for more detailed information for these events.*



We're in full blown summer! A lot of people are out catching rays, going on some special trips with the family, and finding ways to enjoy God's handiwork...especially His workmanship in the night sky by camping, star watching, and just enjoying the vast sparkling summer canopy beside a fire. Any which way you are spending your time this summer, remember some encouragement from the Scriptures and do it all guided by God's love. Experience it yourself and share it with those you are with. Colossians reminds us to do everything, no matter what we do, with a heart of love (3:23). Again the Apostle Paul encourages Christ-followers to allow this love that we are experiencing firsthand from Jesus to motivate how we spend every minute of our

days (1 Corinthians 16:14). May you continue to be filled to overflowing with that love and splash all over the place this summer!

**Looking Ahead:**

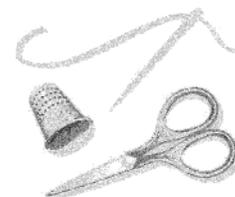
Vacation Bible School looks new this year. It's happening each Wednesday night in September. For any parents who are bringing kids (or any others) to this great experience, I'm working on offering a small group that will run concurrent with those VBS Wednesdays. More info to come, but make a plan to jump in with us!

Small Groups- I believe small groups are the lifeblood of a church. As we head out of a season of things being suspended and shut down I'm looking for potential groups to begin in the fall. We are creatures of habit, and we can get back to meeting and connecting with other believers. I'm excited to be asking God for a couple of new leaders for some new groups, too. Would you pray about joining a group or leading one?

Pastor Chris King,  
Pastor of Young Families and Small Groups

**Pins IN NEEDles:**

Are you crafty and/or know how to sew? Or want to learn? Come on Saturday, July 17th and/or Saturday, August 21st at 11:00am. We meet in the Hospitality Room on the third Saturday of each month and often make items to be donated to local charities.



**JFC Sports and Recreation:**

As we are in the heat of the summer, there are still lots of sports going on at Jackson Friends.

We have our Adult Basketball League still going on a little longer. ⇨ We have completed our first basketball and soccer camps and will be having more at the end of July! ⇨ Cheer Camp is coming up on Sunday, July 25th and there is still time to sign up! ⇨ Our disc golf summer meet-ups are still happening as well for any families/ individuals who would like to try it! ⇨ Lastly, our flag football season registration will be posted on our website soon, so be on the look-out for that!



*Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions about any of the sports activities or how to get involved. You can email Joel Bankert (Sports and Recreation Director) at [jbankert@jacksonfriends.org](mailto:jbankert@jacksonfriends.org).*

## Children's Ministries:

Praise God for beautiful summer months! We are planning two *Summer Fun Day* events for July and August. This will be fun for the **WHOLE FAMILY**. Join us for a short devotional, games, music, and fellowship. You might even get wet! The church will provide water and a refreshing snack. Rain or shine! If the weather does not allow us to be outside, we will have fun together in the gym! Plan to join us on Tuesday, July 27 and August 10 from 1:00-3:00pm.

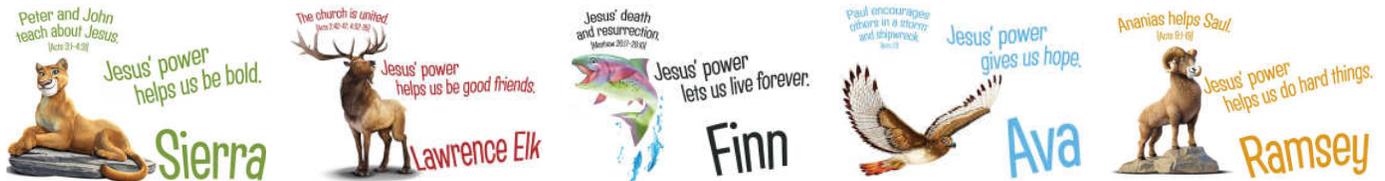


We will begin having *Children's Church* in August! All children in 1st through 5th grades can gather in the Clubhouse during the 9:00am service.



**VBS is coming!** Our theme this year is "Rocky Railway". Please mark your calendars for Wednesdays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29! We will have our exciting week-long program spread out on Wednesday evenings throughout the month of September for children age 4 through 6th grade (7th graders will be used as helpers). We will offer a concession stand (everything will cost only \$1.00) from 5:00-5:45pm. VBS will then be from 6:00-8:00pm. Parents are welcome to stay and attend one of our Bible studies while the kids are at VBS. Registrations will be handled online beginning in July.

~ Marty Shomali (Director of Nursery Ministry) and Lea Nathaniel (Director of Children's Ministry)



## Youth Events:

**Sundays from 7:00-9:00pm:** Senior High Youth

**Wednesdays:** ProTeens & Middle School Youth at 6:30pm (doors open at 6:00), followed by the Senior High Bible Study at 8:00pm.

**All Church Picnic:** On Sunday, July 4th following the 2nd service, we will have our church picnic, which is a fundraiser for the youth missions. The youth will be doing the shopping, set-up, cooking, and clean-up. We will be finished with clean-up around 2:00.



**Frisbee Golf:** ProTeens and Middle School youth will be playing Frisbee Golf after the 2nd service on Sunday, July 11th. Bring a lunch, friends and a frisbee if possible. We will return to JFC by 4:00pm.

**Senior High Bonfire:** Bring your friends for a great time at our bonfire on Monday, July 12th at JFC from 7:00-11:00pm. Bring friends and something to share.

**Hiking:** ProTeens and Middle School youth will go hiking after the 2nd service on Sunday, August 8th. Bring a lunch, a friend and \$ for a post-hike snack. We will return to JFC by 4:00pm.

**Night Hike:** The Senior High youth will go on a night hike on Monday, August 9th. Meet at JFC at 7:00pm and bring friends and some \$ for food after the hike. We will return to JFC by midnight.



Anyone seeking more info, an online Bible study, a small group study, or a mission/service event, please contact Moby at [moby@jacksonfriends.org](mailto:moby@jacksonfriends.org); office 330-966-0616 ext 311; or cell 330-224-0695 any time.

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Office Hours

Monday through Thursday  
 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

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# August 2021

Check out the website for  
current updated info and details.  
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>9:00a Blended Service 10:00a Life Groups 11:00a Blended Service</p> <p>1</p> <p>7:00p Sr Hi Youth</p> <p><b>Pastors &amp; Families</b></p>	<p>2</p> <p>4:00p Adult Pickleball</p> <p>Sandra Ratts</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00a Ladies' Bible Study</p> <p>John Revesz</p>	<p>4</p> <p>6:30p ProTeens and Middle School Youth 8:00p Senior High Youth</p> <p>Rich &amp; Flo Rhoades</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Ken &amp; Charlotte Rice</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Jim &amp; Barb Richardson</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Mark &amp; Karla Ricker Family</p>
<p>9:00a Blended Service 10:00a Life Groups 11:00a Blended Service 12:15p ProTeens &amp; Middle School Hiking</p> <p>8</p> <p>7:00p Sr Hi Youth</p> <p><b>Church Leadership and Families</b></p>	<p>9</p> <p>4:00p Adult Pickleball 7:00p Sr High Night Hike</p> <p>Cindy Ries</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00a Ladies' Bible Study 1:00p Summer Fun Day</p> <p>Dave &amp; Alice Riggs</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30p ProTeens and Middle School Youth 8:00p Senior High Youth</p> <p>Richard &amp; Paulette Robinson</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Steve &amp; Melissa Robinson Family</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Larry &amp; Sharon Rohrig Family</p>	<p>14</p> <p>6:45a Men's Service Project</p> <p>Marilyn Rossiter</p>
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<p>9:00a Blended Service 10:05a Life Groups 11:00a Blended Service</p> <p>22</p> <p>Baptism &amp; Church Picnic</p> <p><b>Church Volunteers</b></p>	<p>23</p> <p>4:00p Adult Pickleball</p> <p>Tim &amp; Kelly Schwendiman Family</p>	<p>24</p> <p>John &amp; Devi Scott Family</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:30p ProTeens and Middle School Youth 8:00p Senior High Youth</p> <p>Bonnie Sees</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Tom Seibert Family</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Jim &amp; Staci Serra Family</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:00a Men's Breakfast</p> <p>Dave &amp; Mendi Sharier Family</p>
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Please remember to pray for those listed each day.