

**The Pastor's Message**

Dear People of Jolliff UMC:

Greetings to you in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

I don't know who designated October as Pastor Appreciation Month, but I want to say "Thank You" for your love and kindness. Your cards and gifts have filled me with honor and gratitude. Thanks!!!

November is the month of Thanksgiving.

When it comes to Thanksgiving, I am surprised with a realization - I easily forget many blessings or take them for granted. Therefore, I am not grateful.

On the contrary, I hardly forget many worries that will never happen.

(Research reveals that over 90% of the things we worry about never happen.) Moreover, I welcome new worries every day. Therefore, I am not grateful.

No, I want to be grateful rather than grumbling or worrying.

What should we do to be thankful?

First, Jesus tells us, "Do not worry about your life." (Matthew 6:25)

But I would say, "Jesus, I have many worries about my life."

Jesus says, "Stop worrying, go outside, and look at the sky."

We may find birds in the air and worry about whether they are hungry or not. But Jesus says, "Our heavenly Father feeds them." That is wonderful.

And Jesus says the more incredible thing - God, who takes care of the birds in the air, also takes care of us. Praise the Lord!

Stop worrying. Trust in God. Be thankful. God takes care of us.

Second, the Bible says, "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

I cannot run in all circumstances. In the office, I'd better not run.

I cannot breathe in all circumstances. Under the water, I'd better hold my breath.

However, I can give thanks in all circumstances. I can be thankful in my office and in a short moment under the water.

It sounds unfair because worries automatically come to us, but Thanksgiving is never an automatic reaction for us. We should try to find things for which we are thankful. Maybe God wants us to intentionally remember His love and grace surrounding all our circumstances.

Indeed, everything is God's grace.

My family, church members, friends, parsonage, car, shoes, clothes, laptop, tablet, cellphone, lunch (peanut butter sandwich, egg, and banana), and today...

"This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it." (Psalm 118:24)

Thank You, God. Thank You, Jesus. Thank You, Holy Spirit.

Love in Christ,

Pastor Paul OH



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

**Jolliff Family:**  
**If you want to schedule a special event,**  
**please place it on the calendar outside**  
**the Church Office ASAP.**

Pastor: Rev. Paul Oh—[PaulOh@vaumc.org](mailto:PaulOh@vaumc.org)

Secretary: Emma James—[secretary@jolliffumc.org](mailto:secretary@jolliffumc.org)

Current Worship, Gathering and Sunday School Info.:

Worship Service on Sundays at 10:00 am

Worship Service available for all in person or live stream via the Jolliff UMC Facebook Page.

**\*\*\*Children's Church** on Sundays during the Worship Service in the Historic Sanctuary.

The Jones/Karnes Sunday School Class meets at 9:00 am in the Foundations Classroom.

The Brigge Sunday School Class meets at 9:00 am in the Conference Room.

Children's Sunday School and Bell Choir meets at 9:00 am in the Historic Sanctuary.

Infant and Toddler Care—Nursery care is available for Sunday School and the 10:00 am service.

United Methodist Men: **Saturday, November 9, 2024 @ 8am/Breakfast and meeting.**

Jolliff Women's Group: **Sunday, November 3, 2024 after Worship/Historic Sanctuary.**

Choir Practice @ 6:00 pm Wednesdays. **(November 13 and 27)**

Praise Band Rehearsal @ 6:00 pm **Tuesdays. (November 12 and 26)**

Daylight Savings Time Ends on Sunday,  
November 3, 2024, at 2:00 am.



Be sure to set your clocks **BACK 1 hour** when you go to bed on Saturday, November 2nd.

**Jolliff UMC**  
**Charge Conference**  
**& Quarterly Business**  
**Meeting**

**Tuesday,**  
**November 12, 2024**

**7:00 pm**

**Church Conference Room**

**“Do all the good you can  
By all the means you can  
In all the ways you can  
In all the places you can  
At all the times you can  
To all the people you can  
As long as you ever can.”**

**John Wesley**

Pastor Paul & Jolliff Congregation:

Thank you so much for the thoughts and prayers and cards and flowers! It has meant the world to me and given me extra strength in my healing process! Keep the prayers coming and I hope to be back to church real soon!

Love,  
Jimmie Oneail



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## Cancer/Caregiver Support Group

The Cancer/Caregiver Support Group is meeting **November 12th at 7 pm via Zoom.**

If anyone is interested please **send me your email** so I can add you to the group. **John has given his permission for this to be shared with everyone.**

Thank you,

John                      [jogrady@pancanvolunteer.org](mailto:jogrady@pancanvolunteer.org)

Our new Children's Church program **continues**. Children ages 4-11 are invited to join us for Children's Church on Sunday mornings during the regular Worship Service. The children choosing to participate will be escorted from the Worship Service to the Historic Sanctuary each Sunday after the blessing of the tithes and offerings. The children will have prayer, a lesson, arts/crafts, music and/or games, etc. and will return to the Worship Service at approximately 11:10 AM for the closing (communion, benediction, etc.)

**We currently have three leaders (Kim Thorn, Kathlyn Baker and Velma Birkel)** who will rotate leading each week. **We welcome anyone who would like to join us** in making this new ministry a great success. **Please pray for this new endeavor, the children and the leaders.**

### **Jolliff Women's Group:**

The Jolliff Women's Group will meet on **Sunday, November 3rd**, in the Historic Sanctuary, after Worship service. **Any questions please see Jimmie Oneail or call or text her 757-592-**

### **Jolliff Men's Group:**

The Jolliff Men's Group will meet on **Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>**. Breakfast will be served.

**Any questions please contact John O'Grady @ 757-574-7516 or [jdgrad77@gmail.com](mailto:jdgrad77@gmail.com).**

# Prayer Requests

## **Jolliff Church Family:**

Jimmie Oneail, Bill Raetzke, Betty & **Norman Fortin/Hospice**, Michael Garrett, Everett, Kelsey, & Jeff Parker- Lincoln & Elora, Amanda Walker & family, Rose George.

**Jolliff Church Family Shut-ins:** Rita Berry, Beverley Byrd, Nita Eason, Rose Hyatt, Fran Kidder, Lyla Laning, Carolyn Williams (Texas), and Letha Young.

**Jolliff Family & Friends:** Jerry Conner - diabetic/placed in assisted living. (Dean M's uncle), Jamie Covil – 35 yr old stroke victim. (Son in Law of Dean M's best friend from Waynesboro), Michael Stout (cardiac issues), Anne Nicholson-double corneal transplant (Friend of Vickie Hebden,) Laurie Mandiaracina—cancerous brain tumor (friend of the Birkels,) Christine Butler - Brain & Lung Cancer (friend of the Birkels,) Mary Beth Bruns-severe osteoporosis/age 61 (Erv & Jerre Gray's daughter,) Jackie Meeks (10 yr old w/rare cancer @ CHKD,) Kenny Farah-pancreatic cancer (Karen McClains's cousin's husband,) Dave Melick (81 years young-Stage 1 Pancreatic Cancer-Lives in OH,) Peg Thayer (Kimba McGinness's mother), Matthew Austin-hearing problems (son-in-law of Erving & Jerre Gray,) Lois (friend of the Wesner's, recovery from stroke,) David Marrion (son of Karen Lemley's friend) stroke recovery, Brian Fell (Kevin Drummond's step-son has been diagnosed with liver cancer,) Dave & Vicky Sapp - (Vicky has pancreatic cancer/ undergoing chemo treatments,) Emily McCollum-prayers for safety & a return to God-(Kim & Paul Thorns' daughter,) Nancy Simcox-chemo for liver tumor (Karen McClain's aunt in TN,) Nehemiah Gibbons (lupus,) Jeff Kiser (throat cancer,) Mrs. Sheila Golden (cancer,) Mike Anderson (Crohn's disease,) Shannon Wallace (JDS parent/ cancer,) Susan Middlebrooke.

Pray for our President and our national leaders, our local, state, and federal government.

Pray for our Pastor and our church.

Pray for our shut-ins who cannot attend church.

Pray for peace for the land of Israel and Palestine.

Pray for the People of Ukraine

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<https://www.facebook.com/JolliffUnitedMethodistChurch>

**Nursery Workers for November**

**Nov 3**

Pam Stout                      Donna Hagerman

**Nov 10**

Karen LeGrande

**Nov 17**

Kim Scott                      Jimmie Oneail

**Nov 24**

Diane O'Grady              Robin Young

**THURSDAY DINNERS**

Months still available for volunteers to provide a Thursday Night Dinner:

**2024**

November      Peg Ackley

December      No dinner

**2025**

January          Jerre Gray

February        Holli & Ryan Hart

March            John Oneail & John O'Grady

April             OPEN

May              OPEN

Call the church office at 757.488.2784 to sign-up or sign-up on the clipboard. Thank you.

The next game night will be on **Friday, November 8th @ 5:30 pm.** This event will take place in the Historic Sanctuary. Please contact Debbie Clements if you plan to attend.

**Jolliff UMC Financial Report**

**Total Tithes and Offerings:**

General & Building \$14,663.43

Restricted Account \$ 1,666.79

Jolliff Day School—\$11,200.00

September Tithes and Offerings are 86% of projected 2024 Budget for the month.

(Memorial Donations not included)

**Menu for Thursday  
November 21st Dinner**

**Ham, Baked Sweet Potatoes,  
Corn, Green Bean Casserole,  
Applesauce, Rolls, &  
Dessert**

**Dinner will be served @ 6:00 pm.**

**Jolliff Day School news:**

- November 8** Veteran's Day Program/  
Jolliff UMC Sanctuary
- November 11** Jolliff Day School Closed
- November 20** Thanksgiving Feast-  
Students Only
- November 27** Jolliff Day School Closed/Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 28 & 29** Jolliff Day School Closed/Thanksgiving Break



**“Clean Out Your Pantry” Food Drive:**

**The Jolliff Men’s and Women’s Groups** are teaming up to sponsor a food drive.

**Please bring non-perishable food items that have not expired to church.**



If you cannot bring them to church, a member of the Men’s Group will come and pick them up for you.

**Girl Scout Troop #499 News**

**Regular Scheduled Meetings**

**In Historic Sanctuary**

Set up 5:30pm—Clean up by 7:30pm

**November 13      November 27**

**Troop Leader: Amanda Walker**

**Deadline** for the December 2024 Church Newsletter is **Wednesday, November 20, 2024.**

**Bible Study Continues:**

***“Good and Evil”*** by Douglas Connelly,  
led by Pastor Paul.

Continues on Thursdays

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Conference Room

Text Price: \$9

All are welcome! Let’s grow in faith and knowledge toward God!!!

**“You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” (John 8:32)**