

July 13, 2025

Prayer Requests

Kevin Milton, Macklin Thomas, Lauren Morrison, Graham Miller, Silas Porter, Tim Phillips, Jasper Moore, Matthew Dixon, Dustin Gordon, Steven Robertson, Beckham Gattis, Dawn Haithcock, Michael & Linda Harrison, Randy Bell, Grayson Allen, Paisley Speas, Teresa Vawter, Leroy Smith, Tom Stopyra, Sheila Cox, Colleen Bennett, Bill & Linda Long, Donna Hatcher, Carell Kiger, Joe Medeiros, Josh Church, Zelda Wilson, Canvas Church, Collective Christian Church, Renew Church, Anthology Church, Our Troops, Ukraine, Israel

Nursing Home & At Home

Libby Tabor, Patsy Morrison, Marie George, Shirley Alspaugh, Lewis Moore, Linda Macia, Hazel Young, Mary Alderman

If we take a name off and you would like it placed back on the prayer list, please email us at info@jeffersonchurch.org.

Prayer Chain: If you have any prayer concerns, please call Libby Tabor (336.408.1946).

Financial Giving Report

2025 Budget -	\$1,144,000.00
Weekly Need -	\$22,000.00
July 6, 2025 -	\$27,069.75
Received in June -	\$98,878.48
Over/Under YTD -	\$-56,950.26

NEW TO JEFFERSON?

Are you new to Jefferson? If so, we would love to hear from you! Please click this **link** to tell us more about yourself and to ask questions.

JEFFERSON OFFERING

If you would like to give your offerings online, click this link to go to our **website**.

WEDNESDAY CHAPEL SERVICE

Join us at 11am in the sanctuary as we join together to sing hymns and share in the Word of God.

GET INVOLVED

Volunteers are always needed to make the service run smoothly on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in helping out, go to this <u>link</u> to sign up!

LYDIA CIRCLE

The Lydia Circle will meet Tuesday, July 15 at 10:30am at Priddy Manor. Patti will have our devotions. Bring school supplies for Salvation Army but leave them in your car. Someone will pick them up after our meeting. Any questions? Call Libby at 336.408.1946.

WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY

James Gordon placed his membership at Jefferson last Sunday, July 6. Welcome to our family!

Thank you for worshipping with us today. If you have prayer requests, please go to jeffersonchurch.life to let us know how we can pray for you.



Join us Sunday, July 13th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM for a church-wide BBQ dinner. We will provide barbeque and some drinks. We will also set up some yard games and a waterslide. Please bring the following: 1. A side or dessert to share 2. A lawn chair

3. A swim suit and towel for the kiddos (Waterslide)



Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for this year's VBS as we learn to Live it Out! Click the link below to register your kids and to volunteer!

REGISTRATION

VOLUNTEER FORM



We are here to help you on your grief journey. Grief is a journey that shouldn't be traveled alone. You may feel like no one understands and be tempted to isolate, but as counselor David Bueno Martin says, *"Healing happens in the context of finding others who can help you."* A GriefShare group is a safe place to find support.

Our GriefShare group will meet weekly on Thursdays at 10am from August 28 - November 20. Click the link to sign up.

GRIEF SHARE

Grieving the death of a spouse?

Or do you know someone who is?

> Your life has changed forever. The daily emotions and challenges can seem too hard to bear.

Find help at a Loss of a Spouse seminar.



Join us for this encouraging seminar.

Sunday, August 17 at 1pm

This 2 hour seminar includes light refreshments and small bites.

Featuring a short video followed by a small-group discussion.



YOUTH INC MOUNTAIN RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 5-7

GATLINBURG, TN

COST: \$100

Registration for the Youth Inc. Fall Mountain Retreat is now open! This event is open to all MS and HS students and will take place September 5-7. Jefferson, along with 8 other churches, will head to Gatlinburg for a weekend of worship and fellowship. The cost is \$100, which includes housing and 3 meals. Students will need money for 3 separate meals. The deadline to pay and register is Aug. 29th.

You can register your student using the link below, the Jefferson app, or on the student iPad in the lobby.

MOUNTAIN RETREAT





return at 7 p.m.

Bring your pickleball paddles if you have them! If not, we will provide some.

Join us for our first-ever Pickle and Pizza Tournament on Saturday, August 2nd, from 4 to 7 p.m.! This event will be held at First Christian Church.

The tournament will be a doubles format. This is a free event, and we will provide pizza and drinks.

Whether you are a pickleball pro or a first-timer, we hope to see you there!

POOL DAYS

JUNE 16TH GUYS JULY 14TH GIRLS JULY 28TH EVERYONE



MEET AT JCC BY 1:30 PICKUP AT 4PM JCC PLEASE EAT LUNCH BEFOREHAND BRING A TOWEL AND CHANGE OF CLOTHES

WANT TO ENJOY THE WARM WEATHER AND SPEND SOME TIME WITH YOUR FRIENDS AT THE POOL? JOIN MCKENNA AND PHILIP FOR SOME POOL DAYS THIS SUMMER!

WE WILL HOST GENDER-SPECIFIC DAYS FIRST BEFORE HOSTING A POOL DAY FOR EVERYONE!

PLEASE BE AT JCC BY 1:30 P.M. AND EAT LUNCH BEFORE ARRIVING. WE WILL RETURN TO JCC BY 4 P.M. BRING A TOWEL AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES WITH YOU.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO SPENDING TIME WITH EVERYONE AT THE POOL!



SUMMER 2025



Summer camp registration is open and sessions are filling up! Jefferson will be attending the following sessions:

> Junior 2 (rising 4th - 6th grade) July 13-18

Middle 3 (rising 7th - 9th) Philip is the dean for this week. July 20-25

Scholarships are available to take half off each session. See Leslie or Philip for the code!

CAMP REGISTRATION

AUGUST 4TH COST: \$50

Our annual end-of-summer trip to Carowinds with Capella, FCC King, and Poplar Springs is Monday, August 4th. The cost is \$50 and can be paid with cash or a check. Students will need money for lunch (in the park) and dinner (on the road). Please be at Jefferson by 8:30 a.m. Breakfast will be provided. We should return to JCC around 9pm.

You can register your student using the link below, the Jefferson app, or on the student iPad in the lobby.

CAROWINDS



BEST SUMMER EVER: WEEK 6 BBQs and FIRE PITS

How can we develop deep, meaningful relationships?

Ruth 1:1-2a, 3-5

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land. So a man from Bethlehem in Judah, together with his wife and two sons, went to live for a while in the country of Moab. The man's name was Elimelek, his wife's name was Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Kilion...

Now Elimelek, Naomi's husband, died, and she was left with her two sons. They married Moabite women, one named Orpah and the other Ruth. After they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Kilion also died, and Naomi was left without her two sons and her husband.

Ruth 1:14 At this they wept again. Then Orpah kissed her mother-in-law goodbye, but Ruth clung to her.

Ruth 1:16-18

But Ruth replied, "Don't urge me to leave you or to turn back from you. Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there I will be buried. May the Lord deal with me, be it ever so severely, if even death separates you and me." When Naomi realized that Ruth was determined to go with her, she stopped urging her.

We should strive for "No matter where, no matter what" relationships.

For deeper relationships, be the kind of person who can be counted on.

Proverbs 18:24

A man of many friends comes to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

If you *want* a friend like that, then you've got to *be* a friend like that.

Ruth 1:20-21

"Don't call me Naomi," she told them. "Call me Mara, because the Almighty has made my life very bitter. I went away full, but the Lord has brought me back empty. Why call me Naomi? The Lord has afflicted me; the Almighty has brought misfortune upon me."

For healthier relationships, extend grace when someone is struggling

Ruth 2:11-12 (NLT)

"Yes, I know," Boaz replied. "But I also know about everything you have done for your motherin-law since the death of your husband. I have heard how you left your father and mother and your own land to live here among complete strangers. May the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge, reward you fully for what you have done."

A sign of a deep friendship is the ability to genuinely rejoice with each other.

Another way to deepen a relationship: seek that person's counsel.

Ruth 3:4

When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. *He will tell you what to do.*

Ruth 4:13

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. Then he went to her, and the Lord enabled her to conceive, and she gave birth to a son.

Ruth 4:16-17

What's the point of this story in the grand scheme of things?

Then Naomi took the child, laid him in her lap and cared for him. The women living there said, "Naomi has a son." And they named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.