



# J. J. WHITE MEMORIAL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in McComb, Mississippi

**JUNE / JULY 2024** “Believe in Me and grow our church together.” 2024 Mission Statement

## **S**ummertime is a great time to come to church!

There is never a dull moment here at J. J. White Memorial Presbyterian Church. We have worship and Bible study opportunities each week, and frequent fellowship and mission activities for all ages. If you haven't been in a while, come on in. We'd love to see you this Sunday, or anytime this summer.

### WORSHIP SERVICES

Led by Rev. Cassie Alston, unless otherwise noted.

### MUSIC

Jennifer Sanders, Director of Music, piano  
Glenn Sanders, Choir Leader; The Chancel Choir  
Guest musicians listed on the Sundays they are present.

<b>JUN 2</b>	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service • <b>MICA</b> Donation Sunday • <b>Communion</b>
<b>JUN 9</b>	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service Rev. Chris Richardson
<b>JUN 16</b>	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service Rev. Philip Williams Guest musician Jeremy Threlfall, tenor <b>Father's Day</b>
<b>JUN 23</b>	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service
<b>JUN 30</b>	10:30 a.m.	Sunday Worship Service



## Vacation Bible School

**JULY 17-19, 5 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all kids! Join us Wednesday through Friday, July 17-19 for Camp Firelight-A Summer Camp Adventure with God. **Ages 3 - finishing 6th grade.** Activities include music, arts & crafts, Bible story time and recreation. We will provide dinner each night.

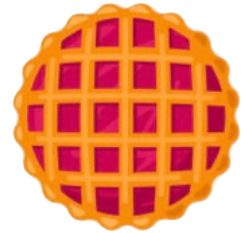
Please let Melisa DeCoux or India Warshauer know if you'd like to help. Invite your grandkids and neighbors!



# Independence Day Celebration!

## BBQ and Entertainment

### Pie Contest



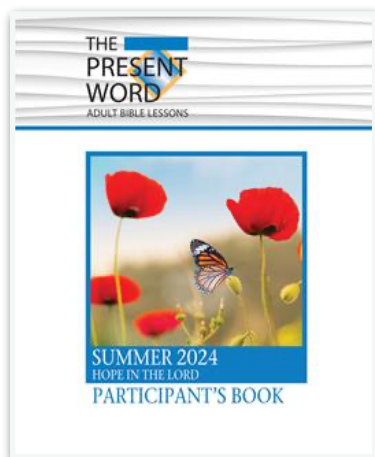
Independent judges will decide the top pies at JJWMP  
**Wednesday, July 3**  
 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**RECENT FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES** included Sunday Sundaes and a White Elephant Sale. Due to inclement weather, the Fellowship Committee hosted a **church-wide picnic on Sunday, April 21 immediately after morning worship in the Fellowship Hall**. Sheldon Alston provided entertainment with a juggling act. The church members enjoyed a Sunday Sundae Bar and tours of the Pastor’s redecorated office and the Railroad Depot Museum.

The Fellowship Committee hosted a **White Elephant sale** on Wednesday, May 1 in the Fellowship Hall. \$759.00 was raised for the church.

In pictures to the right, Naomi Smith and Georgia Mendonides arrange white elephant items, and John Drummond models a floppy hat up for bid.

On May 12, **Mother’s Day**, the Fellowship Committee provided yellow roses during the worship service. Burke Williams presented one to each lady in attendance.



**The COVENANT LIFE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**, located across from the church library room off of the sanctuary, invites all to participate in a summer study (**June 2nd through August 25th**) using The Present Word curriculum “Hope in the Lord”. As stated in the book’s introduction this study “...will explore authentic Christian hope expressed in Scripture....”

If you have any questions about this class please see any of the following: Debbi Brock, Tommy Brock, Carol Cato, John Drummond, Suzi Drummond, Sharon Harmon, Linda Miller, Susan White, or Whitney Rawlings. So, just come on in and be a part of this gathering about **9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning**.



## FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

It's summertime! Just writing that puts a smile on my face. I love summer: the long, sunny days, the flourishing plants and flowers, the abundance of delicious, fresh fruits and vegetables. Summer is a season of growth, both in nature and in our faith. During summer, we are in the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. The color for Ordinary Time is green, symbolizing growth.

Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation, a time to take part in activities that deepen and nourish our faith. During the long, sunny days of summer, we grow in discipleship. At J.J. White Memorial, there are numerous opportunities for growth this summer: Sunday worship, Sunday school, Vacation Bible School, fellowship gatherings, and mission and outreach activities, just to name a few.

The word "ordinary" in Ordinary Time does not mean commonplace. It comes from the word ordinal, an adjective denoting the numerical position of an object: first, second, and third, for example, instead of one, two, and three. Originally, all Sundays that were not part of the Advent/Christmas or Lent/Easter seasons were indicated by ordinal numbers. "Ordinary time," writes Rev. Kathleen Bostrom, is basically "counted time".

The long, sunny days of summer do count! The way we choose to spend these days impacts how our faith grows. So I encourage you to worship, study, celebrate, and serve with your church family this summer. My prayer is that the summer of 2024 will be one in which our roots grow deep, our lives and church flourish, and we bear much fruit. May Ordinary Time be a season of extraordinary growth!

Yours in Christ,  
Rev. Cassie Alston

## PROPERTY UPGRADES

Thanks to Property Committee chairman, Tommy Brock and co-chairman Whitney Rawlings for working with committee members and church volunteers to maintain our beautiful buildings and grounds, including recent upgrades to HVAC and WIFI systems. These recently planted caladiums enhance the area between Delaware entrances.



## EVANGELISM OPPORTUNITIES

We have begun identifying church members who want to begin our evangelism ministry. Please let Elder Sam Daniel know if you want to share God's message with others in our community.



## PRAY FOR THOSE ON PRAYER LIST

Could you please pray for those on our prayer list? Copies of our Prayer List are available each Sunday in church and are on our website [www.jjwhitememorial.org](http://www.jjwhitememorial.org). Do you or someone you know need prayer? Please send requests to our email [jjwhitememorial@gmail.com](mailto:jjwhitememorial@gmail.com) or call our office, 601-684-4189.

**SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

<b>JUN 2</b>	Susan White
<b>JUN 9</b>	Bill Mitchell
<b>JUN 16</b>	Sharon White
<b>JUN 23</b>	Beth Wild
<b>JUN 30</b>	Brocks
<b>JUL 7</b>	Sharon Harmon
<b>JUL 14</b>	Linda Miller
<b>JUL 21</b>	Rusty Whittington
<b>JUL 28</b>	Robbie DeCoux
<b>AUG 4</b>	Sharon White
<b>AUG 11</b>	Bill Mitchell
<b>AUG 18</b>	Susan White
<b>AUG 25</b>	Beth Wild

**VIDEO TEAM**

<b>JUN 2</b>	Ally Allred
<b>JUN 9</b>	Melisa DeCoux
<b>JUN 16</b>	Sarah Ross
<b>JUN 23</b>	Chris Toler
<b>JUN 30</b>	SaraBeth Williams
<b>JUL 7</b>	Ally Allred
<b>JUL 14</b>	Melisa DeCoux
<b>JUL 21</b>	Sarah Ross
<b>JUL 28</b>	Chris Toler
<b>AUG 4</b>	SaraBeth Williams
<b>AUG 11</b>	Ally Allred
<b>AUG 18</b>	Melisa DeCoux
<b>AUG 25</b>	Sarah Ross

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

<b>JUN 2</b>	Rusty Whittington
<b>JUN 9</b>	Beth & Noggin Wild
<b>JUN 16</b>	Susan & Randy White
<b>JUN 23</b>	Sue Reeves
<b>JUN 30</b>	Sharon White
<b>JUL 7</b>	Debbi & Tommy Brock
<b>JUL 14</b>	Joanna Barr
<b>JUL 21</b>	Lee Williams
<b>JUL 28</b>	Vicki Brill
<b>AUG 4</b>	Dori Toler
<b>AUG 11</b>	Martha & Spike Simmons
<b>AUG 18</b>	Deb Richardson
<b>AUG 25</b>	June Hart



**JUNE**

- 1 Deb Richardson
- 3 Belinda Price
- 6 Sharon White
- 10 Steven Allred
- 11 Sheldon Alston
- 13 Beth Wild
- 14 Debbi Brock
- 16 Ally Allred
- 17 Rusty Whittington
- 19 Nancy Ables
- 19 Stephanie Butler
- 23 Van Simmons
- 28 Andrea DeCoux

**JULY**

- 2 John Drummond
- 6 Spike Simmons
- 6 Stacy White
- 7 Suzi Drummond
- 13 Kayden Hogan
- 13 Lydia Williams
- 17 Dottie Heiss
- 19 Colin Richardson
- 20 June Hart
- 28 Linda Miller
- 30 Nicole Small

**AUGUST**

- 3 Tommy Brock
- 4 Keith Sanders
- 4 Winbourne Sullivan
- 8 Kelly Henley
- 11 Chris Richardson
- 11 Brad Woods
- 14 Jane Walman
- 17 Georgia Mendonides
- 18 Beverly Yates
- 19 Ron Yates
- 21 Martha Simmons
- 27 Jennifer Sanders
- 29 Eileen Cato
- 29 John Paul Reeves
- 29 Joseph Spurgeon

# Join us

THE SESSION		
<b>Noggin Wild</b>	Clerk of Session	2025
<b>Melisa DeCoux</b>	Christian Ed. Committee	2024
<b>Linda Miller</b>	Congregational Care	2025
<b>Sam Daniel</b>	Fellowship Committee	2026
<b>Suzi Drummond</b>	Government Committee	2024
<b>Robbie DeCoux</b>	Missions Committee	2026
<b>Tommy Brock</b>	Property Committee	2025
<b>Sarah Ross</b>	Stewardship / Finance Committee	2026
<b>Whitney Rawlings</b>	Worship Committee	2024
<b>Moderator</b>		
Rev. Cassie Alston		

<b>SUN</b>	9:00 AM	Breakfast
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Morning Worship
<b>TUE</b>	11:30 AM	2nd Tuesday each month Presbyterian Women
	5:00 PM	Choir Practice
<b>WED</b>	7:15 AM	Men's Breakfast

Our church office is open  
**MON-FRI, 10 AM - 2 PM**  
Stephanie Butler, Secretary

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