



SONG OF SOLOMON 2:16

FEBRUARY 2025

The Micah Mandate

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good.
 And what does the Lord require of you?
 To act justly and to love mercy
 and to walk humbly with your God.

MICAH 6:8

**BE JUST.
 BE KIND.
 BE HUMBLE.**

**A Series on
 Mission & Ministry**

**February 16:
 "BE JUST"
 Food Pantry/Outreach**

**February 23:
 "BE KIND"
 School Partnerships**

**March 2:
 "BE HUMBLE"
 UMCOR Flood Buckets**

Join us for our new worship series!

LOVE GOD ✦ LOVE NEIGHBOR ✦ MAKE DISCIPLES

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Announcements & Upcoming Events 2
 Nursery Ministry 2
 Children's Ministry..... 3
 Student Ministry 4

Senior Adult Ministry..... 5
 Care & Counseling Ministry 5-6
 Missions Ministry..... 6-7

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Contact Nancy Burkhardt for registration information, nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org.



**2025-2026
REGISTRATION
BEGINS SOON!**

Priority Registration
Monday, February 3rd - Wednesday, February 5th
Church members and current students/siblings

Registration opens to the public on
Thursday, February 6th.

For more information:
Please call the preschool office at 770-439-7110,
email Ms. Denise at dribeiro@mceachernumc.org, or
visit our website at www.mceachernpreschool.com



MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 8:00-9:00 AM



Our United Methodist Men invite men of all ages to join us for a GREAT breakfast in Oaks Hall on the 2nd Sunday of most months.

Join us and bring your friends too!
Enjoy this rewarding time with our McEachern men.

Welcome our guest speaker:
MMUMC Member, Nick Kammerdiener regarding Scouts

NURSERY MINISTRY

PARENTS' TIME AWAY

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
9am - 1pm

Sign up once, as needed or by the Day/Week/Month/School Year
\$30 1st Child, \$25 1st Sibling, \$20 Each Additional Child
One-time Annual Family \$20 Fee

Register & Pay On-Line

www.mceachernumc.org/Next Generation
www.skoopman@mceachernumc.org

MCEACHERN UMC

4075 Macland Road
Powder Springs, GA 30127
770-943-3008 ext. 5006
678-567-5006 PTA Office



SPECIAL PTA DATES!

WINTER BREAK:
TUESDAY -THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 18-20



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL



Join us on Sundays from 9:30-10:30 in the children's area on the first floor of the Christian Life Center as we journey through the Bible together! We start each morning with 15 minutes of children's worship learning songs and learning why it's important to worship Jesus! We are exploring the Bible each week with fun lessons, games, and crafts! This month, we'll learn about the lessons Jesus taught - The Golden Rule, the sower and the seeds, the Good Samaritan, and more. Sunday school is designed for Kindergarten - 5th Grade.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT KIDS CLUBS

Our Wednesday night programming is the highlight of our week! Check out our **children's choir from 6-6:30**, our **Kids Club from 6:30-7:15**, and our **"TreeHouse Tales" story time from 7:15-7:30**. If you'd like more information or are interested in volunteering, email Lora@mceachernumc.org.



Life Love...



Our children serving with their gifts and talents!



The many baptisms and new members in the past few months!



Our Kids learning and leading us in worship



Our Adult Volunteers always making our gatherings the BEST!

Save the Date

We have a lot of exciting stuff planned for the new year but here are the biggies!
Easter Egg Hunt - April 13
Flight 345 Children's Retreat - May 2-4
Vacation Bible School - June 8-11 ...
and more!



REGISTER HERE!

Register your child for all our Children's Ministry opportunities by scanning here or by visiting the children's page of the church website.



FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ALL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

Search: **McEachern Kids at MMUMC**
or scan the QR code



STUDENT MINISTRY

FEBRUARY 2025

2 - RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM

5 - Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM

8 - Winter Jam 2-11 PM

9 - Youth Sunday 11:00 AM /
Super Bowling 12-3 PM

12 - Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM

16 - RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM

18-21 - Disney Trip

19 - No Wed Night Youth

21 - Deadline for SLR Retreat
(March 14-16)

23 - RENEW, 9:30-10:45 AM

26 - Wed Night Youth, 6-8 PM



WINTER JAM '25 FEB 8
\$15

SKILLET ANNE WILSON KB
COLTON DIXON NEWSONG MICAH TYLER

A poster for Winter Jam '25 featuring a green background with a silhouette of a person jumping over a rock formation. The text is in a stylized, bold font.



YOUTH SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 9
11:00 AM

A poster for Youth Sunday featuring a black and white photo of a band performing on stage with the text 'YOUTH SUNDAY' overlaid in large yellow letters.



SUPER BOWLING
FEB 9 · NOON-3 PM · \$15

A poster for Super Bowling featuring a glowing purple bowling ball on a bowling lane with a colorful, starry background.



Disney Trip Feb 18-21
2025

A poster for a Disney Trip featuring icons for a castle, a globe, a character, and a tiger, with the text 'Disney Trip Feb 18-21 2025' below.

Register for events and full details online at www.meachernumc.org/student

SENIOR ADULTS MINISTRY



McEachern J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth)

You're Invited to our next luncheon on
Friday, February 7 - 11:30 AM in Lula Dobbs Hall
Bring a covered dish to share and your beverage!

We normally meet on the first Friday of the month,
EXCEPT during a holiday week. Then, we will meet on the following Friday.

Each month an informational program or entertainment is provided. This month, our own Conner Garmon will entertain us with romantic songs to celebrate the month of love.

Several trips are planned for 2025 so come and hear all the details!

If you are 55+ and would like to be a part of this exciting group and receive informational emails, please contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org.
You will be warmly welcomed!!!

CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY

There Is A Place For You AND We Need You!!!



Your Church Front Office Needs You!

Smiling faces and cheerful voices are needed to welcome those who call or visit our church. We have an immediate volunteer opportunity for you to field calls at the front desk and greet members and guests in the church front office on the 1st, 2nd and / or 4th Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM. (Training provided.) Other shifts are often available: 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM and 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM.

Mass Mailings Help: Occasionally many hands are needed for a mass mailing.

For more information or if you feel led to be added to the volunteer list for the front office and / or mass mailings, please contact Nancy Burkhardt at nburkhardt@mceachernumc.org or 678.567.5002.

CARE & COUNSELING MINISTRY

STEPHEN MINISTRY



Coming SOON. . .

a Stephen Ministry informational meeting regarding training to become a Stephen Minister. More details will soon be provided church-wide.

Are you searching for a way to walk beside another person through life's difficult situations? Do you have a listening heart? If so, please prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister.

Stephen Ministry offers a proven and effective way to organize, equip and supervise a team of congregation members -- called Stephen Ministers -- to provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people in our congregation and in the community experiencing life difficulties.

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by their Stephen Leaders to offer care to people who are hurting.

If you are interested in attending the informational meeting to learn more about Stephen Ministry, please contact one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders:

Cindy Blocksidge - 770.943.3008 X5012

Bill Hanse - 678.849.8383 or Nancy Burkhardt - 770.337.2050

GriefShare®

Are you grieving the loss of a spouse, family member, or other loved one? If so, we invite you to participate in GriefShare. At GriefShare you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort, and peace of mind.

A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability - and gain solid support each step of the way.

Join us beginning on Thursday, February 6 at 6:30 PM in room F-326.

For more details and/or to register visit www.griefshare.org.

For more information, contact Carol McLeod - 770.313.8702, Robert McLeod - 770.313.8706 or Nancy Burkhardt - 770.337.2050.



Alcoholics Anonymous:
Meets in Room G-103 at the
Care & Counseling Center
Mondays & Thursdays at 7 AM
and Tuesdays & Fridays at 8 PM



Narcotics Anonymous:
Meets at 6:30 PM on
Sundays and Mondays
In Oaks Hall

MISSIONS MINISTRY

Opportunities To Donate And Serve In Missions!

Our Missions Ministry offers many opportunities for you to not only see God at work but to also join Him and experience the blessings received from the gifts of your time and effort toward a purpose greater than yourself. Discover the thrill of becoming part of something amazing that the Lord will accomplish both in you and through you!

Direct inquiries regarding Missions to Beth Green at beth.green4@gmail.com.

Let Us Be The Hands, Feet & Heart Of Jesus!



Thank you for your ongoing support of our Missions Ministry. Our Food Pantry and Financial Assistance ministries continue to provide assistance to struggling families in our community.



The Micah Mandate

Our Missions Team will follow along with Pastor Craig's February sermon series.

"The Micah Mandate" - Micah 6:8 - Be Just. Be kind. Be Humble.

♥ **February 16th** highlights our **Food Pantry and Financial Assistance Ministry**. Consider bringing an item for our food pantry or donating funds to assist a family in need with a utility bill.

Our Food Pantry serves the community **by appointment** during church office hours, 9 AM - 4 PM Monday - Thursday. Your ongoing donations are appreciated. **Acceptable Donations Include:** Only **UNEXPIRED**, non-perishable, canned goods (soups, stews, meats, fruits & vegetables etc.), peanut butter & jam, boxed meals, rice, pastas, paper towels, liquid dish detergent, laundry detergent, **Toiletries:** bath tissue, soap, hygiene products, deodorant, toothpaste & toothbrushes. **Deposit items in collection baskets located on each floor of the CLC or bring to the church office.**

♥ **February 23rd** highlights our **School Partnerships** and **FCA**. Bring a box of **plain** Cheerios for Compton Elementary. Watch for upcoming volunteer needs at Compton Elementary! **FCA** - Consider designating funds to support our local Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

♥ **March 2nd** is **The Big Event - A Church-wide Mission Project to support UMCOR:** We will culminate the Micah series by packing "flood buckets" (aka "cleaning kits") for folks impacted by natural disasters. **How can you help?** Bring your small group or family and join us in the CLC after the 11 AM Worship Service for this family friendly event! Pizza will be served and our goal is to assemble 40 buckets. Visit our website or watch for bulletin announcements for specific items needed. ♥ **Please bring all donations for the flood buckets by February 24th! Drop off donations in the narthex on Sundays or in the church office 9 AM - 4 PM, Monday - Thursday.**

♥ **Murphy Harpst Children's Center:** Our young adult group, "A Gathering of Hope", and others, helped the kids at MH celebrate January birthdays on January 18th. Food, games, gifts and much love was shared! Murphy-Harpst is located in Cedartown, GA. They provide hope and healing to Georgia's most vulnerable children. Join us for upcoming events!

♥ **Kairos Prison Ministry:** Keep Jerry Kirby in prayer as he heads to Hancock State Prison to minister to the inmates Feb. 13th-16th.

Kairos Prison Ministry



♥ **School Partnerships: Coming March 5 - "Read Across America"** at Compton Elementary. Volunteer signups to come.

CONTACT US

Church Office: 770.943.3008

Fax: 770.943.9664

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM

Church Office is Closed on Fridays

Please visit our website for the most current information.

Email: info@mceachernumc.org

Website: www.mceachernumc.org

Lead Staff and Extension Numbers:

Rev. Craig Hutto, Senior Pastor.....	X 5000
Rev. Cindy Blocksidge, Senior Associate Pastor.....	X 5012
Conner Garmon, Music & Worship Director.....	X 5005
Moose Mosteller, Student Ministry Director.....	X 5016
Lora Parker-Gayler, Children's Ministry Director.....	X 6039
Susan Koopman, Nursery Ministry Director.....	X 5006
Shaun Nguyen, Recreation Ministry Director.....	X 5014
Financial Director.....	X 5003
John Spain, Facilities Director.....	X 6038
Denise Ribeiro, Weekday Preschool Director.....	770.439.7110

Contact staff members via email using their first initial and last name followed by @mceachernumc.org.

Come Worship With Us!

Traditional Worship - 11:00 AM - Sanctuary

Sunday School / Small Groups - Children Through Adults - 9:30 AM

Note: Articles for *The Vine* are subject to approval by the appropriate ministry staff leader. Please send requests directly to the staff leader for approval **a few days before** the 10th of the month prior to desired edition.



McEachern Memorial

A United Methodist Church

www.mceachernumc.org

4075 Macland Road | Powder Springs, Georgia | 30127