

# THE GREAT GARDENER

I don't have much of a green thumb. The only plants I've been able to keep semi-alive are cacti and succulents, and they can literally live in deserts so that's not saying much! However, I love plants and being in nature in general. I love the idea of having a beautiful garden to tend, and the peaceful, dedicated labor that it requires. Maybe one day I'll get to the point where I could maintain some plants successfully.

After Jesus's resurrection, before the apostles know what has happened, Mary Magdalene weeps in front of the empty tomb thinking someone has taken the body of Jesus. Jesus approaches Mary, but she doesn't recognize him, "...Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.'" (John 20:15). Here we get a little bit of irony because, although she is incorrect, she isn't far off.

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. Every branch in me that does not produce fruit he removes, and he prunes every branch that produces fruit so that it will produce more fruit." (John 15:1-2). It's fascinating to me that the first place that God puts man is in a garden, unmatched in beauty, a place where God himself walks. Then, before Christ is taken to be crucified, he prays in a garden. We are promised to live eternally in Zion, a land which is supposed to be akin to the Garden of Eden. It's amazing the imagery that God has chosen. My prayer is that God would plant a garden in our hearts, and that he would be the only one who tends to it, pruning us so that we bear more fruit.

In God's Love,



## About Our Worship

- Prayer** As an integral part of Christian life, our worship includes a lot of prayer. (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- Singing** Worship is interactive and participatory. (Ephesians 5:19) We invite you to join in as we praise God through singing.
- Lord's Supper** Each week we celebrate our unity and reflect on the sacrifice of Christ. (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)
- Offering** Offerings are an act of obedience and gratitude. (1 Corinthians 16:1-2) *Guests are not expected or obligated to give.*
- Message** The teaching/preaching time seeks to communicate God's truth in relevant ways. (2 Timothy 4:2)

## EVENTS CALENDAR

- TODAY**  
\*2:42 Small Groups Meet
- February 16**  
\*YM Service Project
- February 17**  
\*Men's Prayer Breakfast
- February 22**  
\*2:42 Groups Meet
- February 26**  
\*Ladies Area-Wide Salad Supper
- February 28**  
\*YM Overflow
- March 1**  
\*L2L Lunch & Practices  
\*Elders'/Ministers' Meetings  
\*6PM L2L Split Service  
\*L2L Art Says It projects due
- March 7**  
\*Ladies' Activity
- March 8**  
\*2:42 Small Groups Meet
- March 13**  
\*Senior Saints' Lunch
- March 15**  
\*2:42 Small Groups Meet
- March 17**  
\*Men's Prayer Breakfast


**Pickleball**  
Monday Nights  
6:00 p.m.  
in the FAC



**OFFICE HOURS**  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Monday through Friday

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WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 2026	
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>
AM Worship—235	\$ 18,405.12
Bible Class—171	
2:42 Small Groups—135	<b>YTD AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION</b>
Wednesday—134	\$ 18,764.93
<b>2026 RESPONSES:</b>	
Baptisms—	
New Members—3	

February 15, 2026

# WELCOME

We are glad you are here and pray you are blessed through your time with us today.

**WORSHIP SERVICES**

Sunday AM Worship—9:00
Sunday AM Bible Class—10:30
Sunday PM—2:42 Small Groups
Wednesday PM—6:00

You can join our live-streamed worship at [JenksChurchOfChrist.com](http://JenksChurchOfChrist.com)





## INFO CENTER

**NEW WITH US?** Please fill out a Let's Connect card from the chair rack and drop it in the collection plate or box in the foyer.

**Questions?** Our elders or ministers would be glad to visit with you. You can also visit the resources page of our church website at [jenkschurchofchrist.com/resources/](http://jenkschurchofchrist.com/resources/).

Please stop by our **Welcome Center** where you can grab a cup of coffee and find more resources and information about what's happening at Jenks Ave.

### HAVE KIDS? WE OFFER:

**Attended nursery** for children under 24 months.

**Training room** - located at the back of the auditorium. You may sit with your children and still participate in worship service.

**Infant nursing room** - a quiet place to rock, change, and feed. Wall monitors allow mothers to see and hear the worship service.

**Activity bags** are available for check-out in the Welcome Center.


**Kingdom Kids—Sunday evenings during evening worship** (ages 3 years to 2nd grade). A safe, learning-friendly environment where children learn about the Bible through puppet shows, singing, games, and crafts.

### ELDERS

Elder On Call: Jim Hurley  
(850) 624-0400

Hal Bureson, Paul Calhoun, Joel Chapman, Jim Holsombake, Jim Hurley, Bart Lewis, Lawrence Peavler, Carl Scott and Gary Witham

### DEACONS

 Visit our website for a list of deacons and their service areas.

### MINISTERS

Lead Minister  
Daniel Cherry (850) 387-6736  
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Discipleship Minister  
Nick Rice (928) 225-0814  
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Youth Minister  
Brian Crosby (406) 871-7085  
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## Facilities, Classes & Locations

### Sunday Morning Classes

Adults	17/18	Balanced, God's Way	Under 2	Rm 13
Adults	26	Intentional Disciples	2's- 3's	Rm 6
Adults	F2	The Story of Life: OT Law	4's/5's/K	Rm 9
Adults	F1	Discipleship Through Acts	1st/2nd	Rm 11
Young Adults	F5	Taught by Hunter Morris	3rd/4th	Rm 12
HS & MS	F3	L2L/Pearls	5th Grade	F4

### Wednesday Classes

Adult	Rm 17/18
2:42 Leaders	Rm 22
Women	Rm 25
Sign Language	Rm 26
HS & MS	F3
5th Grade	F4

### Faith Ave-2 yrs-4th Grade

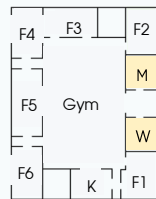
Children are dropped off in rm 23 between 5:50-6:00 p.m. and picked up between 7:00-7:10 p.m.

Children must be signed in and out by a parent.

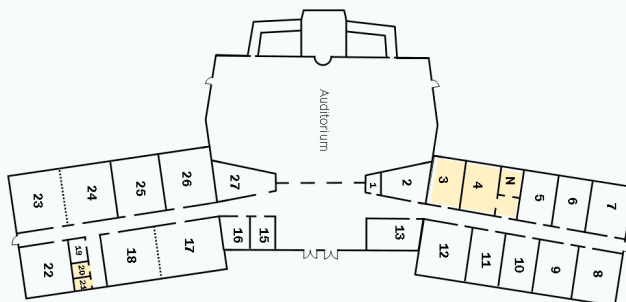
Scan here to see this year's schedule.



Don't forget to look for two swords in this week's bulletin!



Family Activity Center



Main Building

Restrooms 

## News & Events

See the back of the bulletin for a more complete list of activities and meetings.

### Happening Today

**2:42** 

#### Small groups meet today.

See Nick Rice if you would like to get plugged into a small group or if you have any questions.



### Ladies' Area-Wide Salad Supper

Thursday, February 26  
6:00 p.m. in the FAC

Please join us for dinner and to hear our very own Jan Chapman speak. We are hosting this year's Salad Supper and would love a big turn-out!

A table will be set up in the foyer to sign up to attend and bring a dish.

### Ladies' Activity

Saturday, March 7

Watch the bulletin for more information.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 1

**L2L Lunch & Practices**  
Lunch—11:30a.m.-12:30p.m.

**Elders'/Deacons' Meeting**  
Deacons meet at 4:15 p.m. in room 17/18.

**L2L Split PM Service**  
6:00 p.m.

Men meet in the FAC, ladies meet in the main building.



**L2L Art Says It Due**  
Be sure to turn in your projects to Lashae Boyd.

### Mark Your Calendars

**Senior Saints' Lunch**  
Friday, March 13  
11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Please join us for lunch in the FAC. More details to come.



### Volunteers Needed!

Do you love kids and want to make a lasting impact? Kingdom Kids is looking for volunteers to help teach and have fun with our children as they grow in faith.

Sign up today on the bulletin board or see Shante'i Mahone to learn ways you can volunteer.



### For the Men

**MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST**

Tuesday, February 17  
6:45 a.m. in the FAC

### For the Ladies

**Tuesday Ladies' Bible Class**

10:00 a.m. in the FAC  
Hope to see you there!

Bring a lunch this week and stay to eat!



## Teen Corner

### BIBLE CLASSES

**Sunday Mornings**

L2L Pearls Study

**Wednesday Nights**

Dating and Marriage

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**February 28**

Overflow

**March 1**

YM Renew

Youth Minister  
Brian Crosby (406) 871-7085



[Youth Events Calendar](#)