

LOVING THE CROWDS

In the first few chapters of the Gospel of Matthew, Matthew is setting the scene for Jesus. He goes through his lineage highlighting his kingship, then after a short account of his birth and the following events, we meet Jesus as an adult. When we encounter Jesus here, he is just about to begin his ministry. He gets baptized by John the Baptist, then is tempted in the wilderness by the devil after fasting for 40 days straight.

In the rest of Matthew chapter 4, after the temptation, there are a lot of regions named. Without a map it's hard to picture exactly what this looks like. Jesus leaves Nazareth, which is far north of Jerusalem, and heads north-east to live in Capernaum, a coastal town by the Sea of Galilee. After this, more areas are named in the surrounding area, all of which show the places where Jesus preached. It then says that word of him spread throughout Syria. The region of Syria back then was much different than it is now. It was an estimated 32,500 square miles, which is a little smaller than the state of Indiana. Through ministry and word of mouth alone, word of Jesus spread through an area that large, and because of that, people from the entire region were brought to him for healing.

It's easy to breeze past this and not let it sink in. This was a massive undertaking, and Jesus is loving these people who were completely undesirable. He and his followers were surrounded by the sick, diseased, and demon-possessed at all times. Would you want to be in that position? I wouldn't. And yet we are called to be. I just thought I'd share with you how much our Savior loves and cares for people!

In God's Love

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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

- *Action Team 1 Lunch
- *2:42 Small Groups Meet

April 21

- *Men's Prayer Breakfast
- *YA Coffee Shop Bible Study

April 24

- *Ladies' Cookie Competition
- *YM Fast Food and PJs

April 26

- *2:42 Small Groups Meet

May 1

- *Memorial Service honoring Shirley Horton

May 3

- *Elders'/Deacons' Meetings
- *Family Night in the FAC & Senior Recognition

May 9

- *Mother/Daughter Banquet

May 10

- *Mothers' Day—No PM Service

May 15

- *Senior Saints' Lunch & Bingo

May 16

- *Overflow

May 17

- *Baby Shower honoring Hannah Calhoun

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 APRIL 12, 2026

ATTENDANCE	BUDGET
AM Worship—271	\$ 18,405.12
Bible Class—182	
2:42 Groups—96	YTD AVG. WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION
Wednesday—129	\$ 20,004.62

2026 RESPONSES: Baptisms—4
New Members—14

April 19, 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—Small Groups
Wednesday PM—6:00

You can join our live-streamed
worship at 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/.

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: Lawrence Peavler (850) 814-8680

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 Chery (850)387-6736
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Youth Minister
Brian Crosby (406) 871-7085
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Facilities, Classes & Locations

Sunday Morning Classes

Adults	17/18	Ecclesiastes	Under 2	Rm 13
Adults	26	Kingdom Life	2's- 3's	Rm 6
Adults	F2	The Story of Life: OT History	4's/5's/K	Rm 9
Adults	F1	1st, 2nd, 3rd John	1st/2nd	Rm 11
Young Adults	F5	Spiritual Gifts	3rd/4th	Rm 12
HS & MS	F3	Spiritual Giftedness	5th Grade	F4

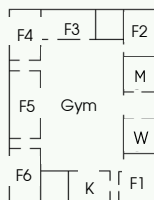
Wednesday Classes

Women: Strength in the Struggle	Rm 17/18
Men: The Anatomy of a Leader	F1
HS & MS	F3
5th Grade	F4

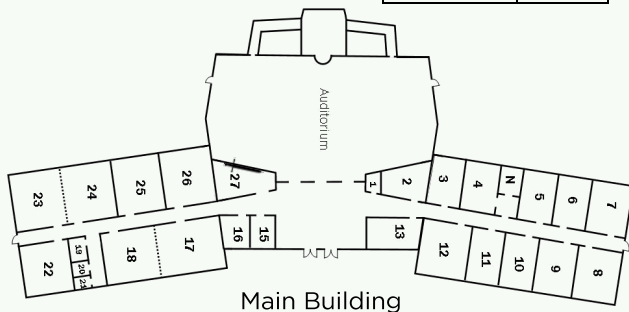
Faith Ave-2 yrs-4th Grade

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.



Family Activity Center



Main Building



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

Email Facilities@JenksChurchOfChrist.com to report any problem or issue with church buildings or grounds.

News & Events

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



Small groups meet today.

Action Team 1 Lunch

Today in the FAC following Bible classes.



Men's Softball
Monday Nights
6:30 & 7:30 p.m.
at Oakland Terrace
April 20-F4 & F1

Young Adult Coffee Shop Bible Study

Tuesday, April 21,
5:30 p.m. @ Sola Coffee Bar



Elders' & Deacons' Meetings

Sunday, May 3
Deacons meet in room 17/18 at 4:15 p.m.



Senior Recognition & Family Night in the FAC

Sunday, May 3, 6:00 pm

A devotional and graduation celebration will be followed by a Mexican food potluck.

Please bring a card congratulating them on their achievement and a potluck dish to share.

Drinks and desserts provided.

Graduating Seniors

Conner Fitzgerald, Brody Jackson, Samuel Merritt, Will Smith, and Morgan Tuggle

VBS Coming June 14-18

Worknights Start Monday, May 4

5:30-7:30 p.m. in the FAC

A light dinner is provided.

See Katy Jackson for more information and watch for more details in the coming weeks.

Memorial Service honoring Shirley Horton

Friday, May 1, 11:00 a.m. at Kent-Forest Lawn



Mother/Daughter Banquet

Saturday, May 9
6:00 p.m. in the FAC
If you don't have a mother or daughter to invite, invite a friend! Sign up at the table in the foyer.

Mother's Day

Sunday, May 10
No p.m. services.



Thank You

Dear Jenks Avenue Family, Thank you very much for your love, prayers, and support during our time of loss. We deeply appreciate the beautiful flowers and all the calls, texts, and cards. Mom is at rest and we are at peace.

Love, Lawrence, Kelley, Sharon, Jeff & Jeanne

Thanks to each and everyone of you who had us in your prayers, sent text messages or cards of comfort on hearing about Woody's mother passing away.

In Christian Love,
Woody and Mary Jones

Thanks church family for your prayers, calls, and cards. It is a blessing to belong to a church family that cares.

Tony Pelache

CAMP WIREGRASS

Campers, if you invite a friend, your friend goes for free! Call the office to get the code your friends use to register.

10th-12th Grade June 7-12
7th-9th Grade July 5-10
5th-6th Grade July 12-17
3rd-4th Grade July 19-24

Will Smith was baptized last Sunday morning. Please congratulate Will on his decision to dedicate his life to the Lord, and keep him in your prayers as he begins his Christian walk.



Congratulations to grandparents Lawrence and Kelley Peavler!

Cora Helen Riffle

Sunday, April 12
8 lb 13 oz / 20 in

Cora and mom, Katie, are doing well.



For the Men

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, April 21
6:45 a.m. in the FAC

For the Ladies

Tuesday Ladies' Bible Class

10:00 a.m. in the FAC
Next Luncheon: May 12

Ladies' Cookie Competition

Friday, April 24
6:00 p.m. in the FAC

See the table in the foyer for more details and to sign up.



Teen Corner

BIBLE CLASSES

Sunday Mornings

Spiritual Giftedness

Wednesday Nights

Unity

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 24

*YM Fast Food & PJs

May 3

*Senior Rec/Family Night

Youth Minister
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[Youth Events Calendar](#)