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We believe the church belongs to God and that the church is, in the words of the Apostle Paul, the body of Christ. The church is to be the physical presence of Christ in the world. As such, our primary aim is to do God's will.



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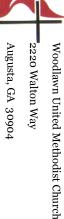


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A Go-Ahead God

As kids we quickly learned that <u>there were two basic types</u> of situations we might find ourselves in at any time. There were the "**me-first!**" situations. If we had lots of brothers and sisters to contend with, of course, <u>sibling rank</u> usually determined which "me" actually got to be "first." Ice cream!

We screamed "me first" because we wanted the best selection, the biggest piece, the rarest color, and because we wanted to be the focus of attention, center-stage, the envy of all who had to wait a turn. Winning the "me-first" competition made us feel special, made us feel, just for a moment, like the most important person in the world.

But kids also quickly learn that there are some situations where you definitely don't want to be first. These are known as "you-go-ahead" situations. Eating the last helping of creamed spinache, mowing the lawn, We said, "you go ahead" because we didn't want to take a risk, look foolish, suffer pain, show our fear, or experience the unknown. Even though sometimes there was really nothing to be gained by letting someone else "go ahead," you somehow felt safer just knowing that someone else had gone before you.

The good news of Easter morning is that we are a people who have looked around at our own shortcomings in our own lives, who have looked ahead to the finality of death and judgment, who have then cautiously slipped up to Jesus, poked him in the side and said, "You go ahead!" ...And he did!

Not only "he did!" but Jesus went so far as to exclaim "me first" and practically pushed his way to the front of the line, through the <u>Jerusalem city gates</u>, into the fracas at <u>the temple</u>, and onto the <u>cross at Golgotha</u>. Jesus willingly "went ahead" of us to experience the suffering and death that were really supposed to be part of our

death that were really supposed to be part of our turn. This Easter we exalt in the victory Christ achieved over death, but we also feel the safety and security that come from watching someone else, God's Son, "go ahead."

He is not here, He has risen! Luke 24.6

We have always had a "Go-Ahead God!"

Rev. Jim

Anniversaries & Birthdays

Anniversaries

4/12 Tommy &Kathy Boyles

Birthdays

- 4: Joy Schneider Sara McGahee
- 5: Morgan Griffin
- 6: Jennifer Wooten

 Matthew Wooten
- John Caldwell, Jr.
 Shawn Thomas
- 18: BreAundra Bloodsaw
- 25: Andrina Chauncey
- 29: Walter Mckenney

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Sunday	Team			
1 st April 7th	Fumiko Malave Ann Cannon			
2 nd April 14th	Debra McNeal Carolyn Cannon			
3 rd April 21st	Courtenay Deese Michelle Collins			
4th April 28th	Martha Griffin Michelle Hertel			

Member Service Schedule

Lay Liturgists

Mandy Griffin Sue McKenney Jenny Herrington Jennifer Love Christa Meliezer

Usher Captains

Larry Wiggins Gene Staulcup

Greeters

Col Jack Bailey Carol Cox

Preschool Update



Easter Egg Hunt: We pray that everyone had an enjoyable time at the Easter egg hunt. And thank you, to all of the church members and parents for egg and candy donations. Noah's Ark was so much fun for the children. This annual celebration keeps getting better and better.

Master's Camp: Spread the word. We are having Master's Camp this year. If you recommend a school age child and they attend Master's Camp you will receive \$10.00 off your tuition. You can use the \$10.00 whenever you like. You may pick up a flyer in the front office.

Parent Handbooks: The new parent handbook are finished and ready to go home. I have tried to give each classroom enough handbooks for every family to have one. If you are in need of another handbook please stop by the office to pick one up. I am asking that all parents sign to show that they have received a handbook as we will start operating by and following rules more closely.

April birthday blessing: Parents are invited to attend chapel the 1st Wednesday of each month as Pastor Jim will begin giving birthday blessings for all children and teachers born within that month.

Ballet: The ballet girls will have their dance recital Sunday May 18th at Georgia Regents University Grover C. Maxwell Performing Arts Theatre. You must have a ticket to get in. The tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children. Please support our ballet girls if possible.

Fall Registration: The phones are ringing off the hooks. People are trying to get in. If you are a parent of a three or four year old, please let me know if you are planning to attend Woodlawn Preschool in the fall. I pray that you are I just need to hear it from you. It is my endeavor to make this a GREAT school year. We are working hard to improve on some old things and make new things better.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth News

KNOW YOUR STORY... CONFIRM YOUR FAITH... LIVE YOUR COMMITMENT...

The youth had a very memorable retreat to Elijah Clark State Park in March. We prepared the 7 Confirmands, 5 of whom are also getting Baptized, for their special step in faith with devotion, worship, and fun around the campfire. What an awesome group of kids! Thanks soo much to the church for being incredibly supportive and lifting these young people up!! On Good Friday, we joined Woodlawn's Lenten commitment of serving at the Master's Table. In April, we will meet at Yotopia for Bible study and a fun night of bowling (dates TBD).

On May 5, please join us in Worship to participate in the Baptism and Confirmation of our youth!

God bless!

- Jennifer Powell, Youth Director

Rethink Church...

Join us! un-bound Sundays @ 9:06am

- What if church wasn't just a place we go, but something we do?
- What if church was the way church was in the beginning?
- What if church wasn't about a building, but thousands of doors so that whoever knocks might find a journey to call their own?



A great big thanks to everyone that supported the un•bound volleyball team! We had a lot of fun and plan to do it again in the future. Go un.bound!!

Join un bound this month (Thursday the 19th) as we serve a meal to the families of patients being treated in the burn unit at Dr.'s Hospital. Call the office for more info. Donations and drop off items are very welcome!



We are still collecting plastic and metal forks & spoons. Just drop off in the church office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

WOODLAWN

MASTERS (AMP

Monday April 8th -Friday April 12th



Contact our office for more info:

706-738-2546

Camp Activities

Arts & Craft

Gaming Tournament

Field trip to the Augusta **Museum of History**

Putt-Putt

Pizza & a movie



Greeter/Usher

Training & Breakfast

Sunday, April 28th 8am



STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST

Luncheon following the 11am service

22 Preschool 6:3	0am-6:30pm m 0am-6:30pm m 0am-6:30pm m	Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 10:30 am Prayer Group 9:00 pm un*bound volleyball 9 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 10:30 am Prayer Group Masters Camp 8am to 5pm 16 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 10:30 am Prayer Group	Wed 3 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 9:30 am Children's Chapel 10:00 am Staff Meeting 4:00 pm Worship Planning 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 pm Prayer & Youth Group 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 9:30 am Children's Chapel 10:00 am Staff Meeting 4:00 pm Worship Planning 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 pm Prayer & Youth Group 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Masters Camp 8am to 5pm 17 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 9:30 am Children's Chapel 10:00 am Staff Meeting 4:00 pm Worship Planning 5:30 pm Wednesday Night Supper 6:15 pm Prayer & Youth Group 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal 24 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 9:30 am Children's Chapel 10:00 am Staff Meeting 4:00 pm Worship Plansing 9:30 am Children's Chapel 10:00 am Staff Meeting	Thu 4 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 6pm Couples Small Group 11 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 6pm Couples Small Group Masters Camp 8am to 5pm 18 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 6pm Couples Small Group un•bound serves @ burn unit 25 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm	Fri 5 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm 12 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm Masters Camp 8am to 5pm 19 Preschool 6:30am-6:30pm Office 8am-6pm	6 Sat 6 13 20 27	
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