

Joshua Journal

July 12, 2026

PARABLE OF THE SOWER

MATTHEW 13:1-9, 18-23

Rock

Shallow

Thorns

Good Soil



Joshua Methodist Church

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Mon - Thurs 9:30-4:00 (lunch 12-1)

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Lynn Collins

Operations Manager

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Order of Worship

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE TODAY!

Welcome

Apostles Creed

Children's Time

Worship Songs

Prayer

Offertory • Doxology

Sermon

Parable of the Sower

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Payton Carter

Worship Songs

Mission Statement / Benediction

We are committed Christian disciples,
loving God, growing in grace and serving others



Ministry News



Methodist Men are meeting today
after church in the gym.
Lunch will be provided.



Helping Hands Food Pantry

Fighting Hunger Together

Thank you for all that you give
we appreciate you!

Pantry Needs

Canned Meat, Canned Soup, Jelly
& Toothbrushes / Toothpaste



*You can notate "Helping Hands"
on your donation

**In June we helped
feed 83 families = 255 people**

Thank you for supporting Helping
Hands Food Pantry

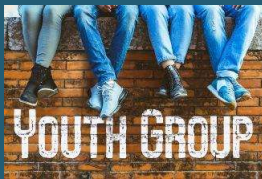
ALPHA IS COMING!

Message Board

CHURCH COUNCIL



Tuesday, July 14th
at 6:30pm
in Chedester Hall



Youth

Summer Dinner Schedule

Scan the QR code for the link or click the link on the JMC Online Edition weekly email.



YOUTH SUNDAY DINNERS - SUMMER SIGN-UP

Each Sunday evening our youth gather for games, dinner, and worship together. We are building our Summer Dinner Schedule (June–August) and would love for families, small groups, or individuals to sign up for a date.

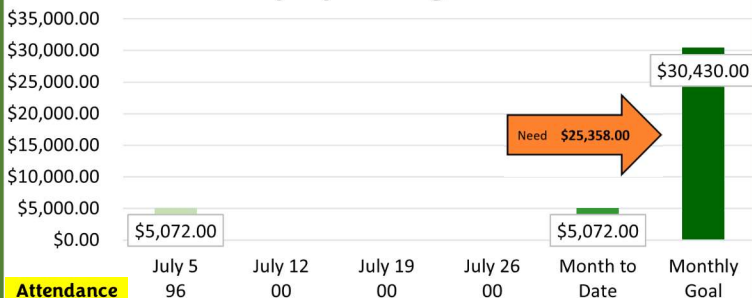
Meals typically serve approximately
15 students and leaders.

- You may:
- Provide the full meal
 - Partner with others
 - Sponsor a pizza night
 - Provide a main dish, side, or dessert

Thank you for investing in the next generation.
Your support makes a real difference.

Ministry Opportunities

July Operating Funds



Panama Mission Trip • Sept. 26–Oct. 4

PANAMA MISSION TRIP SPONSORSHIP OF SUPPLIES NEEDED

Support our medical and construction mission trip to Panama by sponsoring supplies, outreach materials, medical needs, or team expenses.

Your gift will help provide care, resources, and the love of Christ to communities we serve.

Thank you for prayerfully considering a sponsorship opportunity.

Please see the sponsorship list below for the various ministry needs and their associated costs. Every contribution, large or small, helps make this ministry possible.

Panama Mission Trip Sponsoring Funds for supplies needed, which will be bought in Panama

Sunglasses	Children and adult sunglasses	\$1.25/each, 300 needed
Crocs shoes, various sizes for children and adults	Waterproof shoes purchased in Panama	\$3/ each, 200 needed
Medicine	Cough syrup or Tylenol, purchased in Panama	\$5/each, ___needed
Washable sanitary pads	Washable sanitary pads for women	\$9/each, 150 needed
Rice and beans	50 lb. Bulk bags of rice or beans, purchased in Panama	\$35/each, 3 needed
Tote bags	Waterproof shopping bags or handmade tote bags for women	\$1/each, 100 needed
Polaroid Film	Film for Instapix camera for portraits	\$17/each, 9 needed
Peanut butter	Peanut butter purchased in 5 lb jars in Panama	\$10/each, 3 needed
Bread	Bread for sandwiches for children, purchased in Panama	\$3/each, 10 loaves needed
Baby Jesus figurines	Tiny Baby Jesus figurines for children	\$18 for 50 figures, 3 sets needed
Team Member Fees	Cover the room, board, and supplies for a team member	\$2,000

How to Give:

- Make checks payable to **FUMC Hurst** and give them to **Kim or Melia**.
- Or give online at www.fumchurst.org:

1. Click **"To Give Online"**
2. Select Frequency: **One Time**
3. Choose Fund: **Memorials/Honorariums**
4. Enter your gift amount
5. In the **Note** field, enter **"Panama"**

Message Board

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Journal

Communication Request Form - Required for All Announcements

To help us keep church communications organized and accurate, **all requests** (Announcements, News, Website, Journal, or Email updates) must include a completed Communication Request Form.

- Verbal or email-only requests will not be accepted.
- Requests without a form will not be processed.

1. Download the PDF form from the Media page > Resource Downloads.
2. Fill it out, save it to your computer, and email it to lynn@joshuamethodist.church.
3. Physical forms are available outside the Church Office.
4. Fill it out, turn it in, if I'm not available, place it in the basket outside the office door.
5. **Deadline: Tuesdays at 2:00 PM.**

Thank you for helping us keep everything running smoothly and on schedule!

Exploring Bible Study Methods

There is no "one-size-fits-all" approach to Bible study. Different methods – such as GPA, SOAP, verse mapping, journaling, and more – can help deepen our understanding of God's Word. One study method often referenced by Payton is the GPA Method: God, People, and Application. This simple three-step framework helps readers discover who God is, learn from the people in the passage, and apply Scripture to daily life. Below is a simple example of this study method for you to try.

GPA Method

G – God (What does this reveal about God?)

- **Ask:** What attributes of God are displayed?
What is He doing in this passage?
- **Action:** Write down His names, titles, or any commands, promises, and truths revealed about Him.

P – People (What does this reveal about people?)

- **Ask:** Who are the main individuals or groups?
What are their reactions, emotions, and decisions?
- **Action:** Identify human nature at work, including any sins to avoid, examples to follow, or relational dynamics to note.

A – Application (How do I respond?)

- **Ask:** How does this truth impact my life today?
What specific change do I need to make?
- **Action:** Keep your application personal, practical, measurable, and provable. Write a short "I will..." statement.

Bible Reading Plan

July

Abide in Christ, grow in holiness, and stand firm in faith.
Use each review day to reread, reflect, journal & pray.

Day 1 ☐ John 15:1-8

Day 2 ☐ John 15:9-17

Day 3 ☐ John 15:18-27

Day 4 ☐ John 16: 1-15

Day 5 ☐ Review John 15-16

Day 6 ☐ John 17:1-13

Day 7 ☐ John 17:14-26

Day 8 ☐ Review John 17

Day 9 ☐ Colossians 1:1-14

Day 10 ☐ Colossians 1:15-23

Day 11 ☐ Colossians 1:24-29

Day 12 ☐ Colossians 2:1-15

Day 13 ☐ Review Colossians 1-2

Day 14 ☐ Colossians 3:1-17

Day 15 ☐ Colossians 3:18-25

Day 16 ☐ Colossians 4:1-18

Day 17 ☐ Review Colossians 3-4

Day 18 ☐ 1 Peter 1:1-12

Day 19 ☐ 1 Peter 1:13-25

Day 20 ☐ 1 Peter 2:1-12

Day 21 ☐ Review 1 Peter 1-2

Day 22 ☐ 1 Peter 2:13-25

Day 23 ☐ 1 Peter 3:1-12

Day 24 ☐ 1 Peter 3:13-22

Day 25 ☐ Review 1 Peter 3

Day 26 ☐ 1 Peter 4:1-11

Day 27 ☐ 1 Peter 4:12-19

Day 28 ☐ 1 Peter 5:1-14

Day 29 ☐ Review 1 Peter 4-5

Day 30 ☐ Psalm 1 & John 15

Day 31 ☐ Monthly Reflection & Prayer

Romans 12:14-21 - Word Search



BIRDS
BOAT
CROP
CROWD
DEEP ROOTS
FARMER
FIELD
FOOTPATH
FRUIT
GODS WORD

GOOD SOIL
GROUND
HARVEST
HEARING
HEARTS
HUNDREDFOLD
JESUS
JOY
KINGDOM
LAKE

LISTEN
MESSAGE
PARABLES
PATH
PERSECUTED
PLANTING
ROCKS
SEEDS
SHALLOW SOIL
SOIL

SOWER
SPROUTED
STORIES
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THORNS
TRULY
UNDERSTANDING
WILTED
WORRIES OF LIFE

July 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	01 11:30 LAB	02 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	03	04 Independence Day
05	06 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry VBS 6-8:30	07 VBS 6-8:30	08 10:00 Bible Study VBS 6-8:30	09 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	10 6:00 Singles	11
12 After Service: JMM 4:12 Youth	13 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	14 6:30 Council Meeting	15 10:00 Bible Study 11:30 LAB	16 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	17	18 5-7 Game Night
19 4:12 Youth	20 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	21	22 10:00 Bible Study	23 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	24	25
26 4:12 Youth	27 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	28	29 10:00 Bible Study	30 10-12 & 2-4 Helping Hands Pantry	31	01

Notes :

Sunday Morning Activities:

7:30 am Morning Prayer

9:00 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

4:12 Youth

4 WAYS TO GIVE



TEXT

Text "JMC" to
817-790-9008



IN PERSON

Place your gift in
the offering plate.



MAIL

Joshua Methodist Church
P.O. Box 376
Joshua, TX 76058



ONLINE

Scan the QR code
to be directed to
Amplify formerly
Mogive

Sermon Notes

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Church Council:

Admin Chair - Becky O'Loughlin

Admin Council Secretary - Pat Browder

At Large - Palmer Byerley, Angela Bradsher

Chair - Congregational Care Ministry - BJ Denson

Chair - Finance - Lucy Dowings

Chair - Staff Parish Relations - Bob Browder

Chair - First Connections - Grace Bruner & Lyndsi Carter

Chair - Global & Local Outreach - Melia Mehlhorn

Chair - Trustees - Roy McKenzie

Lay Leader - Barbara Crew

JMM - Don Collins

JMW - Lucy Dowings

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The FLAP

Joshua Methodist Church



love



grow



serve

As committed Christian Disciples,
we **love** God
grow in Grace
and **serve** others



The FLAP

7/12/2026

We're so glad that you are here!
Please take a few minutes to fill out
this card and put in the offering plate.

Name

Phone - (if changed)

Email - (if changed)

Address - (if changed)

Please select one

- ☐ Partner
- ☐ First-time Visitor
- ☐ Second-time Visitor
- ☐ Regular Attender

I would like to learn about (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Becoming a Partner
- ☐ Baptism
- ☐ Small Groups
- ☐ Serving Opportunities
- ☐ Joshua Methodist Ministries

I am in need of Prayer

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Or you can
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