



Summer is a time for Rejuvenation!

School is out, we are not having Wednesday dinners or Bible Study, the UMM and most of the UMW circles take a break, and the choir will not meet in July. Since it is too hot to go outside, it is the perfect time for rejuvenation.

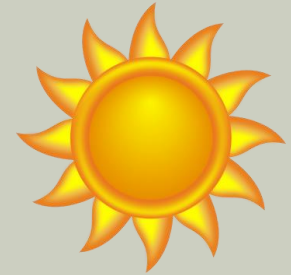
Summer gives us a chance to rest from the work we normally do and to reevaluate what is most important in our lives. It gives us time to assess our prayer lives and Bible reading. It allows us to consider what we need to do to become the people God is calling us to be.

Take time this summer to sit down and relax, to rejuvenate your soul, and to think of ways to improve on the prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness each of promised to do to uphold our church.

Happy Summer!
Linda Pickett
Stewardship Chairperson



Join CrossRoad UMC on July 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM for a FREE concert featuring the Lake Junaluska Singers. The mission of the Junaluska Singers is to express joy and hope through vocal and harmonic artistry at the highest level of excellence. For more information about the singers, visit their website at <http://www.lakejunaluska.com/events/singers/> or the CrossRoad UMC website at <http://www.crcumc.org/events/lakejunaluskaconcert/>.



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016

We are really excited to announce this year's Vacation Bible School, "Surf Shack", where we will catch the wave of God's Amazing Love! If you would like to get involved with Vacation Bible School, below are the volunteer meeting dates, the block party date, and the week dates. We are super excited about VBS and hope you will join us on this awesome ride! (Surfboard not required.) For more information, log onto <http://2016.cokesburyvbs.com/faithumcjax> or talk to Thomas Garrett.

7/06/2016	6:00 PM	WH	VBS Meeting
7/09/2016	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Campus	VBS Block Party (We need volunteers: - to bring doughnuts, man the popcorn station, and hand out Freeze Pops.
7/18-22/16	6:00 PM – 8:30 PM	WH	VBS Week - We still need help-especially in the kitchen.
7/22/2016	6:00 PM	WH	VBS Celebration - Supper and Show



Our Youth are very busy. In addition to helping with VBS, they will be participating in the Serve the City week from 7/25/2016 to 7/30/2016, and will be going to the Warren Willis Camp from 8/1/2016 to 8/6/2016.

On 7/25 a team from Asbury University – Cy, Joshua, Laney, and Lizzy – will arrive. They will work at the VBS at St. Joseph UMC from 7/26 – 7/29 from 9-12 each morning. But the afternoons and evenings will be spent with our youth, having fun and being of service in our community.



7/26	3:00 PM – 7:00 PM	St. Augustine Trip.
7/28	3:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Cooking and serving food at the Sulzbacher Center.
7/29	3:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Volunteering at UCOM.
7/30	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM	Beach trip and cookout.

Usually groups providing meals at the Sulzbacher Center are asked to donate \$500.00 to cover the cost of the meal. Because we are a non-profit organization we do not have to pay this amount but we would like to give donations to Sulzbacher and to UCOM. Please make a generous donation and mark it "Youth Mission Trip" and it will be divided between the two charities.

Then the Youth leave for camp on 8/1. They will return on 8/6/16 and speak on Camp Sunday on 8/7. Please pray that they will be blessed and inspired during these weeks.

And since they are so busy, they will not have a fifth Sunday fundraiser on 7/31/2016, but donations made to the Youth in lieu of the fundraiser would be appreciated.



A word from Rev. Barry Andrews, Senior Pastor

Sorry, we're a little late getting the newsletter out (We missed June entirely). Unlike Sundays, which come with great regularity (every 7 days!), and present an immutable deadline, if the newsletter is a little late, well...

We were busy the last week of May, most specifically as hosts of the Northeast District Committee on Ordained Ministry, where I serve as part of the theology team (We call committees teams nowadays, to make us think, what? That it's more fun? Hmm.) Our job, as a committee of the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, is to work with ministerial candidates, licensed local pastors, and those making application for provisional deacon or elder (I'm an elder, who was first a candidate, then student local pastor, full-time local pastor, deacon with probationary membership, and now elder in full connection. The names of the categories have changed over the years, but the basic system is the same.). In the DCOM we have four teams: personal growth, leadership, proclamation, and theology. We meet several times a year; May or June, August, maybe September, December, maybe January, and February. At this meeting we were interviewing 4 first-time candidates and 3 making application for part-time local pastor.



We met Wednesday and Thursday, with about 20 committee members in attendance. Faith provided a place to meet and hospitality: sort of a café fellowship breakfast, and a full lunch. We've met at other churches before, and at the district office, but are always challenged by hot, or cold rooms, locked doors, and a general lack of hospitality. We've earned a reputation in the district for hospitality, and I would say, without a touch of modesty, that we delivered. Our guests are impressed with friendliness, good food, and real dishes. We represented ourselves well, by serving others.

May I also say you made me look good in the eyes of my colleagues, and I'm very grateful for that. May I also say that we work best when we work together. That is, I look good when you look good, and you look good when I look good. It's more than mutuality; it is the gift of goodness and grace. Rather than being in competition for the glory, we're trying our best to give God the glory, and that, in this context, is called hospitality.

Think about that this summer when new folks come to church. We should think of them as guests, not just visitors, and treat them as neighbors, not strangers. Even if they don't come back, we've represented God's church well, and that serves the Kingdom well. It's a lonely, disconnected world out there. Offer our guests the chance to feel welcome, to be at home, and offer them God's love through His gracious hospitality.



Pray For Our Church Family

Martin Perez Methodist Church, Havana Cuba	
FUMC Hispanic Ministry	
Evalyn Campbell	Barbara Dicks
Bud Glasner	Sara Holbrook
Madelen Izquierdo	Dede Long
Jim Long	Julie Sechrist
Bud Shutterly	Margaret Vann

Pray For Our Church Friends

Randy Blackburn (Blackburn's son)
 Randy Cordova (Belva Carley's brother)
 Shawn Fitzgerald (Fitzgerald & Peavy)
 Shirley Grant (Ervin Bartlett)
 Kenny Green (Bev. Taylor's great-nephew)
 Derek Hayward (Dawn & Albert's grandson)
 Za Jonc (N. Loveland's coworker)
 Jay Kennedy (Clara Watkins)
 Mickey Kennerly (Tom Blair's brother-in-law)
 J.D. O'Brian (Frank & Susan Davis)
 Rev. Frank Seghers
 Helen Sherman (Director ECA)
 Rev. Charlie Sward
 Larson Zekas (Susan Davis)
 Sharon & Family (Julie S. ex-coworker)

Rehab/Long Term Care

Genoviva Bautista	Home
Anna Clark	Brookdale – Orange Park
Mary Coby	Brookside
Joe Collins	Taylor Care Center
Marge Collins	Taylor Care Center
Frances Croom	Taylor Home
Marilyn DiViesti	Gentilly Gardens – GA
Bernice Dunn	Eden Terrace – Spartanburg, SC
Alice Fletcher	Taylor Manor
Evelyn Miller	Sunrise
Jewell Wells	Home
Jimmie Wells	Home
Maxine Westbrook	Home



To add or delete a name from the prayer chain, send an e-mail to faithumc@comcast.net or call the church office at (904) 737-3555.



Becky Dotson, who has been the Children's Home President for three years, has resigned and moved on to something in a different direction. She made many accomplishments during her three years including completion of the Madison Youth Ranch and implementing the equine therapy program. She was also instrumental in the Legacy Scholars Academy and serving the educational and emotional needs of the children at the Enterprise campus. The thrift store, Heart and Home Resale Shop, has successfully completed one year and is now profitable. A foster care office will open officially in July in Broward County due to faithful support and perseverance by Becky's staff. We wish her the best in her future endeavors.

While the trustees begin a search for a new Children's Home President, Mr. Kitwana McTyer will be acting President.

The Day on Campus, which was held in April, attracted over 1,200 United Methodists and friends to the Home. Recipients for the awards for 2015 are:

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| <u>Church of the Year:</u> | Steinhatchee UMC which has consistently been a top-giving church. |
| <u>Pastor of the Year:</u> | Rev. William Buell of Coleman UMC who has been Pastor there for 15 years and a big supporter of the Children's Home. |
| <u>Local Representative of the Year:</u> | Mrs. Ashley Hughes of First UMC in Clermont who consistently promotes the Home. |
| <u>Mission Work Group of the Year:</u> | Southside UMC of Jacksonville who has been sending a group to the Madison Youth Ranch for the past four years. |

Congratulations to all these recipients.

July 31st is a fifth Sunday and a special time for donations to the Children's Home. The main support for the Home is from fifth Sunday offerings. The giving amount per member is \$12.00 per year, but of course, you're quite welcome to give more if possible. We usually exceed our goal and would like to continue to do so. Please remember these children in your prayers as well as your offering.

Cynthia R. Shank
Local Church Representative



July Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
3	4	5
9:00/9:15 AM English Sunday School 10:00 AM Zo Sunday School & Church (P3) 10:30 AM English Worship Service (S) 11:00 AM Hispanic Sunday School Class 11:30 AM Church "Cookout" (WH) 12:00 PM Hispanic Worship Service (S) 7:00-11:00 PM Kachin Baptist Church (WH)	4th of July – Office Closed No Men of Faith Meeting.	6:30 PM ESOL Classes (WH)
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17	18	19
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24	25	26
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Children's Home Sunday TBD Asbury Team leaves 9:00/9:15 AM English Sunday School 10:00 AM Zo Sunday School & Church (P3) 10:30 AM English Worship Service (S) 11:00 AM Hispanic Sunday School class 12:00 PM Hispanic Worship Service (S) 7:00-11:00 PM Kachin Baptist Church (WH)		



July Calendar

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 5:00 PM HM Practice (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (P7)
6 6:00 PM VBS Meeting 6:00-8:30 PM UMYF (PMB)	7 11:00 AM Bridge Bunch (AH)		9 No Mary Martha meeting 10-12 AM VBS Block Party 5:00 PM HM Practice (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (P7) 7:00 PM Hispanic UMM
13 6:00-8:30 PM UMYF (PMB)	14 11:00 AM Bridge Bunch (AH) 6:30 PM Heart to Heart Circle (Piccadilly)	15	16 5:00 PM HM Practice (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (P7)
20 6:00-8:30 PM UMYF (PMB) 6:00-8:30 PM VBS	21 11:00 AM Bridge Bunch (AH) 6:00-8:30 PM VBS	22 Newsletter Deadline 6:00-8:30 PM VBS Celebration supper and show	23 5:00 PM HM Practice (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (P7)
27 Asbury Team to St. Joseph UMC VBS 6:00-8:30 PM UMYF (PMB)	28 Asbury Team to St. Joseph UMC VBS 11:00 AM Bridge Bunch (AH) 3:00-7:00 PM Asbury and Youth to Sulzbacher	29 Asbury Team to St. Joseph UMC VBS 3:00-7:00 PM Asbury and Youth to UCOM	30 10 AM-4 PM Asbury Team and Youth (Beach/cookout) TBA Kachin Wedding (S/G) 5:00 PM HM Practice (S) 7:00 PM Hispanic Bible Study/Prayer Meeting (P7)
<p>Campus Key: (AH) Asbury Hall, (C) Campus, (ECA) Emmanuel Coastal Academy, (En) English, (ESOL-B/I) (English for Speakers of Other Languages - Beginners/Intermediate), (G) Gym, (HM) Hispanic Ministry, (P) P-Wing, (PMYB) Peeler Memorial Youth Building, (S) Sanctuary, Sp (Spanish), (TH) Taylor Home, (WH) Wesley Hall</p>			



From our Missions Chairperson, Donna Glasner:
An UMVIM (United Methodist Volunteers In Mission) team from Hyde Park UMC in Tampa visited our Sister Church, Martin Perez, as part of their trip to Havana in June. I am posting the full email we received following their trip in Wesley Hall and here are excerpts of the email:

"We had so many blessings from this church. The first came with the Sunday sermon by a young 9 year old girl named Sarai. She, her mother, and her brother miss her father who is in Dallas TX paving the way to a better life in the states.

Our team did a children's program with about 20 children of the church (and the adults participated too!). Everyone had a great time, with music, paints, coloring sheets, musical instruments (from Oriental Trading), and a short bible story drama on The Lost Sheep, that the kids and adults participated in. We ended with tootsie rolls for all.

We weren't able to do construction because of rain, so about 6 of us went back to Martin Perez on Tuesday and met with the pastor, pastora, and all the wonderful dedicated and creative children's Sunday School teachers. We:

- Left many Sunday School resources and VBS curriculum for them,
- Taught the teachers and some of the older kids how to lead a children's bell choir,
- Taught them to use felt boards (When someone is going to Havana, we will send felt supplies to them).
- Bought and gave them some children's music CD's, and
- Left a suitcase of donations, including about 15 pair of athletic shoes. We were unable to find a laptop and phones, but perhaps this is something your church can work on for them.

We just loved the people in the church. They all have such a great spirit and there is a small group of ladies in the church who have been members for 60+ years...they were wonderful to talk with. It was interesting to learn about the church during the aftermath of the revolution. You have an amazing sister church. We will continue to pray for them. As soon as I get all the pictures together I will send them to you.

God's blessings,
Drema Muller"

North East District Fall 2016 Lay Servant Training

When: September 23, 2016 and September 24, 2016 at 8:30 AM
Registration begins at 6:00 PM on Friday.
Training Hours on Friday: 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM
Training Hours on Saturday: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Where: Howe Memorial United Methodist Church
252 South Summit Street
Crescent City, FL 32112

Registration Deadline: September 10, 2016

Fee: The \$35.00 Course Fee includes textbook, snacks, and lunch on Saturday.

Classes: Basic Course – *Lay Speaking Ministries*
Advanced Course – *Pray for Me – the Power of Praying for Others*
Advanced Course – *All the Places to Go: How Will You Know?*

Classes will be taught simultaneously. Both days are required for each course to receive certification. For additional information or to download the registration form, please go to <http://www.flumc.org/eventdetail/north-east-district-fall-2016-lay-servant-training-5160861>.





June Birthdays

6/05 Henrietta Wyndham
6/06 Andy Sabol
6/09 Mildred Daniel
6/10 Virgie Motorca
6/13 Jimmie Wells
6/18 Susan Speicher
6/21 Lynne Long
6/24 Nelson Montemayor
6/27 Joyce Blackburn
6/28 Bill Blackburn
6/29 Patty Bryant

July Birthdays

7/04 Hazel Davis
7/11 Bernadette Moineau
7/12 Jane Daniel
7/15 Bernice Dunn
7/17 Mark Pixley
7/17 Sean Pixley
7/19 David St. John
7/21 Richard Shank Jr.
7/22 Mallory Bryant
7/22 Frances Long
7/23 Sara Holbrook
7/25 Yvonne St. John
7/26 Audrey Coulliette
7/30 Mary Lynch



June Anniversaries

6/14 Randall & Susan Blackburn
6/25 Jimmie & Jewell Wells
6/26 Bill & Joyce Blackburn
6/26 Thomas & Alony Moineau

July Anniversaries

7/02 Joseph & Marjorie Collins
7/17 Robert & Iris Hague
7/18 Rigoberto Felico & Saine Rivas
7/24 John & Sharon Peavy
7/25 Warren & Eva Bidwell

**COMING
SOON!**

- While the choir is on hiatus from 7/4 through 8/9, the congregation will have the opportunity to come up and lead us in their hymns on Sundays. And if anyone would like to sing or play a musical instrument as an anthem, please let Linda Pickett or Donna Thouin know.
- We will collect new packages of children's underwear in August for the City Rescue Mission.
- The UMW Silent Auction normally held the last Wednesday in August is being postponed pending the birth of Ava Robbins.
- The pumpkins will be here on 10/06/2016 and the Pumpkin Patch will open from 10/07/2016 through 10/31/2016.

The Faith Flyer



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