

“Never place a period where God has placed a comma.”
- Gracie Allen

Stay Connected With Love!

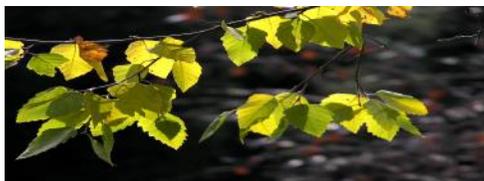


The United Church of Christ • 203 Washington Street • New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168-7042
 Our Website: www.uccnsb.org • Email: newsmyrnabeachucc@gmail.com • Telephone: (386) 428-2352
Rev. Dr. Diane Langworthy • Cell: 386-847-0883 • Email: mytoadhill@hotmail.com



Our mission is to do justice, seek peace and love all as Christ loves.

Pastor's Message	1-2
One-Year Bible Readings	3
UCC Statement of Faith (v. 1981)	4
Remembering the Pulse Victims	5
Update: 92nd Annual Women's Conference	6
Update: Vacation Bible School 2019!	7
Update: Faith Building Through Art	8
Calendars	
June Events	9
June Birthdays	9
Church Calendar	10
News!	
Council Corner	11-12
Health Chatter	13
Hospitality	14
Teens In Action	15
Caring For Each Other Voice Submission Deadline	16
We Care Find us on Facebook Gift's of Love Red Wagon	17
Worship Schedule	18



The United Voice is published monthly by the United Church of Christ, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

Deadline is 6/23/19 for July submissions

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Diane Langworthy
 Ministers: All members of the congregation
 Moderator: Sammie Hartwell

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Ones,

I love our church. I love the ways Jesus connects us and calls us to reach out in the name of Christ. I continue to experience the call to be your pastor as a sacred responsibility and a deep and abiding joy. It was five years ago that I answered the call to serve with you in this place. It was a call the church body and I both heard, and I believe we hear it still in a way that strengthens us all in faith and mission.

It is not uncommon for pastors to decide to “move on” after five years (and often in less time). That has never been a pattern for me. As many of you know, I served my last church for fifteen years and, God willing, I will be able to serve with you in New Smyrna Beach for at least another ten years. Also, in our denomination a pastor is eligible for sabbatical leave after five years. FYI, I am definitely not planning on taking a sabbatical this year! In the fifteen years I served my last church, I never did take a sabbatical. I am not saying I never will in my time with you, but such a break is not on the horizon. This has been a painful year in many ways, but I am constantly encouraged by God's persistence in sending folks into our membership and ensuring that we are powerfully equipped for the work to which we are called!

Some of you may wonder why last year was painful and some of you know all too well. We do not have secrets in this church body. I and the church council, as a body, are happy to sit down with any of you who have questions at any time. We welcome the opportunity to discuss the difficulties and the careful discernment and teamwork that ensured an ethical follow-through to cope with folks who felt that maintaining in-groups and out-groups between members was acceptable. It is not.

Scripture is clear about the intent for churches. An organic, growing, connected membership is integral to our call to BE church. When Jesus spoke to disciples, He called us to abide in Him because He is the vine and followers are the branches (John 15:1-17). Clearly, we cannot be connected to Christ without remaining connected to one another. That can be pesky and annoying, we are all so different... but it's how God works, and we are called to hang in there! I, for one, am the *hanging-in-there* type.

Pastor's Message continued...

Pastor's Message continued...

Scripture also references the church as the body of Christ. As 1 Corinthians 12 explains, "By one Spirit we are all baptized into one body...Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many." And then that chapter goes on to stress the variety and importance of different gifts functioning together for the good of the whole. And this chapter is immediately followed by the famous 1 Corinthians chapter 13, the love chapter. Because really love is the key that makes all connection viable. Christ invites us again and again to abide in His love, to love one another. "Love one another," is Christ's new and essential call to our hurting world. "Love is patient. Love is kind, love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude." And yet, sometimes folks whom we love, respond in a way that is not love, that does not honor connection. What do we do then?

Well, shocking as this may be, our church body will not meet the needs of everyone with whom we seek to remain connected. Sometimes folks focus on one thing they want and lose sight of the whole. Sometimes folks go away mad. Scripture says, "Love never fails," so what do we do?

It is my experience that our God is bigger than any pain and problem. You and I, no matter how much we want to include and problem solve, cannot work with folks who choose not to work with us. We have to let them go. We trust that God has many more tools in God's tool kit than us and we pray and trust that God leads them to a fellowship that will nurture every good gift they have, that they were not able to share in our body. We are not called to wallow in trying to connect with folks who have rejected connection. We can love them and set them free for other connections that we pray will bear fruit.

Meanwhile we are called to be fruitful. We, as a church body are NOT called to keep our eyes on what is not our call. Jesus is faithful and so we keep our eyes and our discipleship oriented to what IS our call and that is the work Christ fits us for and calls us to. This year some among us are hearing a call to minister to youth, especially LGBTQ youth who may feel hopeless, alone, depressed. Folks are organizing Surf's Edge, a group of people committed to caring and providing a safe place with listening ears for kids who are hurting and need affirmation and support. We feel a call to minister to young folks who may be contemplating suicide or who struggle alone. Other folks are feeling a call to commit to working to save this precious planet we call home at a time when our environment is under serious attack from careless and ignorant forces that have neglected the stewardship to which our Creator calls. Additionally, if you look around you will see folks working hard to maintain and improve our church property so that the community support and nurture we offer has a home that will be strong for years to come. This is just an inking of the paths we will follow as we follow the One Who calls and nurtures... the One who teaches us that sacrificial love is never wasted in the long term even if the short term has been painful.

Let's double down on our spiritual disciplines. We have a prayer group, join us! We offer Bible study in more than one setting... find one that suits you. And listen to those nudges in your heart. That is how we discern our way, in Christ, together.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Diane



ONE-YEAR BIBLE READING for JUNE

June 1

2 Samuel 18:1-19:10
John 20:1-31
Psalm 119:153-176
Proverbs 16:14-15

June 2

2 Samuel 19:11-20:13
John 21:1-25
Psalm 120:1-7
Proverbs 16:16-17

June 3

2 Samuel 20:14-21:22
Acts 1:1-26
Psalm 121:1-8
Proverbs 16:18

June 4

2 Samuel 22:1-23:23
Acts 2:1-47
Psalm 122:1-9
Proverbs 16:19-20

June 5

2 Samuel 23:24-24:25
Acts 3:1-26
Psalm 123:1-4
Proverbs 16:21-23

June 6

1 Kings 1:1-53
Acts 4:1-37
Psalm 124:1-8
Proverbs 16:24

June 7

1 Kings 2:1-3:2
Acts 5:1-42
Psalm 125:1-5
Proverbs 16:25

June 8

1 Kings 3:3-4:34
Acts 6:1-15
Psalm 126:1-6
Proverbs 16:26-27

June 9

1 Kings 5:1-6:38
Acts 7:1-29
Psalm 127:1-5
Proverbs 16:28-30

June 10

1 Kings 7:1-51
Acts 7:30-50
Psalm 128:1-6
Proverbs 16:31-33

June 11

1 Kings 8:1-66
Acts 7:51-8:13
Psalm 129:1-8
Proverbs 17:1

June 12

1 Kings 9:1-10:29
Acts 8:14-40
Psalm 130:1-8
Proverbs 17:2-3

June 13

1 Kings 11:1-12:19
Acts 9:1-25
Psalm 131:1-3
Proverbs 17:4-5

June 14

1 Kings 12:20-13:34
Acts 9:26-43
Psalm 132:1-18
Proverbs 17:6

June 15

1 Kings 14:1-15:24
Acts 10:1-23
Psalm 133:1-3
Proverbs 17:7-8

June 16

1 Kings 15:25-17:24
Acts 10:24-48
Psalm 134:1-3
Proverbs 17:9-11

June 17

1 Kings 18:1-46
Acts 11:1-30
Psalm 135:1-21
Proverbs 17:12-13

June 18

1 Kings 19:1-21
Acts 12:1-23
Psalm 136:1-26
Proverbs 17:14-15

June 19

1 Kings 20:1-21:29
Acts 12:24-13:15
Psalm 137:1-9
Proverbs 17:16

June 20

1 Kings 22:1-53
Acts 13:16-41
Psalm 138:1-8
Proverbs 17:17-18

June 21

2 Kings 1:1-2:25
Acts 13:42-14:7
Psalm 139:1-24
Proverbs 17:19-21

June 22

2 Kings 3:1-4:17
Acts 14:8-28
Psalm 140:1-13
Proverbs 17:22

June 23

2 Kings 4:18-5:27
Acts 15:1-35
Psalm 141:1-10
Proverbs 17:23

June 24

2 Kings 6:1-7:20
Acts 15:36-18:15
Psalm 142:1-7
Proverbs 17:24-25

June 25

2 Kings 8:1-9:13
Acts 16:16-40
Psalm 143:1-12
Proverbs 17:26

June 26

2 Kings 9:14-10:31
Acts 17:1-34
Psalm 144:1-15
Proverbs 17:27-28

June 27

2 Kings 10:32-12:21
Acts 18:1-22
Psalm 145:1-21
Proverbs 18:1

June 28

2 Kings 13:1-14:29
Acts 18:23-19:12
Psalm 146:1-10
Proverbs 18:2-3

June 29

2 Kings 15:1-16:20
Acts 19:13-41
Psalm 147:1-20
Proverbs 18:4-5

June 30

2 Kings 17:1-18:12
Acts 20:1-38
Psalm 148:1-14
Proverbs 18:6-7

One Year Bible

Please join Pastor Diane in the spiritual discipline of reading through the One Year Bible this year. This is a special way to hear God's call, experience God's wisdom and wrestle with what you "know" about God and how you really came to that understanding. What IS the Bible? How did it come to us? And what does it REALLY say...often that is different from what we'd assumed or heard. No one enters this discipline and comes away unchanged. Pastor Diane can help you find a new or used one-year Bible or you can use any Bible with a list of daily readings and four book marks. Pastor Diane would LOVE to help you make this work!

BEING THE CHURCH

The United Church of Christ Statement of Faith (v.1981)

We believe in You, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to Your deeds we testify:

You call the worlds into being, create persons in Your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death.

You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin.

You judge people and nations by Your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior, You have come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to Yourself.

You bestow upon us Your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races.

You call us into your church

to accept the cost and joy of discipleship,
to be Your servants in the service of others,
to proclaim the gospel to all the world
and resist the powers of evil,
to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table,
to join Him in his passion and victory.

You promise to all who trust You

forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace,
courage in the struggle for justice and peace,
Your presence in trial and rejoicing,
and eternal life in Your realm which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto You.

Amen.

Remembering the Pulse Victims

Wednesday, June 12th marks the third anniversary of the **Pulse shooting** in Orlando. On June 12, 2016, 49 people were shot and killed while they were enjoying a night out.

“At a time when there seems to be so much violence, so much hate and division – the message of love and kindness is more important than ever. And to remind all of us that we are ALL God’s children and He loves each and every one of us is a message the world needs to hear.

To honor the victims millions across our state and our country will commemorate the 49 by tolling bells 49 times or in another way at the same time. There have been horns blown, candles lit, small bells rung, signs – all bring comfort to those who still grieve them and remind us of the power of God’s love to always hold us up. This way we can all see the many places remembering and praying for love to win.”

The above plea was made by Fred and Maria José Wright, Parents of Jerald Arthur Wright, one of the Pulse victims.

Please join us in community hall at 11:30a as we prepare to honor the victims at 12 noon on the east lawn of the Church grounds.





The annual FL UCC Women's Conference, with the theme *Buzzing Along – Beeing all you can be in Christ* was held in Sebring on May 3-5. Conference participants gathered at the Seven Sebring Raceway Hotel. Forty-seven (47) women attended the conference.

The conference's focus on Jesus's Sermon on the Mount and an examination of The Beatitudes was enhanced through a variety of activities, discussions and presentations. On Friday evening the women were introduced to Rev. Vonshelle Beneby and Carolyn Ludwig, our Beatitude guides for the weekend, who led a discussion of Beatitude #1: Poor in Spirit. Each participant was given a journal to use during the weekend to record thoughts and answers to questions presented. The evening activities closed with a "challenge" to complete by the end of the conference: "Write a list of ways you are blessed."

Saturday was packed with discussion, thought-sharing, the annual business meeting and a presentation. Throughout the day we continued to explore The Beatitudes (#2 – 7: Mourning, Meek/Gentle, Hungry for Righteousness, Merciful, Pure in Heart and Peacemaker) first in small groups and then sharing with the whole gathering. Questions were provided and with each Beatitude the attendees switched tables.

After lunch John Frankenfield, a local Beekeeper/Educator (Palm Beach Beekeepers Association) shared information about bees with the group and attendees were invited to plant "bee-attracting" seeds in a cup to take home. Time was also provided for a discussion of ways to encourage involvement in the FL UCC Women's events by a greater number of women.

Saturday evening was a time for celebration. Guests in attendance from the FL Conference Office were Rev. John Vertigan and Rev. Leslie Etheredge. Churches that participated in the Reading for Renewal program during the past year received certificates of recognition; 2019/2020 officers and committee chairs were installed; and, the 2019 Laywoman of the Year – Carolyn Ludwig, from First Congregational UCC Lake Worth – was announced. The evening ended with entertainment provided by a women's acapella musical group, the Jubilee Gospel Quartet.

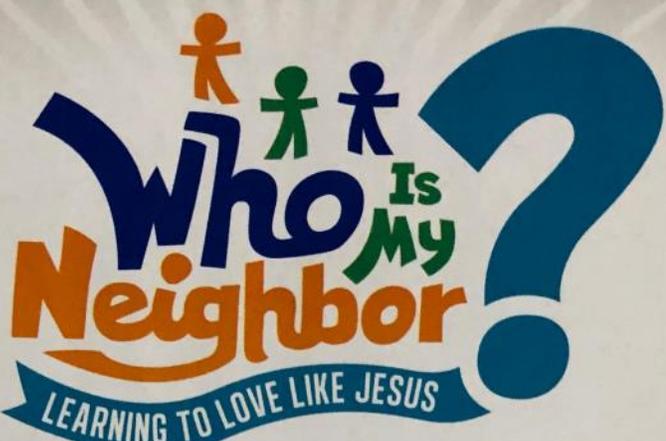
The conference concluded on Sunday morning with a worship service led by Rev. Vonshelle Beneby. The Jubilee Gospel Quartet provided music, communion was celebrated, Rev. Vertigan delivered a message related to the conference theme and Rev. Beneby spoke about the situation in Puerto Rico, this year's Mission Study topic.

As the attendees departed, they received a bookmark keepsake that defined "A Godly Woman." It was an uplifting weekend of fellowship, friendship, fun and identification of the ways we are blessed as women.

The next UCC Women's event is the Southern Regional Women's Retreat -October 18 – 20 in Blowing Rock, NC. This is a great opportunity for all UCC women to "come and experience spiritual renewal through worship, Bible study, music, workshops, service projects, sightseeing, sisterhood, good food, love, peace, and joy" all centered around the theme of "*Strong Sisters' Stories.*"

VBS 2019

There is still time to enroll your K4-5th Grade student in our 2019 UCC Vacation Bible School (VBS).



Who Is My Neighbor?
LEARNING TO LOVE LIKE JESUS

Learn to love like Jesus!

There's a whole world out there! Neighbors are more than people who live next door. *Who Is My Neighbor* VBS inspires children to become God's hands and feet in their neighborhoods and world. Each day's story and theme are rooted in the Bible and help concepts about kindness, compassion, and justice come to life in age-appropriate ways through dramas, games, crafts, snacks, and other whimsical activities.

Come and explore the depths of Who is My Neighbor—learning to Love like Jesus.

Scavenger hunts...exciting craft projects...fun lunches...oh my!

WHEN: Thursday, June 6th through Sunday, June 9th
TIME: 9:30a-1:00p
WHERE: UCC NSB Community Hall

If you are able to help...WE NEED YOU!! Servant leaders reap grand rewards...come share the fun! Contact Cathy Mason or Debby Hughes.



Faith Building Through Art

By Debby Hughes

OUR COMMUNITY ART PROJECT...Yes! Yes! Yes!



(Y's) people seek meaningful lives

whY seek the spiritual path

whY become involved in a faith community



whY do we try give with grateful and generous hearts



On June 9th, Pentecost Sunday, we will have an opportunity to explore the existential whY's of our existence. Do the pieces of cedar remind you of the crosses on Calvary? The cedars of Lebanon?

In the narthex we invite you to **examine and explore** the rest of the story ... or, the beginning of the story ... the "e" 's and "s" 's ... those letters that make up the special words we say after receiving Holy Communion every Sunday and the ever important punctuation.



We invite you to **see and touch the letters "e" and "s"** which will soon be added to the entrance wall of the sanctuary...look for your name, look for something you may have brought in as an offering...look for...



a wow
a light
a key
a bible verse
a quiet space
how many fish?
your name under glass...



Beginning on Sunday June 16th...we will walk into the world with a vivid reminder of the "yes, Yes, Yes!" as we leave worship. What does it mean to say "yes" to life? To God? To each other?

A special thank you to everyone who helped make this project a reality...may it inspire you to say "Yes!"



JUNE EVENTS

DATE/TIME	EVENT	WHERE
Jun 5 th , 6:00p	Worship Committee Meeting	Community Hall
Jun 6-9 th	Vacation Bible School (VBS) Thu-Sat 9:30a-1:00p, Sun following 10:00a Worship	Community Hall /Church Grounds
Fri, Jun 7 th , (tbd)	Finance Committee Meeting	Finance Office
Sat Jun 8 th , 11:00a	Membership Committee Meeting	Pastor's Office
Mon, Jun 10 th , 9:00a	Men's Breakfast	Ruthy's on Canal Street
Wed, Jun 12 th , 7:00p	NSB Cancer Support Group	Conference Room
Mon, Jun 10 th 4:30p	Council Mtg	Community Hall
Sun Jun 23 rd (Following Worship)	Hospitality	Community Hall



June Birthdays



- 06/03 Tony Snyder
Sue Weaver
- 06/09 Matt Snyder
- 06/15 Gary Smith
- 06/18 Liz Incardone
- 06/20 Judy Lawson
- 06/20 Charlie Snyder
- 06/24 Linda McMahan

UCC Current Events, Rental Calendar, Holidays in United States

Jun 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 12pm - AA High
2 10:00a 9am - Bible Study	3 12pm - AA High 4pm - Prayer	4 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	5 Worship Com (6: 12pm - AA High	6 12pm - AA High	7 Choir Practice @ 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	8 Membership (11: 12pm - AA High
9 ART PROJECT 10:00a 9am - Bible Study	10 9:00a Men's 12pm - AA High 4pm - Prayer	11 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	12 12pm - AA High 7pm - Cancer	13 12pm - AA High 7pm - East Coast	14 Choir Practice @ 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	15 12pm - AA High
16 10:00a Father's Day 9am - Bible Study 6:30pm - Dist 20 AA	17 12pm - AA High 4pm - Prayer	18 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	19 12pm - AA High	20 12pm - AA High	21 Choir Practice @ 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	22 12pm - AA High
23 10:00a Hospitality (follow 9am - Bible Study	24 12pm - AA High 4pm - Prayer	25 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	26 12pm - AA High	27 12pm - AA High	28 Choir Practice @ 12pm - AA High 8pm - NSB AA Group	29 12pm - AA High
30 10:00a 9am - Bible Study	1	2	3	4	5	6

NEWS

As part of our safe church policy and as recommended by the Florida UCC, we have rekeyed our entrances to the Community Hall, Thrift store and Offices.

New keys will be distributed on an "as needed" basis and can be requested by coming to the Church office during normal office hours.



COUNCIL

**O
R
N
E
R**

CHURCH COUNCIL

Council Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2019

Attendees:

Moderator	Sammie Hartwell	Vice Moderator	Debby Hughes	Secretary	Ronnie Sciuлло
Pastor		Christian Ed	Alice Lewis	Finance	
Hospitality	Bill Peterson	Membership	Doreen Massin	ONA	(vacant)
Outreach	John Buchanan Donnie Coleman	Property	George Smith	Thrift Store	Frances Baker
Worship	Gladys Starkey	Diane Williams Roc Williams			

Sammie called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm. Ronnie established that a quorum was present. Sammie announced that each month one of us would be asked to read a short scripture of our choosing for reflection. This week Ronnie shared Matthew 18:15-20.

Old Business:

A motion to approve the April Minutes was made and the minutes were accepted and approved (Baker/Buchanan).

Finance

- ◆ Ronnie presented the financial statements. Sammie asked that the financials include a comparison to previous year on the P&L.
- ◆ John Buchanan again asked if he could have an accounting of the funds for the UCC Holiday Hot Meals fundraiser. These funds were collected as designated gifts in 2018/2019. [Refer to April Minutes for more details]

Property: George provided a list of items scheduled for completion by end of June:

- ◆ Trees trimmed on East side of Church Building
- ◆ Installation of alternate flooring in Community Hall to provide a uniformly flat surface
- ◆ Installation of the new sign
- ◆ Carpet and pew cleaning in the Sanctuary
- ◆ Carpet and tile cleaning in Offices
- ◆ Repair lights in Sanctuary
- ◆ Community Hall, the Thrift store and Office exterior doors have been re-keyed

Council Report continued ...

COUNCIL

CHURCH COUNCIL

R Council Report continued ...

Art Project: Creation of the art project is expected for by early June with Installation planned for by Pentecost Sunday (6/9).

New Business:

- ◆ Mail slots in Office have been reorganized and relabeled. Council members took a minute to check it out and locate their mail slots.
- ◆ Rekeying of exterior doors of Community Hall, Thrift Store and Offices has been completed in compliance with our Safe Church Policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. The next meeting will be **Monday, June 10 at 4:30 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ronnie Sciallo

Health Chatter

By Charlotte Hinson

KEEPING UP APPEARANCES

That's the name of a British Comedy that many of us have seen on PBS. A very funny actress is always trying to present herself as a very elegant and elite upper crust person. Unfortunately, her family and situations work against her quite often.

This can effect many of us as we try to present ourselves in public. Looking like a lobster because we forgot our sunscreen or didn't apply according to directions can affect how we look temporarily and may also have permanent unpleasant consequences. In Florida this can be a year round occurrence, but especially for the next 6 months.

Other appearances are very misleading. I once worked with a 4'11" lady who weighed about 100 pounds and a tire came off her car. She jumped out of it and picked it up and sustained a severe shoulder injury. She had a very difficult time at work and other places because, as she said to me, "Look. I look just the same -- the product shows no outward sign unless I grimace with pain, so no one realizes the pain I am in. They feel I am just putting on. She eventually had surgery and had to retire, but the lack of empathy from others was a very difficult and painful experience for her.

I can think of many conditions that do not affect how a person looks especially at the beginning such as anxiety, depression, grief, ALS, early arthritis, and the list goes on. It is easy to feel the person should "pull themselves together and go on with life," but that is easier said than done.

In Nursing Education we were taught that pain was what a patient said it is -- in short a person lying in bed crying and a person sitting up reading (who may be gritting their teeth) may have the same pain level. So if we think back to Christ's life we can ask ourselves -- do we really think the lady was suffering from years of an issue and then touched Jesus' gown and was healed -- really would have been in public if she looked so different -- in that time the difference such as those with leprosy that were kept was from the public.

So let us resolve to talk to our friends and fellow church members and listen to what they say about their feelings, emotions and not just look at the surface but look beyond and have compassion. Most likely their assessment is more correct than ours!

HOSPITALITY UPDATE!



By Dave LeBlanc & Bill Peterson

The May committee meeting was held Sunday May 19th during the Fellowship Hour following worship. Our next committee meeting will be held on Sunday June 23rd in the Community Center following worship – all are welcome to join us.

Additional support is needed to help on the fourth Sunday of each month. Both Linda McMahan and Diana Vanderbilt have been dealing with serious health issues and will not be able to continue their support. Kim Dobbins and Sue Weaver have offered to be the coordinators for this Sunday but could use some help. Dave and I will gladly help train anyone interested in helping. PLEASE let us know if you are willing to help put. Thank you to all who continue to provide food and goodies each week, it is really appreciated.

Sunday June 30th is our next scheduled Pot Luck following worship. As it's the Sunday before the Fourth of July we decided to theme the Pot Luck after a typical 4th of July picnic. Dave and I will provide the hotdogs and buns but we would appreciate everyone bringing in a covered dish, dessert, etc. *Please let either myself or Donnie Coleman know what you would like to bring so we can coordinate the menu.*

Some ideas are:

Fried chicken	Potato salad	Macaroni salad	Stuffed eggs
Fruit	Apple Pie	Fixins for Hot Dogs	Desserts

Or simply your favorite covered dish!

We have started replacing the table covers from the stock of supplies that has accumulated over time. The estimated “life” of these covers is three to four weeks at which time they will be replaced. New table covers with a longer “life” are in works.

If you have any ideas or suggestions regarding what you would like to have regarding Fellowship Hour, please let me know, We are very open to new ideas and welcome your contributions!

Teens In Action News!

By Pam Hopper



On Teen Sunday for the second year in a row, we had a graduation celebration for our newest Teens In Action member. Our group was blessed this year with the addition of Tate Still, who joined us for his senior year. He will be graduating with honors at our New Smyrna Beach High School and has already been accepted in the engineering program of the University of Central Florida.

Tate wore his graduation gown, with his honors cords so we all could see him, as he will be when he accepts his diploma! Tate has been such an awesome addition to our youth group and has shown up at every meeting, fundraiser, work days, beach clean ups, you name it!! He has been a real blessing to our small group and his absence next year will definitely be felt.

We had TWO graduation cakes! One was an ice cream cake with chocolate ice cream and the other was a beautiful sheet cake. We passed out note paper and asked our friends at church to share a few words of wisdom or encouragement for Tate, which we collected with the offering. Tate was very touched and was reading them during the party. Thank you again, our wonderful church friends and family, for your support of our small youth group. Your heartfelt words meant a lot to Tate.



Tate is the son of Frank and Sue Still and he has an older brother, Frankie. His older cousins, Jennifer and Alison Mangiafico are graduates of our youth group and his Uncle Mike and Aunt Carol Mangiafico are two of the angels who very generously help us with our annual Christmas party for the domestic abuse shelter (Now the Beacon House) and his grandmother, Betty Still's Lutheran church group provided money for the food this year for the party! He comes from a family who understand service to those less fortunate and it shows in his strong work ethic.

CONGRATULATIONS TATE!!!
LOVE AND PRAYER FOR LIFE'S NEXT ADVENTURE!!!!



CARING FOR EACH OTHER

CARD MINISTRY—To request a get well, sympathy or thinking of you card be sent contact Gerie Spencer at jspencer7@cfl.rr.com or 386-423-4143.

NEED TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE? Contact Doreen Massin at 347-556-8661.

HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST? Contact Gerie Spencer at jspencer7@cfl.rr.com to get your request on the UCC Prayer Chain.

WANT TO MAKE A MONETARY GIFT TO THE CHURCH? - contact Gary Smith at (610) 613-5886.

CONTACT THE PASTOR and/or the CHURCH OFFICE -
To inform the church about an illness, surgery, or hospitalization, contact Pastor Diane on her cell (386) 847-0883 or the Church Office at (386) 428-2352.

To receive home-bound communion or pastoral visit, contact Pastor Diane on her cell (386) 847-0883 or the Church Office at (386) 428-2352.

To arrange for a baptism, wedding ceremony, renewal of vows, or memorials, contact Pastor Diane on her cell (386) 847-0883 or the Church Office at (386) 428-2352.

Pastor Contact Info:

Rev. Dr. Diane Langworthy
Cell: (386) 847-0883
Email: mytoadhill@hotmail.com

SUBMISSIONS FOR THE VOICE

Please submit your articles
ON or BEFORE the 23rd of each month
via email to doreenmassin@aol.com

Preferred formats are attachments using
Word (.doc) or simple text (.txt) files.
We can also copy & paste from the body of an email.

Doreen Massin, Content Coordinator, 347-556-8661
Ronnie Sciuolo, Editor, 386-299-3837

WE CARE!

PRAYERS FOR PEACE AND HEALING

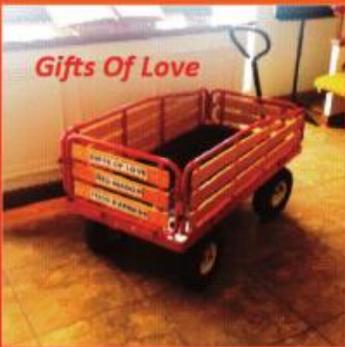
People who are touched by illness, deaths, hospitalizations and shut-ins are listed here monthly.

	ADDRESS	PHONE
Cindy Carlin	1310 Palmetto St. New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168	386-320-2804
Oliver Chiapco	1703 Frogs Leap Ct. Port Orange, FL 32128	386-761-4057
Judy Ebert	1279 Houston St, Apt 807 Melbourne, FL 32935	573-239-9083
Edwenna Hall	1908 Royal Palm Drive Edgewater, FL 32141	386-423-2752
Lyn Helppie	11102 Limestone Ct. New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168	
George Hopper	PO Box 352 Edgewater, FL 32132	386-426-6884
Maynard Kern	830 E 22nd Ave New Smyrna Beach, FL 32169	386-428-0727
Germaine Lambert	2031 Porto Blvd New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168	
Judy Lawson	101 N. Riverside Dr, #310 New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168	
Debbie Smith	Port Orange Rehab Ctr, Rm 171 5600 Victoria Gardens Blvd Port Orange, FL 3212	

We remember all caregivers as well!



Find us on
Facebook
facebook.com/
TheUnitedChurchofChristofNewSmyrnaBeach



Remember to fill the Red Wagon Food Express with donations

*"It is not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."
Mother Teresa*

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
Youth Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.
service (Nursery available)

Communion is celebrated every Sunday

Bible Study Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Conference Room in Community Hall

Prayer Group Monday 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Pastor's Office



We are an Open and Affirming Church. We welcome all into the full life and ministries of the church irrespective of race, gender, age, creed, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, socio-economic status, and mental and physical disabilities. We celebrate the image of God in every person.

Our mission is to do justice, seek peace, and love all as Christ loves.

Love Knows No Limits



UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST · NEW SMYRNA BEACH · FLORIDA