

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

- Gracie Allen



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

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## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Ones,

I've been wondering how a recent tragedy spoke to us and how might we let it move us? Most of us know about the recent case where a white female police officer, off duty, walked into the home of Botham Jean who was sitting on his couch in the evening watching TV. He'd just started to eat some ice cream. Amber Guyger entered the apartment. The door was not latched, and Guyger claims she thought it was her own apartment as the pressure of her key in the lock pushed the door open. Within seconds she concluded that Jean had broken into her apartment (for ice cream and his favorite TV show???) and she fired two shots. One bullet hit him in the chest. He died. She claimed she attempted to render first aide, but there was little evidence of this and there was evidence of time spent texting for support for herself. What gripped many of us was the powerful video of Botham's young brother, Brandt Jean, offering forgiveness for the woman who had just been found guilty of murdering his beloved older brother. Justice, racism, forgiveness and the toxic fog of white privilege blinding us to what happens before our eyes... all these issues swirled in the tragic loss of a fine young man's life and the courtroom drama of the murder trial.

The murderer was allowed by the judge to use the “castle defense” which comes from the notion that a person's house is their castle and they have the right to forcefully defend it. Yes, Amber Guyger was in Botham Jean's home. He was sitting on his couch eating ice cream as he watched TV and yet Guyger was allowed to use the “castle defense” for shooting the peaceful, unarmed man because she “thought” she was in her own home. Is this not one of the worst cases of white privilege you have ever heard? Or was that when Tamir Rice (a twelve-year-old!) was shot dead while playing with a toy gun in a park? Or maybe when a teenaged Trayvon Martin was wrestled to the ground and shot as he walked home in a neighborhood where he belonged... just walking home to his father's house in a hoodie? Or maybe when Philando Castile, a beloved school cafeteria worker, was shot during a traffic stop as he followed police instructions to the letter? We don't have time for all the deaths... for all the examples. Are we horrified? How does a black man's home become a white woman's “castle” because she has barged in and claimed it with a gun? Can we honestly argue that we believe for a millisecond that if a dark-skinned man had entered a white woman's house with a gun and shot her because he “thought” it was really his house and she was a threat that the judge would have permitted the “castle defense”?

**Pastor's Message continued...**

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In the end, the jury DID find her guilty. How could they not? The sentence she received could have been up to 99 years. But the jury went with a much lesser number of years because jury members said (can this fail to take our breath away?) that they believed a smaller charge would be what Botham Jean, a committed Christian man, would have wanted! Well, he did have a big heart, he might have asked for leniency *had he survived*, but he *didn't survive* and it seems like a blasphemous twist of white privilege that his voice, forever silenced by murder, was usurped on behalf of his killer! Those were the harsh, tangled parts of the courtroom story.

A blaze of purity that was stunning in it's beacon of Christian virtue happened when Botham Jean's brother Brandt said in court that he forgave the killer, that he wished nothing bad to happen to her and he encouraged her to turn her life over to Christ so she could experience complete forgiveness in Christ. I could not believe the example of lived faith that went so far beyond what most of us could ever hope to achieve. How could we not be moved by his example? Can some of us remember how several relatives of people murdered by Dylann Roof at the Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, offered him forgiveness?

Forgiveness is a tricky subject. It is frequently used to further abuse people who have been harmed. Folks are told that they "must" forgive so God will forgive them. It is important to think deeply about what forgiveness actually IS. And one thing it is NOT is saying that something is okay, alright or erased. What it DOES mean is that the victim refuses to cling to the poison of what has happened. Sometimes things are so horrific that they cannot be held onto without severe ongoing consequences to the person who has been wronged. Some things are so terrible that they are for giving to God. **For giving...** for handing over into the only hands that can hold and heal.

Some folks feel that when people of color are praised for forgiving the attacks of white people racism is perpetuated, that forgiveness means absolution. Biblical forgiveness does not absolve an unrepentant person. It simply releases them from the victim's heart into the hands and heart of God, Who, alone, is strong enough to contain the nuclear waste of the worst human behavior. Romans 12 has good advice about leaving vengeance to God and not being overcome by evil but rather overcoming evil with good. In great injustice, clinging to Christ is a powerful light. Brandt Jean shone that power-filled light. The trial of his brother's murderer, like the murder itself, was riddled with racism, white privilege and the kind of winking evil that would suck the life out of communities of color.

If we cherish the vision of a faithful man of color, living his response to God at a time of amazing challenge and crushing injustice, we must learn to follow that man of color deeper into the heart of God. We must ask Christ, how our privilege has caused harm to others who do not share its protection with us. We must listen to people of color and let them lead us into faith that not only forgives but knows the valley of the shadow of death. We must find ways to walk that shadow land, finding a passion for justice that calls us to look for privilege and let it go. My prayer for us this fall as we celebrate blazing leaves is that we see all life is both brief and sacred. There is a lot we need to learn.

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Diane



## ONE-YEAR BIBLE READING for OCTOBER

### October 1

Isaiah 62:6-65:25  
Philippians 2:19-3:3  
Psalm 73:1-28  
Proverbs 24:13-14

### October 2

Isaiah 66:1-24  
Philippians 3:4-21  
Psalm 74:1-23  
Proverbs 24:15-16

### October 3

Jeremiah 1:1-2:30  
Philippians 4:1-23  
Psalm 75:1-10  
Proverbs 24:17-20

### October 4

Jeremiah 2:31-4:18  
Colossians 1:1-17  
Psalm 76:1-12  
Proverbs 24:21-22

### October 5

Jeremiah 4:19-6:15  
Colossians 1:18-2:7  
Psalm 77:1-20  
Proverbs 24:23-25

### October 6

Jeremiah 6:16-8:7  
Colossians 2:8-23  
Psalm 78:1-31  
Proverbs 24:26

### October 7

Jeremiah 8:8-9:26  
Colossians 3:1-17  
Psalm 78:32-55  
Proverbs 24:27

### October 8

Jeremiah 10:1-11:23  
Colossians 3:18-4:18  
Psalm 78:56-72  
Proverbs 24:28-29

### October 9

Jeremiah 12:1-14:10  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-2:8  
Psalm 79:1-13  
Proverbs 24:30-34

### October 10

Jeremiah 14:11-16:15  
1 Thessalonians 2:9-3:13  
Psalm 80:1-19  
Proverbs 25:1-5

### October 11

Jeremiah 16:16-18:23  
1 Thessalonians 4:1-5:3  
Psalm 81:1-16  
Proverbs 25:6-8

### October 12

Jeremiah 19:1-21:14  
1 Thessalonians 5:4-28  
Psalm 82:1-8  
Proverbs 25:9-10

### October 13

Jeremiah 22:1-23:20  
2 Thessalonians 1:1-12  
Psalm 83:1-18  
Proverbs 25:11-14

### October 14

Jeremiah 23:21-25:38  
2 Thessalonians 2:1-17  
Psalm 84:1-12  
Proverbs 25:15

### October 15

Jeremiah 26:1-27:22  
2 Thessalonians 3:1-18  
Psalm 85:1-13  
Proverbs 25:16

### October 16

Jeremiah 28:1-29:32  
1 Timothy 1:1-20  
Psalm 86:1-17  
Proverbs 25:17

### October 17

Jeremiah 30:1-31:26  
1 Timothy 2:1-15  
Psalm 87:1-7  
Proverbs 25:18-19

### October 18

Jeremiah 31:27-32:44  
1 Timothy 3:1-16  
Psalm 88:1-18  
Proverbs 25:20-22

### October 19

Jeremiah 33:1-34:22  
1 Timothy 4:1-16  
Psalm 89:1-13  
Proverbs 25:23-24

### October 20

Jeremiah 35:1-36:32  
1 Timothy 5:1-25  
Psalm 89:14-37  
Proverbs 25:25-27

### October 21

Jeremiah 37:1-38:28  
1 Timothy 6:1-21  
Psalm 89:38-52  
Proverbs 25:28

### October 22

Jeremiah 39:1-41:18  
2 Timothy 1:1-18  
Psalm 90:1-91:16  
Proverbs 26:1-2

### October 23

Jeremiah 42:1-44:23  
2 Timothy 2:1-21  
Psalm 92:1-93:5  
Proverbs 26:3-5

### October 24

Jeremiah 44:24-47:7  
2 Timothy 2:22-3:17  
Psalm 94:1-23  
Proverbs 26:6-8

### October 25

Jeremiah 48:1-49:22  
2 Timothy 4:1-22  
Psalm 95:1-96:13  
Proverbs 26:9-12

### October 26

Jeremiah 49:23-50:46  
Titus 1:1-16  
Psalm 97:1-98:9  
Proverbs 26:13-16

### October 27

Jeremiah 51:1-53  
Titus 2:1-15  
Psalm 99:1-9  
Proverbs 26:17

### October 28

Jeremiah 51:54-52:34  
Titus 3:1-15  
Psalm 100:1-5  
Proverbs 26:18-19

### October 29

Lamentations 1:1-2:22  
Philemon 1:1-25  
Psalm 101:1-8  
Proverbs 26:20

### October 30

Lamentations 3:1-66  
Hebrews 1:1-14  
Psalm 102:1-28  
Proverbs 26:21-22

### October 31

Lamentations 4:1-5:22  
Hebrews 2:1-18  
Psalm 103:1-22  
Proverbs 26:23

## 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!

# Social / Community Events

DATE/TIME	EVENT	WHERE
Mon, Oct 14 <sup>th</sup> , 9:00am	Men's Breakfast	Ruthy's on Canal Street
Sat, Oct 19 <sup>th</sup> , 1-5:00pm	Volusia Pride Festival	Old Fort Park, NSB
Sat, Oct 26 <sup>th</sup> , 6:00pm	Mary Cuchetti—In Concert	Sanctuary
Sat, Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 11:00am	Cool-ify Your UCC T-shirt	Community Hall
Every Mon, 4:00pm	Colors of Hunger Feeding Ministry	Community Hall
Every Wed, 6:00pm	Surf's Edge Ministry	Community Hall



# Church Business Meetings

DATE/TIME	EVENT	WHERE
Mon, Oct 7 <sup>th</sup> , 11:00a	Finance Committee	Finance Office
Mon, Oct 14 <sup>th</sup> , 4:30p	Council Meeting	Community Hall
Sun, Oct 20, 11:30a (During coffee hour)	Hospitality Committee	Conference Room
Sat, Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 10:00a	Membership	Pastor's Office
Tues, Nov 5 <sup>th</sup> 2:30p	Worship Committee	Community Hall

**The United Church of Christ, NSB  
presents  
Mary Cuchetti In Concert**



**Saturday – Oct 26<sup>th</sup> – 6:00pm**

**203 Washington Street  
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168  
[in our Sanctuary]**

**Admission is \$10!**

**Tickets available in Thrift Store  
Tues-Sat 9:30-3:00**

**Proceeds to benefit United Church of Christ and its ministries  
such as Color of Hunger, a community feeding program and  
Surf's Edge supporting community at-risk youth.**

## **THE FIRST CONGREGTIONAL CHURCH OF ORANGE CITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST INVITES ALL TO ATTEND**

**A FREE ART LECTURE SERIES (with an emphasis on Christian Imagery)**

**All lectures, 12 noon at the Church, 201 West University Avenue, Orange City  
(Jane Murray Hall behind the sanctuary)**

**Thursday, November 7, 2019  
Images of the Crucifixion by Michelangelo**

**Thursday, January 16, 2020  
Madonna and Child: Duccio to Raphael**

**Thursday, March 19, 2020  
Spiritual Imagery: Gauguin and VanGogh**

**Thursday, June 18, 2020  
The Gospel According to Rembrandt**



**Lecturer: Rev. David Westcott, Pastor, graduated from Southern Connecticut State University majoring in Philosophy and Art History. He went on to receive a Master of Divinity Degree from the Yale University Divinity School, followed by doctoral studies at Andover Newton Theological School where he taught a course on Theological Aesthetics with Professor Robin Jenson.**

**For additional information or questions call the Church Office,  
386-775-2464, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**



*"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."*

# FUNDRAISER FUN!

By Doreen Massin

## Cool-ify Your UCC T-Shirt!

Not that our UCC NSB t-shirt isn't COOL enough on it own, because we think they are best church t-shirts and we're very proud of it's message. But can you imagine customizing your shirt to make it your own personal fashion statement! Customize your neckline - make it a "vee", "crew" or "scoop" neck!

Liz Incardone of the Membership Committee is conducting a fund raiser where she teaches participants how to make their UCC NSB T-Shirt a fashion statement of their own design. **This event will be held Nov 2 at 11 am in Community Hall.** Speak to Liz about details. A donation of \$10 will support UCC NSB Ministries.

And anyone needing a UCC NSB t-shirt, please see Doreen Massin. For church members they are only \$10.



## Basket Bonanza!

Donna Lambert of our Membership Committee wanted a find a way to help raise funds for our church and help us adults be able to find appropriate gifts for the kids in our lives for Christmas so she created the Basket Bonanza Fund Raiser. The baskets will be displayed in Community Hall so that folks can see the baskets and Donna will sell tickets each Sunday (1 for \$1, 6 for \$5, 12 for \$10).

When you enter Community Hall after worship on Sunday you will be greeted by a wonderful display of ten different gift baskets. Each basket is different and geared to kids and teens of different ages, for boys and girls. And there is even one for us adults!

Bags will be stationed by each basket to collect tickets for the drawing, which will be held in December. Donna created and donated the gift baskets and all funds raised will support the UCC NSB Ministries.



# Book Reading - Alice Ott!

**On Sunday November 24 at Coffee Hour, following worship, Dusty Miller will be reading from her newest book in the Alice Ott mystery series.**

In *Danger in the House*, Alice Ott and her crime-solving crew are committed to challenging injustice without losing their sense of humor. Join Alice in this breath-stopping tale of an undocumented immigrant seeking sanctuary, a young nurse facing racial profiling, and a mysterious teen unsafe in his own home. Dusty will have books for sale, and will sign books after her brief reading.

*Alice Ott is based on the well-known peace activist Frances Crowe, who passed away on August 27, 2019.*

– Bio -Dusty J. Miller



Like Alice Ott, Dusty Miller is a social justice activist. She is a member of the Western Mass Raging Grannies and the Central Florida Raging Grannies. Dusty and her wife Dorothy are avid pickle ball players, and sing together in hospice-bedside singing groups in Western MA and Florida. Dusty is a retired psychologist. Her first nonfiction book, *Women Who Hurt Themselves*, made mainstream publishing sales seem very attractive. Although she is grateful for the success of her nonfiction books, Dusty is thrilled that the Alice Ott mystery series continues to be published by her local indie press, Levellers Press. *Danger in the House* completes the Alice Ott mystery quartet. The Alice Ott series has been transformed into reader's theater productions in Florida and the Pioneer Valley, attracting new readers to Alice's adventures. Dusty is now hard at work on a new mystery series set in coastal Florida.

# ZUMBA -THON

By Doreen Massin



On September 14<sup>th</sup>, we hosted our first Zumba-thon event. The music was pumped up and Community Hall was jumping for two hours with 74 people joining in the party!

So what is Zumba anyway? It was created during the mid-1990's by a Colombian choreographer fitness instructor and later branded as "Zumba." It's like a big non-stop dance party with great music incorporating difference moves from salsa, reggae, merengue, cumbia, mambo, samba, cha-cha, and flamenco.

The event was the developed and organized by two of our own Zumba enthusiasts, Liz Incardone and Karen Watson, members of the UCC NSB Membership Committee. Liz and Karen felt that a Zumba party was a natural fit as a fund raiser for UCC NSB. Through their connections, Liz and Karen reached out to eight certified Zumba instructors in our local area who graciously donated their talent and time to be instructors for a two-hour event of dance, fun and exercise. Liz, Karen and the instructors invited their network of students and friends to UCC for a wonderful party.

It was a great event raising \$1,000 for our Church ministries which include Colors of Hunger, a new community feeding program, and Surf's Edge, a UCC NSB ministry supporting community at-risk youth, and the Gifts of Love Food Pantry. At the end of the event, the Gifts of Love Wagon was so overfilled one of its tires went flat!

Stay tuned - we'll do this event again. Come join the party!



# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Sabrina Conroy



Adrian Stillman



# Liturgists

*Consider volunteering to read the scriptures that are shared on Sunday.*

*If you are interested please contact Diane Williams or Roc Williams, Chairs of the Worship Committee, or Pastor Diane for more information.*

Date	Volunteer
Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Anna Haskins
Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Z
Oct 20 <sup>th</sup>	Teen Sunday (Pam Hopper/Karen Dreggors)
Oct 27 <sup>th</sup>	Adam Dydak
Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Gerie Spencer
Nov 10 <sup>th</sup>	Liz Incardone

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# October Birthdays

- 10/01 Donna Lambert
- 10/05 Mary Harmon
- 10/08 Marilyn Barnett
- 10/12 Kim Dobbyn
- 10/18 Vern Whittenburg
- 10/30 George Smith
- 10/31 Holly Fox



# COUNCIL CHURCH COUNCIL

## Council Meeting Minutes Summary

September 8, 2019

**Attendees:**

<b>MODERATOR</b> Sammie Hartwell	<b>PASTOR</b> Diane Langworthy	<b>VICE MODERATOR</b> Debby Hughes (absent)	<b>SECRETARY</b> Ronnie Sciallo	<b>CHRISTIAN ED</b> Alice Lewis
<b>FINANCE</b> Gary Smith	<b>HOSPITALITY</b> Dave LeBlanc(absent) Bill Peterson	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b> Doreen Massin	<b>OUTREACH</b> John Buchanan, (absent) Donnie Coleman (absent)	<b>PROPERTY</b> George Smith
<b>THRIFT STORE</b> Frances Baker (absent)	<b>WORSHIP</b> Diane Williams Roc Williams			

Sammie called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm. Pastor opened the meeting with prayer and reflection. Ronnie established that a quorum was present.

**Pastor Report**

Pastor is Shawn Proctor’s mentor for his practice. He is currently in the seminary. Shawn will be leading the Sunday 9:00a Bible Study that will focus on the Gospel of Mark. This will begin on Sunday 9/15. He will also lead a Bible Study focusing on the Lament Psalms. Those who deal with anxiety, depression or just dealing with life’s challenges are encouraged to attend on Monday, 6:30pm beginning on 9/16.

**Old Business:**

A motion to approve the previous month’s minutes was made and the minutes were accepted and approved (D. Williams/D. Massin).

**Finance**

Gary Smith discussed that the Finance Committee is working on development of a Stewardship Campaign. More information will be provided over the next few months. The budget planning process is ongoing. Diane and Roc Williams asked when and who was meeting with them. Gary noted that he would check with Tom and Hal who were assigned Worship to find out if they had met with Deb and Glad. Diane and Roc were going to check with Deb and Glad.

**Property:** George informed the council that we have some pest issues that he is dealing with. He also mentioned that we wanted to get rid of 2-3 of the pews in the Narthex. Someone will check with Frances to see if she can sell them.

**New Business:**

Debby Hughes has a friend who works at “The Hub” and wants to donate three 30” x 60” worktables on wheels. After discussion, a motion was made to forego taking the tables (Sciallo/Smith). The council passed the motion (8-1).  
 Deb Jackson and Gladys Starkey have stepped down as chairs of Worship. Diane and Roc Williams have stepped up as co-chairs. Deb and Glad will continue to serve on the Worship Committee.  
 Bill Peterson is pursuing the opportunity for us to hold a Church dinner (fish fry).

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. The next meeting will be **Monday, October 7 at 4:30 p.m. in the Conference room.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ronnie Sciallo

# Teens In Action News!

## AMAZING KIDS!

The summer has flown by again for us and here we are, 6 weeks into the new school year. We started the school year with changing our meeting time to Wednesdays, so that the teens who are able to, may stay for the Wednesday night Surf's Edge meeting. Our meetings leave the adults (Karen, Bobby, Pam) an optimistic view of our teens' futures. The depth of their understanding of their world and all the ways they have to navigate a sometimes rough reality of what it means to be a teen in 2019. Social media has made a whole new, devastating way of bullying. But they know they can depend on one another and US, when they need a warm, caring and non-judgmental shoulder to lean on. Their studies alone would blow the mind of most of us. They are learning in middle school, what the kids of my age learned in college. And they are so kind when they are trying to explain things to the "older" folks.



## ENVIRONMENT!

The teens have adopted the area of the beach from Bethune Park to the National Seashore. We have cleaned the beach twice this summer, getting rid of about 14 Publix bags of trash and over 300 cigarette butts - after each clean up, we went swimming (once at the Michels and once at Tate Still's) and ate Manny's pizza. Unfortunately, the storm in the Atlantic prevented us from cleaning September 16, so we are going to try it again in the next few months. When we discovered the beach was gone, we decided to go ahead and head over to Ella's home. As usual, the Michels were very welcoming, although we got there two hours early! We had a good time, with Alana keeping their kittens entertained, while us adults chatted and waited for Ella, who is taking college classes, in addition to her high school classes. Once she got home, we went to Ocean Breeze restaurant at the end of Flagler Avenue, where a Teens in Action alumni who works there, gave the youth group a 50% discount! Wade was in the first youth group Pam had, 20 years ago! We enjoyed the view, the food and the company and we discussed the upcoming year.

We are also going to try to take a pro-active way to help with global warming, we are going to plant trees! More on this soon.

## SUMMERTIME FUN!

Also, this past summer, we had a great get away to Blue Spring right before school started. We snorkeled and bought a \$20.00 raft so that everyone could share - we were going to rent 2 tubes for \$30, they were all out, but sold the rafts for \$20.00. Alana chipped in and she is keeping it for us.



We did miss our annual mission trip, but will be hopefully going on a fall retreat for all of the Florida UCC youth. And resuming our annual trips next year.

## PLANS

We have a very busy year planned, we went over what was involved in raising the money for our annual Christmas party for Beacon House (formerly Domestic Abuse Council) women and children. This is by far the most favorite community service as we anticipate the smiles on those children's faces when Santa shows up with a bag full of toys, and the appreciation of the women and older kids for the food and gift cards for Walmart. Some years, we give them the only Christmas party they will have. For one day, at least, these mothers and children are so happy it never fails to move everyone involved. AGAIN.. our HUGE THANKS for the ongoing generosity of all involved in making this a yearly success.

We will be helping out with the Community Toy Party, one Friday evening in December, as well as going Christmas caroling on the third Sunday of December. We invite EVERYONE to come and help out. We are trying to coordinate with the choir and we welcome everyone. Even if you cannot sing, a Christmas miracle happens every year and together we sound awesome! It is the love in our hearts and the joy we feel bringing happiness to others. Karen will admit she really cannot sing, but LOVES caroling... please know that you do NOT need to have a choir quality voice, just a willing heart to make our shut ins happy to see us to know we love them. Please consider joining us and write down the date before Christmas fills your calendar!

## OCTOBER 19 - VOLUSIA PRIDE FEST!

We will have a booth at the annual Volusia Pride Fest held on October 19<sup>th</sup> in Old Fort Park. The teens will be painting faces, and giving away rainbow stickers. Please, please try to come out and be part of this wonderful day. And while you are there, get a rainbow painted on your face. J The festival starts at 1 p.m. and there is food, fun, information and much more. This is a great way to show our support to the LGBTQ? Community.



## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS!**

Our first meeting was on Wednesday, August 14 and we welcomed one of our new members, Alana, whose parents are Shawn and Mariah Proctor, leaders of the Surf's Edge group that meets on Wednesdays after youth group. If you know of any middle schoolers who may be interested, please let us know. Karen Dreggors will be there every Wednesday that we meet, barring emergencies. Alana is a welcome new addition to our group and also helps out every Sunday with babysitting and Sunday School.

Tate has been showing up here and there, home from college at UCF. He is missed by all of us. Tate has been a devoted and helpful member and we wish him well. Tate, we will all be praying for you. I am happy to report all is going well for Tate, despite a little lull in college classes during the anticipation of hurricane.

We have 2 new high schoolers also! Many of you long time members may remember "little Marley" who is Ella's good friend. Marley often came with Ella to our Church, Vacation Bible School and Sunday School. She is a teenager now and she has moved back to NSB and is now a member of Teens in Action! And we are excited to welcome Caleb (who hails from Port Orange). We met Caleb at a Surf's Edge meeting and he is a most welcome addition to our group. We are so happy to welcome them all, along with our returning members. Alana, Ella, and Castor (Castor joined over the summer and has been a huge joy - he has a great sense of humor and a willing, loving helpfulness). We also enjoy having our 'sometimes' visitors Tate and David (graduates).

These teens are amazing! We can all be so proud of them and of the loving kindness displayed by this small but loving group.

# THRIFT STORE NEWS!

OCTOBER IS  
breast cancer  
awareness month

50% Off any PINK item

ALL plain hangers will be 50¢

Frames, VHS Tapes & CD'S

\$1.00

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## We NEED Your HELP!

We need people to help with setting up for Communion on Sunday morning. There are two weeks for which we need volunteers. If you would like to learn more about what is involved, please talk to Diane Williams.



# HOSPITALITY UPDATE!

Our next Hospitality fundraising event will be on *Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:30pm to 6:30 pm in Community Hall. Cost is \$10 per ticket ahead of time and \$12 at the door.* Take out will be available!



Dave LeBlanc & Bill Peterson

We will serve a "Fish Fry" dinner with all the fixins!!

- \* Baked or Fried Fish
- \* Baked Potato with butter/sour cream
- \* Cole Slaw
- \* Home Baked Rolls
- \* Cobbler/Pie

Ticket are available from any member of the Hospitality Committee, Church Council, and at the church office. Proceeds will be used to help pay for the unexpected expense of replacing one of the air conditioning units that failed recently.

Church members are encouraged to donate a pie for dessert or cabbage/carrots, etc. to help lower the expenses. Volunteers to help set up, serve, and/or clean up are greatly appreciated. We also need volunteers to help wrap up the utensils for the meal. Please contact Bill Peterson, [wjpeter55@gmail.com](mailto:wjpeter55@gmail.com). A second fund raiser meal is being planned for some time in February.

We are continuing to focus on being better stewards of our environment and will be switching to paper plates and cups as soon as our existing supply of the foam/plastic runs out. We had discussed switching to paper immediately but decided to use up our existing stock and help defer the cost of purchasing paper materials as part of the overall budget planning efforts.

For security reasons, the doors to Community Hall will be locked during church services and will be unlocked for the Fellowship Hour immediately following completion of the Sunday service.

We continue to have our "Pot Luck" meals the fifth Sunday of each month. We recently had one on September 29<sup>th</sup>. The next scheduled "Pot Luck" meal will be Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup>!! We are considering having a Christmas theme but as always, any donations from our church members are greatly appreciated.

If you have any suggestions or ideas you would like to be considered for fund raising meals, a church picnic, or anything that we could do to help you enjoy Fellowship Hour more please let us know.

Our next Hospitality Committee meeting will be held on Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup> during Fellowship Hour. Anyone from our church community is welcome to attend.



## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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**PRAYERS FOR PEACE AND HEALING**  
*People who are touched by illness, deaths, hospitalizations and shut-ins.*

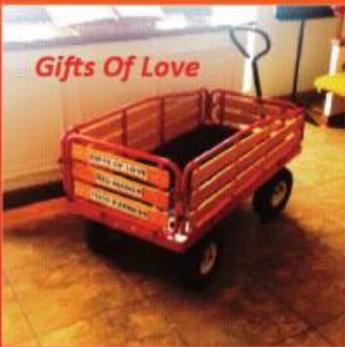
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*"It is not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."  
Mother Teresa*

# 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.*

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