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METHODIST CHURCH

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The VISION NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

February 19 the deadline for March
March 20 is the deadline for April
April 17 is the deadline for May
Please email all news items to caroll@sbumc.net.

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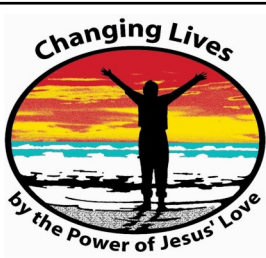
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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES:
9:00 am - Contemporary
11:00 am - Traditional
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES:
9:45 am
10:10 am



The Vision

Where there is no Vision, the people perish.
Proverbs 29:18



February 2017

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church

February
Message
from
Dr. Joe

I think the strangeness of where I am at the moment is beginning to be felt. I realize as I sit to write this newsletter article, that I only have five months left as pastor. I am already thinking about the future, since there are so many things that I should be doing and that need to be done. So please ignore my back and forth between being a pastor and being a short timer concerned about the church.

We exist to make disciples for Jesus Christ. And together we have said that we are going to get better at doing that by sharing the love of Jesus, praying, studying the bible and becoming good stewards. Surely during the month of February, we cannot help but think of sharing the love of Jesus. We celebrate Valentine's Day and as a church we celebrate the renewing of wedding vows for those whose anniversaries are multiples of five.

Stores will have all kinds of special Valentine cards for girl or boy friends, for spouses, and for school children for their entire class. Candy and flowers will get lots of exposure as the gifts of choice. We do this in our yearly attempt to remind the ones we love that they have value and meaning in our lives.


When Jesus died upon the cross so that we could be in relationship with God, God was giving us His greatest gift. And that gift was given so we might know we are loved, that we are held in great respect and that we might be drawn closer to God. Those who have experienced and now live in this relationship with God, know that the same kind of relationship is possible for all people. No one is beyond God's loving gift of life through Christ.

When we speak about sharing the life of Jesus with others, we are talking about finding ways to allow others to be drawn to the love of Jesus through us. One morning as the NOMADS were sharing devotions, they used a tall blond white girl covered in tattoos who had become a Lutheran minister, to talk about the need to be comforted and to comfort and love others. I cannot help but think of the picture I saw of her in her clerical sleeveless shirt, tattooed arms clearly visible, to understand that she will be able to share the love of Jesus with people who might not even give me the time of day. We are both pastors in different denominations, but with the same Lord, and people will respond to the love of Christ in her, who will just be kind when they encounter me.

Why are there so many different kinds of us within any given local church? And why is it that all the Christians in a community cannot get along in one church? Simply because there are so many kinds of people in the world, and Christ died for all of us. Our task as members of the church is to take all we are, have, or know to find ways to share the love of Jesus so others may come to know him as well.

Celebrate your differences. We love differently, and we are drawn to different people, but we all have the opportunity to find ways to help others experience the love of Jesus. It is true of short timers, tattooed Lutheran pastors, electricians, musicians, brick layers, retirees and rocket scientists. We make disciples by sharing the love of Jesus.

Dr. Joe



Remember in Prayer

Please remember to pray for the needs in our church body and community. In our weekly worship bulletin, you will find recently occurring prayer concerns.

The following prayer concerns are of a more ongoing basis.

Men and women of our armed forces: *Rob Bird, *Jason Borondy, Ben Brown, Brian David Flores, *Chuck Fischer, James E. Harris IV, *Zach Heim, *Bill Intille, Sean Keane, Craig Lambert, Vance Lambert, Patrick Miller, Jeff Peppers, Justin Peppers, Andrew Peppers, Blake Rogers, Mike Taylor, Hanz Welo, Connor Whitson.


Missionaries: John & Lynn Lehn, Croatia, Kathy Harris, Moscow; Jim, Kathy, Stephen & Hillary Mehl, Salvador; Pastor Victor, Mir Iglesia Metodista in Cuba; Larz & Karen, Asia; and Bobby & Katie Hamlett in Thailand. All storm and natural disaster victims throughout the world.

Prayers of Concern: Johnny Adair, James Allen, *Charlotte Attride, *Jim Butts, *Michael Capozzi, Roy Carr, *Joe Cocchiarella, *Nancy Conover, *Fran Darnell, *Floyd Denney, Mar Ferrer, Beau Gibbons, *Fran Haase, *Emery Jones, *Gloria Keys, Lars Lofgren, *Joyce Marks, James Miles, Ruth Miles, Helen Patterson, David Pieschel, *Shirley Pollak, Joan Powell, *June Remington, Claire Richter, Sandy Rowse, Kim Ruoff, Alyce Sapp, Robin Saul, *Velma Smith, *Molly Sutherland, *Jim Tate, *Ace Taylor, Donna Taylor, *Ginger Thoms, *Mary Lou Tutt, *Jenny Vinson

Long Term Care: Life Care Center, Palm Bay - **Donna Maxwell;** Discovery Village - **Nancy Mabrey, Nancy Conover;** Brookdale - **Marilyn Koss;** Century Oaks - **Bill Yeager;**

**denotes church family*

A Look At Our Faithfulness December 2016		
	Month-to Date	Year to Date
Budget Required	\$ 40,762.60	\$ 529,913.80
Budget Received	\$ 46,665.82	\$ 560,118.07
Variance	\$ 5,903.22	\$ 30,204.27
Extra Mile Giving - Missions		
Miscellaneous Missions		\$ 290.00
Children's Home		\$ 153.00
Croatia Mission		\$ 150.00
Thailand Mission		\$ 515.00
Good Samaritan		\$ 324.00
Cuba Missionaries		\$ 681.00
Cuba General Fund		\$ 1,059.00
UMCOR		\$ 890.00
Family Promise		\$ 560.00
Total Missions		\$ 4,622.00
Fellowship Hall Upgrade		\$ 325.00
Capital Campaign		\$ 26,387.00
Capital Improvements		\$ 110.00
TOTAL		\$ 31,444.00



Sympathies of the congregation are extended to the family of Carolyn Payne who passed away December 2, 2016.

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to the family of Sandra McCoy who passed away January 8, 2017.

A Donation has been made to THE GOOD SAMARITAN fund in memory of:

WAYNE SLOSSER
by Joyce Slosser


A donation has been made to YAH Fellowship, Fellowship Hall upgrade in honor of:

LAVERNE WARNER
by her family

If there is someone who has touched your life whom you would like to remember with a donation in memory or in honor of them, you may designate any ministry in the church as the recipient of your gift.

Some of our pew Bibles and Hymnals need to be replaced, so that would make a nice memorial to someone, with their name inside. (\$15.00 each)

For more information about donations, please call Lil Moore (773-8858)






MARRIAGE RENEWAL

On Sunday, February 12, we will celebrate marriage renewal between services in Fellowship Hall for any couple with an anniversary in 2017 of a multiple of 5 years or 50 years or more.

If you would like to participate, please call Kyle in the church office to register, 777-0116.

Please bring a photo of yourselves, then and now, to the church office by February 5th.

They will be returned to you.



FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS

Church Members please note that the Preschool is starting its registration process for fall of 2017. Church members may register ahead of current families and ahead of new families from the community, but only through February 28.


Please visit our webpage for detailed information and links to the registration packet, parent handbook and other documents. <https://www.sbumc.net/preschool/> or call Susan Siemer at the preschool office.

Thanks to the congregation for the support of the Cookie Walk. We will be purchasing building toys for the playground and scooter boards to use on the sidewalk with the proceeds.

Susan Siemer, Preschool Director 777-0116, X223



Mrs. Siemer with Mrs. Locke's class opening oven to get Gingerbread man and he is gone.



We found clues in many places and last clue was in Dr. Joes office. It said to look in the classroom.



The classroom is where we found the Gingerbread Man.

DINING OUT IN FEBRUARY 2017

NIPPON THAI SUSHI and THAI CUISINE on A1A near Beachside Grille is our restaurant of the month in February. The owners, Noi and Tommy, welcome us back and look forward to our dining with them this month. They are closed on Mondays. Their lunch hours are

11:30-3 pm - Tues-Fri.
12 pm-4:30 pm on Saturday and Sunday.
4:30 pm-9:30 pm Tues-Thurs,
4:30 pm-10 pm on Friday and Saturday,
4:30pm-9:30 pm on Sunday.

Check them out online at www.nipponthaisushi.com for take-out orders, or for free delivery within a 3 mile radius and \$20.00 minimum purchase. Enjoy this award winning restaurant during February and remember to write SBUMC on your bill for the Fellowship Hall fund. This is how our new kitchen became a reality!



United Methodist Children's Home

In a recent letter received from Elizabeth Gadd, she wrote about Justin who went to the Florida United Methodist Children's Home four years ago. He had been removed from his home due to abuse, and was a repeat runaway with anger issues. He was also failing in school. But he has come to see the Children's Home as his home, and believes it is the best possible place for him.



His grades are now all A's and B's, and he no longer runs away. Through the therapeutic program at the Children's Home, he has resolved the anger issues, and he has even earned his learner's permit from the DMV. When a staff member asked him recently what he was most proud of, he replied, "I've matured a lot. Now I get to be a role model to the other kids, and help them like I've been helped."

Most of the children at the Children's Home come from situations of abuse, abandonment, or neglect. The staff at the Children's Home strive to make sure the children understand the message of Jesus Christ. It is because of your support of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home that Justin and others are provided the loving home they long for. Please be reminded that our giving goal is \$12.00 per member per year. Thank you for your continued support of the Children's Home.

Patsy Countryman



BLANKET SUNDAY

In Florida, there are not many nights to appreciate how good a warm blanket feels, but for many places in the US and around the world, a blanket is the best gift one can receive. Church World Service provides blankets throughout the United States to disaster victims, to the homeless and to refugees as they face challenging conditions. They are also sent overseas to those in need. In addition to warmth, the blankets can be used year round to help provide privacy or sometimes shelter to those who have nothing else. Church World Service is supported by the United Methodist Church along with 36 other denominations in their endeavors to help the needy here and around the world. Please consider the need and donate to the Blanket Sunday offering on February 19.

CROATIA MISSIONS

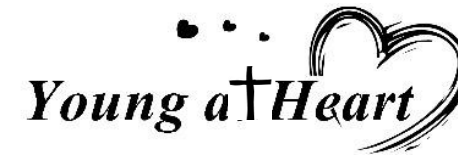
On Sunday, February 26, John and Lynn Lehn will be speaking at both services about their mission work in Croatia. For those of you who knew Bob and Ellen Jacobs, Lynn is their daughter and many of our congregation have supported this vibrant ministry for years. John and Lynn have been serving first in Serbia and now in Croatia since 1992. They have been involved in church planting ministries in Croatia since 2000 by coming along side of nationals to help them plant churches. They are currently helping in their third church plant in Croatia, this time in the southern city of Dubrovnik, on the Adriatic coast. They have been living there about 4 ½ years, helping the national pastor to grow the church both in spiritual depth and numerically. John helps with preaching, teaching, personal discipleship and counseling. He has been giving leadership in planning special evangelistic events. Lynn has been leading the women's ministry, teaching and counseling with the women. She has also been training a few of the women to take over different aspects of ministry including Bible teaching. In addition to their presentation, there will be a reception for the Lehns in the lobby area between services where you can find out more about their work while enjoying coffee and some homemade snacks. We need to continue to support their work through our prayers and our gifts.



Ann Montgomery

SENIOR NEWS

for the



Georgia Garrett

Beyond 50 Ministries - *ReFired Servants*

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
Philippians 4:13


February Calendar



February

- 2 Joseph Gooch
- 3 Nolan Singletary
- 4 Dr. Joe Jursa
- 6 Artrilla Hansen
- 8 Peggyanne Brocato
- 9 Jean Denney
- 14 William Broussard,
Eldon & Iris Moen (64 years)
- 15 Gina Zimmerman
- 17 Ron Countryman
- 21 Robin Bodin, Robert Carrier
- 24 Ron & Patsy Countryman
- 26 Nancy Mabrey
- 27 Dennis & Artrilla Hansen



 We would like to celebrate YOU! Call the church office (777-0116) to be included in our Celebration Calendar.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 12:45 p.m.
COCOA VILLAGE PLAYHOUSE

"On the Town" is the tale of three sailors on a 24-hour leave from their ship docked in New York city. Memorable musical numbers include Lucky to Be Me, and New York, New York. The play is based on the 1949 film with Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelley. Meet in the parking lot at 12:45 pm. Twenty-three tickets are available at \$23.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 11:30 a.m.
YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

Franke Lutz, Brevard County's original Steel Drum Man, has been performing solo and duo for the past 30 years. Franke inherited his Father's steel drums in the 1980's, and he was drawn to the captivating sounds of the Caribbean and Latin style music ever since.

Make a reservation by calling the office (777-0116) or signing the "Let's Connect" card in the bulletin. You can also be placed on the permanent reservation list, and you will be called every month. Reservations are due by Thursday, February 16.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 6:30 p.m.
SATELLITE BEACH LIONS CLUB

Seats are now available for the Lion's Club Theater Night presenting "South Pacific." The Lion's Club always serves a great buffet at 7:00 pm before the play. Meet at the church at 6:30 pm at the bus. Price for buffet, play and transportation is \$23.00.

Set in an island paradise during World War II, love stories are threatened by the dangers of prejudice and war. Nellie falls in love with a French planter, Emile who is recruited on a dangerous mission and Nellie realizes that life is too short not to seize her chance for happiness.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 12:45 p.m.
COCOA VILLAGE PLAYHOUSE

There are 11 tickets available for the performance of "Aida," an epic tale of love, loyalty and betrayal chronicling the love triangle between Aida, a Nubian princess stolen from her country, Amneris, an Egyptian princess, and Radames, the soldier they both love.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 11:30 p.m.
YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

Sallie Scalara, Brevard Agricultural Agent, will speak about container gardening and other handy tips for Brevard County gardeners.

*"To pray is to let go and let God take over."
Philippians 4:6-7.*

Georgia Garrett, Senior Ministry Director



FOCUS ON CUBA

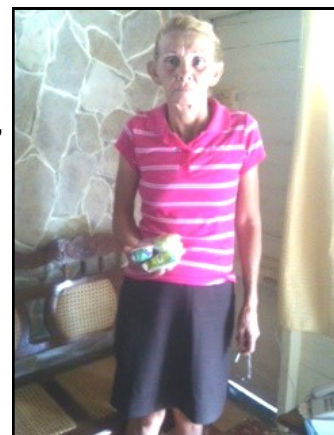
As I write this, your Cuba Mission Team is finalizing preparations for our trip to your sister church in Mir, Cuba--trying to pack 100 lbs of much-needed supplies into suitcases limited to 50 lbs! By the time you read this, we will have returned, full of the Holy Spirit & of ideas & plans for the Healing & Miracles services here at SBUMC March 17-19. We will have met with all



of the missionaries you support & be able to report all the progress that has been made--growth in the church, new souls won for Christ--all evidence of the returns on your investment in this vital ministry.

As your Missions Committee wrestles with additional budget cuts, we have tried to balance local & international giving, with approximately 50% allocated to each of these areas. While there are funds given to other international missions, the primary focus of SBUMC in this area is our sister church in Mir, Cuba. The monies from the Missions budget provide aid to the neediest members, including a twice-monthly meal for senior citizens.

While every cent we send them is appreciated more than they can express, it is truly a drop in the bucket compared to their needs. In Cuba, most everyone works for the government & receives the average salary of \$20 a month. Our missionaries work for the Lord & receive nothing other than what we send them. Fortunately, separate & apart from the budget, the missionaries receive support from members of SBUMC. In addition, your contributions to the Cuba General fund provide for many needs: repairs to the church & parsonage, fees for sending needed medications, communications, etc.



Pastor Victor frequently sends us photos of the seniors at lunch, the specific help provided, etc & these pictures are regularly posted on the bulletin boards at both entrances to the sanctuary where you can see evidence of your contributions advancing the work of the Lord! Please continue your prayers & support of this worthwhile mission.

Marj Green, 543-1419, humguy32@me.com

Music Ministry News

Calling all singers! We are always looking for people who enjoy singing and making music for the Lord. As 2017 unfolds, why not "expand your territory" and join us?

The rehearsal schedule is :

Wednesday evening 6:30 - 7:30 - Chancel Choir (Sing for Sunday worship at 11 a.m.)
7:30 - 8:15 - Easter Music rehearsal
We will sing at the 11:00 am Easter Sunday service on April 16.

Contact Sharon Maslin, Choral Director for further information: choruslady1@gmail.com or 321-631-9990.

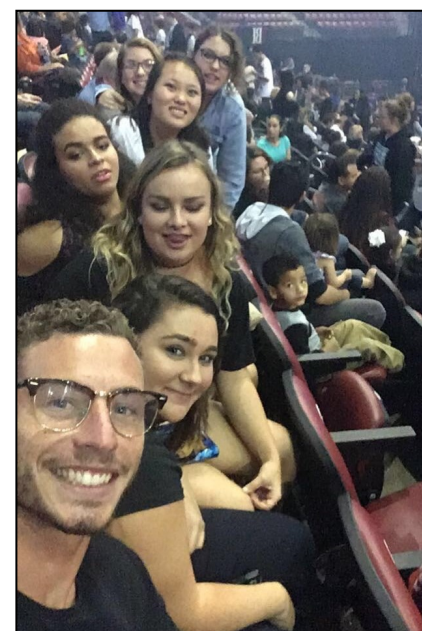
Sharon Maslin, Choir Director



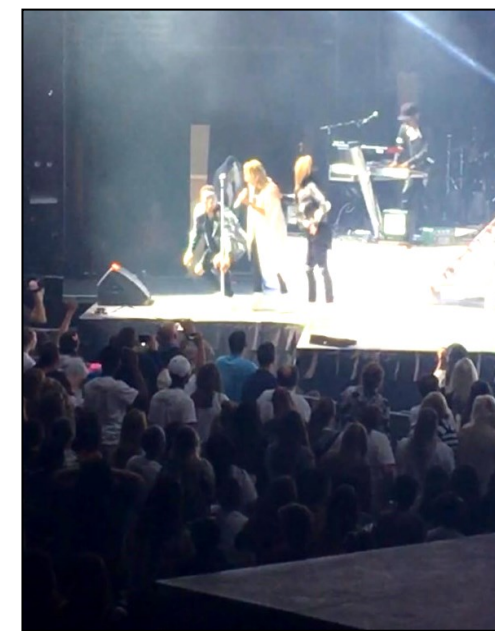
Dear SBUMC Family,

On Sunday, January 15, the youth went to Sunrise, FL to see the Winter Jam performance including Britt Nicole and her band. (See pictures below.) We had a great time at this Christian Concert.

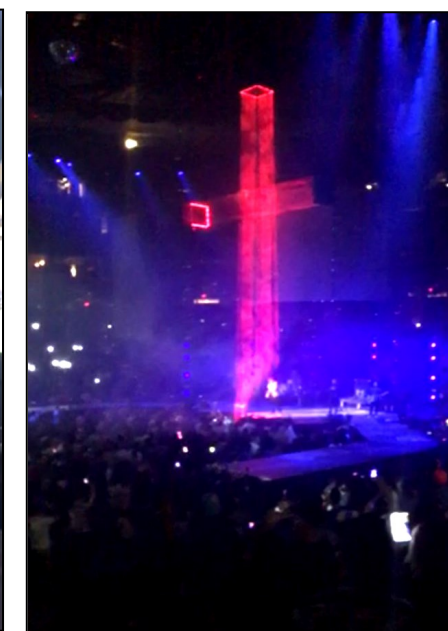
Joshua Dempsey, Youth Director



Josh and Youth Attendees



Britt Nicole and band



The cross over the stage is a hologram

The Florida United Methodist Foundation is now accepting applications from first-year, college-bound United Methodist students for the 2017 Sinclair Scholarships. Applicants must be full and active members of a Florida United Methodist church, have a record of church and community service, and have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher or academic performance that indicates ability to succeed in college. They must also be planning to attend a Florida or United Methodist college or university this fall. Scholarship awards range from \$2,000 to \$3,000 and are renewable for up to three additional years for students who remain in good standing. The deadline to apply is **March 20**.

A [scholarship application](#) and other required forms are available for download on the foundation's website. More information is available by contacting Nadara Brock at nbrock@fumf.org or 866-363-9673, ext. 7113, or visiting www.fumf.org.



Stephen Ministry Training Begins

On Sunday, February 12th a new class of Stephen Ministry will begin. Four people have signed up, but there is still time for you to decide to join. The leaders take turns teaching the class that combines sound theological principles with contemporary psychology. The skills that the Stephen Ministers learn and practice prepare them to provide a very high level of Christian caregiving. The training deals with serious life issues, but it is also a growth-producing and enjoyable experience. Many topics are explored.....among them are these three: "Feelings: Yours, Mine, and Ours", "The Art of Listening", "Distinctively Christian Caring- A Way of Life". If you think this is the right time for you to experience this life-changing experience, please call Dr. Joe (777-0116) or Betsy Hicks (777-8516) for more information.